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Mina Rees and Her Influence on Mathematical Research

Abstract

Mina Spiegel Rees (1902-1997) had a profound effect on mathematics and mathematical research during the middle years of the twentieth century, which is still felt today. Her tenure at the head of the Mathematical Sciences Division of the Office of Naval Research during its inception after World War II shaped much of academic research in mathematics and computers. Her leadership in establishing the Graduate School and University Center of the City University of New York during the 1960s influenced graduate education in the United States.

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(Refreshment at 2:30 to 3:00 P.M. in Room 368,
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About the speaker

Dr. Amy E. Shell is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Mathematical Sciences at the United States Military Academy, West Point, New York. She received her B.S.Ed. from the University of Michigan in 1989, her M.A. from Oakland University in 1995, and her D.A. from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2000. Her dissertation was a historical piece on mathematician Mina Rees, and her current research conducted with V. Fred Rickey focuses on the history of the Department of Mathematical Sciences at USMA.