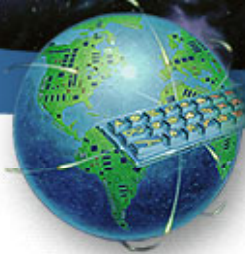


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Happy Anniversary DuPage Engineers

DuPage, Illinois, engineers are celebrating 20 years of National Engineers Week activity. Anniversary programs at Illinois Institute of Technology's Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Campus are free and open to the public. The Speaker's Forum on February 26 is in conjunction with a Network and Security Workshop and Expo being held that day. On February 28 an afternoon Expo features interactive displays and presentations. All presenters will be celebrating one or more anniversaries particular to their society or discipline. Displays include a wind tunnel, cryogenics, polarized light, the history of computers, robotics, and safety as well as hands-on SciTech activities and many other attractions. A timeline will highlight engineering and scientific advances through the ages. Expo presentations are directed toward students of all ages and their parents.

The first DuPage Area Engineers' Week Open House was held in 1985 at Midwest College of Engineering in Lombard, Illinois. In 1986 Midwest College merged with Illinois Institute of Technology to form a new, west-suburban campus called IIT West, now the Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Campus. This west suburban campus of Illinois Institute of Technology has continued to host the annual Engineers Week celebration. The DuPage program is a joint effort among professional engineering and scientific societies, the two area national laboratories, businesses, educational institutions and community organizations. The objective is to communicate what engineering is and what engineers do; attracting young people to careers in engineering, science and technology; and increasing the scientific literacy of the community.

IIT's Rice Campus is located at 201 East Loop Road, Wheaton. For more information on the DuPage program, visit the program's web site at <http://www.rice.iit.edu/engineersweek/> or call 630.682.6040.

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