The MSCS Mess Needs YOU!

Have you found yourself wishing for some way to contribute to your favorite MSCS newsletter? Well now you can! Unfortunately our Editor-in-Chief, Zach Greimann, will be graduating this May, which means that we need somebody to take the wheel, and that somebody could be you.

Editing the Mess is a rewarding way to connect with and contribute to the MSCS community here at St. Olaf. It requires some skill with writing as well as some familiarity—and some patience—with LaTeX. If you think you’re up to the task, please contact Zach Greimann (greimann@stolaf.edu) for more information.

Attention Senior MSCS Majors

Graduation is right around the corner, so finish strong! But before you go, the MSCS department would like to honor your accomplishments with a showcase. In order to do so, we need some help from you. Please send Zach Greimann (greimann@stolaf.edu) a digital photo of yourself along with any other information you would like to share, such as:

- Your name
- Your major(s)
- Your plans for after graduation (this can include grad school, jobs, traveling, goals, etc.)

Thanks!

and for Your Reading Pleasure...

a Math Joke

An experimental physicist and a mathematician were locked in separate rooms for a week with only one can of soup and were told that if they wanted to eat they had to find a way to open the can.

After the week was done, the rooms were opened. The experimental physicist’s room had multiple dents in the walls, with a few soup stains, showing that she had thrown her can against the wall until she figured out the exact angle needed to open the can. She then threw the can at the wall at that angle, opened the can, and ate the soup.

The mathematician was found lying emaciated on the floor in his room. The walls were covered with equations but the soup can sat untouched in the middle of the floor. When they revived him, the mathematician cracked a feeble smile and proclaimed:

"It is possible to open the can!"

and some Riddles

You answer me, though I never ask you questions.
What am I?
What grows up while growing down?
What has no beginning, no end, and no middle?
What belongs to you, but is used more by others?

(find the answers in the next and final Mess!)
(last week’s answers: pity; a deck of cards; a shoe)

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