

Professional Astronomers in Service to the AAVSO



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Abstract

THROUGHOUT ITS 100-YEAR HISTORY, the American Association of Variable Star Observers (AAVSO) has welcomed professional astronomers to its membership ranks, and has encouraged their participation as organization leaders. The AAVSO has been fortunate to have had many distinguished professionals serve as officers (Directors, Presidents, Council), and as participants in its various scientific and organizational committees.

Professional astronomers who have served the AAVSO

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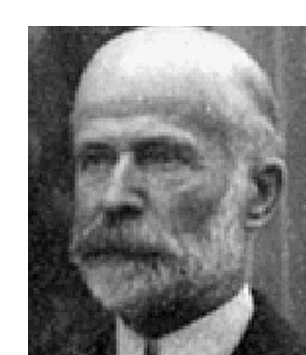
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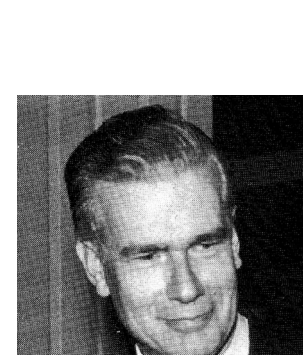
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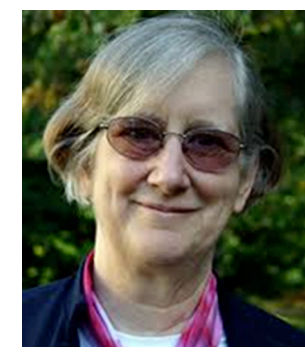
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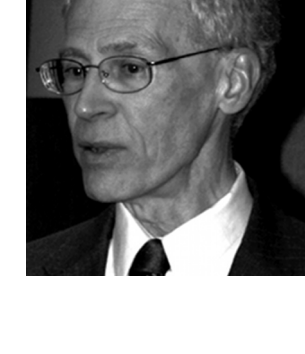
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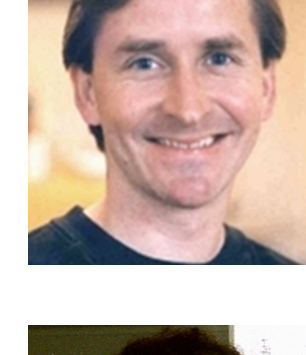
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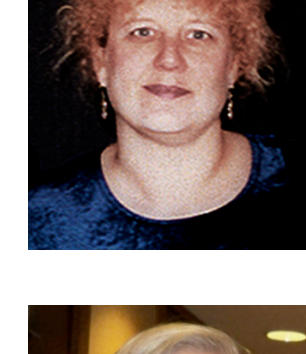
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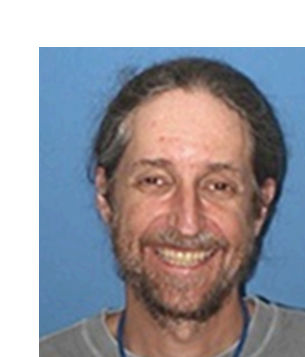
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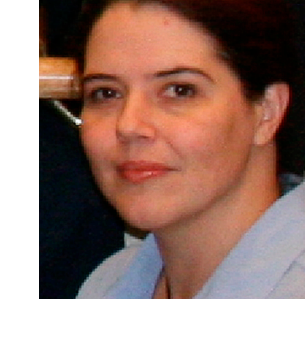
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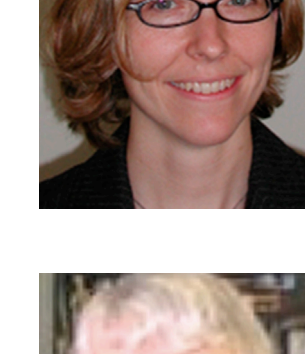
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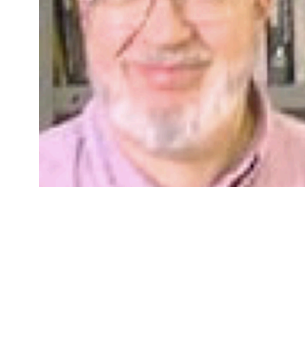
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