

AAS Committee on the Status of Women

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[We hope you all are taking care of yourselves and each other. Be well! --eds.]

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1. Cross-post: E. Margaret Burbidge, Astronomer Who Blazed Trails on Earth, Dies at 100

From: JoEllen JoEllen McBride via womeninastronomy.blogspot.com

By Margaret Fox

E. Margaret Burbidge, an astrophysicist who made pathbreaking findings about the state of the cosmos, not the least of which was discovering precisely what it entailed to succeed as a woman in a male-dominated universe at midcentury, died on Sunday at her home in San Francisco. She was 100.

Read more at

<http://womeninastronomy.blogspot.com/2020/04/cross-post-e-margaret-burbidge.html>

2. Drawing everyday sexism in academia: observations and analysis of a community-based initiative

From: JoEllen McBride [joellen.mcbride_at_gmail.com]

By Marie Bocher et al.

"Sexist behaviour in the workplace contributes to create a hostile environment, hindering the chance of women and gender non-conforming individuals to pursue an academic career, but also reinforcing gender stereotypes that are harmful to their progress and recognition. The Did this really happen?! project aims at publishing real-life, everyday sexism in the form of comic strips. Its major goal is to raise awareness about unconscious biases that transpire in everyday interactions in academia and increase the visibility of sexist situations that arise within the scientific community, especially to those who might not notice it."

Read more at

<https://www.adv-geosci.net/53/15/2020/>

3. The Stunning Astronomical Beadwork of Native Artist Margaret Nazon

From: JoEllen McBride [joellen.mcbride_at_gmail.com]

By Christopher McKitterick

"Margaret Nazon has spent the past decade building intricate beadwork depictions of outer space. The colorful artworks balance representational and stylized aesthetics set on black fabric backgrounds to depict galaxies, planets, nebulae, and other astronomical phenomena."

Read more at

<https://mckitterick.tumblr.com/post/188280813205>

4. What can your PhD supervisor do for you?

From: Nicolle Zellner [nzellner_at_albion.edu]

By Gemma Conroy

An Australian survey of PhD students and supervisors has revealed an alarming mismatch between their expectations.

While the 114 PhD students surveyed thought publishing at least four papers and winning grants or awards was the most important outcome of their candidature, the 52 supervisors said critical thinking skills, written communication, and discipline knowledge were the greatest indicators of their students' success.

Read more at

<https://www.natureindex.com/news-blog/what-can-your-phd-supervisor-do-for-you>

5. Being Human In Times Of Disruption, Technology And Innovation: WomenTech Network Announces Global Virtual Conference

From: JoEllen McBride [joellen.mcbride_at_gmail.com]

By Annette White-Klososky

"WomenTech, the global network, is hosting the largest virtual tech conference for women, minorities and their allies in science and engineering, WomenTech Global Conference 2020 on June 10th across all US and European time zones.

"Bringing for the first time 100.000 women from the tech sector together with strong participation from the US and Europe and inviting representatives from around the world to join, work on and discuss what matters most in times of uncertainty, broaden their technology horizons, expand their professional network and meet companies currently hiring."

Read more at

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/cognitiveworld/2020/04/08/being-human-in-times-of-disruption/#72a2696d26f3>

6. Arab women in science

From: JoEllen McBride [joellen.mcbride_at_gmail.com]

By Sumaya bint El Hassan

"It's a common trope that Arab women lack equality of opportunity and freedom to engage with the world. The received wisdom is that they are prevented from pursuing an education and a career by religious and/or cultural restrictions. But the truth is more nuanced. Religion and culture are not the strongest determinants of Arab nations' approaches to women's education—systems and resources are. Choosing to see religion or ethnicity over economics and prosperity is both careless and damaging."

Read more at

<https://science.sciencemag.org/content/368/6487/113>

7. Job Opportunities

For those interested in increasing excellence and diversity in their organizations, a list of resources and advice is here:

<https://aas.org/comms/cswa/resources/Diversity>

-Data Analysis Team Manager, STSci

<https://recruiting2.ultipro.com/SPA1004AURA/JobBoard/93330e50-7b3a-4ba8-94f2-6f32360aa4e1/OpportunityDetail?opportunityId=32fcdafb-be3d-44f3-8c45-cdba5cd53d95>

8. How to Submit to the AASWOMEN newsletter

To submit an item to the AASWOMEN newsletter, including replies to topics, send email to aaswomen_at_lists.aas.org

All material will be posted unless you tell us otherwise, including your email address.

When submitting a job posting for inclusion in the newsletter, please include a one-line description and a link to the full job posting.

Please remember to replace "_at_" in the e-mail address above.

9. How to Subscribe or Unsubscribe to the *AASWOMEN* newsletter

Join AAS Women List by email:

Send an email to aaswomen_at_lists.aas.org. A list moderator will add your email to the list. They will reply to your message to confirm that they have added you.

Join AAS Women List through the online portal:

Go to <https://lists.aas.org/postorius/lists/aaswlist.lists.aas.org> and enter the email address you wish to subscribe in the 'Your email address' field. You will receive an email from 'aaswlist-confirm' that you must reply to. There may be a delay between entering your email and receiving the confirmation message. Check your Spam or Junk mail folders for the message if you have not received it after 2 hours.

To unsubscribe from AAS Women by email:

Send an email to aaswlist-leave_at_lists.aas.org from the email address you wish to remove from the list. You will receive an email from 'aaswlist-confirm' that you must reply to which will complete the unsubscribe.

Leave AAS Women or change your membership settings through the online portal:

Go to <https://lists.aas.org/accounts/signup> to create an account with the online portal. After confirming your account you can see the lists you are subscribed to and update your settings.

10. Access to Past Issues

<https://aas.org/comms/cswa/AASWOMEN>

Each annual summary includes an index of topics covered.

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