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## EDITORIAL

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The panel discussion on Humanistic Mathematics in Louisville January 7, 1990 was a lively session where many of the 200 in the audience actively participated. The remarks by Philip Davis are included in this newsletter. The other speakers were Ubiratan D'Ambrosio, Jerry Martin, Deputy Director of NEH, and I moderated. The Network is sponsoring Sessions on Contributed Papers at the January 1991 meetings in San Francisco. See Focus (MAA) for details.

There was some discussion in Louisville about the Network becoming a Special Interest Group (SIG) of the MAA. There is also the possibility that the Network could be represented on some committees of the MAA. What do you think? Volunteers or nominations? The Newsletter needs additional associate editors to solicit and edit essays and book reviews, report on local and regional events, and perhaps represent the Network on MAA committees.

A conference — MATHEMATICS: A HUMANISTIC DISCIPLINE was organized by Mary Sapienza of Newton North High School and her colleagues April 26, 1990. The conference was held in cooperation with the Mathematics faculties of Emmanuel College and Simmons College, Boston with financial support from the Newton Schools Foundation.

A similar conference was convened several months ago by the CUNY Discussion Group, New York.

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