WELCOME MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR:

Sometimes I let some time pass before I write my Sum Times welcome sentences. “I’ll get around to it sometime.” There is bound to be some time that will open up in my schedule to compose some Sum Times lines. Sometimes my Sum Times lines are the sum of other people’s lines from some other places and times. So here are some Sum Times “sometimes” lines, some timely, others not so much.

“You’ve got to go out on a limb sometimes because that’s where the fruit is.” (Will Rogers). Maybe in course selection?

“Sometimes one creates a dynamic impression by saying something, and sometimes one creates as significant an impression by remaining silent.” (The Dalai Lama). Ever been in a class with someone who needs to learn that second part?

“There is no rule on how to write. Sometimes it comes easily and perfectly; sometimes it’s like drilling rock and then blasting it out with charges.” (Ernest Hemingway). This sounds like working on math.

“He does not seem to me to be a free man who does not sometimes do nothing.” (Marcus Tullius Cicero). Free women, too. Take time to do nothing – but timing is everything.

“Artistic temperament sometimes seems a battleground, a dark angel of destruction and a bright angel of creativity wrestling.” (Madeleine L’Engle). Again with working on the math problems. . . .

“Desperation is sometimes as powerful an inspirer as genius.” (Benjamin Disraeli). Ah, last-minute homework.

“Sometimes, the only realists are the dreamers.” (Paul Wellstone). Remember the imaginary as well as the real, and that it is all complex.

“I am trying to find myself. Sometimes that’s not easy.” (Marilyn Monroe). Welcome to college.

“Every career thing I do can’t be perfect and sometimes my decisions are wrong.” (Miley Cyrus). Uh, no comment. Oh yeah, she’s just finding herself.

Have a good semester of rock-drilling, speaking and not, going out on a limb, and finding yourself. And as Mae West is usually misquoted as saying, “Why don’t you come up and see me Sum Times?”

Welcome Back Students and Faculty!
Submit your responses or a picture of your crossword to math@villanova.edu to win a free t-shirt and other prizes!
Hello fellow math majors! I’m glad to be back on campus seeing the same familiar faces and am looking forward to meeting Villanova’s Class of 2017 math majors. We will be conducting our first meeting on September 24th at 5:30 in the MLRC and will be welcoming math majors as well as any friends that are interested in the club. This club is a great way to interact with students and obtain information on courses that may interest you, learn what career choices others are pursuing, and generally having a great time with each other. Over the course of the semester we will be seeking opportunities to become involved in community service both on and off campus through either tutoring or fundraising for various organizations. Welcome back to school and I hope to see you at our first meeting this Tuesday!

5 REASONS TO ATTEND A MATH CLUB MEETING

1. Meetings are a good place to see that mathematicians are people too.
2. You can fill your closet with a plethora of Math Club T-shirts.
3. You eat an irrational amount of pie on pi day.
4. Statistics show your love of math will exponentially increase.
5. We never mix drinking and deriving.

For additional information on the Math Club, please contact Tom Caruso (tcarus02@villanova.edu).