

[Honors and Awards]

OSA Fellow Elected to the NAE

OSA congratulates OSA Fellow **James Wyant**, who has been elected to the National Academy of Engineering. This is one of the most prestigious distinctions that can be bestowed upon an engineer. Academy membership honors those who have made outstanding contributions to engineering research, practice and education. Wyant was honored for his role in the development of interferometric optical measurement techniques with nanometer precision for use in production environments. He is currently dean of the College of Optical Sciences at the University of Arizona.



Wyant



Call for Nominations for Goodman Book Award

OSA is requesting nominations for the **Joseph W. Goodman Book Writing Award**, a biennial award jointly sponsored by OSA and SPIE and funded through a personal gift from Joseph W. and Hon Mai Goodman. The award recognizes a recent and outstanding book in the field of optics and photonics that has contributed significantly to research, teaching or the optics and photonics industry. This award will be presented in 2008 to the author(s) of the most influential scientific or technical book published in the preceding six years. The next nomination deadline is August 1, 2007. For more information, visit www.osa.org/aboutosa/awards/osaawards/awards-desc/goodmanbookaward/default.aspx.

Young Scientists Honored at NSBP/NSHP

OSA Fellow and Board Member **Peter Delfyett** and OSA 2002 President **Anthony Johnson** served as judges on behalf of OSA and SPIE for the Best Poster Presentation at the Joint Meeting of the National Society of Black Physicists (NSBP) and the National Society of Hispanic Physicists (NSHP). The meeting took place Feb. 21-25 in Boston.

For undergraduate (OSA) poster, first prize went to **Manisha L. Turner**, Norfolk State University. Second prize was awarded to **Margaret S. Martei**, Colby College. **Valencia S. Johnson** of Rutgers University took first prize for graduate (SPIE) poster, and **Leonard M. Kisimbi** of the University of Central Florida, CREOL, won second.



NSBP/NSHP undergraduate first prize winner Manisha Turner (left) with OSA 2002 President Anthony Johnson and OSA Fellow and Board Member Peter Delfyett.

[Publications]

OSA Welcomes New Editors

OSA welcomes **David Atchison** of Queensland University of Technology to his new role as Topical Editor for *Applied Optics* and **Curtis Menyuk** from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County to the editorial board of *Optics Express*. OSA also thanks **Jiri Ctyroky** of the Institute of Photonics & Electronics

ASCR, v.v.i., who has agreed to serve a second three-year term as Topical Editor for JOSA A.

OSA thanks these and all the members of the optics community for their continued support of OSA journals.

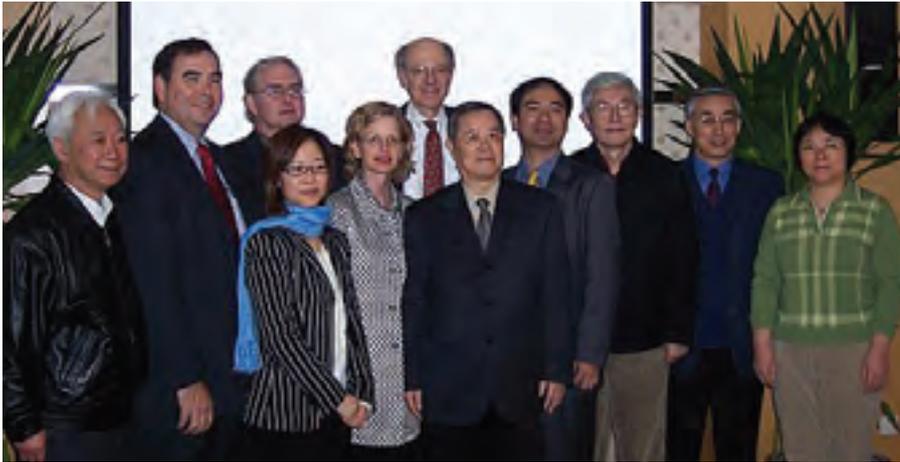
[OSA Benefit Highlight]



Volunteer Opportunities

OSA members are encouraged to become involved in the Society's volunteer activities. Opportunities include: journal submission reviews, helping to plan technical meetings, supporting youth education outreach programs, and much more. For details, please e-mail: member@osa.org.

[Leadership News]



OSA Leaders Visit Chinese Optical Society

OSA President **J.H. Eberly** and Treasurer **Stephen Fantone** were joined by Executive Director **Elizabeth Rogan** and Publisher **John Childs** in a visit to the Chinese Optical Society (COS), in Beijing, in January 2007. Pictured are (from left to right): Boyu Ding, COS editorial committee, Beijing Institute of Technology; Stephen Fantone, OSA treasurer; John Childs, OSA publisher; Helen Wen, OSA sales staff; Elizabeth Rogan, OSA executive director; J.H. Eberly, OSA president; Zhou Bingkun, COS president, Tsinghua University; Quihuang Gong, Peking University; Chongcheng Fan, Tsinghua University; Hanyi Zhang, COS vice-secretary general; Wang Shaowen, COS deputy general secretary.

[Student News]

Student chapter members at the January IONS meeting.



Student Chapters Form International Network

International OSA student chapters have joined together to form a student-driven network known as IONS—The International OSA Network of Students—to establish and strengthen professional and personal ties among OSA's young researchers. The idea for a student-led network was first proposed at OSA's annual meeting in Rochester last October. Several chapters immediately took to the idea, and the IONS premier meeting was held in January. A second meeting is planned for this July. IONS intends to hold biannual meetings and other gatherings. For more information, visit the IONS-Project Web site at www.ions-project.org.

AIP Names New Executive Director and CEO

H. Frederick Dylla has been selected to be the next executive director and CEO of the American Institute of Physics. Dylla has been with the U.S. Department of Energy's Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (Jefferson Lab) in Newport News, Va., since 1990. He has concurrently held an adjunct professorship in physics and applied science at the College of William and Mary. He is the author of more than 190 publications, and has had a career-long interest in science education. He received his B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. in physics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



Dylla helped to found the K-12 science education programs at Jefferson Lab. He founded similar programs at Princeton University's Plasma Physics Laboratory, where he held various research and management positions from 1975 to 1990. While at Princeton, he helped develop technology for nuclear fusion reactors, particle accelerators, and materials processing. At Jefferson Lab, Dylla served as the Chief Technology Officer and Associate Director for the Free-Electron Laser program funded by the Office of Naval Research.

Dylla started working at AIP on March 1, 2007. He replaces Marc H. Brodsky, who retired on March 31 after more than 13 years at AIP's helm.

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