## University of North Texas Mathematics Undergraduate Colloquium

Tuesday, Oct 15, 2013 4:00 - 5:00 PM

## General Academic Building, Room 105

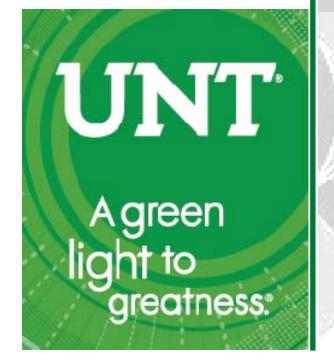
A pre-lecture reception with cookies, coffee and tea will be held at 3:30 PM in the General Academic Building, Room 472.

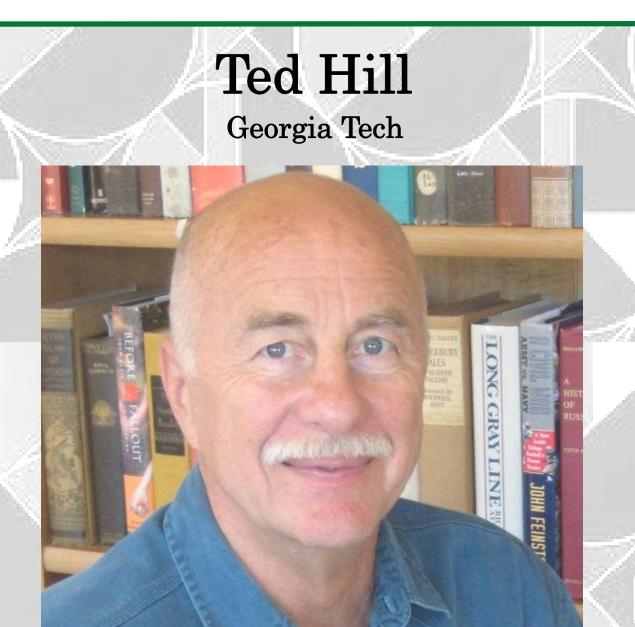
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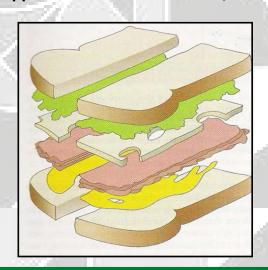
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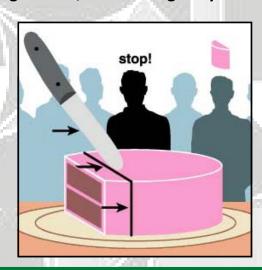




## Fair Division Problems

Since the dawn of history, people have battled over fair allocation of resources – from dividing pizza pies and layer cakes, to inheritances and disputed territories. In the past 80 years, a number of mathematical devices have been discovered that offer elegant, practical, and often surprisingly simple resolutions to many problems in fair-division. This lecture will discuss some of these, from Steinhaus's Ham Sandwich Theorem and the Dubins-Spanier cake-cutting algorithm, to recent discoveries and applications for disarmament, choosing leaders, and running eBay auctions.





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More information about this dynamic individual can be found at http://people.math.gatech.edu/~hill/About2013.php