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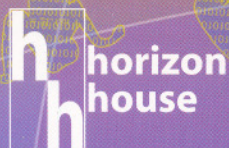
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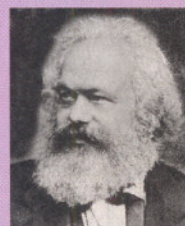
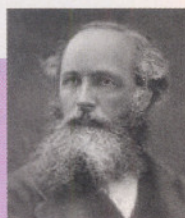
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Oscar Wilde once said something along the lines of the following: "It is better to be talked about than not talked about." With this in mind, I was pleased when our May issue inspired so many readers to ask, "Who's that on the cover of *Microwave Journal*?" We typically don't get a lot of feedback on our choice of cover art, so a heightened reaction is worth noting. And yet, I was slightly taken aback that the father of electromagnetism would be unrecognized by so many.

With the current economic situation in mind, we wanted to tip our hat to the important relationship between engineering and commerce by placing an iconic microwave figure overlooking the Boston skyline in anticipation of the upcoming International Microwave Symposium (IMS). I'll admit that iconic microwave "dudes" are hard to come by. Old bearded guys from the past are apparently less rare. I can assure you that we did not put the father of Marxism, or the leader of the Grateful Dead or the guy who works one night a year in the dead of winter on the cover of the May issue. We did put the man who, in four elegant equations, made it possible for the engineering side of the symposium to do their job.

Inside the issue, we shifted our editorial focus toward the exhibition. We did so in order to recognize the role that the commercial side plays in supporting the technical conference. Given the need for a healthy balance between engineering and commerce, I hope we faithfully served both audiences while helping all exhibiting companies achieve a recognizable iconic stature of their own.

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