

**The statue of Claude Shannon in downtown Gaylord
is the first of six statues honoring this remarkable genius**

Inscription:

**Claude Elwood Shannon
Father of Information Theory**

**Electrical engineer, mathematician, and native
son of Gaylord. His creation of information theory,
the mathematical theory of communication,
in the 1940s and 1950s inspired the revolutionary
advances in digital communications and
information storage that have
shaped the modern world.**

**This statue was donated by the
Information Theory Society of the Institute of
Electrical and Electronics Engineers,
whose members follow gratefully in his footsteps.**

**Dedicated October 6, 2000
Eugene Daub, Sculptor**