In Memoriam: Greg Hjorth. Greg Hjorth died of a heart attack in his birth city of Melbourne, Australia, on January 13, 2011. He was forty-seven.

Hjorth was recognized as a young chess whiz in his primary school years. He quickly advanced to tournament chess, becoming joint Commonwealth Champion in 1983 and earning his International Master title in 1984. He played Garry Kasparov, among other accomplished chess rivals, but took his own later advice that, “if you’re not in the top 100 by 21, get out.” Hjorth’s passion for chess played over to mathematical logic, a field that saw him reach great heights with high academic honors and wide recognition.

After receiving his undergraduate degree in mathematics and philosophy at the University of Melbourne, Hjorth continued his studies at the University of California, Berkeley, where he received his Ph.D. in mathematics in 1993 under the supervision of Hugh Woodin. As a graduate student, Hjorth was recognized for his exceptional talent, and his thesis was awarded the first Sacks Prize in 1994 for his research in descriptive set theory and its surprising consequences concerning the relationship between projective sets and large cardinals. Hjorth pursued his postdoctoral studies at Caltech for two years, after which he joined the mathematics faculty at UCLA in 1995, where he was made full professor in 2001. Beginning in 2006, he spent two quarters of each year at the University of Melbourne as a prestigious Australian Research Council professorial fellow.

Over his sixteen years at UCLA, Hjorth was acknowledged as a world leader in mathematical logic and its applications to other fields of mathematics. He made a series of stunning and far reaching contributions, in particular to ergodic theory and orbit equivalence of group actions. These included the development of entirely new theories, including what is now called Hjorth’s theory of turbulence, which has had a major impact in contemporary work in set theory and its applications. Hjorth was known as a brilliant problem solver, having been able to achieve major breakthroughs in problems that were previously considered intractable, including his remarkable work on the famous topological Vaught Conjecture and most recently, his results on the incomparability of treeable equivalence relations.

His work consistently amazed his colleagues with its uncanny originality and technical wizardry, and has been recognized by many honors, including a Sloan Foundation Fellowship in 1997, an invited lecture at the International Congress of Mathematicians in 1998, the ASL Karp Prize in 2003 (joint with Alexander Kechris), and last year, an invitation to deliver the Alfred Tarski Lectures at Berkeley. Hjorth supervised eight Ph.D. students at UCLA, including 2008 Ph.D. Inessa Epstein, who also was awarded the prestigious Sacks prize.

Hjorth will be richly remembered by fellow colleagues as a brilliant mathematician in constant pursuit of solutions to intractable problems, and as a committed and caring teacher. He is survived by his parents Noela and Robert, and his sister Larissa.

ASL Membership Dues Increase. The ASL Secretary-Treasurer will recommend to the ASL Council that in the year 2012 the dues for individual membership in the Association be increased to US$88; in 2011 the dues are US$82, and they have been at this rate since 2008. (For emeritus, student, and unemployed members, the 2012 dues will be US$44 and in 2011 they are US$41, as they have been since 2008.) Dues for Outreach individual members will remain unchanged at $18. According to the ASL Constitution, if by August 1, 2011, at least 5 percent of the individual members petition the Secretary-Treasurer, the increase in dues would have to be approved in the 2011 ASL Election by a majority of those voting.
• Discounted Dues for New ASL Individual Members. The ASL now offers a 50% discount on dues for new individual members during each of the first two years of membership. For more information, visit http://www.aslonline.org/membership-individual.html.

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• Student Travel Awards: ASL or ASL-Sponsored Meetings. The ASL will make available modest travel awards to graduate students in logic so that they may attend ASL or ASL-sponsored meetings (other than the 2012 North American Annual Meeting and the 2012 European Summer Meeting; the announcement for travel award applications for these meetings will be made in the fall of 2011). To be considered for a Travel Award, please (1) send a letter of application, and (2) ask your thesis supervisor to send a brief recommendation letter. The application letter should be brief (preferably one page) and should include: (1) your name; (2) your home institution; (3) your thesis supervisor’s name; (4) a one-paragraph description of your studies and work in logic, and a paragraph indicating why it is important to attend the meeting; (5) your estimate of the travel expenses you will incur; (6) (for citizens or residents of the USA) citizenship or visa status; and (7) (voluntary) indication of your gender and minority status. Women and members of minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply. In addition to funds provided by the ASL, the program of travel grants is supported by a grant from the US National Science Foundation; NSF funds for meetings outside of North America may be awarded only to students at USA universities and to citizens and permanent residents of the USA. Air travel paid for using NSF funds must be on a US flag carrier. Application by email is encouraged; put “ASL travel application” in the subject line of your message.

For ASL student member travel grants to ASL or ASL-sponsored meetings (other than the 2012 North American Annual Meeting and the 2012 European Summer Meeting), applications and recommendations should be received at least three months prior to the meeting at the ASL Business Office: ASL, Box 742, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12604, USA; Fax: 1-845-437-7830; email: asl@vassar.edu. Decisions will be communicated at least two months prior to the meeting.


• 2011-12 ASL Winter Meeting (with APA). December 27–30, 2011, Washington, D.C. This meeting will be held jointly with the Annual Meeting of the Eastern Division of the American Philosophical Association. The Chair of the Program Committee is P. Kremer. Abstracts of contributed talks submitted by ASL members will be published in The Bulletin of Symbolic Logic if they satisfy the Rules for Abstracts (see below). Abstracts must be received by the deadline of September 12, 2011, at the ASL Business Office: ASL, Box 742, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12604, USA; Fax: 1-845-437-7830; email: asl@vassar.edu.

• 2011-12 ASL Winter Meeting (with Joint Mathematics Meetings). January 6–7, 2012, Boston, Massachusetts. This meeting will take place in conjunction with the Joint Mathematics Meetings. The members of the Program Committee are N. Dobrinen, P. Fejer, and P. Scowcroft (Chair). Abstracts of contributed talks submitted by ASL members will be published in The Bulletin of Symbolic Logic if they satisfy the Rules for
Abstracts (see below). Abstracts must be received by the deadline of September 9, 2010, at the ASL Business Office: ASL, Box 742, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12604, USA; Fax: 1-845-437-7830; email: asl@vassar.edu.

• **2012 ASL North American Annual Meeting.** March 31–April 3, 2012, Madison, Wisconsin. The members of the Program Committee are: J. Avigad, B. Hart (Chair) A. Miller, G. Nadathur, and J. Reimann. The Local Organizing Committee includes: U. Andrews, M. Cai, S. Lempp (Chair), A. Miller, and J. Miller.

• **2013 ASL North American Annual Meeting.** May 8–May 11, 2013, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. The Local Organizing Committee includes: S. Ben-David, B. Csima (Chair), D. DeVidi, R. Moosa, and R. Willard.

• **Rules for Abstracts.** The rules for abstracts of contributed talks at ASL meetings (including those submitted “by title”) may be found at [http://www.aslonline.org/rules_abstracts.html](http://www.aslonline.org/rules_abstracts.html). Please note that abstracts must follow the rules as set forth there; those which do not conform to the requirements will be returned immediately to the authors submitting them. Revised abstracts that follow the rules will be considered if they are received by the announced deadline.

**ASL SPONSORED MEETINGS**


• Eighteenth Workshop on Logic, Language, Information and Computation (WoLLIC’2011). May 18–21, 2011, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. This is the eighteenth in a series of workshops intended to foster interdisciplinary research in pure and applied logic. The Chair of the Program Committee is L. Beklemishev. The Co-chairs of the Organizing Committee are R. de Queiroz and A. Scedrov. For further information, visit [http://www.wollic.org/wollic2011/](http://www.wollic.org/wollic2011/).


• Twenty-sixth Annual IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS 2011). June 21–24, 2011, Fields Institute, Toronto, Canada. The LICS Symposium is an annual international forum on theoretical and practical topics in computer science that relate to logic in a broad sense. The Program Chair is M. Grohe, the General Chair is R. Alur, and the Conference Co-Chairs are B. Larose and M. Valeriote. For further information, visit [http://www2.informatik.hu-berlin.de/lics/lics11/](http://www2.informatik.hu-berlin.de/lics/lics11/).

• Computability in Europe 2011 (CiE 2011): Models of Computation in Context. June 27–July 2, 2011, Sofia, Bulgaria. This is the seventh in a series organized within the network “Computability in Europe”
(CiE). Tutorials will be given by J. Lutz and G. Pullum. The invited speakers are: S. Aaronson, C. Baier, M. van Lambalgen, A. Montalban, A. Shlapentokh, T. Slaman, J. Thornton, and A. Urquhart. Special sessions include: classical computability theory; computability in analysis, algebra, and geometry; computational linguistics; natural computing; relations between the physical world and formal models of computability; and, theory of transfinite computations. The Program Committee Co-Chairs are D. Normann and I. Soskov; the Chair of the Local Organizing Committee is A. Soskova. For more information, visit http://cie2011.fmi.uni-sofia.bg.

• Eighth Panhellenic Logic Symposium (PLS 8). July 4–8, 2011, Ioannina, Greece. The Panhellenic Logic Symposium, a biennial scientific event established in 1997, is open to researchers worldwide who work in logic broadly conceived. PLS 8 will be hosted by the Computer Science Department of the University of Ioannina, Greece. The program includes invited tutorials by J. Avigad, D. Miller, and S. Thomas, as well as invited hour talks and contributed twenty-five minute talks on completed work which has not already appeared in a book or journal. There will also be opportunities for graduate students to present and receive feedback on work in progress. The Scientific Committee includes: A. Berkman, C. Dimitracopoulos, K. Hatzikiriakou, A. Kakas, P. Karazeris, P. Kolaitis, G. Koletos, J. Moschovakis (Chair), C. Nomikos, I. Neeman, T. Pheidas, A. Soskova, C. Tsinakis, and S. Zachos. The Organizing Committee includes: M. Gergatsoulis, S. Kontogiannis, C. Koutras, C. Nomikos (Chair), and P. Rondogiannis. Graduate students may submit short abstracts on work in progress by May 29, 2011. Registration is free for students. For more information, visit http://www.cs.uoi.gr/~pls8/.

• Infinity Conference. July 18–22, 2011, Centre de Recerca Matemàtica, Bellaterra, Spain. This event will focus on interdisciplinary work in mathematical logic, with connections to theoretical computer science and the philosophy/history of set theory. It will serve as the culmination of the Infinity Project, an interdisciplinary project in logic hosted at the CRM and funded by the John Templeton Foundation during 2009-2011. Invited speakers include: T. Arrigoni, J. Bagaria, J. Baldwin, A. Beckmann, S. Buss, Y. Chen, J. Flum, R. Grossberg, T. Hyttinen, J. Knight, M. Koerwien, J. Krajíček, L. Kristiansen, C. L. McClarty, R. Miller, A. Montalban, M. Müller, M. Rathjen, A. Villaveces, and A. Weiermann. The members of the Scientific Committee are: J. Baldwin, M.L. Bonet, S.-D. Friedman (Chair), J.C. Martinez, and M. Rathjen. For more information, visit http://www.crm.cat/ and follow the links “Conferences and Workshops” and “Infinity Conference”.

• Twenty-third European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information (ESSLLI-2011). August 1–12, 2011, Ljubljana, Slovenia. The European Summer Schools in Logic, Language and Information focus on the interface between linguistics, logic and computation. Foundational, introductory and advanced courses, together with workshops, cover a wide variety of topics within the three areas of interest: Language and Computation, Language and Logic, and Logic and Computation. The Chair of the Program Committee is M. Kanazawa and the Organizing Committee Chair is D. Fiser. ESSLLI-2011 is organized under the auspices of the European Association for Logic, Language and Information (FoLLI). For more information about ESSLLI-2011 visit http://esslli2011.ijs.si/; for further information about FoLLI, visit http://www.folli.org.


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• **History and Philosophy of Computing.** *November 7–10, 2011, Het Pand, Belgium.* Topics on which this event will focus include: the birth, evolution and future of computation; philosophical, foundational and practical issues of computability in logic, mathematics and computer science; and, computation in the sciences. The invited speakers include: W. Aspray, M. Davis, F. Kamareddine, S. Krämer, G. Sambin, R. Turner, and S. Wolfram. The Conference Chairs are L. De Mol and G. Primiero. The deadline for submission of papers is May 15, 2011. For further information, visit [http://www.computing-conference.ugent.be/](http://www.computing-conference.ugent.be/).

• **Twelfth Asian Logic Conference.** *December 15–20, 2011, Wellington, New Zealand.* This meeting will be held jointly with a meeting of the Australasian Association for Logic (AAL). The tutorial speakers are M. Grohe and Z. Sela. The invited plenary speakers include: M. Detlefsen (joint with AAL), I. Goldbring, N. Greenberg, W. Guohua, H. Ono (joint with AAL), G. Sargsyan, and A. Tsuboi. Special sessions will be offered on the following topics (with organizers in parentheses): algorithmic randomness (A. Nies), logical aspects of algebraic structures (R. Downey and A. Montalban), logical aspects of graphs and matroids (D. Marx and G. Whittle), modal logic (R. Goldblatt and E. Mares), and set theory (Q. Feng and H. Woodin). There will be an additional workshop for students on December 14th featuring the conference tutorial speakers. The Program Committee includes: T. Arai, R. Downey, Q. Feng, S.S. Goncharov, B. Kim, G. Restall, and Y. Yue. The Local Organizing Committee members are: C. Bailey, R. Downey, N. Greenberg, and G. Whataraw. For further information, visit [http://msor.victoria.ac.nz/Events/ALC2011/WebHome](http://msor.victoria.ac.nz/Events/ALC2011/WebHome).

**CALENDAR OF OTHER MEETINGS (Also see [http://www.aslonline.org](http://www.aslonline.org).)**

• **BLAST 2011.** *June 1–5, 2011, Lawrence, Kansas.* This is the fourth in a series of conferences focusing on Boolean algebras, lattices, algebraic logic, quantum logic, universal algebra, set theory, set-theoretic topology, and point-free topology. Invited speakers include: T. Dube, T. Eisworth, M. Grzech, C. Herrmann, P. Hofstra, A. Jones, M. Kurilic, K. Martin, J. Martinez, M. Scheepers, and S. Todorcevic. The Organizing Committee is chaired by J. Roitman. For further information, visit [http://www.math.ku.edu/conferences/blast2011/](http://www.math.ku.edu/conferences/blast2011/).


• **Logical Aspects of Computational Linguistics (LACL 2011).** *June 29–July 1, 2011, Montpellier, France.* This is the sixth in a series of international conferences on logical and formal methods in computational linguistics. The Chair of the Scientific Committee is S. Pogodalla and the Co-Chair is J.-P. Prost. For more information, visit [http://lacl.gforge.inria.fr](http://lacl.gforge.inria.fr).


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• Fourteenth Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science. July 19–26, 2011, Nancy, France. Held every four years since 1960, this is the main conference organized by the Division of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science (DLMPS) of the International Union of History and Philosophy of Science (IUHPS). The program is divided into sections under the headings of Logic, General Philosophy of Science, Philosophical Issues of Particular Sciences, and Science and Society. The Chair of the Executive Committee is W. Hodges, the General Program Committee Chair is P. Schroeder-Heister, and the Chair of the Local Organizing Committee is G. Heinzmann. For more information, visit http://www.clnmps2011.org/en/editorial.html.

• Twenty-third International Conference on Automated Deduction (CADE-23). July 31–August 5, 2011, Wroclaw, Poland. This is the major forum for the presentation of research in all aspects of automated deduction. The invited speakers are: K. Claessen, B. Cook, X. Leroy, and A. Ranta. The Conference Chair is H. de Nivelle and the Co-chairs of the Program Committee are N. Bjørner and V. Sofronie-Stokkermans. The local organizers are H. de Nivelle and K. Wodzynska. For more information, visit http://cade23.ii.uni.wroc.pl/.

• Set Theory and Higher-Order Logic: Foundational Issues and Mathematical Developments. August 1–6, 2011, London, England. This interdisciplinary summer school, consists of four days of mini-courses followed by a two-day conference. Its goal is to provide a forum in which set theorists and philosophers of mathematics—as well as students of these disciplines—can interact and discuss recent results and debates at the intersection of set-theory and higher-order logic. The mini-course speakers include: J. Bagaria, F. Ferreira, L. Incurvati, J. Hamkins, L. Horsten, H. Leitgeb, J. Väänänen, P. Welch, and A. Visser. The invited conference speakers include: D.A. Martin and G. Uzquiano. The Organizers are: M. Detlefsen, H. Leitgeb, and O. Linnebo. For further information, visit http://www.bbk.ac.uk/philosophy/our-research/ppp/summer-school.


• Twentieth Annual Conference of the European Association for Computer Science Logic (CSL 2011). September 12–15, 2011, Bergen, Norway. The invited speakers include: T. Ehrhard, M. Otto, M. Vardi, and F. Wolter. The 2011 Ackermann Award, the EACSL annual award for the outstanding dissertation for logic in computer science, will be presented at the meeting. The Chair of the Program Committee is M. Bezem. The members of the Organizing Committee are: I. Adler, M. Bezem, M. Haveraaen, M. Walicki, and U. Wolter. For further information, visit http://www.eacsl.org/csll11.

The next Newsletter will be sent in September 2011. Items to be included should reach the Secretary-Treasurer before August 31, 2011.

Submitted by Charles Steinhorn, Secretary-Treasurer.