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Hi Everyone

This week's Departmental Acknowledgement goes to **Bernard Rosenblatt** and is also long overdue and is very much a personal shout out.

Bernie, as he is universally known, retired this past July. For me Bernie was many things; teacher, mentor, colleague, and most importantly, friend.

Professionally, there a few individuals I owe the lion share of credit for whatever I have accomplished and Bernie is one of these individuals.

More importantly, Bernie stands out for his steady contribution of 45 years to the MCH, beginning as a resident and continuing as an attending physician, Division Director and Head of our Neurophysiology Diagnostic Laboratory. In these roles, he can take responsibility for the robustness of clinical neurosciences at the MCH, including one of Canada's leading comprehensive epilepsy programs, as well as a cutting edge neurodiagnostic laboratory.

When it came to epilepsy, there was no more masterful a diagnostician and clinician than Bernie. He always kept up with the literature and insisted that all members of the Division of Pediatric Neurology do so as well. It was a rare Monday AM in the past few years when a member of the Division did not wake up to an InBox that included a paper culled from the epilepsy literature highlighting an advance in diagnostics or therapeutics.

Bernie was also renowned for his love of practical jokes, eclectic original (no Pop or Rock for him) music that frequently loudly played in the EEG reading room, and a frank willingness to call out Emperors when they were wearing no clothes.