HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES OF THE IEEE

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The IEEE History Committee

• Responsible for promoting, collection, writing, and dissemination of historical information about IEEE and fields covered by its professional and technical activities

• Reports to IEEE Executive Committee
The IEEE History Committee

- 15 Members—Engineers & Historians
- Provides information & recommendations to the ExCom and assistance to IEEE entities
- Recommends historical projects to be carried out by the IEEE History Center
The IEEE History Center

- Promotes worldwide the collection, study, and dissemination of historical information about IEEE and its technologies
- Six professional staff members
- Affiliation with Rutgers University
IEEE History Center
Core Programs for 2000 & Beyond

• Oral Histories
  – From internally prioritized list
  – Special requests funded by others

• History of IEEE Societies
  – Monograph for each Society

• History of IEEE Technologies
  – Book on pre-World War I
  – Book on WWI to end of WW II
  – Monographs for post-WW II
Core Programs (continued)

• Outreach
  – Web site and reference services
  – Newsletter, articles, and features
  – Exhibits and lectures
  – Virtual Museums

• Education
  – Fellowship in Electrical History
  – Teach courses at Rutgers
  – Post-doc, intern, and GAs
Core Programs (continued)

• Milestones
  – Recognized in IEEE Sections (see Session 2)

• Archives
  – Photographs, centennial gifts (see Session 3)

• Scholarly Studies and Interactions
  – Publish research findings
  – Conferences and joint projects