Motivations

Have you heard of M.C. Escher? Origami?
The widespread popularity of these and many other intellectual staples of popular culture is largely due to one man: Martin Gardner. He is said to have turned on more mathematicians than any other person in history, through his numerous books and long-running recreational math column in Scientific American.

Widely revered among mathematicians, Gardner passed away in 2010. However his influence and legacy continue to inspire us to approach seemingly intractable problems from unconventional angles.

The Celebration of Mind is an international celebration of Martin Gardner, with 70 events last year in seven continents.

The UK Math Club will hold its second annual Celebration on Friday, October 26, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the Math House. Refreshments will be served, as well as confections for the mind. We will play mathematical games, discuss and solve puzzles, and make flexagons and other objects.

Faculty, students, and all others with an interest in Mathematics are invited to attend!!

Date: Friday, October 26, 2012
Time: 4:00pm - 5:30pm
Place: Math House @ 654 Maxwelton Court
(or meet by the elevators on the 7th floor of POT at 3:45pm to walk over)

Martin Gardner
(October 21, 1914 – May 22, 2010)

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