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TRIBUTE TO JAY LEPREAU, 1952-2008

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As many of you may know, Jay Lepreau, Research Professor and Director of the Flux Research Group in the School of Computing at the University of Utah, died last September,

following complications of his battle with cancer. Jay was a valued supporter of USENIX for over 25 years, presenting numerous papers and introducing generations of students to USENIX.

As program chair of the USENIX 1984 Technical Conference, Jay instituted the USENIX tradition of providing published proceedings for the attendees.

One of Jay's most enduring contributions was to conceive and found the USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI).

To commemorate Jay's contribution to USENIX and to computer science, USENIX inaugurated the Jay Lepreau Best Paper Award at the eighth OSDI. A tribute for Jay and the presentation of the first awards were held on Monday, December 8, 2008, at OSDI '08. Watch the video or listen to the MP3 of the tribute:

http://www.usenix.org/media/events/ osdi08/tech/videos/lepreau_320x240.mp4

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