

Dr. Kenneth J. Preskenis graduated from Boston College High School in 1957 and earned his Bachelor's degree from Boston College in 1961. Ken continued his study of mathematics under the direction of Dr. Andrew Browder at Brown University where he earned his M.S. in 1967 and his Ph.D. in 1971. Due to his love of learning and his desire to share mathematics with others, Ken chose to teach at the college level. After teaching at Newton College of the Sacred Heart and Boston College, Ken joined the Faculty at Framingham State College in 1977 where he continued his research in Analysis and published a significant extension of the Weierstrass Approximation Theorem in 1984. Ken believed in serving others and the community: he founded the Mathematics Olympics Program at five South Boston parochial schools during his 1992 sabbatical and served as a South Boston Little League coach for 43 years. He enjoyed using baseball as a teaching tool to demonstrate the beauty and the power of mathematics. Ken was a mentor to students as well as to junior faculty, always eager to encourage others and to share his love of learning. He was always willing to serve the Department, the College, and the community.

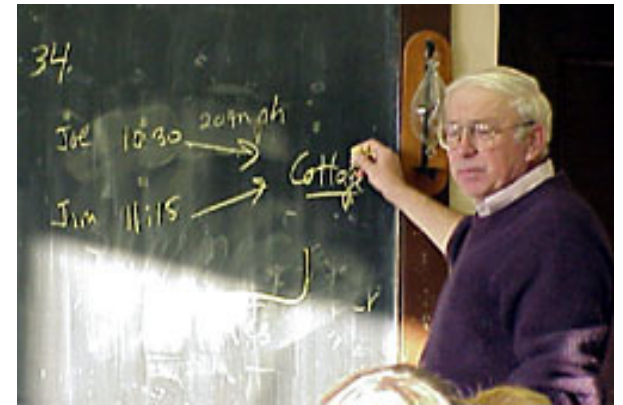


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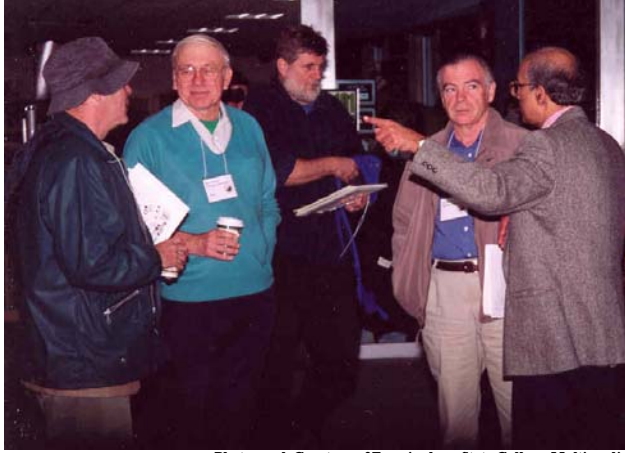
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**Established to honor the
memory of
Dr. Kenneth J. Preskenis,
member of the Framingham
State College community for
over twenty-five years and
son of South Boston**

Ken loved South Boston where he was a life-long resident. The scholarship established in his name will assist a new entering full-time student, freshman or transfer, from South Boston to attend Framingham State College.



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Because Ken had a passion for learning and high expectations for himself and for his students, applicants for the scholarship will be required to provide evidence of academic excellence, participation in extra-curricular activities, and/or service to the school or local community.

To recognize Ken's belief in education without bounds, all those who desire to learn and to continue their education at the college level are encouraged to apply regardless of their choice of major.

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"His passion for mathematics was always apparent, but it could never compare to his enthusiasm for teaching it. His dedication to students in the classroom and in life was unflagging."

- Aaron Gong
Framingham State College
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"Ken's purpose was to arouse the interest of children in math by making it enjoyable. I recall the assemblies of students from all over South Boston as Ken announced the results of the Math competition. It was a happy time and there was no doubt on that day that Ken had stimulated a lively interest among the children."

- William Bulger, President
University of Massachusetts

"Ken unselfishly spent a lifetime teaching, coaching and helping young people. Every time I drive by the baseball field in South Boston and see a young boy or girl being helped by a coach, I'll think of Ken Preskenis."

- Raymond Flynn
Former Mayor of Boston

Dr. Kenneth Preskenis was a respected and much loved professor who published many works in mathematics journals and was active in the mathematics community. During his long career, Ken brought his love for mathematics to hundreds of schoolchildren and thousands of college students.

- Dr. Helen Heineman
President Emerita
Framingham State College

"Ken Preskenis taught college students and grade school students; taught mathematics and baseball, and friendship and dignity. His cheerfulness and courage never failed him."

- Dr. Andrew Browder
Professor Emeritus
Brown University

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