

Eastern Section AAPG—2001 Annual Report

The 29th annual meeting of the Eastern Section was held September 23-27, 2000, in London, Ontario. The theme for the meeting, "*Northern Prospects - the 21st Century*" was reflected in the field trips, workshop, short course, posters, and technical sessions. The meeting was hosted by Ontario Petroleum Institute. Ten technical sessions were presented along with posters. In addition to several sessions on Canadian plays, talks covered general subjects, basement geology, and environmental geology. Field trips visited the Guelph Reefs of Elora Gorge, Lambton County for an oil heritage tour, and Devonian fossil-collecting sites in the Thedford-Arkona area. A core workshop at the Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Library examined Ordovician and Silurian carbonates. Hydrothermal dolomite reservoir facies were the subject of a short course. The annual meeting also had a Deal Room and a full Exhibitor turnout.

Honors and Awards presented at the 2000 Eastern Section meeting included:

- John T. Galey Memorial Award: Samuel T. Pees
- Honorary Membership Award: Kenneth G. Johnson
- Distinguished Service Award: Jane S. McColloch, Lawrence H. Wickstrom
- Gordon H. Wood, Jr. Memorial Award: Paul C. Lyons
- Outstanding Educator Award: Paul Edwin Potter, Donald Lawrence Woodrow
- George V. Cohee Public Service Award: John H. Talley
- A. I. Levorsen Memorial Award (best paper): David G. Morse
- Vincent E. Nelson Memorial Best Poster Award: Charles W. Zupann and Michael A. O'Neal
- Ralph L. Miller Memorial Best EMD Paper Award: Stephen F. Greb and David A. Williams
- DEG Best Paper Award: John A. Mundell, James A. Berndt, and Joseph C. Arnold
- Presidential Award: not awarded this year
- DEG Meritorious Contribution Award: not awarded this year

Officers elected at the meeting for fiscal year 1999-2000 were John L. Forman, President; Michael E. Hohn, Vice-President, Hannes E. Leetaru, Secretary and Steven P. Zody, Treasurer.

In Recognition of their service, two members of the Eastern Section will be given awards at the AAPG Annual Convention in Denver in 2001, Carl J. Smith will receive Honorary Membership, and Robert C. Milici will receive the Michel T. Halbouty Human Needs Award.

Future Eastern Section Annual Meetings

The 2001 Eastern Section Annual Meeting will be held in Kalamazoo, Michigan, on September 23 - 25, 2001. The focus will be **Resource Management for the 21st Century**. The meeting is hosted by the **Michigan Basin Geological Society**. William B. Harrison, III of Western Michigan University is General Chairman. The meeting web site address is: http://141.218.61.117/esaapg2001/call_for_papers.html

Eastern Section Website

The Eastern Section has its website operating. The site can be found at: <http://karl.nrcce.wvu.edu/esaapg/>

Section Activities

The Eastern Section is involved in numerous activities from hosting an annual technical program, outreach programs such as "Rocks in Your Head" through the Eastern Section Outreach Program and PTTC workshops. In 2000, Eastern Section sponsored a teacher's workshop in New York State, funded by the AAPG Foundation. A new program to promote the collection, preservation and utilization of samples and cores is under way. Funding money is being requested.

Finances

The Eastern Section continues to be on solid financial ground. Total assets of the Section as of December 31, 2000 were \$30,681.20. Our Eastern Section Outreach Program, chaired by Warfield "Skip" Hobbs also has money available to provide financial help for worthwhile projects/programs submitted by individuals or groups and approved by the Eastern Section. Maximum awards have been \$500 per project. At the end of year 2000, ESOP had a balance of \$3,459.16.

Michael E. Hohn, Vice-President