HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES OF THE IEEE

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IEEE History Center

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

