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It has been a pleasure for me to serve as Special Editor for the D. H. Pengelly tribute volumes, and to work with regular Editor Miriam Richards to line up a diverse assemblage of papers touching on the range of entomological disciplines influenced by Dave Pengelly (1922-2004). Dave was widely known, and is fondly remembered, as a fantastic teacher of entomology and as a huge contributor to the development of the University of Guelph Insect Collection; but he is also sorely missed as a seemingly infinite reservoir of entomological trivia, anecdotes, insightful stories, jokes, support, and wise advice. Almost all of the authors in these volumes were strongly influenced by Professor Pengelly, most shared his enthusiasm and passion for collecting and identifying insects, and many worked with Dave to build up the University of Guelph Insect Collection. Although now widely appreciated as a treasure trove of information about faunal change and insect distribution while also serving as the foundation for a growing body of taxonomic research, the University of Guelph Insect Collection during Pengelly's tenure was a beleaguered resource used mostly as a source of specimens for a myriad of entomology courses including the hands-on third year entomology labs that Dave taught every weekday. It is a testimonial to his foresight that he not only kept the collection from deterioration or destruction due to invasions of dermestid beetles and indiscriminate colleagues, he consistently built up the collection and increased its curatorial level annually. He did not do this alone, of course. Professor Pengelly had a contagious vision of what was needed to improve our understanding of Ontario's insects, and his enthusiasm for the study of insect biology and diversity was such that he was always associated with dedicated students. Thousands of specimen labels in the insect collection bear the names of most of the authors of papers in these volumes, standing as permanent testimonials to a shared vision that started with students working with their mentor at University of Guelph, and which continues through the widely dispersed teaching, research, and publications by Dave's students and colleagues today. I think he would have liked these sets of papers, and he would have been pleased to see them published in the journal that he supported so selflessly ... almost every copy of this journal sent out during the 16 year period "D.H." was Secretary-Treasurer of the ESO was sent out by Dave personally. We all wish he were still here to send this one out!

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