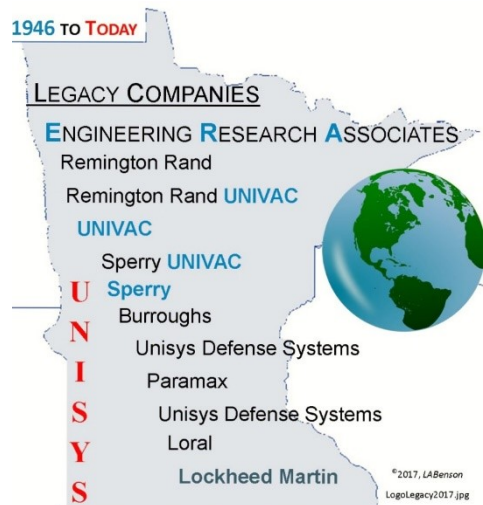# LEGACY COMMITTEE ANNIVERSARY!

In October 2005, the VIP Club Board, LMCO employees, and UNISYS employees formed a committee with three objectives:

1. Gather historical items

- Donate old documents & papers to any VIP Club Board member – these will in turn go to the Charles Babbage Institute[1] (CBI) or if a duplicate to the Lawshe Memorial Museum.
- Donate hardware artifacts to Dakota County's Lawshe Memorial Museum – a small team of VIP Club volunteers is there almost every Tuesday morning.
- Write and submit your career summary and/or project and product experiences to our on-line anthology, webmaster@vipclubmn.org. Additions to current stories are welcome.

2. Catalogue artifact items

- Volunteer teams are at the Lawshe Memorial Museum, join them as our five workstations are not fully occupied (resuming in March 2023).

3. Tell the story to Minnesotans and the nation's public

- Our Legacy anthology is on-line, http://vipclubmn.org/Legacy.html
- Note exhibits throughout the country, http://vipclubmn.org/Exhibits.html#Others.
- Review documents archived at the U of MN's Charles Babbage Institute; listen to many oral interviews of Minnesota's 'industry and technology pioneers.'

Major Accomplishments! [2]

This month we boast of our 17-year objective successes, expect to celebrate more in 2023:

- 2008: Setup a sesquicentennial display at the State Capitol and at the MN state fair, http://vipclubmn.org/Articles/It'sAWrap.pdf.
- 2013: Started a permanent artifact exhibit at the Dakota County Historical Society's S. St. Paul Lawshe Memorial Museum, http://vipclubmn.org/Exhibits.html#Lawshe.
- 2017: Celebrated moving shadow boxes from Roseville to Eagan with an open house, http://vipclubmn.org/Articles/ThroughTheAges.pdf.
- 2018: The Minnesota High-Tech Association in conjunction with CBI, the committee, and the museum developed a MN Computing History web site, mncomputinghistory.com.
- 2019: The Minnesota High-Tech Association in conjunction with CBI, the DCHS museum, and the Twin Cities Public Television developed a Minnesota Documentary, http://vipclubmn.org/Articles/TPTclips.pdf; based on Dr. Tom Misa's Digital State book.
- 2019: Provided info for CHAP videos, http://vipclubmn.org/Articles/CHAP_SummaryRev1.pdf.
- 2022: Submitting our *Legacy Anthology* website as a CBI Human-Computer Interaction History award candidate, stay tuned!

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[1] The Charles Babbage Institute's director is an advisor to the committee. The director holds the ERA Land Grant Chair for the History of Technology at the University of Minnesota.

[2] http://vipclubmn.org/Legacy.html#Sucesses