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Pat's one of the people you only have to contact briefly in order to find a recommendation people respect. I have been impressed by his warmth, his availability, and his intensity of his vision. This world is a greener place because Pat Dasun is in it. Pat's website is a treasure trove of information. Pat's e-mail address is pdasun@aol.com.

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Steve's a friend of mine and I'm glad he's in the business. I've been impressed with his ever-present and unsentimental Stand-Down-Lieutenant Dean. I've met quite a wide array of dreamers and with an accompanying lack of practical skills. Steve's not one of those. He knows what he wants and he knows how to get it. He knows what he's willing and what he's not willing to do. Steve's a good guy. I'm glad I've had the opportunity to know him. I'm glad I've had the opportunity to be his friend. Steve's a fine, fine, fine gentleman.

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Where is a technologist and what does she look? Are impressed, amazed, or have always promised never your communications have your reliability found them to individually answer a query or respond to a need.

Cynthia Jean Dyson is a technologist who has been a pioneer in the application of computer technology to the modeling and casting industry. Cynthia's company, Cover Girl Models, has been a pioneer in providing customized customer web sites and computer generated photographs to clients of models with fabulous proportions and who want to see what their wardrobe looks like on them. Cynthia's contribution to the world of the technology.

Cynthia's phenomenal customer service and her ability to bring together the proper people and the difficult tasks. It forced her to seek the origin of which it was likely to be involved. At the same time, even when she was not the technical expert, she was able to bring together the people who could. Cynthia's ability to see the whole picture and to see how the pieces fit together. Cynthia's ability to see the whole picture and to see how the pieces fit together. Cynthia's ability to see the whole picture and to see how the pieces fit together.

It is sad that when we die, it is a sign that our work on this earth is done. It seems hardly possible that this could be true of you, who appeared to be bitting a particularly productive stride in your life. It between, Cynthia's contribution to the world of the technology and her ability to see the whole picture and to see how the pieces fit together. Cynthia's contribution to the world of the technology and her ability to see the whole picture and to see how the pieces fit together.

Neither does the concept of "winning a position" seem to be the greatest and most appropriate characteristic. Perhaps the best word that I can find to describe Cynthia's contribution to the world of the technology is the word "winning" in your good-bye!

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Gary's a friend of mine and I'm glad he's in the business. Gary's a person who has had experience in one of the most effective domains, communicators and catalysts for cooperative initiatives in the profession. Because he was also such a skilled person, I'm sure that a GW is many, in fomenting other GW's and some of the best of innovation practices and methodologies.

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I worked with Paul for six years in the Libraries of Columbia University. These were the early days of the Research Libraries Group, Paul was AUL for Systems, and I was head of Original Cataloging. We implemented the original mnemonic tag version of RLIN (then BALLOTS), and the several versions. Later, with a small group of other university libraries, we attempted to implement Bibliotechniques as the Libraries integrated library system. We also discussed important topics such as, how frequently and how much should you tip the super of your building, if you want to be first in line when a larger apartment becomes available. Our association continued long after both of us went on to other endeavors. Paul appointed me to my first LITA committee, Program Planning. Like his many friends and colleagues across the country, I will miss his cheerful disposition, fine mind, and sensitivity to process very much.

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Those of us who work in the same building with the Coalition for Networked Information are holding on to our memories of Paul striding through our offices. There is a lingering anticipation that at any moment he will step off the elevator with his favorite coffee mug and, with his famous grin, deliver a greeting something like the following: "When I explain, I'm sure you will understand--(pause for maximum effect)--but first, tell me what you've been doing for networked information while I've been gone."

His absence feels artificial. His legacy, however, is very real. Remembering Paul's dogged determination to keep our communities working together for the good of society and for the joy of learning, we arrive at our office each day knowing his expectations of us, and eager to respond to his question. Thanks Paul, for giving the ARL staff and all the research library community a role model for addressing our expanded vistas.

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Twelve years ago, Paul was my colleague at Columbia University and my neighbor at 423 West 120th Street (New York), a building full of great people with great ideas. Although we went separate ways and lost touch, I watched from afar as his ideas grew and his vision led the way for the rest of us. I miss him and send my warmest regards to Rosemary and his other loved ones.

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I've waited months to write this, thinking that it might be easier after some time had passed. I was wrong.

My memories of Paul span nearly a decade, and range from his writing me a letter of recommendation for PhD programs in LIS, to his laughing at and with me and Craig Summerhill as Craig and I worked late into the night in the CNI offices putting finishing touches on our book, to his taking an official moment at a LITA board meeting to compliment my shoes. (Black and white Esprit sneakers, I believe...) I'm glad I was able to see and spend time with Paul and Rosemarie, however briefly, at the ALA conference in NYC last July. I remember them laughing and talking about the Independence Day movie they'd just seen, and I remember Paul sneaking bonbons when Rosemarie wasn't watching him...

Paul brought a rare combination of wit, intelligence, and passion to his personal and professional endeavours, and I am a better person for my friendship with him. Like so many others, I will miss him terribly.

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Paul Even Peters: In memory to a Loving Activist

Paul is one on the planet that gave me tremendous hope. We went through the "second formative years" together. I was a bit outrageous and impulsive and he would provide me with the intellectual backup and encouragement to know there was some substance behind my strong feelings. I admired him so much, it was some times embarrassing- especially when we didn't believe there were any real teachers at the time, only shared learners. I believed in what he did and would try to find out where he was from time to time and reconnect... He was the first person I met who could be in many worlds at the same time.

He would be outraged at injustice and quietly go back to working for change, while I was still incoherent. When he was on a ticket for executive vice president of student government, I really didn't have too much faith in such efforts. Then I got involved and became supportive of a more radical candidate, but as I went around speaking to others, many would tell me they would not vote for my first choice. I would then add, "then vote for Paul's ticket, he is practical, has good values and you know he will get things done"... His ticket was elected, he got things done and I became more involved in part due to his example and challenge.

He was a role model and friend: He believed in the arts and was active with the theatre group. Obviously outstanding in computer science [considered nerd land or incomprehensible in the 1960's] and he was actively involved in real community development and student politics [this to me was an example of a fully alive person]. I remember he shared how frustrated he was, when after lobbying for more student representation on committees, he was informed by university administrators that they would be more inclined to allow additional representatives if there were more student's "like Paul".

It some times confused or upset me when I learned that a few who knew Paul some how mistrusted him because of his multiple interests or felt he was cold. It also gave me a kind of delight to see him passionate about change... He liked words and their meanings - once I questioned him about using the label "activist", since it seemed to have negative effect - he strongly defended the term. That's just one who takes action, he said. Why give up such a great word because people don't think - If called an activist [in a pejorative sense] then just say how proud you are to be one - a practical idealist.

I remember him coming back to Dayton, to visit our house and us visiting Pittsburgh and going a bit in the country and exploring our alternative lifestyle building dreams. We shared some of these stories when I had dinner with he and Rosemarie in Washington a few years back and I didn't really want to be dropped off as we were driving back to my hotel after the dinner.

He came to UNICEF in the 1970's and [again] gave intellectual support - This time to my feelings that we had much to gain if the Children's Fund organised and managed our information better. After that I would from time to time send him listings of related vacancies in UNICEF or UN with the hopes of getting him directly involved - and with the personal selfish wish to see him work up close again and get the benefit of his advice on how to move things in his unique way.

While at Columbia he helped me draft a recommendation for my spiritual teacher, Sri Chinmoy, to be nominated for an honorary degree from the University of Dayton. He told me to think of what the University and the teacher shared in common and then kept reminding me to think of what the persons' who might be making a decision needed to know....not necessarily what I wanted to tell them - but what they will be able to hear...

I wanted him to focus more actively on "spiritual" pursuits ... From the way that he touched me and all the others it is obvious that this was a good part of what he was doing all along.... And I wondered about his health...and the pressure that he absorbed and diffused in order to make others feel more at ease and to make things happen...

We had a lengthy discussion on the need for detached action once. Paul's position [at least on that occasion] was he didn't quite understand how one could be fully involved it he did not care about the results.... Paul cared about most everything - process, people and results..

How I found out that Paul was not available - I wanted to give a colleague at UNICEF his address for a possible CNI related project - I came on the WEB and...

He was good, kind, sincere - Paul - so full ... I guess his personal work was done this time...and yet my heart and my eyes cry ... May we work and laugh together again...

- Adhiratha Adhiratha Kevin Keefe = akeefe@unicef.org p.s. I wrote this last evening before leaving work 19 May - as I was going home I realised I had one more thing to be thankful for... those of us who didn't immediately know about Paul's physical passing had many more month's thinking we could eventually see him again or call for advice .... I'll treasure that..Supreme, I bow to Thee.

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Paul, You were my teacher at the Social Sciences Information Utilization Laboratory, an experimental laboratory studying the effectiveness of intermediated database searching, at the University of Pittsburgh in 1977. I learned from you how to provide exceptional customer service to faculty and students, how to design precise online searches, and most importantly, how to consider the impossible and make it a reality. Your vision, enthusiasm, and everlasting smile have touched my life dramatically. Thanks for bringing us CNI. We promise to carry on your vision. You are missed. Cathy

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I was just exploring the CNI website when I saw the announcement about Paul's death. I hadn't heard and I am in shock. I worked with Paul when he was one of the first library systems officers in the country at Columbia Univerity and I was running the Lehman Libraries. I was on my way upstairs to visit Jerome Yavarkovsky or Pat Wand and they had installed Paul in one of those little offices on the Mezzanine. He was easy to talk to and over the years as our paths crossed, we always kind of picked up where we left off.

I extend my sincere (if belated) condolences to his family, friends and co-workers at CNI and ARL. His passing creates a real gap on a lot of different levels. He was a good man.

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Tomorrow marks one year since Paul died and scarcely a day goes by that I don't think of him with a numbing sense of bewilderment and loss. Rhonda and I were hoping to learn something of efforts to select recipients for the annual award and scholarship. We would also like to know how to contribute to the scholarship fund. All our best to Paul's colleagues at CNI.

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I published an obituary in the Social Science Computer Review, Vol 15:286-7, Fall 1997 titled Two Young Men: In Memory of Paul Peters and Per Nielsen. It's a bit long for this collection of quotes but since it reflects some of Paul's early career and its influence on its later direction. I will send it via E-Mail. Feel free to extract from it as seems appropriate.

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Paul was one of the true pioneers of the Internet Revolution. The CNI meetings he organized were true markers of the tempo of change in the early, explosive days, the place where people came to learn what was happening (and what should happen).

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Paul had a remarkable effect on the fragile but valuable coalition of people who saw and appreciated the implications of computing and communication networks in all fields of knowledge work. He was that rare creature: an ambassador of the new. I was impressed with his knowledge, insights, and intuitions. To strengthen the vision of the INFORMS journal Information Systems Research, of which I am Editor-in-Chief, I asked Paul to join the international editorial advisory board in 1994, which he kindly agreed to do. He served until his death. He is missed by many more people than any of us can imagine. 2/3/98

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I'll never forget the pigtail and the painter's pants. I am sure that you're clad in them again, teaching and learning in that Great SSIUL in the Sky....

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