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The Department of Mathematical Sciences Cordially Invites You
To a Colloquium

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The Early History of Calculus

The study of calculus lies at the heart of the mathematics major, yet many students have little knowledge of the subject's origins. In this 30-minute talk, we meet the 17th century creators of the calculus — Newton and Leibniz — and sample from the world's first calculus textbook, l'Hospital's *Analyse des infiniment petits* of 1696. We conclude with a few words, and one spectacular example, from Euler, the 18th century calculus master.

NOTE: This talk should be accessible to anyone at the level of Calculus II or above.

DATE: Thursday, March 31, 2005

TIME: 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: TR 125

Snacks will be served at 4:15 p.m. in TR 125.