

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MINERALOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

The 44th annual meeting of the Mineralogical Association of Canada (MAC) was held with the annual meeting of the Geological Association of Canada, as the Joint Annual Meeting SUDBURY '99, May 26–28, 1999. The meeting convened on the campus of Laurentian University, Sudbury, Ontario. MAC thanks the Chairman, Paul Copper and Vice-Chairs Andy McDonald of Laurentian University representing MAC, and Mike Sweeny of Falconbridge Ltd., representing the Sudbury Geological Discussion Group, as well as their committee chairpersons from the Ontario Geological Survey, Falconbridge Ltd., Inco Ltd., and Science North for their invitation to “come make an impact” in the midst of a spectacular geological setting.

The technical program comprised five Symposia and seventeen Special Sessions, with two Keynote Talks held as plenary conferences each day. The Mineralogical Association of Canada cosponsored Dante Canil's and Heather Jamieson's symposium on “Homogeneous and heterogeneous equilibria in magmas”, organized in honor of Peter Roeder, Queen's University, and former President, MAC.

The annual luncheon and award presentations of the Association were held on Thursday May 27, at Science North, Sudbury's renowned natural history museum and showplace. The Hawley Award for 1999, for the best paper in Volume 36 of *The Canadian Mineralogist*, was presented by Association President Jim Nicholls to co-authors Alan J. Anderson, Robert A. Mayanovic and Saša Bajt for their paper “A microbeam XAFS study of aqueous chlorozinc complexing to 430°C in fluid inclusions from the Knaumühle granitic pegmatite, Saxonian granulite massif, Germany” (Vol. 36, pages 511-524, 1998). The paper appeared in the Thematic Issue on Granite Pegmatites: the Černý–Foord Volume (Volume 36, Part 2), arising from the pegmatite symposium at the Winnipeg GAC–MAC meeting. The Leonard G. Berry Medal for distinguished service to the Association was awarded to Norman M. Halden, long-serving Chairman of the Finance Committee. The citation was presented by Vice-President Bryan Fryer. The Young Scientists Award was presented to Lee A. Groat of the University of British Columbia. The Past-Presidents' Medal for excellence in research was awarded by Past-President Roger Mitchell to Frank C. Hawthorne, University of Manitoba. Citations for these medalists are to

be found following this summary. MAC continues to support the regional student geological conferences through a grant. Nominations for any of the MAC medals are invited from members, and should be sent to the Past-President and chair of the nominating committee, or to the Secretary.

The Annual Business Meeting of the Mineralogical Association of Canada was held on Thursday May 27, Room C207, Laurentian University. The proceedings of the previous annual meeting held in Quebec City, Quebec in May of 1998 were approved as published in the February 1999 issue of *The Canadian Mineralogist*. The MAC Council met on May 25th 1999, prior to the Annual Business meeting, and again on October 16, 1999, at the University of Calgary. Nominations to Council for 2000–2003 are published in the Newsletter. The Association will proceed with an electronic publishing initiative, investigating options for electronic distribution of the journal in 2000. The audited financial statement to year end December 31, 1998, prepared by Joanne L. Doorman, Chartered Accountant, of Burnaby, B.C., lists members' equity at \$536,954. The audited financial statement is printed in the Newsletter. There are no changes in fee structure for individual or corporate members for 2000.

The MAC Foundation recorded the first competition for a \$10,000 graduate scholarship awarded to Shannon P. Farrell, who is conducting Ph.D. research at the University of Western Ontario, London. For information on the MAC Foundation, please contact R.H. Mitchell, Chairman, MAC Foundation, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, Ontario P7B 5E1, Canada.

The next Joint Annual meeting of GAC and MAC, “GeoCanada 2000”, will be held May 28 to June 2, 2000 at the University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta. The incoming Board of Directors or Council of MAC will meet at that time. The Annual Business Meeting for all members of MAC is scheduled for May 30. Notice of the upcoming St. John's, Newfoundland meeting in May 2001 and the following meeting in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan in May 2002 will be available at GeoCanada 2000.

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