

Future Directions Report Available

A progress report of the AAAS Committee on Future Directions was presented to the Council at the Annual Meeting in February by Leonard Rieser, Committee chairman. The report summarizes the Committee's recent recommendations in the areas of the Association's international commitment, AAAS future directions in science education, AAAS activities at the local level, and AAAS response to the state of basic research. Copies of the report are available from AAAS at no cost. Copies of the Committee's 1977 interim report also are available. Write to Committee on Future Directions, AAAS, 1776 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.

against the further election of Fellows, Council will consider instituting steps to have the constitution amended accordingly.

In the meantime, Council has declared a temporary moratorium on the further nomination and election of Fellows. The Association must therefore withdraw the invitation to submit fellowship nominations for 1978 which was published in the 3 February 1978 issue of *Science*, page 522.

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AAAS Cross Country

The AAAS **Southwestern and Rocky Mountain (SWARM) Division** will hold a joint annual meeting with the New Mexico Academy of Science, 26-29 April, at the Albuquerque Hilton. Hosted by the University of New Mexico (UNM), the meeting will feature a symposium arranged by Douglas Brookins of the UNM Geology Department, entitled "Southwestern Energy: Prospects and Problems." The John Wesley Powell Memorial Lecture, "The Meaning of Ice Age Extinction," will be delivered on Thursday evening, 27 April, by Paul S. Martin of the University of Arizona. "National Testing: Production and Efficiency" will be the topic of another session, during which a panel of four experts will discuss national educational testing issues. Contributed papers will be presented beginning on Thursday evening, all day Friday, and Saturday morning. SWARM's annual banquet will be held Friday evening. For programs and other information, contact Max P. Dunford, Department of Biology, Box 3AF, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88003 (telephone 505/646-3924).

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The 59th annual meeting of the AAAS **Pacific Division** is scheduled for 13-17

June at the University of Washington, Seattle. In addition to a symposium sponsored by the Pacific Division on "Fossil Fuels for the Future: Prospects and Problems," a dozen scientific societies will sponsor sessions on subjects ranging from climate change to plant physiology to the history of technology and technology policy. In addition, Pacific Division Sections G (Biological Sciences), K (Social and Economic Sciences), and W (Atmospheric and Hydro-spheric Sciences) will sponsor sessions. Pacific Division president Mildred Mathias will deliver a keynote address on "The Importance of Diversity" on Wednesday, 14 June, during an open session of the meeting. For more information, contact Richard B. Walker, Department of Botany, AK-10, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington 98195 (telephone 206/543-9120).

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"Alaska Fisheries: 200 Years and 200 Miles of Change" is the theme of the AAAS **Alaska Division's** annual meeting, scheduled for 15-17 August 1978 on the University of Alaska campus in Fairbanks. The meeting will focus on utilization of Alaska's renewable marine resources and will include symposia on topics such as fisheries of the future and marine mammals as a traditional resource. Technical paper sessions will be held during the afternoons. The conference coordinators have issued a call for papers in life sciences, physical sciences, and social sciences. Titles and abstracts should be submitted by 1 May and final manuscripts must be sent by 15 July to Donald H. Rosenberg, Conference Chairman, Alaska Sea Grant Program, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701.

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Topics ranging from lasers and light to cervical cancer mortality are included in the ongoing Friday Evening Lecture Series sponsored by the **Atlanta Area AAAS** and the Fernbank Science Center

in Atlanta. The remaining spring lectures will be:

7 April—"Nuclear Power Issues," by Peter Fong, Physics Department, Emory University

14 April—"Economic Aspects of Oceanography," by Patricia Warthan, Science Department, Towers High School, DeKalb County

21 April—"Planting Annuals," by Suzanne Ingram, Fernbank Science Center

28 April—"Has Pap Smear Screening Lowered Mortality Due to Cervical Cancer?," by Roger Rochat, Family Planning Evaluation Division, Center for Disease Control

5 May—"Electron Microscopy Lab Open House," by Patricianne Hurd, Fernbank Science Center

12 May—"Lasers and Light," by Harold Tiller, Earth Sciences Department, Fernbank Science Center

19 May—"Model-Making," by Muzelle A. Funderburk and Judith D. Henson, Fernbank Science Center

On 25-26 May, a special program will be offered on "Film as a Research Tool in the Natural Sciences." The presentation will be hosted by Goothard Wolf, who developed the *Scientific Film Encyclopedia*. Examples of the research film genre will be included in the program, as well as discussion of film as a didactic and scientific research medium.

For more information on the lectures, write to the Fernbank Science Center, 156 Heaton Park Drive, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30307.

For the Library

The following two articles are available free of charge from the AAAS-American Bar Association National Conference of Lawyers and Scientists: "Coping with Technology Through the Legal Process," David L. Bazelon, *Cornell Law Review*, June 1977, page 817; and "Science and Law—Toward a Happier Marriage," Howard T. Markey, *Journal of the Patent Office Society*, June 1977, page 343. Order from the Office of Special Programs, at the AAAS address.

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