

## **Appendix: Reviewer Memories**

## Remembering John Greivenkamp

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While I knew John Greivenkamp a relatively short time compared to many of those represented in this volume, I quickly learned to appreciate his dedication to SPIE and to education at large. John was heavily responsible for my own involvement with SPIE, especially in publications and governance. His own experience spanned industry as well as academia; thus, he understood all too well the balancing act at which SPIE excels. To me, his career and teaching legacy infuse every facet of the optics and photonics community, which this Field Guide clearly demonstrates.

John was not always in agreement with “accepted” wisdom, nor with “how things are done.” He was, however, insightful with his reasoning, and he always approached the need for change with justifiable data and welcomed discussion. I witnessed many committee meetings during which John argued a nuanced topic on bylaws or membership yet maintained friendly professionalism. What came across during those conversations was the fact that John cared about *issues* and not *agendas*.

I have been on the receiving end of his disagreeing—but never disagreeable—nature during his decidedly non-anonymous peer review of the *Field Guide to Lens Design*, co-written with Julie Bentley. John, as always, crafted a teachable moment out of a mundane conflict in aberration theory notation and nomenclature, which ultimately led to a better publication. I am known among my own engineering colleagues for my warning: “When you came into work today, did you think you would learn anything new?” Such a mindset perfectly channels John’s energy and dedication and defines his approach to science, publication, and education.

We do, as an optical community, most certainly miss John—his dedication to teaching, his love of optics history, his long devotion to SPIE, and his willingness to just *help*. Most of all, however, we will simply miss a friend.