2016 Evans Hall Lecture Series and Awards Ceremony

The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science at Emory University

is pleased to invite the Emory community to attend...

Chris Schoettle
Enservio President and COO

- Co-chair of the Massachusetts Technology Leadership Council
- 1985 Emory alumnus
  BS/MS in Math/CS
- University of St. Andrews
  1985/86 Bobby Jones Scholar

Life is better with liberal arts Math/CS

Chris Schoettle graduated summa cum laude with a four-year BS/MS in Mathematics and Computer Science from Emory in 1985. During his senior year at Emory, Chris had an epiphany that he had miscalculated and was rushing through university too quickly and for what purpose? With a Bobby Jones scholarship to the University of St. Andrews in Scotland, Chris postponed his entry to the workforce, and spent a year diving into art history and anthropology, traveled through Europe, and gained a more expansive and global perspective.

Chris then pursued a 30-year career in technology and found himself at the epicenter of some nontrivial shifts in the technology landscape: the Unix operating system wars, the advent of Internet access for consumers, voice running over data networks, and the transformation of the Internet for business. He did this while at some of the more relevant companies from those eras: Bell Labs spinoff Unix System Labs, Novell, AT&T, Lucent, and Akamai.

Returning to Emory for the 2016 Evans Hall Lecture, Chris will reflect on his journey and how having a liberal arts MathCS education enabled him to succeed in a technology world full of top engineers and scientists. It turns out that technology is just one part of solving the innovation equation, the other parts are culture and people, and add a bit of geography for fun.

Monday, April 25 at 4pm in MSC E208
Reception to follow in the atrium