

Pacific Division Meeting

The AAAS Pacific Division and its affiliated societies and sections will hold their 70th annual meeting 11 to 15 June at California State University, Chico.

Sessions will explore the relationship between science and "New Age" beliefs, forensic anthropology, fire ecology, science education, the integration of science and medicine, modeling in ecology and population biology, and water resources, among others. Also scheduled are workshops on Hypercard and communicating with the media about science. The Third Chico State Western States Topology Conference will run concurrently, from 13 to 15 June.

Titles and abstracts of submitted papers are due 31 March. Student papers are eligible for four awards with cash prizes. Forms for submitting abstracts are available from the address below.

The meeting will also include special events, such as lectures on the natural history and flora of Mt. Lassen, and field trips to such places as the Sacramento Valley, the Sierra Nevada and

49ers and AAAS: San Francisco Winners

San Francisco is as good for AAAS as it is for football. The Annual Meeting held there last month, the week before the Super Bowl, appears to have been the best attended since the early 1970s. Preliminary figures from the AAAS Meetings and Publications Office put attendance at around 6000, with paid attendance about 1000 higher than the 1988 Meeting in Boston.

The Association's first-ever Employment Exchange, held at the meeting, was also a success. Eighty employers—among them Merck, the University of California—Berkeley, and the National Science Foundation—signed up to take a look at 1053 registered applicants. They posted 250 positions and scheduled 142 on-site interviews. AAAS is investigating making the Exchange year-round and hopes to repeat it at next year's Meeting.

At a press conference, AAAS officers expressed mild disappointment that President George Bush had not yet named a science adviser, especially in light of his early appointment of several other advisers. "I'd like to see the President make that appointment very, very soon," Richard C. Atkinson told reporters. Atkinson, who is chancellor of the University of California—San Diego, began his year as AAAS President at the Annual Meeting. He also urged Bush to move quickly to improve science education.

Cascade mountains, and Chico's Sierra Nevada Brewery.

Advance registration is \$35 for professionals and \$25 for students, spouses, and the retired. Teachers can register for only \$28.

A detailed program and forms for abstracts and pre-registration are available from Pacific Division, AAAS Meetings, California Academy of

Sciences, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, CA 94118 (415/752-1554).

AAAS Fellows

Groups of three AAAS Fellows are eligible to nominate other AAAS members for election as Fellows. A Fellow is "a Member whose efforts on behalf of the advancement of science or its applications are scientifically or socially distinguished." Nomination deadline is 9 June. At least one of the three sponsors must be unaffiliated with the nominee's institution.

A *Directory of AAAS Fellows* is published every 5 years. The most recent edition came out in 1985, but includes an insert listing Fellows elected since then. The price for members is \$9.95, plus \$2 postage and handling, prepaid.

Nomination forms are available from the AAAS Executive

Office (202/326-6640). The *Directory* can be ordered from the AAAS Marketing Office. Both are located at 1333 H St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20005.

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Executive Office

Foreign Student Grants

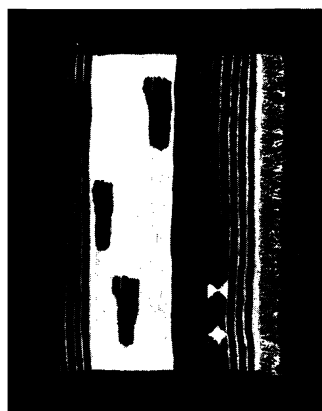
Foreign graduate students can receive grants of up to \$300 for help in attending the AAAS meeting on R&D in the Federal Budget, scheduled for 13 to 14 April at the Capital Hilton in Washington.

Application deadline is 15 March. Details on the application procedure are available from Laura Mann, AAAS Office of International Science, 1333 H St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20005 (202/326-6654).

Memo to Members

Now that the very successful Annual Meeting in San Francisco is behind us, it is time to start thinking about the next one in New Orleans (15 to 20 February 1990). If you have an idea for a first-rate symposium, technical session, or workshop, please ask for the appropriate forms so that you can send us your idea. Requests for forms should go to the AAAS Meetings Office, 1333 H St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20005 (202/326-6450). Your idea will be peer-reviewed and submitted to the Program Committee for approval. The approval process starts shortly, so act now.

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Stanley Bulbach.

"Messengers," which depicts the sky at sunset covered with bars of clouds and footsteps inspired by designs on pre-Columbian burial cloths from Peru, is just one of the carpets in "The Weaving Arts: An Ancient Technology," an exhibit now at AAAS headquarters. Artist Stanley Bulbach produces all his own materials: spinning the yarns, coloring them with natural dyes, and weaving carpets on a simple hand loom. The carpets are on display through 7 April in the first floor atrium at 1333 H St., NW, Washington, D.C.