

1. Membership

Membership in the various categories at the end of 1979 is shown below. The figures in parenthesis represent the corresponding figures for 1978.

- Honorary members : 3(3)
- Ordinary members
 - Institution : 13(16)
 - Individual : 115(181)
- Junior members : 23(13)

2. Officials

The officials of the Society for 1979 were:

- President : Prof. Chew Kim Lin
- Vice-Presidents : Mr. Chan Kai Yau
 - : Prof. Lee Peng Yee
 - : Prof. Peng Tsu Ann
- Secretary : Dr. Chong Chi Tat
- Treasurer : Dr. Leonard Yap
- Editor : Dr. Leong Yu Kiang
- Librarian : Dr. Woo Kai Yuen
- Assistant Editors : Dr. Cheng Kai Nah
 - Mr. Chan Sing Chun
- Committee Members : Dr. Koh Khee Meng
 - Prof. K.K. Sen
 - Dr. Shee Sze Chin
 - Prof. M.J. Wicks

3. Activities of the Society during the financial year 1979

(a) **Lectures.** The following lectures were organized:

	Date	Title	Speaker
(i)	23.3.79	The evolution of complex numbers	Prof. J.N. Crossley University
(ii)	11.7.79	Twenty years of change in school and college	Prof. G.F.D. Duff University of Toronto

(b) **Publications.** Two issues of the Mathematical Medley were published.

(c) **Inter-school Mathematical Competition.** The Society held its 1979 Inter-school Mathematical Competition on March 16, 1979 at Catholic Junior College. A total of 99 students from 17 secondary schools and junior colleges took part. Drs. Cheng Kai Nah, Chong Chi Tat, Koh Khee Meng, Leong Yu Kiang and Prof. Peng Tsu Ann formed the Competition Sub-committee. The results were as follows:

Team Results

Position	School	Team members
1	Anglo-Chinese Junior College	Chan Shih Ping Loh Wei Hung Lui Tuck Yew
2	Hwa Chong Junior College	Chua Hock Chuan Quak Beng Wee Young Joo Chye
3	National Junior College	Chong Wing Teck Ho Shih Chuan Ng Yau Kong

Anglo-Chinese Junior College was awarded the Singapore Mathematical Society Challenge Shield for sending in the winning team. Each member of the above three teams received a book prize.

Individual Results

Position	Competition	School
1	Chan Shih Ping	Anglo-Chinese Junior College
2	Ling San Young Joo Chye	Anglo-Chinese Secondary School Hwa Chong Junior College
3	Chua Jui Piow Quak Beng Wee David Ling Leong Hui	Hwa Chong Junior College Hwa Chong Junior College Anglo-Chinese Secondary School

Chan Shih Ping received the Southeast Asian Mathematical Society Prize of US\$100. Ling San and Young Joo Chye each received S\$100. Chua Jui Piow, Quak Beng Wee and David Ling Leong Hui each received S\$75. Each of the above competitors also received a book prize.

Professor J. Dieudonné of France gave away the prizes during the Mathematical Symposium held on May 30, 1979 (see (d)).

(d) **Mathematical Symposium.** A one-day mathematical symposium was held on May 30, 1979. This programme was held in conjunction with Nanyang University and the University of Singapore, with some financial support from the Ministry of Education. The symposium formed part of the First Franco-Southeast Asian Mathematical Conference. The following lectures were given

during the morning session:

- Prof. J. Dieudonné : The Bourbaki Choice
- Prof. J.L. Lions : History of Numerical Analysis
- Prof. L. Schwartz : French Universities and Grandes Écoles.

A forum on mathematical education was held in the afternoon. The forum was chaired by Prof. K.K. Sen.

The proceedings of the Symposium will be published in the Mathematical Medley.

4. Grants

The Society received S\$2400 from Lee Foundation through the Lee Kong Chian Institute of Mathematics and Computer Science, and S\$1800 from the Ministry of Education.

5. Library The Library was hardly used by members.

6. Resignation

Dr. Woo Kai Yuen resigned from the post of Librarian on February 1, 1980.

7. Finance

See accompanying Financial Report. The Society wishes to record its thanks to Dr. Ta Huu Phuong for scrutinizing the accounts.

8. Acknowledgement

The Committee of the Society wishes to thank Lee Foundation, the Lee Kong Chian Institute of Mathematics and Computer Science and the Ministry of Education for financial support, and the Catholic Junior College for the support and assistance it received in connection with the organization of the 1979 Inter-school Mathematical Competition. The Committee also wishes to thank each and everyone who has helped the Society in various ways during the past year.

Chong Chi Tat
Hon. Secretary