



## CELEBRATING WOMEN IN MATHEMATICS

### FAN RONG K CHUNG GRAHAM

1949- , Taiwan - Chung entered the National Taiwan University to read for a B.S. in mathematics. It was during her years as an undergraduate there that she was first attracted to combinatorics, the area in which she was soon to begin research.

In 1974 Chung graduated with a PhD from the University of Pennsylvania and was appointed a member of the Technical Staff in the Mathematical Foundations of Computing Department at Bell Laboratories in Murray Hill, New Jersey. There, she began working under Henry Pollak who would be her superior at Bell Laboratories for many years.



It is worth noting the tremendous contribution Chung has made, and continues to make, as a member of the editorial board of various journals. Since the mid 1990s she has served on, and in most cases continues to serve on, the boards of 17 journals. She has also served on the Council of the American Mathematical Society (1989-91) and on several of its committees. Similarly, she has served on the Council of the Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics (1990-92) and on several of its

committees.

Chung was honoured with the Allendoerfer Award by the Mathematical Association of America in 1990 and by membership of the American Academy of Arts and Science in 1998.

She is now a part of the faculty of the University of California at San Diego. One of Chung's contributions is her work with Richard Smalley on 'Buckyballs'.

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