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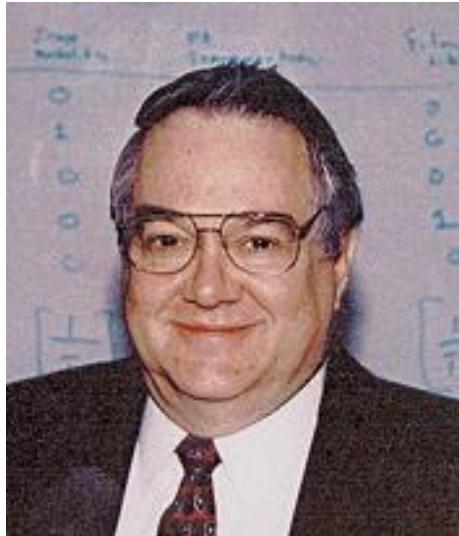
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In Memoriam

Sam Dwyer 1932–2008



Inspirational planner for SPIE Medical Imaging symposia and chair of 15 conferences from 1983 to 1996

Sam Dwyer was a leading light in the swift growth of the field of medical imaging. At this 2008 Medical Imaging symposium, several colleagues expressed their appreciation of his professional achievements and the legacy of his contributions.

Andre Duerinckx recalls Sam's first big step into the limelight. "Sam chaired the Second International PACS meeting sponsored by SPIE in 1983. He stepped in when my professional direction shifted and I could not continue. Over the following years Sam became a leading force in the development of this new science and technology as the conferences developed and grew."

"He had an ability to predict important technology trends in medical imaging," says Steven Horii, a long-time SPIE Medical Imaging contributor and past conference chair.

Another past Medical Imaging conference chair with years of experience, Roger Schneider elaborates, "The growth of the initial conferences was phenomenal. They quickly expanded and outgrew several facilities. Topic areas increased. For example, we had been dealing with perception in sessions on image statistics. Sam first suggested that the field of perception theory and experiment was expanding so rapidly that it deserved its own conference. We also added conferences on image processing hardware, display, functional imaging, and special topics in ultrasound transducers."

"Sam was a true pioneer in our field," continues Schneider. "He was one of the first to envision the impact of digital technology on the storage, retrieval, communication, and

display of medical images, and one of the most active early explorers of the possibilities. He led the PACS conference into the merger with SPIE's image science conference to form the current Medical Imaging Symposium which many consider to be the premiere technical program on medical imaging in the world."

Murray Loew, another past conference chair, adds his observation, "Sam's academic, industrial, and clinical experience provided the perspective that enabled him to set priorities and give advice that helped many of us to make our own contributions. We all benefited greatly from his insights and his practical approach."

Schneider agrees. "Through all, Sam was an excellent partner and leader, calm, gentle yet persuasive, always congenially nudging everyone toward a better future. His ambitions were not for himself, but for the mutual enterprise. He was a very enthusiastic mentor and supporter of students and researchers new to the field without any concern for the possibility that their work might compete with his and was himself a superbly competent contributor."

An example of this is illustrated by John Strauss. "Already well accomplished at the time of our first meeting, Sam made the time to take an eager but inexperienced student under his wing. I was not an 'assigned' grad student or research assistant from the University to which he had an obligation. I was a product manager from a vendor-partner. Over the years, from answering technical questions in an understandable way, to providing unassuming career guidance, as well as a sympathetic ear to the challenges of fatherhood or life's many challenges and struggles, Sam was always there for me."

"There are many things about Sam Dwyer that I recall with great fondness, like his always friendly and enthusiastic manner. His advice led me to my years of satisfying work on the ACR-NEMA Committee," adds Horii.

All agree that Sam had many other admirable traits. His wit and sense of humor were legendary, as one of Schneider's favorite memories illustrates. "At the opening of one conference Sam announced, from the podium, that it was the birthday of an important attendee. He said SPIE had requested that the Blue Angels do a flyover—but they already had something scheduled. As a substitute birthday recognition, Sam suggested we take our morning coffee break out on the terrace and watch the landscaping crew circle the flagpole on their riding lawnmowers."

Strauss describes the footprint left by Sam, "While Sam left a legacy through his professional accomplishments, perhaps more lasting is the heritage of leadership he has left behind. He felt it his obligation to pass on his knowledge and wisdom to the next generation, and I was blessed as a recipient. I have and will continue to honor Sam by sharing with those that come after me."

Sam Dwyer was a person of rare quality who will be sorely missed. His name has a permanent place in the annals of medical imaging, and his contributions continue in the flourishing growth of knowledge presented and discussed in the annual Medical Imaging conferences.