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The late John Hench, a true Disney legend, came into his office at Imagineering each day, well into his ninety-fifth year. Although he passed away in 2004, his legacy continues to play an integral role in the design of Disney theme parks and attractions-just as he himself did more than fifty years ago when Walt enlisted him as one of his closest colleagues and confidants.

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