This conference will celebrate the 65th birthday of Donald S. Passman. It is concerned with those areas of algebra related to his work, namely groups, group rings, graded rings, enveloping algebras, group actions on rings, Hopf algebras and quantum groups, and algebras arising in noncommutative algebraic geometry. Researchers and graduate students are invited to attend. All talks will be held in Van Vleck Hall, Department of Mathematics, University of Wisconsin-Madison. We hope to publish a conference proceedings. There will be sessions for contributed papers, along with invited talks given by the following people.

- Yuri Bahturin, Memorial University of Newfoundland
- Edward Formanek, Pennsylvania State University
- Martin Isaacs, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Martin Lorenz, Temple University
- Susan Montgomery, University of Southern California
- Lance Small, University of California at San Diego
- Toby Stafford, University of Michigan
- Alexander Zalesski˘ı, University of East Anglia
- Efim Zelmanov, University of California at San Diego

Web Site: Our web site, condor.depaul.edu/~wchin/dsp.htm, has up-to-date information on the program, places to stay, maps, transportation, and ways to contact members of the organizing committee.

Contributed Papers: We are planning sessions for 20 minute talks during Friday, Saturday and possibly Sunday afternoons. Please send your title and a brief abstract to Jim Osterburg, preferably by email to james.osterburg@uc.edu, or by ordinary mail to J. Osterburg, Mathematics Department, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio 45221-0025 before May 1, 2005.

Banquet: There will be a banquet on Saturday night to celebrate Don’s birthday. We hope you (& yours) will attend. The cost will be about $30 per person. There will also be a dessert party at Passman’s house on Friday night.

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