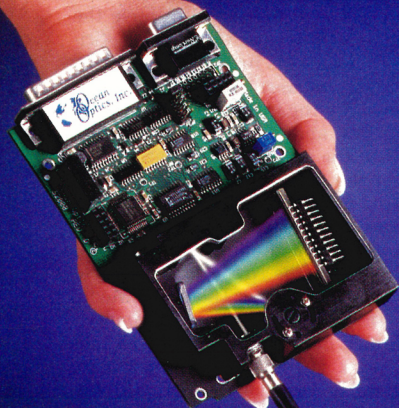


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Philip Hauge Abelson Prize for—in the words of the citation—"her outstanding achievements in education, research, R&D management and public service, spanning the academic, industrial and government sectors." The first woman ever to receive the prize, Good is the managing member of Venture Capital Investors LLC in Little Rock, Arkansas. She is also the Donaghey University Professor at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, and is scheduled to become the interim dean of the university's College of Science and Engineering Technology once it is established. Previously, she was undersecretary for technology in the Department of Commerce during President Clinton's first term.

Joel Lebowitz, the George William Hill Professor of Mathematics and Physics and director of the Center for Mathematical Sciences Research at Rutgers University, was recognized with the 1999 AAAS Scientific Freedom and Responsibility Award. The citation praised "his tireless devotion to the rights of scientists in oppressive regimes throughout the world and his extraordinary creativity in finding ways to help these scientists survive their ordeal."

Four AIP Science Writing Awards Announced

The American Institute of Physics has announced the winners of three science writing awards for 1998 and one for 1999.

The 1998 Journalist Science Writing Award is being shared by **Robyn Suriano** and **Todd Halvorson** for "Cassini: Debating the Risks." Their eight-page special report appeared in the 14 September 1997 issue of *Florida Today*. Suriano and Halvorson are staff writers at the newspaper.

Leonard Susskind, a professor of physics at Stanford University, is the recipient of the 1998 Scientist Science Writing Award for his article "Black Holes and the Information Paradox," which appeared in the April 1997 issue of *Scientific American*.

Barbara Taylor, the author of many children's science books, is receiving the 1998 Children's Science Writing Award for *Earth Explained: A Beginner's Guide to Our Planet* (Holt, 1997). The book describes the internal and external forces that affect Earth, the planet's landforms and the effects of humans on the environment.

The 1999 Children's Science Writing Award is going to **Elaine Scott**, a Texas-based author, for *Close Encounters: Exploring the Universe with the*

Hubble Space Telescope (Hyperion, 1998), in which she explains the importance of the images received from the HST and what is being learned from them.

IN BRIEF

The Institute for Theoretical Physics at the University of California, Santa Barbara, has selected seven scientists as ITP Scholars for 1999–2001. The program supports the research efforts of faculty at US colleges and universities that are not major research institutions. The selected scholars are **Emory Bunn** of Bates College, **Sasha Dukan** of Goucher College, **David Kastor** of the University of Massachusetts Amherst, **Ramzi Khuri** of the City University of New York's Baruch College, **William Putikka** of Ohio State University, Mansfield, **Eugene Shender** of the College of San Mateo, and **Jennie Traschen** of the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

The vice president of Sandia National Laboratories, **Gerold Yonas**, is the recipient of the 1998 Beams Prize Award of the International Conference on High-Power Particle Beams, "in recognition of his leadership in the area of pulsed power, high-power particle beams and intense sources of radiation, and his nurturing and encouragement of the pulsed power community for more than 20 years."

The Science and Technology Foundation of Japan has awarded the 1999 Japan Prize for Molecular Recognition and Dynamics in Bioscience to two researchers at Harvard University. **Jack L. Strominger**, the Higgins Professor of Biochemistry, and **Don C. Wiley**, a professor of biochemistry and biophysics, have been recognized for the isolation, crystallization and elucidation of the three-dimensional structure of human histocompatibility complex molecules, the principal structures involved in mediating immune recognition. At the presentation ceremony next month in Tokyo, each professor will receive a citation, a medal and ¥25 million.

Several new names are being added to the faculty roster at Stanford University. **Stephen Shenker** left Rutgers University last September to become a professor of physics at Stanford and the director of the university's new Institute for Theoretical Particle Physics. **Sarah Church**, previously a senior research fellow at Caltech, joined the Stanford physics department as an assistant professor in January. And **Steven Block**, a professor of molecu-