

# CHELLURI LECTURE

*A special Oliver Club offered in memory of Raju Chelluri*

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## ***The Search for Randomness***

*I will look at some of our most primitive examples of random phenomena: tossing a coin, rolling a roulette ball, and shuffling cards. In all cases, physics, math, and experiments show that, while randomness is possible, usually we are lazy and things are not so random after all. Connections to statistical modeling and the link between mathematics and the real world are drawn.*



Following the lecture, a reception will be held in 532 Malott Hall.

**Tuesday, April 5, 2011 at 4:25 PM in 228 Malott Hall**

The Chelluri Lecture series is offered in memory of Thyagaraju (Raju) Chelluri, a brilliant student, gifted scholar, and wonderful human being who graduated magna cum laude in mathematics from Cornell in 1999 and was awarded a Ph.D. posthumously from Rutgers University in 2004.