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No talks this week

As classes wind down for the semester, so do the colloquia and research seminar series. Make sure to reserve some time on Monday and Friday afternoons next semester to engage with the MSCS department at these weekly events (if only for the cookies)!

Pi Mu Epsilon applications

Are you interested in joining a mathematics honor society? St. Olaf is home to the Minnesota Kappa chapter of Pi Mu Epsilon (PME), which is a national honor society dedicated to recognizing and promoting scholarly activity in mathematics. To join PME, you must meet the following requirements:

- Be a declared mathematics major
- Complete at least one transition course by induction (i.e. Math 242, 244, or 252)
- Maintain a 3.5 GPA in mathematics and a 3.0 GPA overall
- Pay a one-time national dues fee of \$30

If you have any questions or would like to join Pi Mu Epsilon, please contact the president, Miranda Tilton (tiltonm@stolaf.edu).

Relaxation Station returns!

The famed MSCS Relaxation Station will occupy its traditional spot in the 3rd floor lounge of RMS from reading day (Wednesday,

December 14th) until the end of finals on the 20th except on Sunday the 18th. Stop by for popcorn, cookies, and other treats to tide you through finals week and to jump-start the holiday binge. Many thanks to the MSCS faculty who enable the Relaxation Station each semester!

Celebrating student success

Congratulations to senior CS major Sam Viguerie, recently named the national winner of the 2016 MTNA Young Artist Competition! An accomplished cellist, Viguerie has also participated in projects at the interface of music and computer science, including the creation of a multi-sensory digital tool portraying the musical geography of Paris in the 1920s. Commenting on his dual interests in music and computer science, Viguerie attests that “an education spanning subjects beyond music has been an integral part of my development as a cellist and a musician.”

To read the full article about Viguerie published on the St. Olaf website, visit <http://wp.stolaf.edu/blog/choosing-a-college-that-offers-more-than-a-music-conservatory/>

That’s all for this semester. . .

Good luck during finals, and enjoy some well-deserved relaxation during the break!

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