Dear DAP,

Please see the September 2021 DAP newsletter. It will be archived on the DAP website (https://www.aps.org/units/dap/newsletters/index.cfm). If you have content you’d like to include in a future newsletter or distribute to DAP membership, please send it to us at dapsectreas@googlegroups.com.

For questions, suggestions, feedback, please contact the DAP Executive Committee at dap-exec@googlegroups.com

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2021 DAP Executive Committee:

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The 2022 APS April Meeting will be held in New York City on April 9–12, 2022. The current plan is for an in-person meeting. An exciting program is planned, with almost 200 sessions covering gravitation, particle physics, nuclear physics, and lots of excellent astrophysics. We invite you to submit your abstracts here; deadline is December 20, 2021.

**Cecilia Payne-Gaposchkin Doctoral Dissertation Award in Astrophysics**

DAP is soliciting nominations for the DAP Cecilia Payne-Gaposchkin Doctoral Dissertation Award in Astrophysics. This award recognizes doctoral thesis research in astrophysics and encourages effective written and oral presentation of research results. The annual award consists of $1,500 for the recipient, a certificate, meeting registration waiver, and all finalists will receive a travel reimbursement of up to $750 in order to present their work in an invited session at the APS April Meeting.

**Deadline:** Monday, November 29, 2021

**Eligibility and application details:**
[https://www.aps.org/programs/honors/prizes/astrophysics.cfm](https://www.aps.org/programs/honors/prizes/astrophysics.cfm)

**APS Fellows and DAP Membership**

Although nominations have closed for this year, please consider nominating a deserving colleague for a 2022 APS Fellowship. Nominations will be due in June 2022.

Only APS members are eligible for Fellowship, and they must be Members in good standing as of January 1 of the preceding year to be eligible for nomination and election to Fellowship. In order to ensure a strong Division of Astrophysics, we ask you to encourage your colleagues to join the APS and to join the DAP (at marginal extra cost) if they have not already done so.

**Eligibility and application details:**
Call for nominations for two IUPAP Young Scientist Medals in the field of Astrophysics

The IUPAP Young Scientist Medals for 2020 and 2021, each with a Cash Prize of €1,000 and a certificate, will be awarded to two scientists working in the field of astrophysics. The winners will be invited to give a presentation of scientific achievements at the 31st Texas Symposium on Relativistic Astrophysics (TEXAS-2021, which will be held on 13-17 December 2021 in Prague, Czech Republic https://texas2021.org).

The nominated candidate must not have completed more than eight years of research after their doctorate by December 2020 and 2021, respectively. Interruptions for parental leave, military service, family responsibilities, etc., (but not teaching) are allowed. One Medal cannot be shared between several candidates.

Nominations may be made by anyone with an interest in the field. Self-nominations are not permitted, but potential candidates are encouraged to ask a mentor or colleague to provide a nomination.

Details can be found here.

DAP Executive Committee Election

Prior to the 2022 April meeting, four new officers will be elected to the DAP Executive Committee.

The open positions will be:

- Chair Line - serves 4 years, rotating through chair line positions
- Two member-at-large - serves 2 years
- Early Career - serves 2 years

The details of the DAP Executive Committee roles and responsibilities are provided on the bylaws.

Nomination Committee: Glennys Farrar (chair), other members to be determined

Nominations Preferred by: November 1, 2021 (Late nominations may be considered)

Please submit nominations via this form.

Election will occur in January 2022.