

# CSE Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

## CSE Staff member, Dave Wargo, runs 50 miles for all UCSD staff



CSE Staff, Dave Wargo runs 50 miles for staff. The UC San Diego Staff Association is the group that puts together scholarships, education opportunities, pancake breakfast and UCSD Staff Picnics and more directed towards staff. There are over 19,000 staff members on UCSD Campus. Dave Wargo is currently the Chair of the UC San Diego Staff Association and has been a staff member of UCSD for 32 years. This Saturday, January 14th, Dave will be participating in the grueling Avalon Benefit 50 Mile Run on Catalina Island; and donating all pledge proceeds to the Staff Association Scholarship Fund. By doing this, he hopes to increase the amount of money available for scholarships and raise awareness of what the UCSD Staff Association does for its members. If you wish to pledge money towards this 50 Mile Benefit Run, please make checks payable to UCSD Staff Association and contact Dave Wargo at [dwargo@ucsd.edu](mailto:dwargo@ucsd.edu). Great job Dave and good luck this weekend!

## NYTimes features two CSE Faculty



On December 5, 2011, an essay by CSE Professor (CNS Director) Stefan Savage on security threats was published in the NYTimes.

Check out his essay by going on this link. [http://www.nytimes.com/2011/12/06/science/stefan-savage-girding-for-digital-threats-we-havent-imagined-yet.html?\\_r=2&ref=science](http://www.nytimes.com/2011/12/06/science/stefan-savage-girding-for-digital-threats-we-havent-imagined-yet.html?_r=2&ref=science)

CSE Professor, Ron Graham's new book "Magical Mathematics: The Mathematical Ideas That Animate Great



Magic Tricks" was featured in an article on December 5, 2011 in the NYTimes. Ron co-authored this book with Persi Diaconis. In their book they put together the math behind magic tricks. Check out the article. <http://wordplay.blogs.nytimes.com/tag/ron-graham/>

## CSE Departmental Holiday Party 2011

On December 2, 2011, CSE had another successful fun-filled holiday party. The party was held at the Institute of Americas and was decorated from floor to ceiling to get the department to relax, take a break, and enjoy the holiday festivities. Each year Faculty, Staff, and Grad students get to show off their creative and sense of humor with the annual "battle of the skits". It was another hit filled with tons of laughter and fun! The skits provide an opportunity for all to take a break and not take themselves too seriously when often our department is so driven to excel. This Fall Quarter has been quite busy but from the hard work and kindness of a few, the holiday party was a hit. Please give a big thanks to Professor Geoff Voelker for overseeing and making sure the department celebrates the season every year. Also a big thanks to the below individuals pictured, who put together not only another fun-filled party but also a well decorated, colorful, and festive event! Also, if you haven't seen them yet, you can check out the holiday party photos by going to this link.



<http://www.sysnet.ucsd.edu/~voelker/photos/ucsd/holiday11/>



Chair, Rajesh Gupta will be traveling on 1.18 - 1.19 for a CISE distinguished lecture talk at NSF.



**CSE Departmental Holiday Party 201**