

An Ode to Dan

Dan Fornari came to WHOI in 1993,
Chief Sci. of Deep Submergence for to be. □ □
□ With energy and vigor,
□ And his dog named Hector,
Great new visions for deep-sea vehicles had he.

Dan set about changing all that he could see,
To improve the Deep Submergence Facility.
□ New cameras and lights,
□ More data and bytes,
All to reveal the dark secrets of the sea.

Dan helped each scientist who came his way,
To plan their cruises down to the day,
□ With equipment suggestions,
□ And advice on operations,
He worked tirelessly so they wouldn't stray.

No problem was too big, no problem too small,
Dan was always ready to tackle them all.
□ From winches to cranes,
□ Manipulators to drains,
All it took to fix them was many phone calls!

And now ten years later, it's time to depart,
And leave his position to make a fresh start,
□ Deep Submergence will miss Dan,
□ And his attitude of "I can",
But he will always be remembered in our hearts.



To Dan:
With gratitude for your enormous contribution
to the U.S. Deep Submergence community.

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