

Improved Member Subscription Services Coming

Effective with the 8 July issue of *Science*, AAAS will be using a new computer system to maintain membership records and generate mailing labels for *Science*. This change has been made in response to an increasing number of member complaints over the years. The new system will result in faster processing of dues payments, changes of address, and of other changes to the file. As a member, you should experience fewer subscription problems.

Although we have worked extensively to anticipate and eliminate potential problems during the transition period, every new system has its bugs. Please bear with us if there is some brief delay in processing transactions and responding to member requests over the next 2 weeks. Our energies are directed toward providing you with improved, efficient, and responsive member services.

Office of Membership/Circulation

As the AAAS/Apple Computer Program suggests, the focus of the entire Linkages Project is in finding creative ways to bring together science-based organizations and groups of people who traditionally have not had easy access to science and technology. For more information on the Linkages Project, contact the Office of Opportunities in Science at the AAAS address.

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Association Issues Annual Report

The AAAS has achieved a size and stature that warrants the publication of a more conventional annual report. Our new 1987 report contains a complete audited financial statement and descriptions of the Association's many programs and activities.

This expanded format will

better communicate the wide range of activities in which the AAAS is involved and become a useful tool in our endeavors to convey the role of science and technology in today's world.

To order a copy of the AAAS annual report send \$2 to cover the cost of postage and handling to the Development Office at the AAAS address.

Joseph G. Gavin, Jr., Joins Board of Directors

Joseph G. Gavin, Jr., senior management consultant with the Grumman Corporation, is joining the AAAS Board of Directors. His term begins immediately and will run through the Association's annual meeting in 1992.

Gavin has been affiliated with the Grumman Corporation since 1946, beginning his career

as a design engineer at Grumman Aircraft Engineering Corporation. Subsequently, he served as project engineer, chief experimental projects engineer, chief missile and space engineer, vice president in charge of the lunar module for Project Apollo, and president. He retired as president, chief operating officer, and director of the Grumman Corporation in 1985. Since that time he has been a senior management consultant for the company.

An aerospace engineer, Gavin received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1942. He was awarded the Distinguished Public Service Medal from NASA in 1971.

Arctic Division to Meet in October

The AAAS Arctic Division will hold its 38th annual meet-

ing, the "Arctic Science Conference," in Fairbanks, Alaska, 7 to 10 October 1989. The theme for the 1988 conference will be science education.

Symposia planned for the Fairbanks meeting include those on modern aspects of biochemical and molecular biological research in Alaska; Alaskan education using telecommunications; and Hubbard Glacier, Russell Fjord and Situk River studies. A special workshop will feature supplemental Arctic-related classroom materials and teaching techniques.

Along with symposia and workshops, the Arctic Science Conference will be the site for the annual meetings of the Alaska State Nutrition Committee, the American Meteorological Society (regional meeting), the American Society for Circumpolar Health, the Arctic Institute of North America, the Arctic Research Consortium of the United States, the Association for Women in Science—Alaska Chapter, and Sigma Xi (regional meeting).

Papers and posters will be grouped into the categories of science education; physical science; social sciences; engineering and engineering education; mathematics, statistics, and computer sciences; and biological sciences. Titles, abstracts, and poster descriptions are due by 31 August 1988.

For more information, including registration information, contact Cindy Wilson, program coordinator, Geophysical

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