Reminder: Friday, March 11 is a day off for faculty and staff. Enjoy, rest and recharge!

SCS NEWS + AWARDS
— Geoffrey Hinton, former professor of computer science and an ACM Turing Award winner, received CMU’s 2021 Dickson Prize in Science. He was virtually welcomed back to CMU last week to receive the prize and deliver a lecture. At a time when researchers had abandoned neural networks as a tool for achieving deep learning, Geoffrey Hinton persisted. His work on deep learning has spanned decades and eventually led to the technology enabling a smartphone to translate languages in near-real time.

— Congratulations to four faculty members – Changliu Liu, Eunsuk Kang, George Chen and Yuanzhi Li – who recently received Faculty Early Career Development Program awards from the National Science Foundation. The nearly $2.5 million in funding will further research in deep learning, the safety of robots and autonomous systems, software engineering, and machine learning for healthcare. The NSF Faculty Early Career Development Program, commonly known as CAREER awards, is the foundation’s most prestigious for young faculty members.

— Congratulations to Dimitrios Skarlotos, assistant professor in the Computer Science Department, for receiving a best paper award for TMO: Transparent Memory Offloading in Datacenters at ASPLOS 2022. ASPLOS is the premier forum for interdisciplinary systems research, intersecting computer architecture, hardware and emerging technologies, programming languages and compilers, operating systems and networking.

— A longtime supporter of the Girls of Steel and STEM education, U.S. Congressman Mike Doyle toured the team’s practice area for the first time last weekend. The girls showed the hefty robots they built for the upcoming FIRST Robotics competition, a wearable fitness device they designed for children with autism, and the ways they contributed to the COVID-19 tracking and forecasting research by CMU’s Delphi Research Group.

— picoCTF, the annual free online cybersecurity competition run by hacking experts in CMU’s CyLab, launches next week. The competition aims to introduce young minds across the nation to the world of cybersecurity and to build a pipeline of talent to a much-needed cyber workforce.

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LOOKING AHEAD: SCS FOUNDERS DAY 2022
— SCS Founders Day is coming up (with an in-person option for the first time since 2019) on April 5 starting at 4 p.m. Founders Day is our school’s once-a-year opportunity to catch up on what’s new in SCS. As always, the stars will be the recipients of the annual SCS Awards, so nominate before March 29! The agenda includes an introduction to new faculty along with faculty and staff recognition awards.

Until next week,
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REMEMBER YOUR RESOURCES
Connect with a Dean’s Advisory Committee if you have questions or concerns you want to share.
Connect with a representative leader from SCS Council if you’d like to submit a topic for Council to consider.
Coronavirus Updates & Information and FAQs
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