The Wireless Revolution Continues a Special Evening with Martin Cooper

Wednesday, May 18, 2011

Reception: 6:00 pm Presentation: 7:00-8:30 pm

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Please join telecommunications pioneer, and IIT alum, Martin Cooper, as he explores the Wireless Revolution that started over 35 years ago and discusses the future revolutionary societal changes that wireless communications will make possible.

About Our Speaker

Martin Cooper is a pioneer in the wireless communications industry, an inventor, entrepreneur and executive. He has been a contributor to the technology of personal wireless communications for over 50 years. He conceived the first portable cellular phone in 1973 and is cited in the *Guinness Book of World Records* for making the first cellular telephone call. Cooper knew then that people needed the freedom that comes from anywhere, anytime telephony in contrast to being tethered to a desk or a car. He has been referred to as the father of portable cellular telephony and is recognized as an innovator in spectrum management.

Cooper was a submarine officer in the U.S. Navy, a division manager and head of R&D for Motorola during a 29 year tenure. As an entrepreneur he has started a number of businesses including co-founding GreatCall, Inc., maker of the Jitterbug phone and service and ArrayComm, the world leader in smart antenna technology.

Cooper was an inaugural member of the WHF Wireless Hall of Fame; Red Herring magazine named him one of the Top 10 Entrepreneurs of 2000; the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania Business named him a Transformation Technology Change Leader; and he is a recipient of the IEEE Centennial Medal. He was recently awarded the Prince of Asturias Prize for Science and Technology and will be inducted into the National Academy of Engineering in October of this year.

He holds a B.S. and an M.S. in Electrical Engineering and an honorary doctorate from the Illinois Institute of Technology on whose Board of Trustees he serves.

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