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TALK: 4:30 PM — SCIENCE CENTER 300H
RECEPTION: 5:30 PM

“Bayes-Ball”

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ABSTRACT

Two short and apparently unrelated talks will be presented. In the first, some recent discoveries shedding new light on the creation of Bayesian inference will be discussed. In the second, a long term study of a ball game (golf) will be summarized and its relevance to sports and life in general argued. A weak attempt may be made to link the two talks, and valuable advice from the 18th century on personal conduct in scientific disputes recounted.