

# Recent Advances in Nonlinear Waves

A conference in honor of Harvey Segur's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday

## Monday, July 31: Location Husky Union Building (HUB 145)

- 9:00 Welcome, opening comments, and scheduling
- 9:30 **Walter Strauss**: Steady states of rotating stars and galaxies
- 10:00 **Edriss Titi**: Some remarks on a generalization of the Bardos-Tartar conjecture for nonlinear dissipative PDEs
- 10:30 [Break](#)
- 11:00 **Vishal Vasan**: The UTM for equations with nonlocal operators and their application to water waves
- 11:30 **Diego Arcas**: Recent advances in tsunami forecasting and future directions
- 12:00 **Frank Talke**: Design and mechanics problems in medical device technology and information storage
- 12:30 [Pizza lunch \(Lewis Hall collaborative rooms\)](#)
- 14:30 **Roberto Camassa**: TBA
- 15:00 **Diane Henderson**: Experiments on water waves
- 15:30 **David Trubatch**: Numerical detection of wave breaking in the short-pulse equation
- 16:00 [Break](#)
- 16:30 **Yuji Kodama**: The KP theory and Mach reflection in shallow water
- 17:00 **Robert Pego**: Nonlinear dynamics of merging and splitting of animal groups via Bernstein function theory
- 19:00 **Poster session with desserts (Lewis Hall third floor lounge)**

## Tuesday, August 1: Location Husky Union Building (HUB 145)

- 9:30 **Walter Craig**: Vortex filament dynamics
- 10:00 **Cody Cichowitz**: Opportunities to improve HIV care for pregnant and postpartum women in Tanzania
- 10:30 [Break](#)
- 11:00 **Chris Curtis**: Surface waves over point vortices
- 11:30 **Holger Dullin**: Integrable systems related to the Euler fluid flow on the rotating sphere
- 12:00 **Edgar Knobloch**: Viscous Faraday waves in large domains
- 12:30 [Lunch with access to Lewis Hall collaborative rooms](#)
- 13:30 **Hike departures**

## Wednesday, August 2: Location Husky Union Building (HUB 145)

- 9:30 **Jean-Marc Vanden Broeck**: Non periodic and asymmetric nonlinear traveling gravity waves
- 10:00 **Nalini Joshi**: Discrete nonlinear systems and integrability
- 10:30 [Break](#)
- 11:00 **Rudy Horne**: Parity-time (PT) symmetric systems: An analysis of dimer and trimer models
- 11:30 **Tom Trogdon**: Oscillatory integrals and the AKNS scattering problem
- 12:00 **Patrick Weidman**: Reflections of a high-amplitude solitary wave at a vertical wall
- 12:30 [Lunch with access to Lewis Hall collaborative rooms](#)
- 14:30 **Greg Forest**: If I give you a bucket of mucus, what experiments would you perform to characterize/model it?
- 15:00 **Congming Li**: Qualitative analysis of nonlinear equations/systems with fractional Laplace
- 15:30 **Natalie Sheils**: The heat equation on a composite medium with imperfect thermal contact
- 16:00 [Break](#)
- 16:30 **Lev Ostrovsky**: Nonlinear internal waves in the rotating Earth
- 17:00 **John Carter**: Comparing experimental measurements and predictions from bi-directional Whitham equations
- 17:45 **Bus departs for conference dinner to Palisade restaurant**

## Thursday, August 3: Location Mechanical Engineering Building (MEB 246)

- 9:30 **Peter Olver**: Dispersive quantization of linear and nonlinear waves
- 10:00 **Constance Schober**: Rogue waves over a non-uniform background
- 10:30 [Break](#)
- 11:00 **Saverio Spagnolie**: Hydrodynamics of self-propulsion in complex environments
- 11:30 **Paul Milewski**: The fluid mechanics and mathematics of Faraday pilot waves
- 12:00 **David Levermore**: Dispersive corrections to the Navier-Stokes system of gas dynamics
- 12:30 [Lunch with access to Lewis Hall collaborative rooms](#)
- 14:30 **Frederic Dias**: On real world ocean rogue waves
- 15:00 **Harry Yeh**: Nonlinear edge waves
- 15:30 **Bernard Deconinck**: Recovering surface elevation from bottom pressure data
- 16:00 [Break](#)
- 16:30 **Special Event! Rudy Horne: Hidden Figures: Bringing Math, Physics, History and Race to Hollywood**  
**Location: Guggenheim 220**

## Friday, August 4: Location Mechanical Engineering Building (MEB 246)

- 9:30 **Mark Ablowitz:** (Many) integrable nonlocal nonlinear equations and solitons  
10:00 **Olga Trichtchenko:** Stability of traveling wave solutions to Korteweg-de Vries and related equations  
10:30 **Break**  
11:00 **Mark Hoefler:** Hydrodynamic soliton tunneling  
11:30 **Katie Oliveras:** Pressure and Luke's variational principle  
12:00 **Jon Wilkening:** New families of extreme traveling water waves  
12:30 **James Curry:** Image decomposition using non-negative matrix factorization.  
13:00 Closing remarks

## Special Events

As this conference is a celebration, we have scheduled a number of **special events** throughout the week. Your guests are welcome for any and all of these events.

**Monday.** There will be a poster session at 19:00 in the third-floor lounge of Lewis Hall. Bernard Deconinck (one of Harvey's PhD students) will provide a wide range of home-made desserts. Drinks and discussion will also be available.

**Tuesday.** Hiking is one of Harvey's favorite activities and the Cascade Mountains near Seattle are beautiful in August. We will offer two hiking options Tuesday afternoon. Transportation to/from the trail heads will be provided. Please wear appropriate clothing (boots or sneakers) and bring something to drink. We will depart from the N22 Parking lot just west of Lewis Hall at 13:30.

- **Easy hike:** Twin Falls is a 45-minute drive from Seattle. The hike is 2.6 miles long round trip and includes 500 feet of elevation gain. In addition to views of "Twin Falls" the hike provides many wonderful river and waterfall views and passes through forest that almost resembles rain forest.
- **Moderate hike:** Snow Lake is a 60-minute drive from Seattle. The hike is 7.2 miles long round trip and includes 1,800 feet of elevation gain. This trail provides splendorous alpine lake views. It is deservedly one of the most popular hikes near Seattle.
- **Collaborative Rooms:** For those not interested in hiking, the collaborative rooms in Lewis Hall will be open and available.

**Wednesday.** We will hold the conference dinner at Palisade Restaurant on Wednesday evening. It is one of Seattle's finer seafood restaurants and has arguably the best view in the city. In addition to excellent food, wine and views, there will be opportunities to toast Harvey and share Harvey stories. A chartered school bus will take us to the dinner at 17:45 and will bring us back to campus after dinner. The dinner costs \$50 per person, please pay John Carter in cash before Wednesday evening.

**Thursday.** At 16:30 Rudy Horne of Morehouse College (PhD, University of Colorado Boulder, 2001) will give a talk about his experiences serving as the mathematics consultant for the hit movie Hidden Figures. The talk is open to the public and will be in Guggenheim 220.