

# WELCOME

## To the 1984 IEEE Microwave and Millimeter-Wave Monolithic Circuits Symposium



I believe every IEEE conference must be held in San Francisco at least once every 5 to 10 years. Coming from the Northeast, to me San Francisco is second only to San Diego as a meeting site. The good weather, interesting houses, friendly people, shops, restaurants and cable cars (when running) all make this a special place. There's always a little free time to slip away for a few hours to some of the galleries which carry those delightful glass vases with the colorful and intricate patterns fired into their surfaces. Maybe the patterns remind me of the beauty of some IC chips I've seen; not the electrical performance of the chips, but the visual impact when magnified to an 8 × 10 color print.

Or maybe San Francisco is more appealing to me as I sit in Boston writing this on a cold March night with snow on the ground.

So let me welcome you on behalf of the Steering Committee to the Third Monolithic Circuits Symposium. We have twenty four papers to present to you. In keeping with last year's format, Tuesday's sessions will be followed by a joint session with the 1984 IEEE MTT-S International Microwave Symposium on Wednesday morning. Due to the size of the Microwave Symposium, the San Francisco Civic Auditorium will be used for Wednesday's papers. Please use the free bus service from your hotel to the Civic Auditorium for this event.

The Steering Committee has done an excellent job of preparing this conference for you and the Technical Program Committee put together a fine set of papers. The Local Arrangements, Publicity, Finances and Publications all involved substantial efforts by our volunteers. The Technical Program Chairman and his committee worked hard to evaluate and organize the technical sessions. Additional help from L. Whicker and associates also kept us moving on time. To everyone let me express my appreciation of the time and effort a conference like this requires.

I hope you find the 1984 Microwave and Millimeter Wave Monolithic Circuits Symposium interesting and informative.

Sincerely,  
James G. Oakes  
Chairman, Steering Committee