

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MINERALOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

The 43rd annual meeting of the Mineralogical Association of Canada was held in conjunction with the annual meetings of the Geological Association of Canada and the Association professionnelle des géologues et géophysiciens du Québec (AGC/GAC – AMC/MAC – APGGQ), and with the participation of the Canadian Geophysical Union and the International Association of Hydrogeologists. QUEBEC'98 convened at the Congress Centre, Quebec City, May 18th to 20th, with 1254 registrants. MAC thanks the Chairman, Réjean Hébert, Université Laval, Vice Chairperson Aïcha Achab, Quebec Geoscience Centre, the Committee chairpersons and representatives from APGGQ, CGU and IAH for their effort in organizing a successful and enjoyable multi-party meeting at the gates of Old Quebec. The scientific program reflected the interests of the various associations, with thirty-five symposia and special sessions. The MAC short course, available as Short Course Volume 26, entitled "Mineralized Intrusion-Related Skarn Systems" was organized by David Lentz, New Brunswick Department of Natural Resources and Energy.

The annual luncheon and award presentations of the Mineralogical Association of Canada were held on May 19th. The Hawley Award for 1998, for the best paper in Volume 35 of *The Canadian Mineralogist*, was presented by Association President Jim Nicholls to the third-time Hawley winner, Frank C. Hawthorne, University of Manitoba, for his paper "Short-range order in amphiboles: a bond-valence approach" (volume 35, pages 203-218). The Leonard G. Berry Medal for distinguished service to the Association was awarded to Dorian Smith, University of Alberta. The citation was presented by Vice-President Bryan Fryer. The Past Presidents' Medal for excellence in research was awarded by Past President Roger Mitchell to Fred Longstaffe, University of Western Ontario. This year marked the first presentation of the Young Scientist's Award, to Peter Burns, University of Notre Dame. Citations for these awards are found in this volume of *The Canadian Mineralogist*.

The Annual Business Meeting of the Mineralogical Association of Canada was held on May 19th at the Quebec Congress Centre. The proceedings of the previous annual meeting held in Ottawa in May of 1997 were

approved as published in the February 1998 issue of *The Canadian Mineralogist*. The MAC Council met on May 17th, 1998, prior to the Annual Business meeting. Nominations to Council for 1999–2001 are published in the Newsletter. The audited financial statement to year end December 31, 1997, prepared by Marilyn de Rooy, Chartered Accountant, Vancouver, B.C., lists members' equity at \$528,143. Marilyn de Rooy, CA, is appointed Auditor for 1998.

The Association finalized establishment of the Mineralogical Association of Canada Foundation, and has transferred start-up funds to the Foundation to finance an annual scholarship. Matching funding, as a charitable donation, is sought from members and corporations, to provide a fund to support scholarship in the mineralogical sciences in Canada, or for Canadians abroad. The terms of reference and application procedure for the scholarship are published in the Newsletter. There are no changes to the fee structure for 1999.

MAC was the Canadian sponsor of the 17th General Meeting of the International Mineralogical Association, held in Toronto, August 9th to 14th. General Chairman Anthony Naldrett and the IMA organizing committee are congratulated for hosting this meeting, held once every four years. An MAC short course entitled "Modern Approaches to Ore and Environmental Mineralogy", by Louis Cabri and David Vaughan (Short Course Volume 27) was offered at this meeting. The next IMA will be hosted by the Mineralogical Society of Great Britain and Ireland in Edinburgh, Scotland, U.K., September 9-13, 2002.

A new book in the Special Publications series was released. Special Publication 3, "Atlas of Micromorphology of Mineral Alteration and Weathering", by Jean E. Delvigne, is a joint publishing venture with ORSTOM, Paris, France. Special Publication 2, "Glossary of Mineral Synonyms", by Jeffrey de Fournier, will be published early in 1999. A compilation of IMA reports on the Nomenclature of Minerals, prepared for the 1998 IMA, also is available from the Business Office. You may wish to update your World Wide Web address for the Association. Information and publications are posted at the new site:

<http://www.mineralogicalassociation.ca/>

The next Annual meeting of MAC, preceded by Council and Business meetings, will be held at Laurentian University, Sudbury, Ontario, on May 27, 1999. Information will be available in Sudbury on the

GeoCanada 2000 meeting in Calgary, and the St. John's meeting of 2001.

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Secretary