

## Holiday Bakeoff

CS&R held its final Belt Challenge\* of 2018 as a Holiday Bakeoff for a grand prize at Flour along with the Belt. With more than 10 entries in this contest, the department had a new challenge: vote judiciously to propel only the best dishes to the final round for judges to taste.

The judges, Mark Touhey, a lover of sweets, Alfredo Sciascia, a refined Italian palette, and Saurabh Saraf, an avid proponent of baked goods, took their time deliberating on the best flavor, texture, and wow factor. After much discussion, they concluded that the Key Lime Pie, baked by Michelle Doman was the winner.

We should note that the People's Choice Award given to the next best dish as decided by the department, was a three-way split between Darren Blount, Emma Layton, and Abby Ayers.



\*A long-standing CS&R tradition, a Belt Challenge is an event held every few months where CS&R members compete against each other for ownership of the glorious belt pictured above. This competition has taken many forms, including a Sporcle challenge, correctly picking Academy Awards winners, and a paper plane showdown!

## Room for Growth Charity Event

This past holiday season, in the spirit of giving, CS&R came together to donate ~\$1,000 worth of much needed baby items (toys, books, clothing, and equipment) to our backyard neighbor Room to Grow.

### What is Room to Grow?

Room to Grow supports struggling parents during the first three years of a child's life by providing parental coaching, material goods and specialized references. It is their mission to provide all parents with the resources necessary to help children thrive from the start. Room to Grow maintains a list of material goods they urgently need to help support new parents.

### Room to Grow's Vision

One day all parents will have the resources they need to unlock their families' potential and become champions for babies and their community.

### Room to Grow's Mission

We offer structured coaching, material goods, and community connections to support parents as they activate their natural strengths and expand their knowledge, so children thrive from the start.

