# Recognition and Awards Report – Bruce Forsyth

## General

The Transformers Committed appreciates the efforts and contributions made by its many members who volunteer their time to advance the work performed by the Committee. To that end, the Committee dedicates time at each of its meetings to recognize noteworthy events and contributions made by members and participants.

## Memorial Tributes

The Transformers Committee has learned of the passing of three past contributors since its last meeting. Each of these individuals played an important part of Committee activities and upholding the high standards expected of the Transformers Committee during the time they participated.

### David Truax

David Truax passed away at age 97 on October 6, 2021.

Dave was a veteran of WW II, serving in the U.S. Army as a radio operator. He was a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh and worked as an engineer for the former McGraw-Edison and Cooper Industries in Canonsburg, PA. He enjoyed woodworking and was a member of the Three Rivers Tool Collectors Association. Dave was an active Transformers Committee member and served on many subcommittees and working groups in the 70’s, 80’s, and early 90’s. He also served as the host of the Fall 1986 meeting in Pittsburgh, PA when he was the Development Engineering Manager at Cooper Power Systems.

**Tribute (Allan Bartek)** – “I am sad to hear of Dave’s passing. We have lost another distinguished member of the High Voltage Power Transformer industry. As Chief Engineer, Dave hired me at McGraw-Edison back in 1973. I remember Dave as a solid supporter of young engineers and a great mentor. I learned a great deal from him, much was about life and how to sort the important from the unimportant. I especially remember how he opened his home up every Christmas to all the engineers for a great year end party. It was epic, and not to be missed. It was an honor to know him.”

### Alan Darwin

Alan Darwin passed away peacefully on June 23, 2022.

Alan had been in a care home since the start of the pandemic after he and his wife moved from Stafford to Buxton (England) to be closer to family. He faded after his retirement and was diagnosed with primary progressive aphasia (PPA), losing the ability to communicate.

### Vinay Mehrotra

Vinay Mehrotra passed away peacefully on September 10, 2022, at age 59 after a nearly two-year battle with brain cancer.

Born in Jamalpur, India, Vinay was a bright student. He was valedictorian of his high school class and attended one of India’s top universities, Institute of Technology Varanasi. He graduated with a degree in electrical engineering and had a passion for designing transformers. His intelligence and hard work brought him to the United States in 1999, along with his wife and two young children. Vinay had a successful 37-year career, spanning two companies, in which he achieved accolades for creating global standards in transformer design. He was very devoted to his community, coaching soccer for his children, as well as creating and mentoring a robotics team to inspire students to go into engineering and technology. Vinay was also a devoted father and husband, who cherished his children’s accomplishments and his wife’s achievements. When he was not busy taking his family on trips, Vinay enjoyed playing tennis, drawing, listening to Hindi music and attending concerts, playing games, practicing yoga, and making people laugh with his recitation of Hindi humorous poetry. He was a gifted gardener, taking the most pride in his beautiful dahlias. He had an exceptional sweet tooth, enjoying cake, pastries, jalebi, ras malai, and many more. Most of all, he was a soft-spoken and kind soul. Throughout his entire life, and especially during his cancer journey, he inspired people with his strength, positive outlook, and unshakable faith in God. He always encouraged his children and loved ones to pursue their passions. He was a loyal friend to everyone, teaching his children to see the good in all people.

More information is available on the Committee’s memorial page at (<https://www.transformerscommittee.org/home/memorials/>).

## Emeritus Members

The Emeritus Member classification is a non-voting member classification for past voting members who have made longstanding and notable contributions to the Committee demonstrated a high level of participation in the past but for extenuating reasons are no longer able to meet the other membership requirements.

The following is a list of the Committee’s current Emeritus Members:

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| Peter Balma | Thomas Lundquist | Georges Vaillancourt |
| Richard Dudley | Bipin Patel | Loren Wagennaar |
| Donald Fallon | Linden Pierce | Kipp Yule |
| Kenneth Hanus | H. Jin Sim |  |

## New Committee Members

Applications for voting membership in the Transformers Committee are review and approved by the Administrative Subcommittee.

Successful applicants can demonstrate **active participation** in **at least three Committee activities for at least two years** and are sponsored by at least one Subcommittee Chair *(specific details available at* [*www.transformerscommittee.org*](http://www.transformerscommittee.org/)*)*.

The Transformers Committee welcomes the following new Voting Member whose membership application was reviewed and approved by the Administrative Subcommittee at its March 22, 2022 meeting:

 **Name Affiliation**

Hakim Dulac Qualitrol

 Evgenii Ermakov Hitachi Energy

 Mickel Saad Hitachi Energy

 Hakan Sahin Virginia Transformer Corp.

 Kyle Stechschulte American Electric Power

 Kerwin Stretch Siemens Energy

 Janusz Szczechowski Maschinenfabrik Reinhausen

## General Service Awards

### Certificate of Appreciation – Meeting Host

The Transformers Committee awards thanks **Duke Energy** for serving as the Host Company for the Spring 2022 meeting. In addition, the Committee thanks **David Wallach** for his dedicated service as Host for the meeting.

## IEEE SA Standards Medallion Award

The Transformers Committee is pleased announce that Stephen Antosz has been granted the IEEE SA Standards Medallion Award for continuing, long-term leadership and contributions to the development of transformer standards. The IEEE SA Standards Medallion is awarded for major contributions to the development of standards and will be presented at the IEEE SA Awards ceremony in December 2022. Further information about the award, including a list of past recipients, can be found at: <http://standards.ieee.org/develop/awards/med/index.html>.

## Working Group Awards

The IEEE Standards Association Standards Board (SASB) presents awards to Working Group Chairs upon publication of a new or revised document and offers the Working Group Chair the opportunity to nominate significant contributors for an IEEE SASB Certificate of Appreciation. At this meeting 3 Working Groups were recognized.

### IEEE Std C57.18.10™-2021 – *IEEE Standard Practices and Requirements for Semiconductor Power Rectifier Transformers*

**Plaques:**

WG Chair: Sheldon Kennedy

Vice Chair: William Whitehead

Secretary: David Walker

**Certificates of Appreciation:**

Charles Johnson, Philip Hopkinson, Vijay Tendulkar, Donald Ayers, Richard Marek, John John, Sanjib Som.

### IEEE Std C57.34™-2022 – *IEEE Standard Requirements for Pad-Mounted, Compartmental-Type, Self-Cooled, Three-Phase Distribution Transformers, 10 MVA and Smaller; High Voltage, 34.5 kV Nominal System Voltage and Below; Low Voltage, 15 kV Nominal System Voltage and Below*

**Plaques:**

WG Chair: Stephen Shull

Vice Chair: Michael Dahlke

Secretary: Michael Dahlke

TF Chair: Carlos Gaytan

TF Chair: Jerry Murphy

**Certificates of Appreciation:**

Babanna Suresh, Christopher Sullivan, Daniel Mulkey, Gary King, Irving Antweiler,
Igor Simonov, Jeff Schneider, Pragnesh Vyas.

### IEEE Std C57.154™-2021 – *IEEE Standard for Liquid-Immersed Transformers Designed to Operate at Temperatures Above Conventional Limits Using High-Temperature Insulation Systems*

**Plaques:**

WG Chair: Richard Marek

Vice Chair: Anastasia O’Malley

Secretary: Ewald Schweiger

TF Chair: Alan Sbravati

TF Chair: Kevin Biggie

**Certificates of Appreciation:**

Claude Beauchemin, Stuart Chambers, George Frimpong, Rainer Frotscher, Attila Gyore,
Marion Jaroszewski, Aleksandr Levin, Jinesh Malde, Radoslaw Szewczky.

## Presentation Slides

A brief summary of this Recognition and Awards report was presented at the October 16, 2022 Administrative Subcommittee meeting. A full presented was made at the Fall 2022 Awards Luncheon on October 18, 2022 in PowerPoint format. The PowerPoint slides are available on the Committee’s website at <https://www.transformerscommittee.org/meetings/lastmeetingminutes/>.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Forsyth
Awards Chair and Past Chair

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