## SMU Umphrey Lee Center Ballroom-3rd Floor Thursday, September 25 at 12:15

### Dr. Robert J. Marks

Speaking on

"What does Calculus have to do with Christianity?"



Robert J. Marks is Distinguished Professor of Engineering at Baylor University. He was attracted to Baylor after 26 years at the University of Washington by Baylor's visionary 2012 initiative.

Marks is the recipient of numerous professional awards, including a

NASA Tech Brief Award and a best paper award from the American Brachytherapy Society for prostate cancer research. He is Fellow of both IEEE and The Optical Society of America. His research has been funded by organizations such as the National Science Foundation, General Electric, Southern California Edison, the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, the Office of Naval Research, the Whitaker Foundation, Boeing Defense, the National Institutes of Health, The Jet Propulsion Lab. Army Research Office, and NASA.

Marks is the coauthor of *Neural Smithing* (MIT Press) and the author Handbook of Fourier Analysis (Oxford University Press) and Shannon Sampling and Interpolation Theory (Springer-Verlag).

Professor Marks was awarded the IEEE Outstanding Branch Councilor Award. The IEEE Centennial Medal, the IEEE Neural Networks Society Meritorious Service Award, the IEEE Circuits and Systems Society Golden Jubilee Award and, for 2007, the IEEE CIS Chapter of the IEEE Dallas Section Volunteer of the Year award. He has been honored by both the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology and Texas Tech University, where he earned his undergraduate and graduate degrees.



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Stephen F. Sternberg, Th.M. Betsy Sternberg, LCDC Director & Campus Minister Assoc. Director

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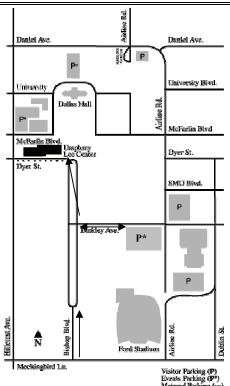
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<sup>\*</sup> SMU Faculty, Administrators & Staff

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Isaac Newton - the father of classical physics and co-creator of calculus; Michael Faraday - the founder of electrical engineering; Blaise Pascal mathematician extraordinaire and inventor of the first computer; George Washington Carver – the "father of the peanut"; Louis Pasteur - the father of microbiology, Thomas Bayes - the founder of statistical inference, James Clerk Maxwell, the formulator of electromagnetics, and on and on. We know these and other great scientists and mathematicians have made monumental contributions to knowledge. We know what they did but, typically, not who they were nor what motivated their work. These extraordinary researchers, and others, desired to uncover the beauty and order in a universe they believe was created by God. Many not only study the creation, but have pursued the identity of the Creator and have found Him in the foundational tenets of Christianity. How is this juxtaposed with the more modern naturalistic idea of an anthropic principle? Stephen Hawking claims "The anthropic principle seems essential. . . " If all these wonders weren't true, we wouldn't be here to know about it. One must either appeal to the anthropic principle or find some viable explanation for why the universe is the way it is.

**Attendance by Reservation Only** 

Thursday, September 25, 2008 12:15 - 1:30 P.M.