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Edward S. Davidson

ences) from the University of California, Berkeley and Harvard University.

Goode Award

Edward S. Davidson was presented with the 1992 Harry Goode Memorial Award for his "pivotal seminal contributions to the design, implementation, and performance evaluation of high performance computer systems." The Goode Award was initiated by the American Federation of Information Processing Societies (AFIPS) in 1964 in recognition and appreciation of Goode's invaluable contributions to the information processing societies. Upon the dissolution of AFIPS in 1990, the Computer Society agreed to assume responsibility of the award.

Davidson received a B.A. in mathematics from Harvard University in 1961, an M.S. in communication science from the University of Michigan in 1962, and a Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois in 1968. He returned to the University of Illinois in 1975 as assistant professor, advanced to associate professor in 1975, and professor of electrical engineering at the Coordinated Science Laboratory in 1980. From 1984 through 1987, as associate director of the Center for Supercomputing Research and Development, Davidson was responsible for the hardware implementation of the Cedar parallel supercomputer. In January, 1988, he joined the University of Michigan as professor and served as chair of the department of electrical engineering and computer science through 1990. He has performed research in computer architecture, supercomputing, pipeline and parallel processing, performance modeling, and computer-aided design.

Congratulations . . .

to Magdalene (Maggie) A. Johnson, Computer Society conference finance coordinator, who celebrates her tenth anniversary with the society on August 27.

Task Force on Ethics Formed

The IEEE Computer Society and the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) recently combined efforts to establish internationally recognized standards for the professional and ethical conduct of software engineers. The task force on Software Engineering Ethics and Professional Practices (SEEPP) has been participating on Capitol Hill with Representatives George Brown (D-CA) and Edward Markey (D-MA) in cooperation with the National Computer Ethics and Responsibilities Campaign.

Computer Society Co-chair Robert J. Melford and ACM Co-chair Dr. Donald Gotterbarn, emphasize, "software engineering is a profession whose activities are trans-national; the SEEPP task force must also address cultural, organizational, and national characteristics that bear on a global definition of Software Engineering Ethics and Professional Practices." The focal points of the task force are ethics and standards of practice. Computing professionals from around the world are being invited to participate in the global standards' development process. The task force has organized eight Standards Working Groups to address specific areas of ethical interest and concern. For more information on the SEEPP task force please contact Bob Melford; phone 714/830-1443; email r.melford@computer.org.✳

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