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vice presidency to the presidency of the Planetary Society. Tyson, the society's new vice president, is an astrophysicist and the director of the Hayden Planetarium in New York City.

The Planetary Society was founded in 1980 by Carl Sagan, Louis Friedman, and outgoing president Bruce Murray. It now counts 100 000 members in 40 countries. —TF

Earth and space sciences jobs. Pay increased and job search time decreased for US graduates in Earth and space sciences during the five-year period from 1996 to 2000. These are among the findings of the latest annual survey conducted by the American Geophysical Union, American Geological Institute, and the American Institute of Physics.

Among survey respondents who received their PhDs in 2000, 28% described the job market as good or excellent and 22% said it was bad or hopeless. In 1996, only 4% had a positive perception of the job market and

65% found it dismal.

The recent results show that 97% of the PhD class of the year 2000 were employed in science and engineering and 82% found work in the Earth and space sciences. About half moved directly into full-time positions, while 42% took postdocs.

The recent downturn of the US economy will probably have a slightly negative effect on the job market for the class of 2001, says Roman Czujko, manager of AIP's Statistical Research Center. "It might be a little harder to find permanent positions, and more graduates might end up in postdocs than previous years."

The full report, *Earth & Space Science PhDs, Class of 2000*, is available at <http://www.aip.org/statistics/trends/emp trends.htm>. —ACT

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Web Watch



http://www.ethbib.ethz.ch/exhibit/pauli/pauli_e.html

Last year marked the 100th anniversary of Wolfgang Pauli's birth. To commemorate the occasion, the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology has created **Wolfgang Pauli and Modern Physics**, an online exhibition devoted to Pauli's life and work.

<http://www.nd.edu/~networks/clap>

Zoltán Nédá, a theoretical physicist at Romania's Babes-Bolyai University, is interested in how synchronized clapping emerges from audiences' applause. His Web page, **The Sound of Many Hands Clapping**, includes audio files of clapping, as well as links to the papers he and his collaborators have written about the topic.

<http://survey.nagps.org>

As part of its mission to improve the lot of graduate and professional students, the National Association of Graduate-Professional Students last year surveyed 32 000 current and former students. The results of **The 2000 National Doctoral Program Survey** are now available online. Most of the survey's respondents were happy with the academic aspects of their education, but many wished for more advice for dealing with life after graduation.

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