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### **Jim Sullivan Memorial Session**

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Professor James F. Sullivan died in October 2015 and was a retired faculty member of the Department of Physics at the University of Cincinnati. He had a long 42 year history of teaching Physics at the College of Applied Science (CAS) at the UC. He was Head of the Department of Mathematics and Physics at CAS from 2002 to 2010, and was one of the original leaders who formed the Southern Ohio Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers (SOS-AAPT) in 1984. He held a number of leadership positions with SOS-AAPT since 1984, and organized at least five conferences held in Cincinnati, the last in 2013. Jim was named a fellow of the Ohio Academy of Science in 2000 and received the John B. Hart Award for Professional Service by SOS-AAPT in 2001. He collaborated with the Ohio-Region Section of the American Physical Society in planning joint conferences. He was highly respected and well-liked by all who knew him.

#### **A. University of Cincinnati**

1. Kay Kinoshita, Physics Department chair, University of Cincinnati on Jims contributions to UC and physics in particular
2. Mark Plano Clark, Professor of Physics, University of Cincinnati on Jim and his move from OCAS to physics and the Cincinnati regional science fair
3. John McNay, Professor of History, Department Chair as well as President of the Ohio Conference of the American Association of University Professors on Jims contributions to faculty governance through AAUP

#### **B. St. Xavier High School**

4. Bill Kuhlman, former St. Xavier teacher and Jims HS classmate on his long history with Jim and Jims connection to St. Xavier over the years

#### **C. Southern Ohio Section (SOS) AAPT**

5. Erica Brownstein, Ohio State University, on Jims influence on a new science teacher
6. Sandy Doty, Ohio University Lancaster, on Jim as SOS secretary and general factotum for the Board (forever)

#### **D. OSAPS, SOS, AAPT, and InterAmerican Conferences**

7. Gordon Aubrecht, Ohio State University on his friendship with Jim, how SOS came to be, and Jim at OSAPS, SOS, and AAPT meetings and going to Cuba and Costa Rica for the Inter-American Conferences with Jim and Sylvia