

Dear Math Educators and Puzzle Fans, It is time to go to Banff:

The nineteenth annual BIRS Math Fair Conference 2023:

The Ted Lewis Workshop on SNAP Math Fairs 2023 at the beautiful conference center above the town of Banff in Alberta. The

dates are April 28, 29, 30 of 2023. We start on Friday evening with a puzzle social in the TransCanada Pipelines Pavilion foyer. The conference continues all day Saturday and we will finish on Sunday at lunchtime.

We will become inspired about math fairs in our schools and how they benefit the students as they celebrate mathematics education in all levels. How to make a SNAP math fair happen in your school is the objective of this puzzle-filled 2-day workshop in the mountains. Presentations and talks get occasionally interrupted by the deer outside the windows and the delicious meals we share in this world class facility!

BIRS (Banff International Research Station) provides the accommodations for 25 participants as well as the meeting facility. The SNAP Mathematics Foundation hosts lunch and dinner on Saturday. We will see and hear presentations from experienced math fair directors. We do not give out Oscars at the end but everyone goes home refreshed and inspired from the experience.

The details of the program are being ironed out as we speak but we need to get the registration process on the way. Please contact me as soon as possible if and when you know that you are able to come. The official registration and the room booking information will take place on-line through the BIRS website as soon as I hear back from you.

We have been restricted by BIRS to limit the number of conference participants to 25. As a result, we strongly encourage individuals who can commit to only part of the conference to postpone their attendance to a future year.

To learn more about math fairs look up the SNAP-website www.mathfair.com.

I hope to hear from you soon!! On behalf of the SNAP Mathematics Foundation,

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