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Centennial School

The year 1979 commemorates the 100th anniversary of the perfection of electric light by Thomas Alva Edison in his Menlo Park Laboratory, New Jersey. To celebrate the "Year of Light", The New Jersey Historical Society will recognize qualified Jerseymen Clubs and School Members as "Centennial Clubs" and "Centennial Schools".

By receiving Centennial status, New Jersey students will join millions in the nation and the world who will pay tribute to the famous Jerseyan. Edison's perfection of inexpensive light and electricity changed the lifestyles of the world. His invention of the phonograph and movie projector had an enduring impact on recreation and entertainment habits. More than an inventor, this unmatched American had many other talents. He was a financier, an industrialist, a philosopher, a humanitarian and a man with a discerning musical ear (even when deaf!). By achieving Centennial status, students will have an opportunity to discover more about this great figure in history who made his greatest contributions while living in New Jersey.

All Jerseymen Club and School Members on any grade level, K - 12, are eligible to receive Centennial status. Centennial projects must be completed by June 1, 1979, to be recognized as a Centennial Club or School in the 1978-79 school year.

## Provisional Edison Centennial Clubs and Schools

Members can be placed on the roster of Provisional Centennial Clubs and Schools by declaring their <u>intention</u> of completing selected projects. (See Declaration of Intention Application.) It is understood that these are not firm commitments and that members may substitute another eligible project during the year. Provisional Clubs and Schools will be announced as they are received. After they complete their projects, they then will be added to the official honor roll of Centennial Clubs and Schools, 1978-79.

## Confirmed Edison Centennial Clubs and Schools

As clubs and schools complete their projects during the year they will be added to the Blue Ribbon Edison Centennial Honor Roll. (See Declaration of Eligibility.) Centennial members will receive Certificates of Recognition from The Society.

(Please see reverse side.)

## Centennial Clubs and Schools, 1978-79

In addition, schools with exceptional, pace setting projects will receive special recognition.

Headquarters is looking forward to announcing the Honor Roll of Centennial Members and hearing with pride their contributions to the community and state in recognition of the Year of Light.

## Ground Rules for Eligibility

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- 1. Centennial status is limited to Club and School Members of the Society.
- 2. For Jerseymen Clubs: Providing the club sponsors the projects, activities can be completed by individuals or groups, (i.e. all members need not be involved), as well as other portions of the student body.
- 3. For School Members: All students and faculty members within the School are eligible to participate.
- 4. It is expected that all projects will emphasize Edison in New Jersey.
- A project completed in one field cannot be considered eligible in another field. There must be three separate projects.
- ALL MEMBERS MUST COMPLETE ONE PROJECT EACH IN FIELDS A, B,C. (Field A corresponds with Section II, B. with III, and C. with IV, all in the Edison Instructional Bulletin, "The Centennial of Light".

## QUALIFYING PROJECTS for EDISON CENTENNIAL CLUBS and SCHOOLS

Select one project from each Field, A, B, C, which corresponds to Sections II, III, IV in the Edison Instructional Bulletin. Also eligible are projects which are not specifically listed but fulfill the spirit and educational objectives of each section.

## FIELD A. (II, Edison Instructional Bulletin)

The "Wizard" - A Practical Scientist.

These are research, writing and role-playing projects designed to provide qualitative insights into the many facets of Edison. They will help students transcend the pure historical record in order to probe the inventor's value system, the ethics and culture of the time, and the human interest factors associated with great historical figures.

## FIELD B (III, Edison Instructional Bulletin.)

Action with Edison

These projects provide blueprints for "hands-on" participatory student activities. In most cases they produce tangible 3-D, a-v, or written results. The "Action" projects provide opportunities to learn about the technology and work patterns and problems of Edison's era. Those connected with the Movies strongly delineate the cause (invention of the projector) and effect (the entire movie industry and a new dimension of the performing arts) relationship.

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FIELD C (IV. Edison Instructional Bulletin.) Edison's World

Activities in this section are 1.) designed to generate field trips to Edison-related sites where students can absorb "Edisonia" by in situ experiences. And 2.) help students explore the "many faces" of the inventor by learning more about the people he was associated with - captains of industry and Presidents, jazz and concert singers, factory assistants and workers. By completing a project in this section, students will learn about another dimension of Edison - his milieu, in place and among people.

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## EDISON CENTENNIAL CLUBS AND SCHOOLS

## DECLARATION OF INTENTION

## Application for status as a Provisional Centennial Club/School

Club/School

Full address

This is a declaration of your <u>intention</u> to complete the projects you select below. It is understood that you may change direction later in the year and substitute another project for the one you have listed. Select at least one project in each field and complete in the space provided.

With the declaration you will be listed on the roster of <u>Provisional Edison Centennial</u> <u>Members</u>, 1978-79. After you complete your projects, then submit your Declaration of Fligibility, for the confirmed status on the honor roll of Centennial Clubs and Schools (Deadline, June 1, 1979).

Fill in and return to the Society. If you have not decided upon one of several projects, list them all. Describe briefly the subject and nature of the activity.

Fields A, B, C are Sections II, III, IV in the Edison Instructional Bulletin, "1879-1979, The Centennial of Light".

FIELD A. The Wizard. A Practical Scientist.

FIELD B. Action with Edison.

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## DECLARATION OF ELIGIBILITY

## Application for status as a <u>Edison Centennial Club/School</u> 1978-79 School Year Deadline, June 1, 1979

This application should be submitted after you have completed your three projects. It is your Declaration of being eligible to join the Honor Roll of Centennial Members. You will receive a Certificate of Recognition.

School/Club
Full address
FIELD A. The "Wizard" - A Practical Scientist.
FIELD B. Action with Edison.
FIELD C. Edison's World.
Faculty Endorsement Date





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## THE ENDLESS SEARCH

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# **THE ENDLESS SEARCH An Historic Color Documentary**

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# **The Endless Search**

An exclusive and historic color documentary on the enduring legacy of Thomas Alva Edison in enriching and energizing the world.

L ight and power . . . energy and employment . . . research and development . . . these are the enduring legacy of one life . . . one man . . . Thomas Alva Edison.

World famous for his invention of the electric light . . . phonograph . . . and motion picture camera . . . Edison's greatest contribution to civilization is, perhaps, his pioneering concept of industrial research.

The key to human progress, he believes, is scientific discovery pursued intensively by research teams. For new ideas . . . new inventions . . . new products . . . will create new industries . . . new jobs . . . and a higher standard of living.

And so Thomas Alva Edison opens the world's first "invention factory" at Menlo Park, New Jersey, in 1876.

## "The boys here work with me, not for me. All of us are co-workers for the prosperity of our country and for the world."

Here, in 1877, Edison invents the phonograph as he records . . . and plays back . . . the words of the nursery rhyme, "Mary Had a Little Lamb."

Then, at Menlo Park, on October 21, 1879, Thomas Alva Edison achieves what later is called "The Miracle of the Millenium"... the invention of the world's first practical incandescent electric light.

The original Menlo Park laboratory is, today, a part of "Greenfield Village" in Dearborn, Michigan.

In an exclusive Screen News Digest appearance, Robert Koolakian, "Keeper of Edisoniana" at "Greenfield Village," details the events leading up to . . . and the discovery of . . . the incandescent electric light.

To make "Edison's Light" useful, commercially, a plant must be built that can generate electricity and distribute it widely. The location is Pearl Street in New York City. In addition to dynamos and steam-powered generators, Edison invents and installs transmission circuits . . . safety fuses . . . fixtures . . . sockets . . . and even meters to measure consumption.

Finally, after three years, a switch is thrown in the Pearl Street Station on September 4, 1882, and some eighty-five customers receive enough electricity to light 400 lamps. Now Edison can say:

"I have accomplished all that I promised."



The endless search ...

In 1887, Edison transfers his "invention factory" to West Orange, New Jersey. The laboratory is ten times bigger than the one at Menlo Park and has the world's finest equipment and scientific personnel.

Despite failing hearing . . . that eventually results in almost total deafness . . . the results of Edison's experiments and research are astonishing.

During his lifetime, he averages a patent every other week. His total ... 1,093 ... is, by far, the greatest number of patents held by any American inventor. To those who ask if there is some mystical quality about genius, he has a quick reply:



... a better life ....

## "Genius is one per cent inspiration and ninety-nine per cent perspiration."

Among Edison's inventions...at Menlo Park...and West Orange...are...

... the "Edison Effect" lamp, the forerunner of radio... television... and communications in space...

... the first electric railway in the United States...

... the motion picture camera...

... an electric car that runs on rechargeable batteries...

... the alkaline storage battery ...

... and the telephone transmitter and the microphone.

Edison's philosophy of invention is simply stated:

"The trouble with other inventors is that they try a few things and quit. I never quit until I get what I want."

The great inventor's legacy is found in every home in the industrialized world. Each day...in countless ways...some electric appliance makes life a little easier for families that have heat...and light...and power...at the tips of their fingers.

And the inventions of Thomas Alva Edison...directly and indirectly...account for more than one out of every five jobs in America.

Before his death, on October 18, 1931, "The Wizard of Menlo Park" says:

> "If I have spurred men to great effort...if our work has widened the horizon of man's understanding even a little...and given a measure of happiness to the world...I am content."

The search...begun at Menlo Park...goes on...the endless search for energy sources old and new. For the needs of the world and its people continue to grow.

Already, scientists have harnessed geothermal energy from underground reservoirs in the western United States.

And the sun's rays are heating boilers... atop solar towers...to generate the steam needed to produce electricity. A distant...and yet direct...descendant of the pioneering Pearl Street Station of a century ago.

Still, America's endless search is lagging. The number of new ideas and new inventions registered to Americans by the patent office has declined in recent years. Fewer people are interested in careers in technology. Research and development are slowing down. And so, too, is the establishment of productive, job-creating new industries.

On campuses...and in classrooms... America needs 20th Century Tom Edisons.

The human mind...in our free society... is America's richest natural resource. We are not prisoners, bound by the unyielding dictates of available raw materials. Rather, we can... and we should...look forward to better things and better times as we pursue the goal of mind over matter.

And so young men and women...like the legendary Thomas Alva Edison of a century ago...must continue his search...the endless search...to improve, for people everywhere, the promise and quality of life.

... for people everywhere.



	THOMAS ALVA EDISON—LIFE AND LEGACY		
	1847–Born in Milan, Ohio, February 11th.		
	1868–Invented electric vote recorder.		
	1869–Invented electric stock ticker.		
	1874–Invented "electric pen" and manual duplicating press.		
	1876–Established world's first "Invention Factory" at Menlo Park, New Jersey.		
	1877–Invented the phonograph.		
Disease	1879-Invented the incandescent electric light.		
sons, Places,	<ul> <li>1880—Discovered "Edison Effect," the fundamental principle of the science of electroni</li> <li>1882—Began operation of commercial electrical distribution station on Pearl Street</li> </ul>		
<b>Facts</b>	in New York City.		
	1887–Moved research laboratory to West Orange, New Jersey.		
Natch for	<b>1891</b> —Patented the motion picture camera.		
he Film	1896—Invented the fluoroscope.		
	1902—Invented the alkaline storage battery.		
	1905–Established the first Portland Cement mill.		
	1912–Introduced the Kinetophone (talking motion picture).		
	1915–Established plants for manufacture of coal-tar derivatives.		
	1927–Began experiments to discover a domestic source of natural rubber.		
	1931–Died in West Orange, New Jersey, October 18th. Thomas Alva Edison holds more U.S. patents1,093 than any other inventor in history		
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	<b>1.</b> Where and when was the first incandescent electric light bulb invented and tested?		
	2. What was the importance of the discovery of the "Edison Effect" lamp?		
	3. Name the black inventor who was a key member of Edison's research team at		
	West Orange.		
	4. What did Edison say about genius?		
	5. The phonograph was invented in 1891.		
	True False		
	6. Edison was working on the alkaline storage battery at the time of his death.		
estions	True False False		
	7. Edison was granted a total of 687 U.S. patents during his lifetime. True		
n the Film	8. Thomas Edison's original "Invention Factory" is now located at		
	(a) Menlo Park, New Jersey (b) West Orange, New Jersey		
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	9. The Congressional Gold Medal was awarded to Thomas Edison in		
	(a) 1903 (b) 1917		
	(c) 1928		
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	(a) 1879 (b) 1882		
	(c) 1887		
11 March 11	1. Menlo Park, New Jersey, October 21, 1879. 2. The "Edison Effect" lamp was the		
and the second s	forerunner of radio, television and space communications. 3. Lewis Howard Latimer.		
swers	4. "Genius is one per cent inspiration and ninety-nine per cent perspiration." 5. False, 1877.		
	6. False, a domestic source of natural rubber. 7. False, 1,093. 8. (c) "Greenfield Village,"		
	Dearborn, Michigan. 9. (c) 1928. 10. (b) 1882.		
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# Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of The Invention of the Electric Light Bulb





ACTUAL SIZE

# THOMAS ALVA EDISON COMMEMORATIVE

The Colonial Mint is proud to announce that it has been selected by the International Committee Centennial of Light to create the commemorative sculpture of Thomas Alva Edison.

This magnificent work of art was sculptured by the noted American artist Edward DeWitt. Mr. DeWitt is one of the most proclaimed American artists of the day. He is known as a master of detail and authenticity both in sculpture and in oil painting. DeWitt won national acclaim for his "Double Eagles" sculpture commissioned by the U.S. Bicentennial Committee and his dramatic works on President Ford, Robert Kennedy and Winston Churchill. This sculpture of Thomas Alva Edison is a masterpiece and would truly complement the finest collections.

The statue is 5" tall and stands on its own sculpted base. To add to its artistic value every sculpture is signed by the artist and bears the distinctive mintmark of the Colonial Mint.

The Edison Commemmorative will be cast in several editions:

1) **The Heirloom Edition**, strictly limited to 1,000 sculptures, is cast in Solid Sterling Silver. Each statue is hand-finished to bring out the detail of the sculptor's work and the rich, timeless patina of the precious metal. The Sterling Silver sculpture is available at \$350.

2) **A Fine Pewter Edition** is also available. Finished and polished with an antique lustre, this edition will preserve its natural beauty for years to come. Each sculpture is offered at \$100.

NOTE: There will also be a Corporate Premium Edition available at less than \$20 each for quantities over 50 sculptures.

The Edison Commemorative is available only by direct subscription.

#### The Colonial Mint 360 East 55 Street, New York, N.Y. 10022

Please enter my subscription for the Thomas Alva Edison Sculpture. I understand that I must be completely satisfied or I may return the sculpture within 15 days for an unquestioned full refund.

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# EDISON CENTENNIAL 1979 The Edison Chamber of Commerce

P. O. Box - 281, 1974 LINCOLN HIGHWAY Edison, New Jersey 08817

FOR RELEASE .....IMMEDIATE

CONTACT: LOUIS GRUNINGER, III OFFICE: 287-1951 HOME: 247-7480

## MAYOR TO NAME MEMBERS OF THE THOMAS A. EDISON CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

Edison Mayor Anthony Yelencsics will name the members of the THOMAS A. EDISON CENTENNIAL COMMISSION which was created on resolution by the Town Council to organize and develop commemorative events and celebrations concerning the 100th anniversary of the invention of the first practical incandescent light by Thomas Edison on October 21, 1879.

During the 1979 year there will be many celebrations and special events around the state, around the country and around the world commemorating this great achievement by Thomas Edison. The Commission will organize a commemorative celebration in Edison, New Jersey that will create local, national and world-wide attention and significance.

The Mayor has chosen to make the offical public announcement concerning the Commission at the General Membership Meeting of the Edison Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, March 16th at The Pines Manor, Edison. The luncheon meeting starting at 12 noon is open to the public but advance reservations must be made by calling the Chamber office at 287-1951.

In addition to naming the members of the Commission an announcement concerning the plans of the Commission will be explained.

As an added incentive and attraction there will be a special preview showing of a film on Thomas Edison that was commissioned by the New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce and produced by the Henry Charles Motion Picture Studios located in Edison, New Jersey.

There will also be exhibited the symbol or logo created by the Commission for the purpose of identifying the 100th anniversary of the invention of the Edison electric light. It will be used on all exhibits, published material, letter heads and stationery concerning the "century of light" event in Edison.



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## IMPORTANT - CHANGE IN MEETING DATE

## TO: ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS

Please reschedule our next meeting date from Friday, April 21, 1978 to Friday, April 28, 1978.

We will meet in the Conference room at the main branch of the Edison Library, 240 Plainfield Avenue, starting at 3:30.

Please call Aurora Bacon at the library (287-2298) indicating if you will or will not be able to attend.

## URGENT ACTION REQUIRED

Enclosed is a letter from the Postmaster General placing some doubt on a commemorative stamp celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the invention of the electric light. He also stated that the Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee has the proposed stamp on their agenda for a meeting coming up on April 28th.

I therefore, urge each of you to write this committee just as soon as possible indicating the national and world-wide significance of this commemoration. Address your letter to:

> Jack Williams, Coordinator Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee Room 5700 U. S. Postal Service Washington, D. C. 20260

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Earle N. Peterson, D.V.M. Chairman

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THE POSTMASTER GENERAL Washington, DC 20260

## April 13, 1978

Mr. Earle N. Peterson Chairman, Thomas A. Edison Centennial Committee 1974 Lincoln Highway Post Office Box 281 Edison, New Jersey 08817

Dear Mr. Peterson

Thank you for your letter of March 15 proposing the issuance of a 1979 commemorative stamp to mark the 100th anniversary of the invention of the electric light bulb by Thomas Edison and suggesting that the first day of issue ceremony be held at the Menlo Park Station of the Edison, New Jersey Post Office. I also appreciate your good wishes in connection with my appointment as Postmaster General.

As you know from previous correspondence, we receive many hundreds of commemorative stamp subjects each year and, as you may have concluded from the relatively few stamps that are issued, few may be approved. The difficult task of evaluating all the proposals is carried out by the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee, whose members are selected on the basis of expertise in fields related to stamps and their production.

I am pleased to advise you that the proposal for the issuance of a 1979 commemorative stamp focusing on the invention of the electric light bulb by Thomas Edison is on the Committee's agenda for consideration at its April 28 meeting. I must add, however, that the issuance of the 1929 Thomas Edison commemorative stamp which you noted in your letter as well as the 1947 stamp in the Famous American series commemorating the 100th anniversary of Edison's birth, do lessen the likelihood that the Committee will recommend another stamp to honor Mr. Edison or his work in the near future.

Your interest in this stamp subject is appreciated and you may be assured the proposal will receive serious consideration.

Sincerely,

William F. Bolger



# **The Edison Chamber of Commerce**

SERVING BUSINESS, INDUSTRY AND PROFESSIONS AT THE CROSSROADS OF NEW JERSEY

1974 LINCOLN HIGHWAY, P.O. BOX 281, EDISON, N.J. 08817 (201) 287-1951

April 17, 1978

## IMMEDIATE ACTION NEEDED

Dear Chamber Member:

As you well know, as evidenced by the General Membership meeting on March 16, 1978 and by the various articles in the newspapers, our Chamber is very much involved with the celebration of the "Century of Light" which will take place in 1979.

One of our main thrusts is to have the philatelic division of the U. S. Postal Service create a commemorative stamp for this event and to have its first day of issue here in Edison, N. J. This event will create national and even wide-world attention. Earle Peterson, our immediate past president of the Chamber, is Chairman of this event and has received the enclosed letter from Postmaster General William F. Bolger. You will notice at the end of the third paragraph that there is some doubt about this stamp. You will also notice that this item is on the agenda for a meeting on April 28th of the Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee.

We are therefore requesting all of you to write to the Advisory Committee urging them to issue the stamp and to have the first day of issue here in Edison, N. J. Any other support that you can muster will be greatly appreciated.

Address your letter to the following:

Jack Williams, Coordinator Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee Room 5700 U. S. Postal Service Washington, D. C. 20260

Please send copies of your correspondence to the Chamber office so that we may coordinate our efforts. Also enclosed is a copy of elected officials, national firms and organizations that have pledged their support to our efforts.

Sincerely yours,

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Louis Gruninger III Executive Vice President

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THOMAS A. EDISON CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

Celebrating A Century Of Light 1879 - 1979

## CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE COMMEMORATIVE STAMP COMMISSION

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