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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

by Lisa G. Dunn

GSIS Committees. I received a lot of responses to my request for committee participation; it was good to see some new names among those members I already know. The committee chairs are reviewing their committees' operating guidelines and we will continue the process of updating committee documentation as needed.

Reminder to Committee Chairs and Representatives:

Your mid-year reports are due **April 30**. Routine changes to the committee charges and procedures are also due by that date; please review the committee documentation I sent you and get any routine changes to me by April 30. Thanks.

GSA Associated & Allied Societies Meeting.

GSA holds an Associated & Allied Societies meeting every year around February at GSA's headquarters in Boulder, Colorado. As a representative of GSIS I attended the Associated Societies meeting (the allied societies met next door.) Rob Van der Voo, the GSA Vice President, chaired our meeting. To start, Jack Hess, the GSA Executive Director, gave us an update on GSA. He reported that GSA is financially in good shape and currently under budget. They are planning further ahead for the annual meetings and are trying to get that information out sooner; Hess asked for feedback on how to get ideas from the membership to the organizers. There's been a trend to reorganize various meetings to allow more time for discussion, rather than just clearing society business. On the publishing end, GSA special papers are now being put out in a more timely manner and at less cost.

Journal aggregate update—"GeoScienceWorld". This project, an aggregate package of geoscience society journals (AAPG, GSA, SEG, MSA, SEPM, GSL and AGI) is moving along. Carol Mosher gave a teleconference presentation that generated discussion on e-journal management issues

such as outsourcing, archiving and governance. The timetable for making GeoScienceWorld available is mid 2004. People are starting to get hit with the effects of library budget shortfalls and commercial journal packages, and there was a lot of concern expressed over the future of small society journals. GSA made a strong statement that "we've got to do this," i.e, band together as a non-profit journal aggregate provider. Several representatives at the meeting already have experience publishing their journals in e-format and were able to answer questions on how the change affected subscription rates, etc.

There was also discussion of GSA's online manuscript review process, which seems to be working very well.

Public policy. Hess asked for feedback on how we can get public policies out to the public. He gave a short report on the Congressional Science Fellows program, which funds geosciences staffers for congresspersons. There is a demand for more Fellows and Hess challenged each society to contribute \$2,500 towards the support of an additional Fellow position. A question was raised about doing something similar at a state or county level; perhaps the societies could pool their efforts and form core groups for each state, possibly in coordination with the state surveys.

An article on how export and embargo regulations affect professional societies was distributed. In particular, it may become increasingly difficult to collect dues, distribute publications and other society benefits, organize international meetings, and attract speakers from other countries.

Public outreach. A draft public outreach survey was distributed for review. It will be going out to gather information on outreach programs and efforts of the GSA Allied and Associated Societies.

Julie Sexton, program officer for the GeoCorps America Program, gave a program update. GeoCorps arranges temporary summer positions on public lands for geoscientists of all ages (originally students). The program objectives include providing expertise for public land (parks, forest services, etc.) managers, increasing the public's exposure to geoscientists, providing experience for students, and increasing participation by women and minorities. Positions receive a stipend and housing support. The Program has grown from 2-3 in 1997 to 36 for 2003. It is funded by contributions, and the societies were encouraged to participate.

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GSIS members are encouraged to contribute materials for publication. Material for the June, 2003 issue should be received no later than May 23, 2003. If possible, please send materials by e-mail.

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“Globalization,” or international activities was a hot topic at last year’s meeting. This year, the group discussed the feasibility of developing a clearinghouse for publications to be distributed to underdeveloped countries. Some of the members have had experience with sending publications overseas and brought up a number of logistical issues. It was pointed out that unless the recipients were precisely matched with the collections, the donations would be wasted—resold or discarded. What many of these countries’ libraries really need is cash for facilities and staff.

The IUGS International Year of Geology will be in 2004-2007. The organization sent what all agreed was a confusing statement of objectives in its call for participation. The Associated Societies requested clarification on what exactly the IUGS intends to accomplish and what they want from us.

Education. GSA has hired Gary Lewis from Australia as their education and outreach director. Some concern was expressed over hiring a non-resident Australian for this position, but GSA was willing to give it a try. We had a teleconference presentation from Lewis on his plans for the program, which included focusing on large groups and high impact activities, seeking grants, and working with the societies.

Business matters. There was some discussion about the “working group” or breakout session format scheduled for the afternoon. The continuous turnover of the Assoc. and Allied Societies reps group sometimes results in a lack of follow-up and actions. It was suggested that each society consider appointing a representative for a 2-3 year term to maintain continuity in the Associated Societies meeting.

Hess outlined some communication issues for the annual meetings. The meeting planning website seems to be working well. As was mentioned, GSA is trying to plan further into the future for the meetings. The “Denver issue” was raised (we’ll be back here in 2004); societies expressed concern that their regional resources were becoming abused, but the decision to return to Denver so frequently is still driven primarily by finances and attendance. GSA is aware of the problem but may just be choosing the lesser of two evils.

Discussion and working group break out. We briefly discussed strategies and outreach to improve diversity. GSA is working on a diversity statement. A discussion on ethics quickly turned to ethics in publishing, specifically acknowledging others’ contributions and plagiarism. It was unclear whether GSA has an ethics policy, and if so, what it would do if a member was accused of unethical behavior. Someone suggested that a GSA ethics policy, while not enforceable, would act as a guide for other societies.

For the remainder of the afternoon we broke out into groups to discuss issues in publications, public outreach and policy, globalization, and education. I was in the Publications group: We talked quite a bit about e-publishing and

how it affects small societies. This led to discussion of commercial vs. non-profit pricing, the priorities of small societies, and library subscription costs. It was clear that some members did not have any idea of the institutional costs of information or of the price differences between society and commercial publications. I admit that a couple of times I outright took over the conversation to advocate the need for responsible non-profit publishers in the distribution of geoscience information; my intent was definitely to alarm the others about the repercussions of database and e-journal pricing based on a strictly commercial model.

We came back together before the end of the meeting to summarize the working group discussions. The Public Policy group, in its discussion of making the geosciences more prominent, brought up their concerns about the misinformation propagated in the media. Many of those present have been involved in what seems to be a losing battle to get corrected information out to the public, and expressed a hands-thrown-up-in-the-air attitude about the futility of responding. While this could certainly turn into a big time-sink for those involved, you cannot speak effectively of making the geosciences more prominent in the media while at the same time letting grossly inaccurate statements stand without a protest. These may be opportunities for geoscientists to develop relationships with the media.

The Globalization group agreed that the details of any donations project need to be worked out before they can continue. They are looking at web conferencing as a means to allow small societies to reach an international membership without the expense of a meeting. The Education group discussed methods for getting the geosciences in to K-12 education (general agreement that waiting until college was too late) and enhancing field experiences.

We finally adjourned to a reception in the lobby of the GSA building. If you ever get to the Boulder area, I would urge you to visit GSA headquarters. They have some spectacular rock samples on display—what you’d expect, of course.

VICE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

by Lura Joseph

Plans for the annual meeting in Seattle, November 2-6, 2003, are progressing. GSA has accepted our topical theme, “Geoscience Information Horizons”. The theme is purposefully broad enough to cover nearly any subject related to geoscience information. To view the summary and rationale, go to the GSA Web page: <<http://gsa.confex.com/gsa/2003AM/top/sessions/viewsession.cgi?RecordType=Session&Recordid=9382&Hash=de487ee297b618fed8a505a293cf2aab&PrintCloseMessage=1>>

Abstract submittals in recent years have been rather sparse, and we certainly want to continue sponsoring a topical session. Please seriously consider submitting an abstract for a talk or a poster session. A topical session must have a

minimum of 12 abstracts or it will be cancelled by GSA. **The deadline for abstract submissions is July 15, midnight, Pacific Time.** The electronic abstracts submission form should be "live" around April 1, and will be at GSA's Web site <www.geosociety.org>. Papers are published in the Geoscience Information Society Proceedings, and therefore should not have been published elsewhere. Please note that if an author submits more than one volunteered abstract with the same person as speaker, all abstracts listing that speaker may be rejected. Please also note that most presentations at GSA now utilize PowerPoint.

If you have even the vaguest notion of submitting an abstract, please let me know. It would be helpful to know where we stand in relation to the 12 necessary abstracts, and to learn what your topic might be so that I can watch for it.

I have submitted a tentative forum schedule to GSA. We are working toward synchronizing the GSIS schedule with GSA's revised schedule which now begins on Sunday and ends on Wednesday. Therefore, the GSIS board meeting is currently planned for Sunday afternoon. The meetings will run through Wednesday, and the field trip is planned for Thursday. I had hoped to plan a more relaxed schedule, but numerous people asked to limit the number of days due to current budget crises. We will be merging the Digital and

GeoRef forums, as recommended.

There are several proposed topical sessions in addition to ours that may be of interest to GSIS members:

- T34. Building the Digital Library for Earth System Education: New Opportunities for Collaboration
- T45. Geological and Geophysical Databases: What We Have and What We Need
- T46. Challenges in Geoscience Publishing: The Insiders' Perspectives (AESE)
- T47. Design and Development of XML-based, Discipline-specific, Geological Markup Languages and Development of Applications (with object-oriented languages) and Databases to Process, Store, and Interchange Geological Data over the Web
- T48. Geoscience Information Horizons: Challenges, Choices, and Decisions (GSIS)
- T49. The National Geologic Map Database (Posters) #9674 Beyond Google: Strategies for Developing Information-Literate Geoscience Students (Posters) [National Association of Geoscience Teachers]

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments regarding the 2003 meeting. I will be delighted to hear your ideas about topical session presentations (luraj@uiuc.edu).

TREASURER'S REPORT

GEOSCIENCE INFORMATION SOCIETY - Proposed Budget 2003 11/9/02				
	<u>Income Budgeted</u>	<u>Income Actual</u>	<u>Expense Budgeted</u>	<u>Expense Actual</u>
EXECUTIVE BOARD				
President			150.00	
Vice-President			100.00	
Past-President			25.00	
Secretary			450.00	
Treasurer			100.00	
Teleconferences			100.00	
Subtotal			925.00	
MEETINGS				
2003 Meeting	\$0.00		3,000.00	
2003 Exhibit	\$0.00		500.00	
2003 Meeting Fieldtrip	\$800.00		800.00	
2002 Meeting	\$1,000.00		1,200.00	
2002 Meeting: fieldtrip	\$0.00		0.00	
Subtotal	\$1,800.00		5,500.00	
DUES				

Institutional	\$2,000.00	
Personal	\$5,500.00	
Sustaining	\$500.00	
Retired	\$200.00	
Student	\$60.00	
Named Sponsorship	\$100.00	
Pooled Sponsorship	\$300.00	
Subtotal	\$8,660.00	
PUBLICATIONS		
Publications Manager		800.00
Directory of Geoscience Libraries	\$105.00	
Mailing labels	\$200.00	
Membership directory		1,050.00
Newsletter: printing		3,000.00
Newsletter: mailing		900.00
Newsletter: subscriptions	\$600.00	
Newsletter: back issues		
Newsletter: cancellation refunds		80.00
Proceedings, v.33 (2002)	\$1,400.00	1,650.00
Proceedings, v.32 (2001)	\$1,400.00	1,650.00
Proceedings, v.31 (2000)	\$300.00	
Proceedings, v.30 (1999)	\$225.00	
Proceedings, v.29 (1998)	\$90.00	
Proceedings, prior volumes	\$90.00	
Index	\$15.00	
GEOINFO V Proceedings	\$90.00	
GEOINFO VI Proceedings	\$100.00	
Reprints		
Royalties		
Subtotal	\$4,615.00	9,130.00
REPRESENTATIVES/APPOINTEE		
S		
AGI Member Council rep		25.00
AGI Gov't Affairs Program rep		25.00
CUAC (2 reps @ \$200 each)		400.00
Publicity Officer		50.00
Auditor		25.00
Subtotal		525.00
COMMITTEES		
Archives		50.00
Best Paper		25.00
Best Reference Work		25.00
Best Guidebook		25.00

Collection Development		25.00		
Digital Data		25.00		
GeoRef Users Group		25.00		
Guidebook Standards		50.00		
International Initiatives		100.00		
Membership		100.00		
Membership brochure				
Nominating		200.00		
Preservation		100.00		
Public Affairs		25.00		
Union List of Field Trip Guidebooks		25.00		
Website Advisory		25.00		
Subtotal		825.00		
MISCELLANEOUS				
AGI member society dues		425.00		
GAP contribution		400.00		
GIS International Fellow	\$1,000.00	0.00		
Ansari Award		500.00		
EBSCO sample issue program				
Gifts (unrestricted)	\$250.00			
Gifts- Professional Develop Fund	\$200.00			
Bank charges		50.00		
Interest		500.00		
Souvenirs				
Refunds				
Subtotal	\$1,450.00	1,875.00		\$0.00
TOTAL	\$16,525.00	\$0.00	18,780.00	\$0.00
Checking				
Union Bank of California				
Savings				
Union Bank of California				
National City Bank: Ansari CD				
National City Bank: Ansari CD				
Bank of America: Ansari Savings				
National City Bank: CD				
National City Bank: CD				

FROM THE SECRETARY

Membership renewals seem to be going very smoothly. As of March 19, we have 125 paid memberships for 2003, and I know of at least another 10 that are in the pipeline. That's an excellent rate of return, 68% of the membership we expect. If you haven't renewed yet--you'll see a notice on your mailing label--please do so as soon as possible.

That 68% includes seven new members, listed below.

I have also received responses from several members who are not renewing, because they're retiring (or 'being retired' as one put it), or have moved out of the field: Jo Anne DeGraffenreid, Nancy Duran, Katie Frohberg, Merrienne Hackathorn, and Ann Krum (who relocated to London). They're all in the 2002 Membership Directory, though.

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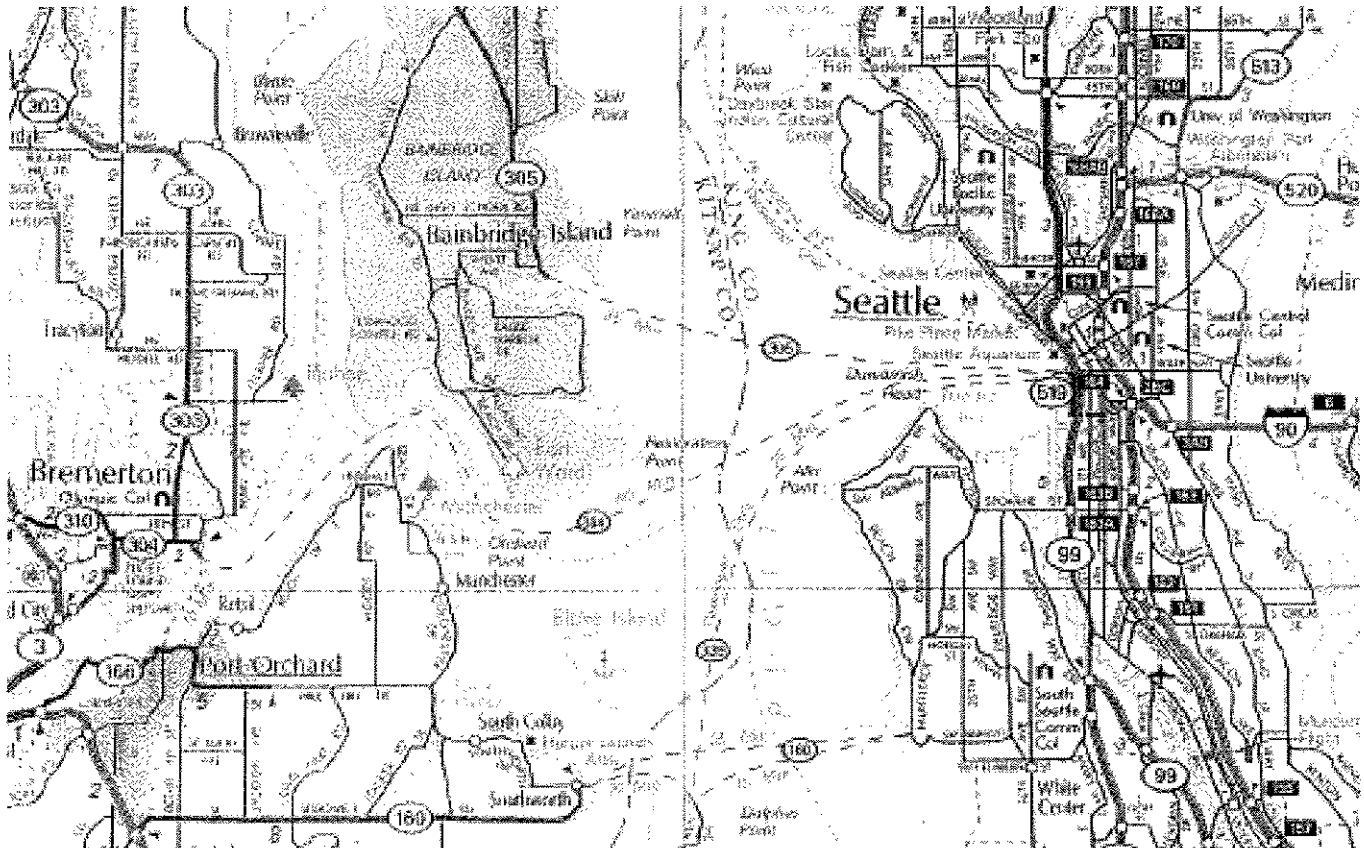
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Geoscience Information Society
 2003 Field Trip--
Seismic In Seattle!



The trip is in three parts so folks can participate in any they'd like and leave when they need to.

Part 1: "The Glacial Geology and Seismic Hazards of the Puget Lowland," led by geologist Tim Walsh (head of the Environmental Geology section of the Washington Division of Geology and Earth Resources). Take the Seattle to Bremerton ferry, over the Seattle fault, past Restoration Point (site of uplift from the 1100 ybp earthquake on the Seattle fault), past the glacially-deposited, landslide-prone shores of Puget Sound. 8:30 to 11:30; fee \$15.

Part 2: Lunch in historic Pioneer Square (on your own) 11:30 to 1:00

Part 3: The Seattle Underground Tour. Visit the spooky city that lies beneath Seattle's present street level. The subterranean walkways are dry, but the history is not. Learn about Seattle's colorful past; how the Founding Fathers' squabbling led to Seattle's complicated street system, and how the solutions to our unique plumbing problems affected the town's elevation. (This is one of Seattle's most popular attractions-- and A Real Hoot!) 1:30 to 3:30. \$10

There is no limit to the number who can attend: the ferry holds quite a few people, there are plenty of restaurants in Pioneer Square, and the Underground Tour can accommodate just about any number. If we have at least 10 people, we can get a private tour and pick our own hour.

Sign Up Now!

Name: _____

e-mail address: _____

- Ferry tour only: \$15
- Underground tour only: \$10
- Both: \$25

Please mail this form and your check to: Connie Manson,
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GEOSCIENCE JOURNAL PRICES, compiled by Michael M. Noga

This list of journal prices is an addition to the list from the December 2002 newsletter. Prices come from invoices, serial vendor databases, the Web sites of publishers, and journal issues. Prices vary depending on the subscription sources and payment date, especially for journals not priced in US dollars. Each journal price history comes from a consistent source as much as possible.

Journals were included in the list if they fit two criteria:

1) the subject fits broadly into the geosciences; and 2)

sufficient price data were available. The latest title of each journal was used.

The average change in journal prices from 2002 to 2003 has risen from 7.3% (as reported in the 12/02 Newsletter) to 8.2% (including the 43 titles on this list). This higher figure is expected, because the new list includes a couple journals that are priced in the euro, which has increased in value over the last year. There are also some large one-time price increases.

Title	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	%Change 00/01	%Change 01/02	%Change 02/3
American Journal of Science	150	152	155	160	175	175	3.2	9.4	0
Annales Soc Geol du Nord	72	77	70	55	58	63	-21.0	5.5	8.6
Aquatic Geochemistry	243	288	279	295	322	348	5.7	9.2	8.1
Boletin Geologico y Minero(SP)	41	43	39	39	33	36	0	-15.4	9.1
Bull Societe Geol de France	126	135	121	97	114	124	-20.0	17.5	8.8
Butsuri Tansa (Geophys Explor)	240	173	204	214	191	191	4.9	-10.7	0
CIM Bulletin	150	160	170	170	170	185	0	0	8.8
Climate Dynamics	1124	1368	1491	1509	1779	2179	1.2	17.9	22.5
Climatic Change	1001	1073	1276	1353	1475	1797	6.0	9.0	21.8
Coral Reefs	358	397	411	449	475	515	9.2	5.8	8.4
Earth Planets and Space	298	315	336	350	370	390	4.2	5.7	5.4
Ecosystems	177	177	196	267	315	386	36.2	18.0	22.5
Environmental Fluid Mechanics	n/a	n/a	n/a	175	180	180	n/a	2.9	0
Episodes	24	24	24	24	24	24	0	0	0
European Journal of Mineralogy	279	299	268	228	282	306	-14.9	23.7	8.5
Exploration Geophysics	122	117	124	119	119	129	-4.0	0	8.4
Geochronique	49	53	49	39	43	52	-20.4	10.2	20.9
Geofluids	n/a	n/a	n/a	297	297	448	n/a	0	50.8
Geology of Ore Deposits	839	906	980	1068	1165	1270	9.0	9.1	9.0
Geomagnetism & Aeronomy	623	675	745	834	910	987	11.9	9.1	8.5
Geotimes	37	37	37	37	40	40	0	8.1	0
GFF	75	75	73	60	60	64	-17.8	0	6.0
International Geology Review	985	985	985	1049	1099	1164	6.5	4.8	5.9
Izvestiya Atmos Ocean Phys	678	735	810	1058	1155	1247	30.6	9.2	8.0
Journal of Atmospheric Chem	647	697	737	777	847	914	5.4	9.1	7.9
Journal of Marine Research	110	110	120	120	120	120	0	0	0
Journal of Seismic Exploration	250	290	292	261	276	296	-10.6	5.7	7.2
Leading Edge	70	70	70	70	90	90	0	28.6	0
Lethaia	180	189	189	199	220	238	5.3	10.6	8.2
Marine and Freshwater Res	380	450	525	550	665	700	4.8	20.9	5.3
Mineralogical Magazine	270	295	326	326	366	395	0	12.3	7.9
New Zealand J Mar Fresh Res	210	210	225	225	225	305	0	0	35.6
Nonlinear Processes in Geoph	n/a	135	120	220	220	340	83.3	0	54.5
Northeastern Geol & Envtl Sci	63	79	79	79	84	84	0	6.3	0
Northern Miner	87	87	87	87	87	89	0	0	2.3
Norwegian Journal of Geology	170	180	190	190	180	247	0	-5.3	37.2
Oceanology	603	654	720	806	1034	1127	11.9	28.3	9.0
Paleobios	15	20	20	20	22	22	0	10	0
Petroleum Chemistry	2478	2627	2840	3095	3375	3679	9.0	9.0	9.0
Polar Geography	n/a	n/a	230	240	249	255	4.3	3.8	2.4
Rivista Italiana di Paleontologia	81	86	88	86	91	148	2.3	5.8	62.6
Schweiz Mineral Petrolog Mitt	172	187	168	141	154	169	-16.1	9.2	9.7
South African J of Geology	130	150	160	175	175	175	9.4	0	0

CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS

Vice President and Treasurer

The GSIS Nominating Committee is accepting nominations for Vice President and Treasurer. If you would to make a nomination, please contact either committee member by the end of April 2003.

Duties from the Geoscience Information Society By-laws (Article III):

Vice-President. The Vice-President shall be the President-Elect. In the absence of the President, he or she shall perform the duties of the President and other such duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Board or as delegated by the President, and shall be a voting member of the Executive Board. The Vice-President shall be the program chair of the Society. The Vice-President shall serve a one-year term commencing at the adjournment of the Annual Business Meeting and shall succeed automatically to the office of President.

President. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Society and a voting member of the Executive Board. The President shall preside at all Society and Executive Board meetings, appoint members and chairs of all committees, maintain and distribute guidelines for the Officers and committee chairs, prepare written charges for each committee, appoint members to represent the Society in other scientific or professional organizations, prepare for publication during her/his term the proceedings of the previous year's Annual Meeting, and perform all other duties appropriate to the office of the President.

Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be a voting member of the Executive Board and shall have custody of all funds of the Society, make disbursements, pay all bills promptly, keep the financial records in current condition, prepare a detailed financial report to present at the Annual Business Meeting, and arrange for the financial records to be audited each January for the previous year. The Treasurer shall serve a two-year term commencing on the first day of January of the year following her/his election.

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Geoscience Information Society Best Paper Award

The Geoscience Information Society presents an annual award for the best paper in the field of geoscience information. The Best Paper Award Committee welcomes your nominations. We will begin evaluation of papers in May.

Papers published during 2002 will be considered based on the following criteria:

- * Significance of contribution to geoscience information
- * Originality, creativity, and new insights, methods or applications
- * Scholarship
- * Effectiveness of communication

* Demonstration of professional competence of author(s)

Please submit nominations to:

Thelma Thompson, Chair
GSIS Best Paper Award Committee
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Outstanding Geoscience Website Award

The GSIS Website Advisory Committee will be accepting nominations for the second annual Outstanding Geoscience Website Award. All sites related to the geological sciences are eligible. These include both scholarly sites and those geared toward the general public. In addition, both free and subscription-based will be considered though preference will be given to sites with significant free content. The committee will review sites based on the following four primary areas: content, design and organization, technical considerations, and overall site effectiveness. Full details about the criteria are available on the GSIS webpage. The deadline for nominations is June 6th. All nominations should be sent to Edward Lener (lener@vt.edu). Be sure to include a complete URL and a brief statement about why you selected the site.

Submitted by Edward Lener, Chair, GSIS Website Advisory Committee.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Science Librarian: Assistant/Associate Librarian, Bodega Marine Laboratory, UC Davis.

Applications are invited for a Librarian to be located at the Cadet Hand Library, Bodega Marine Laboratory, in Bodega Bay, Sonoma County, California. BML is about 100 miles from the UC Davis campus. Appointment rank/salary based on qualifications. Send letter, resume and the names, addresses (incl. e-mail) and telephone numbers of three references to: Trisha Pedroia, Management Services Officer, P.O. Box 247, Bodega Bay, CA 94923, tmpedroia@ucdavis.edu, phone 707-875-2001, FAX 707-875-2009. The Search Committee will begin review of applications on 21 April 2003 and the position is open until filled. For further information and a copy of the advertisements, please see the BML Web page at <http://www.bml.ucdavis.edu/geninfo/bmljobs/html>. The University of California Davis is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.

Map Librarian, Map Collection & Cartographic Information Services, University of Washington, Seattle.

General description: The University of Washington Libraries seeks a dynamic and energetic librarian to provide reference, research consultation, and user education services

for cartographic materials as well as geospatial data and applications; to catalog maps and remote sensing imagery; and to assist with web development and maintenance. Under the general direction of the Head, Map Collection and Cartographic Information Services, the Map Librarian participates in building user-centered services and collections for a multi-disciplinary clientele.

The Map Collection & Cartographic Information Services houses a large collection of more than 260,000 maps, remote sensing imagery including more than 80,000 aerial photographs, atlases and gazetteers, and geospatial data, hosts the Washington Geospatial Data Archive (<http://wagda.lib.washington.edu>), and serves as a software distribution point for the campus's ESRI site license. Primary users of the collections come from a wide variety of academic areas, including forest resources, geography, earth and space sciences, and urban planning. The Map Collection has been designated by the Washington State Library as the state regional map depository for mapping products of the U.S. Geological Survey and the Government Printing Office. The Map Collection also serves as a U.S. Geological Survey Earth Science Information Center (ESIC), making available free USGS brochures and fact sheets to the public. Additional information about the Map Collection & Cartographic Information Services is available at <http://www.lib.washington.edu/maps/>.

The University of Washington Libraries is the premier academic library in the Pacific Northwest and supports the research, teaching, and learning needs associated with a large, comprehensive university located in a major urban area. Additional information about the University and Libraries can be found at the following Web sites: <http://www.washington.edu/uwin/> <http://www.lib.washington.edu/>

Specific duties and responsibilities:

1. Provides reference and consultation assistance to users with cartographic materials and geospatial data. Provides course-related instruction and participates in other user education activities.
2. Work closely with primary users in a wide variety of academic areas including forest resources, geography, earth and space sciences, and urban planning.
3. Catalogs maps and remote sensing imagery. Creates and reviews metadata for digital geospatial data. Oversees processing of cartographic materials and creation of local finding aids (remote sensing, aerial photography, etc.). Supervises student assistants.
4. Participates in collection development for cartographic materials (maps, atlases, remote sensing images) and geospatial data.
5. Maintains current awareness of software, hardware, and data capabilities and availability, including Internet resources.
6. Participates in planning, design, and maintenance of the Map Collection web site.
7. May provide reference service in other service units.

8. Serves on Libraries and University committees as appropriate. Maintains a broad understanding of Libraries' operations, policies, priorities and objectives and contributes to these as appropriate.

Qualifications:

Required:

1. Graduate degree from a program accredited by the American Library Association or an equivalent graduate library science/information studies degree.
2. Demonstrated knowledge of maps and cartographic resources.
3. Experience providing public service in a library setting.
4. Successful completion of at least one graduate level cataloging course or one year cataloging experience.
5. Knowledge of computing technology, including geospatial data applications.
6. Excellent written and oral communication skills.
7. The ability to interact positively and productively with library colleagues.

Preferred:

1. Experience or coursework with geographic information systems (GIS) and digital spatial data.
2. Academic background in earth sciences or geography, or experience in a field that utilizes cartographic materials.
3. Public service experience with cartographic materials in a research library.
4. Experience with staff training and/or user instruction.
5. Collection development experience.
6. Supervisory experience.
7. Working knowledge of AACR2, Library of Congress Rule Interpretations, and Library of Congress Subject Headings, especially as applied to special materials such as cartographic materials.
8. Strong computer skills especially in a networked environment.
9. Web site design, development, and maintenance experience.

Salary: \$35,000 minimum. Starting salary commensurate with qualifications and background.

Benefits: Librarians are academic personnel and participate in the University of Washington Retirement Plan (TIAA-CREF, The Vanguard Group, SAFECO Mutual Funds and/or Fidelity Investments) on a matching basis. Vacation is accrued at the rate of 24 working days per year; sick leave at the rate of 12 working days per year. No state or local income tax.

Apply to: Charles E. Chamberlin, Deputy Director of Libraries, University of Washington Libraries, 482 Allen Library, Box 352900, Seattle, Washington 98195-2900

Applicants should submit a letter of application, full resume including a work telephone number and email address, salary requirements, and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of at least three references who are knowledgeable of the applicant's qualifications for this position.

Application deadline: To ensure consideration, applications should be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 23, 2003.

University of Washington Libraries' Home Page is:
<http://www.lib.washington.edu>

The University of Washington, an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer, is building a culturally diverse staff and strongly encourages applications from female and minority candidates.

In compliance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, the University is required to verify and document the citizenship or employment authorization of each new employee.

For additional information please see <http://www.washington.edu/admin/libjobs/030227MapLibn.html>

GIS/Map Librarian Position, East View Cartographic Map Library, Minneapolis, MN.

The East View Cartographic (EVC) Map Library is a unique private commercial collection of topographic, geological and nautical maps and charts, special atlases, cartographic texts, satellite imagery and GIS datasets specializing in Russian, American and local/national products encompassing the globe. The Map Library supports the business in its mission to deliver top-quality geospatial data products in all formats using state-of-the art technologies to meet the needs of EVC's global clientele.

The Map Librarian will work closely with the diverse blend of specialists that make up the EVC team to bring a new level of organization, accuracy and access to the collection. The collection is made up of more than 100,000 paper maps, plus tens of thousands of data files on CD-ROM and on the network attached storage (NAS) system.

Qualifications:

Graduate degree from a program accredited by the American Library Association or an equivalent graduate library science/information studies degree; may be substituted with significant map library experience Basic GIS know-

ledge and familiarity with ArcView and MapInfo software, understanding of various GIS and raster formats and ISO and FGDC metadata standards Demonstrated computer expertise Fluency in at least one foreign language Ability to read Cyrillic Cataloging experience & proficiency in map cataloging practices Working knowledge of government publications Expertise in using Internet resources, especially for digital spatial data collection development Ability to take initiative in a challenging and rapidly changing environment Excellent interpersonal and communications skills (oral and written) Flexibility and ability to work as part of a team Superior organizational skills

Duties

Collection development for cartographic material in all formats Developing and managing a plan to provide bibliographic access through the library's online catalog to a collection that is currently largely uncataloged Plan and implement new directions for services in GIS Collaborates with

directors of all functional areas: Operations, Marketing and Geospatial Data Production Responsible for pulling and filing maps and atlases in all formats, hard and soft copy Collaborates with other staff to implement and support local area networks, internet applications and geographic information systems (GIS) software Participates in selection of print and electronic cartographic information resources Assumes other responsibilities as assigned; performs other duties as required Creates and reviews metadata for digital geospatial data Participates in planning, design, and maintenance of the East View Cartographic web site (www.cartographic.com)

Librarians interested in applying for this position should submit their letters of application, CV, and contact information for three references to: East View Cartographic, Geoffrey Forbes, Director of Operations, 3020 Harbor Lane N, Minneapolis MN 55447-5137, gforbes@cartographic.com, tel. (763)253-0679, fax (800)800-3839.



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