

**Meeting:** 1003, Atlanta, Georgia, MAA CP U1, MAA Session on Mathematical Experiences for Students Outside the Classroom

1003-U1-440            **Gary Gordon** and **Elizabeth McMahon\*** (mcmahone@lafayette.edu), Math Dept, Lafayette College, Easton, PA 18042. *Math Bowl: Running a mathematics trivia contest.*

Using a format similar to the College Bowl competition, we have four teams, each with four students, compete in a math trivia contest. Questions include general computations, knowledge and history of mathematics and local department trivia. The winning team earns a Math Bowl Champion tee shirt and undying fame. We run the entire tournament over the lunch hour, attracting students with the usual bait: pizzas and cookies. Math Bowl is one of the highlights of the year for everyone. We will describe the set-up in detail and give lots of sample questions (but not answers). (Received September 14, 2004)