

Guest Editors' Foreword

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This special issue of *Discrete & Computational Geometry* is dedicated to the memory of a remarkable scholar who was a founding father of our subject area, and who also served actively on the editorial board of this journal since it was first started in 1985.

Victor L. Klee was born in San Francisco in 1925. He received his Ph.D. in Mathematics from the University of Virginia in 1949. In 1953, he moved to the University of Washington in Seattle, where he was a faculty member for 54 years. He passed away on August 17, 2007 in Lakewood, Ohio.

Victor Klee's research was broad, and his manifold contributions include pivotal insights in many different areas of mathematics. Thus he contributed to the theories of convex sets in general and of convex polytopes in particular, to functional analysis, the analysis of algorithms, linear programming, discrete geometry, and combinatorics. His name will remain forever connected to the "Klee–Minty cubes" (derived from a seminal paper with George Minty, 1972), and to many other discoveries, insights and results he left us in more than 240 research papers. For an article exposing Vic Klee's mathematical contributions from many different angles we refer to [*Notices Amer. Math. Soc.* **55** (2008), no. 4, 467–473]. He was an inspiring teacher, who led 36 Ph.D. students to success.

For this special issue, we invited submissions from colleagues across the mathematical sciences. A strict peer-review process resulted in the acceptance of 12 research articles for this issue. The topics represented by these articles reflect the remarkable range of Vic Klee's interests, and we are proud to dedicate this issue to his memory.

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