Solutions Contest # 2



- 7. The number of possible arrangements is the number of permutations,  $_{20}P_6$ . The event can occur in one way for each combination,  $_{20}C_6$ . So the probability is  $\frac{_{20}C_6}{_{20}P_6} = \frac{1}{720}$
- 8. Let AH = AE = x, then GH = 2x. In right triangle AHG,  $x^2 + (2x)^2 = 5^2$ , so  $x^2 = 5$ , the area is  $4x^2 = 20$ .
- 9. Let  $a = \sqrt{\frac{2}{x} + 2}$  and substitute to get  $a + a^2 = 6$ . Solving, a = 2 or -3. But a can't be negative, so a = 2.

Now 
$$\frac{2}{x} + 2 = 4$$
, so  $x = 1$ 

- 10. The region is a square with vertices (3,-1), (-3,-1), (0,-4), and (0,2), so the area is 18.
- 11. The hour hand is halfway between the 4 and 5, so makes a 15° angle with 5 O'clock and the minute hand is on the six, so it is 30° from 5 to 6, making a total of 45°.
- 12. Andy (2) is true, so Andy (1) is false, so Bob, Dave are innocent. Bob (2) must be false, so Bob(1) is true, hence Andy and Bob are innocent; so Carl is guilty. To check, note that then Carl (1) is false, Carl (2) is true; and Dave (1) is false and Dave (2) is true.