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IEEE Celebrates 125 Years of Engineering the Future with a Milestone Dedication

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WHAT: IEEE Milestone in Electrical Engineering and Computing plaque will be dedicated. IEEE is short for the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers.

This is the wording:

Book “Experiments and Observations on Electricity” by Benjamin Franklin, 1751

In April 1751 the Royal Society published Benjamin Franklin's book, "Experiments and Observations on Electricity: Made in Philadelphia in America." A collection of letters to London's Peter Collinson, the book described Franklin's ideas about the nature of electricity and how electrical devices worked, and new experiments to investigate lightning. This important book led to a better understanding of charges, stimulated Franklin's work on lightning rods, and made him an internationally known figure.

WHO: IEEE Philadelphia Section

WHEN: August 7, 2009; 5:00 P.M.

WHERE: Library of the American Philosophical Society
105 South Fifth Street, Philadelphia, Penn. 19106
Enter on Library Street, 100 feet east of Fifth St.

WHY: In 2009 IEEE, the world's leading professional association for the advancement of technology, will commemorate its 125th Anniversary through activities surrounding the theme of *Engineering the Future*. These activities will help to increase technology awareness and advancements around the world, encourage the public to recognize the impact of technology on their everyday life and promote continued innovation to create positive change. This ceremony is the final part of a three-day IEEE conference on the History of Technical Societies.

COST: No charge. Please call the IEEE Section office at 215.879.1559 to reserve a space.