

2015 Sehnert Lecture

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CELEBRATION OF MIND: CONNECTING MATHEMATICS, MAGIC & MYSTERY

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7:00 p.m. Otto Buddig Theatre



Martin Gardner, The Best Friend Mathematics Ever Had, was best known for his 300 "Mathematical Games" columns in *Scientific American*, in which he introduced thousands of budding mathematicians to elegant problems and magical items which still lead to "aha!" moments today.

"Celebration of Mind" is an international initiative each October to continue what Gardner did best - connecting mathematics, magic and mystery. Gardner also asked simple questions that inspired serious research, and some of those questions remain unanswered today. To mark the end of his centennial year, we'll survey what he achieved and the legacy he leaves behind, and throw in some mathematical card tricks too.