

Obituaries



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Joseph A. Semmelmayr

SMPTE Life Fellow Joseph A. Semmelmayr, a film and television consultant, passed away on October 12, 1999 at the age of 69. Semmelmayr, who lived in Walnut Creek, CA joined SMPTE in 1961.

His entire professional career was spent with the Eastman Kodak Co., beginning in 1948 when he was hired as a technician in the engineering services department of the film testing division in Rochester, NY. Later, he served the motion picture and television industry in the Pacific Northwest as coordinator of engineering services for Eastman's motion picture and A/V products division.

Semmelmayr was a former Governor of the Western Region; Past-Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer, and Manager of the San Francisco

Section; and Conference Chairman for the 9th SMPTE Television Conference. He received a Citation for Outstanding Service to the Society in 1979.

An active and devoted member, his 1983 Western Region Governor biographical note in the *Journal* noted the following: "...The SMPTE, he profoundly believes, can and will provide guidance and leadership to make sure that the new technologies will be used for the good of all. The SMPTE has grown and changed over the years, and will continue to do so as required because of its dedicated membership." (*SMPTE J.*, Nov. 1983, p. 1224.)

Orlando S. Knudsen

Life Fellow Orlando S. Knudsen, formerly of Ames, IA, has died at the age of 88.

Knudsen's first film experience was with the training film branch of the U.S. Navy, during WW II. Following that, he became head of media resources for Iowa State University and served as unit manager and producer there until he retired in 1980.

Knudsen served on the Eastman Gold Medal Award Committee (Chairman), the Education Advisory Committee, and the Board of Managers, Chicago Section. He also published a number of papers in the *Journal*.

In addition, he was Past-President



of the University Film Assoc.; President of Board of Trustees, University Film Foundation; Vice-President for Festivals, CINE; Assoc. for Educational Communications and Technology; and the American Science Film Assoc.

Charles R. Morris

Life Member Charles R. Morris died on December 2, 1999 at the age of 75. Morris a resident of Seattle, WA was credited with "saving" the Pacific-Northwest Section when he spearheaded a campaign to recussitate the region after being informed that it would be dissolved and membership would be transferred to a California Section due to lack of interest.

He began his professional life with KIRO-TV when the CBS affiliate was first built in 1958, and served as director of engineering until he retired following a career of more than 35 years.

Calendar

SMPTE ACTIVITIES

LAS VEGAS, NV—NAB, SMPTE All-day Seminar; SMPTE Booth #L9623, April 8-13, 2000.

LOS ANGELES, CA—ShowBiz West, SMPTE Booth #1656, June 23-25, 2000.

NEW ORLEANS, LA—Siggraph, Morial Convention Center, SMPTE Booth #1944, July 23-28, 2000.

AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS—IBC Convention, September 8-12, 2000.

PASADENA, CA—142nd Technical Conference & Exhibition, October 18-21, 2000.

WASHINGTON, DC—35th AMI Conference, February 8-10, 2001.

NEW YORK, NY—143rd Technical Conference & Exhibition, November 4-7, 2001.

APRIL

Inter-Society Color Council and the Color Pigments Manufacturers Assoc. Conference, Charlotte, NC. Info: (703) 684-4044; fax: (703) 684-1795; e-mail: conference@cpma.com. April 17-19, 2000.

NAB2000, Las Vegas, NV. Info: (800) 342-2460; website: www.nab.org/conventions. April 8-13, 2000.

JUNE

2000 International Conference on Consumer Electronics, Los Angeles, CA. Info: Diane D. Williams, 67 Raspberry Patch Dr., Rochester, NY 14612; tel: (716) 392-3862; e-mail: d.williams@ieee.org. June 13-15, 2000.

JULY

XIXth Congress of the International Society for Photogrammetry, Amsterdam, Info: c/o ITC, Saskia Tempelman, P.O. Box 6, 7500 AA Enschede, The Netherlands; tel: +31 53 48 74 358; fax: +31 53 48 74 335; e-mail: isprs@itc.nl; website: www.itc.nl/~isprs. July 16-23, 2000.