

IT SOCIETY MEMBER NOMINATED FOR 1997 IEEE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Vijay Bhargava, a well known IT Society member and volunteer, is an IEEE Board of Director's nominated candidate for the office of 1997 IEEE President-Elect. If you honor Vijay with your choice in this August's election, he will become IEEE's President in 1998.

Vijay has served our Society in many ways. In 1982, he established the Information Theory Chapter of the IEEE Montreal Section. He was Vice-Chair and Chair of Local Arrangements for ISIT'83 held in St. Jovite, Quebec, Canada. In 1994 he co-edited (with Steve Wicker) an IEEE Press Book on *Reed-Solomon Codes and Their Applications*. Last year Vijay organized (with Ian Blake and Mike Purseley) ISIT'95 in Whistler, B.C., Canada. This September, Vijay will be organizing (with Suguru Arimoto and Hideki Imai) ISITA'96 in Victoria, B.C., Canada. Finally, Vijay is currently serving on our Board of Governors.

The June, July, and August issues of *The Institute* (a news supplement to *IEEE Spectrum*) will cover the election. Vijay's Statement of Candidacy, biography, and a summary of past service to the institute may be found by consulting

<http://www.ece.uvic.ca/dept/profile/bhargava>