

EDITOR'S CORNER

Greetings from the Fungs:

1996 has been a romantic and wedding bell year!!

Francis Y.C. Fung and Maria G. Gargova were united in marriage on October 19, 1996. The wedding was held in Manhattan, KS and the banquet was at home. Family, relatives and friends included: Catherine's mother, Daniel's 3 sisters and husbands, 2 nephews and 1 wife, Maria's mother, sister, grandmother, and an uncle, and a large number of friends from all over USA and the globe. It was a most wonderful, happy and festive day.

Catherine decided to stop after 8 years on TV (in June); mentored someone, it's a growth process; TCI folded the entire unit (in Dec.).

Me and My World Map will be ready Christmas '97. Many of you will be in the book and receive a free copy. Part of book will be a piano video instead of CD, more fun!! Who else would like one? Mail a note.

Francis just turned responsible 23 with a wife to share his life. Should be done with a Ph.D. in Math at Princeton University in June, 1997. Will locate a position near to Cornell University where Maria is completing her Ph.D. in Math also. They went to Math meetings in Seattle and took the Amtrak across the USA back to New York State.

Francis and Maria spent the Christmas holiday at home to the delight of the parents. Helped Daniel with his new computer and did a variety of house projects as well as cooked up some great meals.

Daniel had a super busy year. Defended his 61st graduate student as major professor.

Completed 7 years of work at ASM in the annual program committee and received a beautiful plaque from ASM. Busy working as Executive Committee Member at IFT. Appointed as a contributing editor of the ambitious 50 volume *Encyclopedia of Life Support Systems*.

Catherine and Daniel went to the Bahamas for the Encyclopedia meeting. The place is like paradise with absolutely beautiful fish, water, islands, food, blue skies, and music. Even went on a coral reef tour in a submarine. Other memorable trips included workshops and lectures in Sweden, Mexico, Brazil, Hungary, Germany and Zimbabwe. Had a great time in Victoria Falls and went on safari. Saw lots of elephants, giraffe, impala, deer, and baboons running in the wild. Exciting! Active in Church and Lions Club.

The 17th Rapid Methods and Automation in Microbiology Workshop is from July 11 to 18, 1997.

We wish you a very happy 1997!!

DANIEL Y.C. FUNG