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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE AAVSO  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1970

It gives me great pleasure to present my 21st Annual Report as Director of the AAVSO for the year 1969-70. Due to the fine work and enthusiasm of the members and friends of the Association, it continues to grow and flourish.

We were fortunate enough to be able to hire some student help during the year. It was good to be able to take advantage of the Harvard Work Study Program, whereby a non-profit organization pays only 20% of the salary. With our extra help we completed the preparation of the material for the 700-day light curves of 461 long period and irregular variables with ranges of more than 1 magnitude. Barbara Welther of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory set up the program and ran it through the machines for the 10-day means and the plots of the final light curves.

During the summer our student assistants completed the lay-out and lettering of the curves for publication. We have decided to indicate the dates of observed maxima and minima on the plots. As soon as that is completed, with the introduction, Miss Welther's description of the computer program, and an index, we shall be ready to go to press.

The AAVSO Report (No. 28) we are working on contains observations to October 1963, J.D. 2438294, of the long period variables. The next to be published will be the U Geminorum and other rapidly changing variables, for the same interval.

Card punching is continuing at a rapid rate. We now have cards punched through July 1965, another 700 days. In all, we have handled more than 300,000 cards.

SPECIAL REQUESTS. We continue to receive many requests for specific information concerning the variation of stars on our program.

John Broderick of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory asked for current magnitudes of a group of 17 novae. He needed them in preparation for some spectrophotometry he planned to do at Kitt Peak.

U Geminorum is one of the most fascinating stars on our program with its strange and varying shaped eclipses in addition to its alternating wide and narrow eruptions. R. Edward Nather of the University of Texas at Austin wrote that he and Dr. Brian Warner observed nearly complete eclipses on 2 successive nights with an instrumental time resolution of 2 seconds per reading. The data showed a great deal of exciting detail concerning light changes on the very short time scale. They wanted to place these observations in relation to other activities of U Gem and asked for our observations near that time.

Dr. Vanden Bout of Columbia also wanted information on the state of U Gem at the time of their rocket observations of the intensity of the diffuse cosmic X-ray radiation.

Our member Susan Wyckoff, now at the University of Kansas, is analyzing some spectrograms she obtained at Kitt Peak two summers ago, and asked for visual magnitudes on the given dates.

Dr. Neville J. Woolf, of the University of Minnesota asked if we could give him a light curve of R CrB covering the whole period of AAVSO observations. We sent him one of our large blueprints, which showed the light curve of R CrB from 1842 to 1964.

Nancy Ramage Evans was writing her thesis on the photometry of Mira stars and we supplied her with copies of our plots of AAVSO observations of about 30 stars over the last 5 or 6 years.

Dr. Gerry Neugebauer of California Institute of Technology phoned to ask for our magnitudes of Nova Serpentis on 3 dates when they had received unusual radio signals.

Another phone call came from one of our former young observers in Milwaukee, now Dr. John Neff of the University of Iowa. Dr. Neff needed a light curve of the bright 1969 maximum of Mira.

A Harvard senior, Kenneth P. Bechis used our plots of about 100 long period variables to correlate with observed OH and H<sub>2</sub>O radio emission.

Mrs. Susan Geisel of the Lunar & Planetary Laboratory phoned to get current magnitudes for the recent novae.

Drs. Cappellari and McLaughlin of Bellcom had asked for AAVSO cooperation in special observing programs during the Apollo flights. They were very complimentary about the part the AAVSO played.

We have just received a request from Dr. Sobieski of the Goddard Space Flight Center to take part in a cooperative program for the soon to be launched Orbiting Astronomical Observatory. I will follow it up immediately and notify our observers.

MEMBERSHIP. At our Annual Meeting in 1969 we elected one new Sustaining Member and 61 Annual members. At the Spring meeting in Perry, Florida we elected 39 new members and 6 Annual Members changed to Sustaining: Carmine V. Borzeil, Michael G. Brauer, Harry F. Cochran, Lawrence Hazel, Charles E. Scovil and Robert J. Woolsey.

We regret to report the deaths of 8 members: Frank J. De Kinder, Frank J. Kelly, L. Donald Koons, A. V. Nielsen, Bruce E. Weaver, Roger Weber, Van A. Wilson, Percy W. Witherell.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO PUBLICATIONS. Thirty-seven observatories and scientific libraries subscribe to our publications, and several others subscribe to certain items, such as Bulletins, Abstracts, Reports and Solar Bulletins.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION. We continue to receive many requests for information about the work of the AAVSO. Some of these result in new members but the majority are from school children who are working on projects (often due the next week!). We answered more than 830 requests this year.

LIBRARY. Between 400 and 500 items are received for the McAteer Library each year. Carolyn Hurless spent some days in Cambridge again this summer and continued her work on cataloging and labeling the books. We now have a card catalogue for most of the astronomical books on the shelves.

PUBLICATIONS. In the fall we published the Annual Report of the Director, Treasurer, Endowment Fund and other Committees. The first of the year we published a new membership list, a list of officers and committee members; a Julian Day Calendar; Bulletin 33, Predictions of Dates of Max and Min for 1970; and Bulletins 33A and 33B, graphical predictions for fainter than 13 and brighter than 11, prepared by Clinton B. Ford, and John E. Bortle, respectively. Two AAVSO Abstracts, papers presented at the Fall and Spring Meetings; and 3 numbers of News Notes by Carolyn Hurless were published.

Each issue of the Journal of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada contains a list of observers and their monthly totals in addition to a short article or notes on activities of some of the interesting variables.

Casper Hossfield publishes the Solar Bulletin, which contains interesting notes on Solar activities and reproduces tracings of many recordings of solar flares.

Sky and Telescope publishes for each month, a list of variables which reach maxima of at least 8th magnitude, and the daily sunspot numbers as determined by the Solar Division.

The eclipsing binary and RR Lyrae Committees sent bi-monthly bulletins to their observers, with predictions of times of minima.

The Handbook of the RASC publishes our special predictions of times of minima of Algol and dates of maxima of a selected list of long period and other bright variables. Other predictions of dates of maxima are done for C.L. Johnson and his Celestial Calendar & Handbook.

The publication of a revised edition of our Manual for Observing Variable Stars was helped by a gift from Clinton B. Ford. The Manual is sent to new members and to prospective members who have good observing equipment. We had 2 tables printed at the same time, on separate sheets: the official IAU list of constellation names and abbreviations, and a table for converting hours and minutes to 4 decimals of a day.

ANNUAL SUMMARY OF OBSERVATIONS. We received 1469 reports from 312 observers containing 104,654 observations. Our overall total of observations is now a little over 2,900,000. We should pass our 3,000,000 mark some time in our 60th Anniversary year, 1971.

Regular monthly reports were received from 43 observers, 13 missed 1 month and 11 missed 2 months during the year.

Table I lists the countries with the number of observers and observations from each. Table II gives a breakdown of the U.S.A. by states.

Table III lists all observers in the year 1969-70 in order of their year's totals. We give the code initial for each observer and his total number of observations, followed by S and a number if he made Inner Sanctum observations (fainter than 14), PEP if the observations were photoelectric, or Ptm if some or all observations were from photographs. Forty-three observers made 5420 Inner Sanctum observations, Howard Landis and Ted Szybowicz made photoelectric observations; and Charles Scovil and H.E.M. Specht sent estimates made from photometric plates.

We had a surprise with our top observer this year. Wayne Lowder jumped from 8th place last year, with 3915 observations to 1st place with 5714 (30 Sanctums) this year. In addition to his observing, Mr. Lowder has spent many hours searching the literature for information on more variables to be added to our program and has worked with Clinton Ford on the new charts. He was followed by Curtis Anderson with 5,128 (208 Sanctums), John Bortle with 4,719 (2 Sanctums), Thomas Cragg, 4,550 (899 Sanctums), Lancaster Hielt, 4,362 (2 Sanctums), Carolyn Hurless, 4,166 (855 Sanctums), Rainer Lukas, 3,139, and Clinton Ford with 3,048 (598 Sanctums). Twenty-four observers made more than 1,000 observations each. Of the 10 top observers, 7 made some Inner Sanctum observations.

PERSONNEL. I want to thank our AAVSO Assistant, Mrs. Florence C. Bibber, for her continued help with the office and Association affairs. Thanks, also to our student help, especially to Dennis Haworth, a Northeastern University student who spent his 3-month winter work period working for us and is now back for his 6-month work period. Harvard student Stuart Zeiger worked during the 1969-70 school year and is back again for the 1970-71 term. James Gadsden and Michael Jacobson of Harvard worked during the Spring. In the summer we had 2 more Harvard students Randolph Hudson and Peter Bernhard. Eric

TABLE I - COUNTRIES

<u>Country</u>	<u>No. Observers</u>	<u>Total Obs.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>No. Observers</u>	<u>Total Obs.</u>
Argentina	2	2,850	Korea	1	117
Australia	3	1,790	Mexico	1	75
Belgium	1	63	Netherland Ant.	1	29
Brazil	4	245	Pakistan	1	51
Canada	19	3,577	Peru	1	11
Dominican Rep.	1	7	Rhodesia	1	277
Eire	1	22	S. Africa	1	2,921
France	1	290	Switzerland	2	2,237
Greece	2	460	U.K.	23	4,225
Hungary	13	4,440	U.S.A.	219	72,092
Italy	1	10	W. Germany	10	8,043
Japan	2	822	<b>Total</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>104,654</b>

TABLE II - UNITED STATES

Alabama	1	313	Maryland	2	194	Pennsylvania	13	1,256
Arizona	3	432	Massachusetts	13	555	Puerto Rico	1	10
California	18	5,958	Michigan	10	1,402	Rhode Island	2	36
Colorado	2	18	Minnesota	2	5,494	South Carolina	1	5
Conn.	14	4,189	Missouri	5	2,750	Tennessee	1	30
Florida	14	4,516	Montana	3	1,358	Texas	11	1,709
Georgia	2	72	N.H.	3	356	Vermont	1	32
Idaho	1	63	New Jersey	7	253	Virginia	4	4,845
Illinois	9	2,045	New Mexico	2	433	Washington	2	843
Indiana	2	174	New York	18	17,577	West Virginia	1	106
Iowa	1	782	North Carolina	2	1,337	Wisconsin	7	1,335
Louisiana	2	24	Ohio	33	11,291			
Maine	2	76	Oregon	2	223	<b>Total</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>72,092</b>

TABLE III - AAVSO OBSERVERS

1 BX Wayne M. Lowder, N.Y.	5,714	S : 30	21 MTV Victor Matchett, Austral.	1,566
2 AC Curtis Anderson, Minn.	5,128	S 208	22 BJ James Banks, N.C.	1,330
3 BRJ John Bortle, N.Y.	4,719	S 2	23 HK Edward Halbach, Wisc.	1,055 S 151
4 CR Thomas A. Cragg, Cal.	4,550	S 899	24 LNS Ivars Lenss, Michigan	1,026
5 HE Lancaster Hiatt, Va.	4,362	S 2	25 KSZ A. Keszthelyi, Hungary	979
6 HR Carolyn Hurless, Ohio	4,166	S 855	26 NGY S. Nagy, Hungary	974
7 LKS Rainer Lukas, W. Germany	3,139		27 CCR Harry F. Cochran, Texas	891 S 18
8 FD Clinton Ford, Conn.	3,048	S 598	28 LS Diane Lucas, Ohio	883 S 161
9 DK Reginald deKock, S. Afr.	2,921		29 HUB Russell Hubbard, Wash.	829
10 VAM Mario Vattuone, Arg.	2,789		30 KIS Gunther Krisch, W. Germany	824
11 KOJ O.J. Knox, U.K.	2,724	S 48	31 ODA Donald A. Ortwein, N.Y.	805
12 OV Edward G. Oravec, N.Y.	2,593		32 CDE John B. Calder, Canada	785
13 HZL Lawrence Hazel, N.Y.	2,511	S 21	33 HDG Richard Hodgson, Iowa	782
14 AD Robert M. Adams, Mo.	2,278	S 622	34 ISH T. Ishihara, Japan	749
15 MYR Ernst Mayer, Ohio	2,268	S 189	35 SB Robert Swanberg, Montana	749 S 134
16 M Marvin Baldwin, Ger.	2,105		36 MJ Allen Montague, Mich.	684 S 1
17 P Leslie C. Peltier, Ohio	2,094	S 1149	37 HEE Erwin Heiser, W. Germany	667
18 LK Kurt Locher, Switzer.	2,087	S 7	38 GSR Ralph Geschwind, Ohio	634
19 BQ Lewiss Bartha, Hungary	1,817		39 LNB George Lindbloom, Penn.	631
20 FE Cyrus Fernald, Me., Fl.	1,724		40 GRN Jerome Green, Florida	611

41 KPP Pat Knupp, Montana	604			96 DKF Manfred Durkefalden, W. Ger.	145
42 TPR Raymond Thompson, Canada	590			97 HTM Frank Heitmann, Texas	142
43 COB Ben Conner, Illinois	588			98 HP Walter Hampton, Conn.	128
44 DAW Murray Daw, Florida	569			99 HEN Colin Henshaw, U.K.	121
45 RB D.W. Rosebrugh, Fla.	509			100 BRB Barry Brown, Penn.	118
46 BAU Johann Bauer, W. Germany	484			101 KLP Dennis Kolpanen, Korea	117
47 MLM Martin Miller, Calif.	439			102 WLM Thomas Williams, Conn.	114 S 6
48 STF G. Stephanopoulos, Greece	420			103 EL James Ellerbe, Saudi Arabia	111
49 DAL David Dalegowski, Ariz.	416 S	2		104 HST Robert Hastings, Penn.	111
50 CTB Brian A. Carter, U.K.	407 S	4		105 DWN Dennis Dawson, Indiana	108
51 LGH Herbert Lange, Canada	407			106 GLG George W. Gliba, Ohio	107
52 SKL Karl Simmons, Florida	400			107 HTD Donald J. Hutter, Penn.	107
53 MRK Harold Marx, W. Germany	392			108 WSN Thomas Wilson, W. Va.	106
54 SCE Charles Scovil, Ct. Ptm	388 S	118		109 BRD Ralph Braid, Illinois	105
55 KRK K.L. Krisciunas, Ill.	378			110 DOK Kenneth Delano, Mass.	105
56 BLN Thomas Balonek, N.Y.	366			111 MF Frederick Montague, Mass.	105 S 2
57 BUW Russ Buhrow, Minnesota	366 S	21		112 ZMM Dennis Zimmerman, Ohio	105 S 9
58 SWR Richard Sweetsir, Fla.	359			113 MAG Gideon Mark, Illinois	104
59 MOP Patrick Moore, U.K.	358			114 REZ Everett Randall, Fla.	104
60 KHJ Herbert Koller, Canada	351			115 HNG Gregory Henry, Ohio	102 S 1
61 FRW Walter B. Farrar, N.M.	346			116 WBD Donald F. Weber, Ohio	100
62 JT Robert Johnston, Canada	315			117 NLT Richard Nolthenius, Cal.	99
63 RNR Lynn O. Raynor, N.H.	297 S	10		118 PAN R.W. Payne, U. K.	98
64 OF A. Oberstatter, France	290 S	3		119 DLT John E. Dalton, Conn.	97
65 MAA Russell Maag, Missouri	281 S	2		120 FS David Florkowski, Mich.	96
66 AJR J. Robert Andress, Ohio	280			121 AR S.R. Anderson, Virginia	95 S 27
67 BI R.H. Bicknell, Rhodesia	277			122 MUR Paul Murn, Wisconsin	95 S 2
68 LVR Rick Lavery, Canada	272			123 PTI Noel Peattie, California	90
69 CK Stephen Cook, Calif.	264 S	3		124 WLK Karl Walke, W. Germany	90
70 SKR Eric Simpkins, N.Y.	262			125 KNV Jenö Kunovits, Hungary	89
71 BRG Benjamin Bourgeois, Texas	259			126 SSA Albert Sharpless, Fla.	89
72 WLL Hoy J. Walls, Texas	255			127 <del>CCX</del> Ryan Cook, New Mexico	87
73 CNT Dean Chantiles, N.Y.	249			128 RNN Thomas Renner, Wisconsin	86
74 SZV Peter Szilvay, Hungary	247			129 NBY John Nordby, Minnesota	83 S 29
75 TAK Peter Takats, Canada	226			130 CRY James D. Currie, Ohio	81
76 CKE K.E. Cilton, Canada	222			131 HPT Gary Hampton, Florida	80
77 PHJ John F. Phillips, Alabama	222			132 AND Mark Anderson, Texas	79
78 MM Francis Morgan, Canada	215			133 GRC Andrew Granc, Australia	76
79 BRK James Brooks, Virginia	210			134 HU Walter S. Houston, Conn.	75
80 ILS John E. Isles, U. K.	203			135 TB Domingo Taboada R., Mexico	75 S 6
81 FLR Dale B. Fuller, Maryland	192			136 UND Ernie Underhay, Calif.	75
82 GTG Conrad Gottig, W. Germany	189			137 HIR Yasuo Hirasawa, Japan	73
83 GAL Peter Gal, Hungary	184			138 MRE Edwin Morris, Alabama	72
84 HAE Ernie Hatai, Calif.	180			139 BLU Bruce Blundell, New York	71
85 MOR Robert Monske, Penn.	179 S	11		140 VNY Douglas Varney, Maine	71
86 KLY George W. Kelley, Va.	178			141 CON Tom Coan, Oregon	70
87 SHA Horace A. Smith, Conn.	173			142 HY Allen Heasley, Ohio	69
88 RND Donald Rosenfield, Brazil	166 S	11		143 RW G.O. Rawstron, U. K.	69
89 FR Edwin E. Friton, Mo.	162			144 PKY James Posakony, Calif.	68
90 RNT Charles Reinhart, Ohio	159 S	1		145 LND Howard Landis, Georgia	66 PEP
91 MJR Jerald Mishler, Oregon	153			146 LNM Chris Linamen, Indiana	66
92 DRG Roger Diethelm, Switzerland	150 S	6		147 NEL George T. Nelson, Calif.	65
93 PN Arthur Pearlmutter, Mass.	150			148 DMT Th. de Menten, Belgium	63
94 SRC R.C. Shinkfield, Australia	148			149 KNZ Robert C. Krenz, Idaho	63
95 MRR Charles S. Morris, Mich.	147			150 SVN Paul Sventek, Illinois	62

151 BZC Carmine Borzelli, N.J.	61	S 6	206 LAR Randy Lambert, Texas	19
152 CF Frank Chapman, N. Y.	61		207 KMB Stephen Kimble, Alabama	19
153 AWC Charles Aronowitz, N.J.	60		208 SH H.E.M. Specht, Conn.	19 Ptm
154 BKN Alan Birkner, Illinois	58		209 VOS E.J. Voss, U. K.	19
155 SSL Michael Seslar, Conn.	57		210 BZY Tibor Barczy, Hungary	18
156 RHY Hyman Roche, New York	56		211 CNG Michael Cunningham, Missouri	18
157 GHJ Harold Gaughran, N. Y.	55		212 MZK Kenneth Menzies, Mass.	18
158 AK Carl Anderson, N.H.	54		213 BLZ Karl S. Baltz, Texas	17
159 ARS Kamal Arsalan, Pakistan	51		214 SZB Andrea Szabo, Hungary	17
160 ASH Steven Ashe, New York	48		215 MLC J.D. MALCOLM, U.K.	17
161 GNT Paul Gruntmeyer, Mass.	48		216 MRI Charles Morris, Canada	17
162 GAY Mark Gaydos, Ohio	47		217 CNS Martin G. Connors, Canada	16
163 BLC Omar Blanco, Argentina	45		218 RNG M.J. Ring, U. K.	16
164 HAN James Hannon, Conn.	45		219 SAW D.R.B. Saw, U. K.	16
165 PTN Erich Petersen, Mass.	45		220 SEM Marcos Severin, Argentina	16
166 GJT John T. Goodwin, Mass.	42		221 FLM Richard Fleming, Colorado	15
167 MSP Paulo Mourilhe S., Brazil	42		222 RMM Michael L. Ramsey, Ohio	15
168 ELD Demetrius Elias, Greece	40		223 RQ Charles L. Ricker, Michigan	15 S 3
169 AJ Joseph Anderer, Illinois	39		224 WJW J.wayne wooten, Florida	15
170 CE Claude Carpenter, Calif.	38	S 38	225 FIS Gary Fisher, Florida	14
171 HGM Michael E. Hogan, Canada	38		226 GUZ Leonard Guzanski, N.J.	14
172 TOT Tibor Torma, Hungary	37		227 KPL Paul Kneipp, Louisiana	14
173 HTN Katherine Hutton, Pa.	36		228 SPN A.Phillips Simpson, Calif.	14
174 KS Jeremy Knowles, Michigan	35		229 SNY Bill Snyder, Michigan	14
175 SMI A.L. Smith, U. K.	35		230 SOM Clara Somogyi, Hungary	14
176 RDJ Jeannine Roediger, Ohio	34		231 REL David Reel, Washington	14
177 SBF B.Franklyn Shinn, Canada	34		232 WLA Alan Wilson, Canada	14
178 STR Richard Stanton, Calif.	34		233 SST Calvin Sistrunk, Florida	13
179 MCS Miklos Meacs, Hungary	33		234 DHG George Diedrich, Ohio	12
180 ORW R.wade Ortel, Vermont	32		235 FRN A.E.J. Forno, U. K.	12
181 VBN David Van Buren, N. Y.	32		236 MAL Robert MacLaren, Wisc.	12
182 FT G.L. Fortier, Canada	31		237 MHL Edward Michaels, Texas	12
183 RDA Nancy Rodda, Penn.	31		238 SKM Michael Sakarias, Calif.	12
184 RYC Stanley Ryckman, Mass.	31		239 ES V. Estremadoyro R., Peru	11
185 HAG Michael Haglund, Tenn.	30		240 RR Ronald Royer, California	11 S 1
186 ROG Gary M. Ross, Michigan	30		241 YON Robert R. Young, Penn.	11
187 TLA M.D. Taylor, U. K.	30		242 WJA James A. Wilson, Missouri	11
188 CAS B.G.Casseres, Neth.Ant.	29		243 BLR Rodney C. Blixt, Calif.	10
189 DS J.M.L. da Silva, Brazil	29		244 CLT Tiziano Colombo, Italy	10
190 WIN G. Winstanley, U. K.	29		245 KNG Paul Kangieser, Arizona	10
191 ATW Philip Atwood, Conn.	28		246 LYT Thomas Lawry, Louisiana	10
192 MRD James Muirden, U. K.	28		247 LYR Richard F. Lynch, R.I.	10
193 SZY Theodore Szybowicz, Mich.	28	PEP	248 MUL Thomas Mulligan, New York	10
194 BSV Sheila Bishop, Ohio	27		249 PAL Robert Paul, Canada	10
195 PF Frederick Pilcher, Ill.	27		250 RCP Curtis Rinsland, Penn.	10
196 TUE Edward Turco, R. I.	26		251 STC Guido Santacana, Puerto Rico	10
197 MSY Philip Massey, Florida	23		252 CUT Brian Cuthbertson, Texas	9
198 WRW William Werner, Ohio	23		253 SZ Csaba Szekely, Hungary	9
199 FSO G. Felso, Hungary	22		254 DEM Marcio de Mattos, Brazil	8
200 SCN Tom S. Schanken, Ohio	22		255 EPC Chet B. Eppert, Penn.	8
201 SC Christopher Spratt, Canada	22		256 LNH Joachim Langhoff, W.Germany	8
202 WRD Colm Ward, Eire	22		257 KTY Terry Kesler, Ohio	8
203 LAN Vaughan Landless, U. K.	21		258 NRW D.J. Northwood, U. K.	8
204 MAT Michael Matson, Texas	21		259 PWR Ronald E. Powaski, Ohio	8
205 GLW William H. Glenn, New York	19		260 BEK Inez Beck, Ohio	7 S 3

261 BTL Herbert Butler, Michigan	7	287 RYN Terence Ryan, New Jersey	5
262 HLY Michael Healey, Connecticut	7	288 ALO John J. Aiello, Connecticut	4
263 HRY John P. Hrycak, Canada	7	289 GDK Joel Goldstick, Michigan	4
264 LBT Mike Lambert, Ohio	7	290 SBY Betty Stephenson, Ohio	4
265 MHA Pedro Marchena, Dominican Rep.	7	291 DCK Richard Dickson, Colorado	3
266 WMS Dewey R. Williams, N.C.	7	292 GLF Florence R. Glenn, New York	3
267 BRT Timothy Brown, Arizona	6	293 HDZ Randy Hudzinski, Wisconsin	3
268 EDG Brian Edgerton, Conn.	6	294 RWL Dennis A. Rowley, New York	3
269 HLC Chandler Holton, Georgia	6	295 SEV John Sevcik, Penn.	3
270 LVF Frederick Levins, Ohio	6	296 SPE George Spencer, Ohio	3
271 KAN Kevin Kane, Ohio	6	297 MTM Michael Mattei, Mass.	2
272 MSS Stephen Mesics, Penn.	6	298 MLL Jay H. Miller, Maryland	2
273 PIC D.A. Pickup, U. K.	6	299 MIL Jeff Miller, California	2
274 TAY Peter O. Taylor, Florida	6	300 PES David Pesec, Ohio	2
275 BLY Gregory E. Bailey, Canada	5	301 PUT Randal A. Putnam, California	2
276 BOW Jeff Bowman, Penn.	5	302 WLT Alan M. Wellington, Mass.	2
277 BGS Georgette Burgess, Maine	5	303 BRC Harold G. Brock, Ohio	1
278 DLF Frank Des Lauriers, N.H.	5	304 CBN John Coben, Ohio	1
279 DHD DeLorne Diedrich, Ohio	5	305 ENG K. England, U. K.	1
280 FRC Martin F. French, U. K.	5	306 HAW Dennis E. Haworth, Mass.	1
281 HAL Ralph Hall, South Carolina	5	307 JCC Luigi Jacchia, Mass.	1
282 LPT James LaPrath, Montana	5	308 LRT S.R. Larter, U. K.	1
283 MLW Lawrence Martin, Texas	5	309 LVG George Lovi, New Jersey	1
284 MA Margaret Mayall, Mass.	5	310 MOO E.G. Moore, U. K.	1
285 MCN Peg McCrindle, Ohio	5	311 SHT Steven B. Shelton, N. J.	1
286 MON Robert Moreno, California	5	312 TOL Jim Toeller, Wisconsin	1

Petersen and his younger brother Armin worked during Christmas vacation and again for the summer. Debra and Kathi Childs filled our summer roster. This winter we have 3 MIT students: Marcia Keyes, who spent the summer at the <sup>Nantucket</sup> Maria Mitchell Observatory, John Juhl and John Napier, in addition to Dennis and Stuart.

I particularly want to thank our AAVSO'ers Arthur Pearlmutter who stopped by the office many Friday afternoons to pick up a box of work he could take home for the weekend, and Kenneth Menzies who dropped in many weekends to help with plotting observations.

Owen Gingerich and the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory have made it possible for us to change our system of collating observations for publication to a punch card system, with the help of Barbara Welther.

To them and the officers and members of the AAVSO my very best thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret W. Mayall, Director