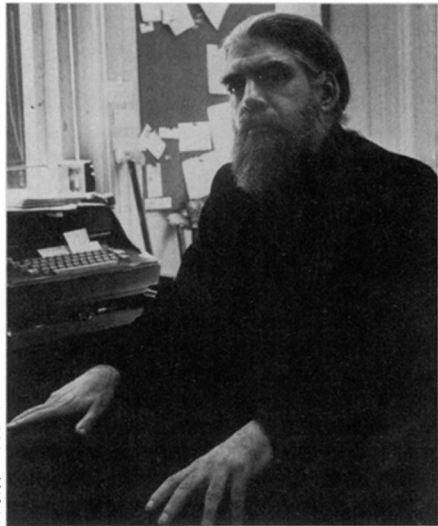


Major Awards to Three SN Writers

Three SCIENCE NEWS writers won major awards in 1987. Space Sciences Editor Jonathan Eberhart received a unique, first-time award from the organizers of the Lunar and Planetary Sciences Conference; Senior and Physics Editor Dietrick E. Thomsen was presented the Glenn T. Seaborg Award of the International Platform Association; and former Biomedicine Editor Joanne Silberner, now at U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT, received the American Heart Association's Howard W. Blakeslee Award.



Eberhart

Eberhart, who began his career at SCIENCE NEWS in 1960, was recognized in March by the Steering Committee for the Lunar and Planetary Sciences Conference in Houston for "his contribution to public awareness of the planetary sciences." The award was presented by Michael Duke of NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston. Eberhart also won the 1976 American Association for the Advancement of Science-Westinghouse Award for magazine science writing.



Thomsen

Thomsen, who came to SCIENCE NEWS in 1968, received the Glenn T. Seaborg Award in Washington, D.C., at the International Platform Association's meeting in August. The annual award — named after the Nobel Prize winner and president of the board of trustees of Science Service, which publishes SCIENCE NEWS — is pre-

sented to "that person who has done the most to acquaint the public with important new scientific developments." Past winners have included Isaac Asimov, Carl Sagan, Stephen J. Gould, Walter Sullivan of the The New York Times and Dennis Flanagan of SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN.



Silberner

Silberner, who worked at SCIENCE NEWS from 1982 until April 1987, was given the Blakeslee Award for magazine writing for several articles in SCIENCE NEWS dealing with heart and blood vessel research. She received the award in June at an American Heart Association meeting in Dallas. Congratulations to all three.

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The Bird Feeder Book: An Easy Guide to Attracting, Identifying, and Understanding Your Feeder Birds — Donald and Lillian Stokes. Tells about the different types of feeders, bird food and other things, such as water and plantings, that will lure birds to your garden. Profiles and illustrates the common birds attracted to feeders, giving range maps for each bird. Little, 1987, 90 p., color illus., paper, \$8.95.

Bay Country — Tom Horton. Beautifully written essays about the Chesapeake Bay and its environs and natural inhabitants by a native of the Eastern Shore. Points up the changes taking place in this environment where land and water mingle, such as the disappearance of the bay's underwater grasses, which have provided a habitat for many species and an important link in the bay's food chain, and the depletion of the rockfish. John Hopkins, 1987, 223 p., illus. with line drawings, \$16.95.

The Blind Watchmaker — Richard Dawkins. Explores the various aspects of evolution for the general reader. Maintains that the Darwinian view is the only known theory that could, in principle, solve the mystery of our existence. Originally published in hardback in 1986. Included with this paperback edition is software information for creating what the author calls "biomorphs" on a home computer. The program disk written for the Apple Macintosh (512 K) is available separately from Norton, ordered from a coupon included in the book. Norton, 1987, 349 p., illus., paper, \$7.95.

Fantastic Paper Gliders — Michael Johnson. Contains materials for constructing 16 individual gliders, with each part die-stamped for easy removal, along with detail plans for assembling each glider and guidance on trimming models for better flight. The only additional materials needed to assemble these unique, colorful gliders are dowels, a sharp craft knife or scissors, a metal ruler and paper glue. St. Martin, 1987, 80 p., paper, \$11.95.

First Light: The Search for the Edge of the Universe — Richard Preston. Using the Mt. Palomar Observatory as his focus, the author discloses the human side of science and reveals a taste of the excitement of astronomy. This narrative provides an introduction to astronomy and to the scientists who are looking further and further into the universe. Atlantic Monthly (Little), 1987, 263 p., \$18.95.

Hunan Hand and Other Ailments: Letters to THE NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE — Shirley Blotnick Moskow, Ed., foreword by Arnold S. Relman. A collection of correspondence on a great variety of subjects. Most of them, according to the foreword, related in some way or other to the human condition as seen through the eyes of physicians who read the journal. The letters deal with the serious and the scientific, interspersed with the not-so-serious and the playful. Little, 1987, 186 p., \$15.95.

The River That Flows Uphill: A Journey from the Big Bang to the Big Brain — William H. Calvin. A two-fold journey of discovery that is a diary of a raft trip down the spectacular Colorado River through the Grand Canyon and a history of the evolutionary process as told by this neurobiologist and his companions on the two-week trip. "It seems only fitting," says Calvin, "to tell this evolutionary tale while visiting the greatest evolutionary spectacle on earth." Originally published in hardback by Macmillan in 1986. Sierra, 1987, 528 p., maps, paper, \$12.95.

Succeed with Math: Every Student's Guide to Conquering Math Anxiety — Sheila Tobias. Debunks the myth about math ability for students and adults and confronts the issue of math anxiety. Offers innovative techniques for dealing with math anxiety and achieving math competence. College Bd, 1987, 252 p., illus., paper, \$12.95.

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