

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE
FORTIETH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE MINERALOGICAL ASSOCIATION
OF CANADA**

The 40th annual meeting of the Mineralogical Association of Canada was held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Geological Association of Canada as the Joint Annual Meeting VICTORIA'95, on May 17–19, 1995 at the University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia. The meeting was hosted by the Pacific Section of the GAC, and dedicated to the memory of Hugh Hendry, Program Chairman for the GAC. The technical program included two Symposia on tectonics and metallogeny of the Pacific Northwest, and one on Earth System Evolution, as well as eighteen special sessions and a variety of general sessions. The pre- and post-meeting field trips explored the scenic and geological opportunities of the Canadian Cordillera and Hawaii. Attendance at the meeting was 1006 professional registrants and accompanying guests. Workshops and short courses included the MAC Short Course on "Magmas, Fluids and Ore Deposits", organized by John F.H. Thompson of the University of British Columbia's Mineral Deposits Research Unit. The course is published as Short Course Volume 23, available by order from the Business Office.

The annual luncheon and award presentations of the Mineralogical Association of Canada were held on Thursday, May 18, in the Commons Dining Room on campus. The Hawley Award for 1995, for the best paper in Volume 32 of *The Canadian Mineralogist*, was presented by Association President Fred J. Wicks to T. Scott Ercit, for his paper on "The geochemistry and crystal chemistry of columbite-group minerals from granitic pegmatites, southwestern Grenville Province, Canadian Shield" (Vol. 32, Part 2, pp. 421–438, 1994). The Leonard G. Berry Medal for distinguished service to the Association was awarded to Robert I. Gait, subscription manager during the formative years of MAC. The medal and citation were presented by Vice-President Roger Mitchell. The Past Presidents' Medal for excellence in research was awarded by Past President Peter Roeder to Hugh J. Greenwood, for his eloquent merger of theoretical, experimental and practical igneous and metamorphic petrology. Citations for these medalists may be found in the pages that follow. In addition to these awards presented at the meeting, the Ann Sabina Award for the best amateur mineral collection was hosted by the Nipissing Lapidary and Mineral Club. Vince Silver and Ingrid Paterek won in the advanced and beginner categories, respectively.

The Annual Business Meeting of the Mineralogical Association of Canada was held on Thursday, May 18, 1995 in the MacLaurin Building at the University of Victoria. Minutes of the 1994 annual business meeting were approved as published in the December 1994 issue (Vol. 32, part 4) of *The Canadian Mineralogist*. The Association thanks the organizing committee of VICTORIA'95: Chris Barnes, Chairman; Eileen Van der Flier-Keller Vice-chair; the Committee Chairs and all the volunteers who contributed to a successful meeting in beautiful surroundings. The welcome from David Strong, President of University of Victoria, was appreciated by MAC and GAC.

The MAC Council met on May 16, 1995, prior to the annual meeting. Nominations for Council are published in the Newsletter. The unaudited financial Statement to year end was tabled. The audited report to year end December 31, 1994, prepared by R. Stuart Haslett, accountant with Chartrand, Lanthier, Lemieux, Schnob Chartered Accountants, lists members' equity at \$357,405.00, with an increase in the Treasury Reserve Fund from the previous year's adjusted balance of \$230,234.00, to accommodate increased costs of printing six issues per year. *The Canadian Mineralogist* Fund showed an income of \$92,158.00, which includes the final year of NSERC support for publishing the journal. The Finance Committee's proposed fee structure for 1996 at \$80 for Ordinary membership, \$30 for the Student and Retired category, \$295 for Corporate members and \$600 for a Sustaining membership, were approved. The Editor's Report from Robert Martin reviewed the changes in format of the journal, which began bimonthly publication in February 1995, Volume 33, with a new cover designed by Norman Halden.

The MAC Poster Series has printed the first set of *Beautiful Minerals*, and Pierrette Tremblay will develop the next set of posters and educational material for distribution. The series has been generously subsidized by Barrick

Gold Corp., Monopros Ltd., BHP Minerals Canada Ltd., Falconbridge Ltd., Kennecott Canada Inc., Teck Corporation, the Geological Survey of Canada, and the Canadian Geological Foundation. The membership thanks these donors for their support of the educational activities of the Association. The posters and sets of postcards are available by order from the Business Office. Information about the Association and our publications is now available electronically with a link to a site developed at the University of Manitoba, as listed in the inside front cover of each issue: <http://www.umanitoba.ca/geosci/CANMIN/canmin.html>.

The Association sponsors a grant to University Geological Conferences, upon application to Andy Macdonald at Laurentian University. Nominations are accepted from each Department of Geology for the student prizes in Mineralogy. Recipients for 1994 are listed in the newsletter. A grant has been established to support Special Sessions at the Joint Annual Meeting.

The next Joint Annual meeting of GAC and MAC, with Council and Business meetings of the Association, will be held in Winnipeg, May 27-29, 1996 on the campus of the University of Manitoba. Future meetings are in the planning stages for Ottawa 1997, Québec 1998 and Sudbury 1999. The minutes of the MAC Council and business meetings may be obtained from the Secretary.

G.M. LeCheminant, Secretary
