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(Should, by any chance, you have received this e-mail multiple times, I sincerely apologize.)

Dear Colleagues across the globe, wherever you are, greetings:

Once again, it is with great pleasure and pride that I inform you of the availability of Volume 10, Issue 2 (December 2015) of *Applications and Applied Mathematics: An International Journal* (AAM). This volume, with attached Table of Contents, includes 33 papers and 479 pages, making an annual total 70 papers and 1112 pages of peer reviewed quality papers in mathematics, statistics, operations research, engineering, economics and sciences. It may be viewed at <http://www.pvamu.edu/aam>. The next issue will appear in June of 2016.

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On this 10th anniversary of the AAM, I want to thank all the contributors, reviewers, Editorial Board members, the Journal's Assistant and Associate Editors and my departmental colleagues and staff, especially Dr. James Valles, Mr. Charles Odion and Mrs. Devra Wooten for their various assistances to ensure the success of the journal.

I am humbled by the efforts and sacrifices of valuable time off the busy schedules of faculty, department chairs, deans, vice presidents and presidents of other institutions and mathematical associations, editors-in-chief of other journals to submit/review manuscripts for publication in AAM. Their dedication and service are greatly appreciated.

My gratitude goes to PVAMU's President, Dr. George C. Wright, and the IT department for providing us the opportunity to publish the journal online.

With this volume, AAM has completed its 10th year of existence. It coincides with the passing of my 91 year-old professor and doctoral dissertation advisor, Professor Lajos Takács. At just the time he was to be honored in this issue of AAM. Thus, while we pause a moment to remember him, I will also seize the opportunity to posthumously congratulate Takács, a great pioneer in the field of queueing theory, author of three books (in English) and 225 original world renowned papers, and the winner of the [John von Neumann Theory Prize](#). I was privileged to be a guest speaker, along with Professor S.G. Mohanty, to honor Professor Lajos Takács at the 8th International Conference on Lattice Path Combinatorics and Applications at California Polytechnic State University in Pomona, in August 18, 2015, just about his birthday. That presentation has been included in the publication of this issue.

Should you have questions or comments about AAM, please contact the Editor-in-Chief at amhaghighi@pvamu.edu. If you are receiving this e-mail repeatedly or in error please accept my sincere apologies.

With warmest regards,

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