

## Editorial

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The Gravity Research Foundation was founded by Roger Babson in 1949, and awarded its first Gravity Essays on 1st December that year. This essay competition has attained considerable status over the years, so that today receiving a Gravity Foundation Essay award is regarded as a major achievement. It has been a privilege of this Journal to publish the five award winning essays each year, for they are always interesting studies of various topics in gravitational theory. It is the length restriction on these essays (1,500 words or less) that makes them particularly interesting reading; the authors have to get their important ideas into this restricted space, so they cannot indulge in irrelevant verbiage that distracts from their main point!

It is our privilege to present the latest set of essays in this issue of the Journal. We trust you will enjoy reading them. You can find out more about the Gravity research Foundation, and the essay competition, at <http://www.gravityresearchfoundation.org/index.html>.

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