

AAPG Candidates for Office – 2009-10

Candidates for AAPG office have been given the opportunity to respond briefly to the subject: "Why I Accepted the Invitation to be a Candidate for an AAPG Office."

Their responses and biographical information were provided by each candidate and edited only for grammar, spelling and format.

This information is on the AAPG Web site through the election period. Online balloting will be available in the spring of 2009.

Ballots will be counted on May 16, 2009.

Candidates were asked to limit their biographies to 350 words and responses to 500 words.

PRESIDENT-ELECT

DONALD D. CLARKE

Consulting geologist
Born 1949, Los Angeles,
Calif.

Academic Degrees

1972

B.S., geology, California
State University,
Northridge

1972-74

Graduate work at CSUN,
CSU Long Beach and CSU
Los Angeles

Experience

2005-present

Consulting geologist, clients
include Tidelands Oil
Production Company,
Signal Hill Petroleum,
Vintage, Terralog

2004-present

Petroleum Geology
Instructor at the
University of Southern
California

1990-2004

Geology Instructor at
Compton Community
College

1981-2004

Department of Oil
Properties, City of Long
Beach, Senior Geologist to
Division Engineer

1974-81

California State Lands
Commission, Energy and
Minerals Resources
Engineer to Senior
Geologist

AAPG Activities

Joined AAPG 1986, DEG
charter member, EMD

2008

AAPG Membership
Recruitment Committee

2006-09

House of Delegates, At
Large member



2006-08
Committee's manager

2006-07
Advisory Council

2005-08
Membership Recruitment

2005-07
DEG Committee, chairman,
Annual Meeting

2005-06
House of Delegates,
chairman
Graduated Dues Ad Hoc
Committee, vice chairman
HoD Committee, newsletter

2004-05
Domestic Sections ad hoc,
chairman

2002-04
HoD Resolutions
Committee, chairman
Geo Tours ad hoc
Committee, chairman

2002
AAPG President's Summit
on Energy, Washington
D.C.

2001-06
Public Outreach

2001-04
DEG Advisory Board, Pacific
Section

1999-2002
Reservoir Development,
vice chairman

1999-2001
AAPG officer candidate,
treasurer

1999-2000

Budget Review Committee
Honors and Awards
Committee

1998-2004

Reservoir Development
Committee

1994-95

HoD Constitution & Bylaws
committee

Affiliated and Associated Societies and Sections and major offices held

2008-09
Pacific Section, president

2007-08
Pacific Section, officer

2001-03
Advisory Council, Pacific
Section

1999-2002
Los Angeles Basin
Geological Society,
president

AAPG Honors and Awards
AAPG Certificate of Merit;
2004, 2005, 2008
HoD House Recognition of
Service Award, 2006
DEG Public Outreach
Award, 2004
AAPG Distinguished Service
Award, 2002

Publications

Over 60 published papers
and abstracts
Three geological
guidebooks and several
informal guidebooks

National Research Council
Committee "Geoscience
Data and Collections,
Natural Resources in
Peril."

One brief screen credited
appearance in the Swiss
movie "A Crude
Awakening," 2007

DAVID G. RENSINK

Senior geological adviser,
Apache Corp., Houston
Born 1946, Slayton,
Minn.

Academic Degrees

1968

B.S. geology, University
of Minnesota

1971

M.S., geology, University
of Oklahoma

Experience

1994-present

Apache Corp., senior
geological adviser

1992-94

Independent/consulting
geologist

1991-92

Pacific Enterprises Oil
Co., offshore
exploration manager

1988-91

Total Minetome, vice
president-offshore

1985-88

Texas Gas
Exploration/CSX Oil and
Gas, vice president-
offshore exploration

1981-85

Fluor Oil and Gas, vice
president/general
manager Gulf Coast

1977-81

C&K Petroleum, offshore
exploration manager



1975-77

Ocean Production Co.
(ODECO), production
geologist

1970-75

Shell Oil Co., geological
engineer

AAPG Activities

Joined AAPG 1974.

2004-present

Membership Survey
Committee chair

2006-present

Geophysical Integration
Committee member

2000-06

AAPG House of
Delegates

1999-2004

DPA Governmental
Affairs Committee
member

Affiliated and Associated Societies and Sections and major offices held

Houston Geological

Society, president,
2005-06; Treasurer,
1999-2000; State
Registration Committee
chair, 1995-04; Gulf
Coast Association of
Geological Societies,
general chair 2008
convention; Association
of Environmental and
Engineering Geologists;
American Institute of
Professional
Geologists; Texas
Section president,
1992-93; State
Registration Taskforce,
1992-2001 (chair
1994-99); Society of
Exploration
Geophysicists;
Geophysical Society of
Houston. Registered
Texas Professional
Geologist.

AAPG Honors and Awards

2007
HGS Honorary Life
Membership

2003
GCAGS Distinguished
Service Award

1998
AAPG Public Service
Award

Why I Accepted the Invitation to be a Candidate for an AAPG Office

By DAVID G. RENSINK

AAPG is like many other professional organizations; it depends on volunteers to further its aims and purposes. We members have been fortunate to have had so many capable people willing to step forward when asked to serve. I was pleased and honored to be asked to join such a distinguished group.

AAPG was built on the strength of its publications. The BULLETIN, EXPLORER and the special publications are the most valued service we provide to our membership. They have been important to our past and will continue to be an important part of AAPG in the future. We cannot become complacent with our success in that area, and lose focus on what is important to our members.

Many members, officers and staff members have worked hard to position AAPG to be the premier, global advocate of petroleum geologists. The efforts to expand our membership outside of North America are succeeding and I feel they should be vigorously supported. Although I strongly support the globalization of our membership, it is also imperative that we keep a close eye on our fiscal health. To borrow a phrase, this organization was built to last, and we can only do this by remaining financially sound.

AAPG has an aging membership, and I am a part of that group. I was recently heartened to see that we are developing a second mode at the younger

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By DONALD D. CLARKE

I am honored to be selected as a candidate to stand for the office of AAPG President-Elect, a position with important responsibilities in these tough energy times.

Early in my career, I focused on the job. I was in learning mode. I attended sectional meetings but not national meetings. In the early 1980's, I led a team to develop computer mapping procedures for a complex equity determination for a portion of the super-giant Wilmington oil field. The only way to do this was to get help on a national scale. That meant AAPG. The annual meetings provided exactly the

VICE PRESIDENT-REGIONS

ADEKUNLE A. ADESIDA

Independent consultant, former business manager-commercial directorate, Shell Petroleum Development, Port Harcourt, Nigeria
Born 1954

Academic Degrees 1980

M.Sc. (Applied Geology), University of Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University), Nigeria

1978

B.Sc. (Hons) geology, University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Experience

July 2008-present

Independent consultant

2005-08

Shell, business manager-commercial crude and gas handling, Nigeria

1999-2004

Shell, exploration adviser-ventures representation, (member of the ultra deepwater bidding team for the Nigeria deep water offshore blocks)

1996-99

Shell, head-waste and spills management, (including assignment in Holland, Scotland)

1996

Shell, head-northern swamp evaluation team, exploration, Nigeria

1993-96

Shell, head-geological lab, Nigeria

1991-92

Shell, senior review geologist-new venture and deepwater exploration study teams, Lagos

1988-90

Shell, regional geologist, exploration function, Nigeria

1985-88

Brunei Shell Petroleum, geologist/stratigrapher-exploration function, Sultanate of Brunei

1982-85

Shell, regional geologist-exploration, Nigeria

1981-82

Shell Internationale Petroleum Maatschappij B.V., geologist/



stratigrapher-KSEPL Research Laboratory, Holland

1980-81

Shell, geologist, Lagos

AAPG Activities

Joined AAPG 1986, DPA, DEG and EMD member

2007-present

AAPG-IBA Program Africa Region, coordinator

2007-10

Visiting Geoscientist Program

2005-08

Membership Recruitment

2002-08

Publication Pipeline subcommittee

2003-05

Africa Region, president

2002-05

Membership Enhancement and Development, Africa

2001-03

Africa Region officer president-elect

1999-2002

DEG Committee chairman, hydrogeology

1999-2002

DEG Hydrogeology Committee, chairman 1999-2001

1999-2002

DEG Environ Issues Committee

1999-2002

Membership

1997-2000

House of Delegates member

2005

International Convention Egypt, DEG session chair

2007

International Convention Greece, session chair (abs)

Affiliated and Associated Societies and Sections and major offices held

Society of Exploration Geophysicists; Society of Petroleum Engineers; Nigerian Mining and Geosciences Society; Nigerian Association of Petroleum Explorationists; National Stratigraphic Committee of the Niger Delta, secretary

NAPE/University Honors and Awards 2006

Speaker's Award NAPE leadership

2006

Distinguished Alumni Contributor Award, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ife Nigeria).

2005

Fellow of the School of Mines and Earth Sciences, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Nigeria

2004-05

Meritorious Service Awards chairman University Assistance Program

2004

Distinguished Fellowship Award

AAPG Honors and Awards 2007

Distinguished Service Awards

2005

AAPG Certificate of Merit president, Africa International Region

2003-04

Top prize for membership enhancement drive

Publications

Published more than 20 (internal) technical reports on regional geology, sequence (bio) stratigraphy, lithostratigraphy, environmental management, etc. Amongst which is Genozoic Niger Delta: Regional Geological Implications of Cycle-Concept in Basin evaluation/modeling. Over 12 geological visits to Universities/Polytechnics to present technical papers.

ALFREDO E. GUZMÁN

Consultant, retired from Pemex in 2007
Born 1947, Mexico City

Academic Degrees 2001

Business Administration Program, Universidad Panamericana

1971-73

M.Sc., geology, Texas Tech University

1967-71

B.Sc., geology, Texas Tech University

Experience 1974-2007

Pemex Exploration and Production North Region SBU VP, Northern Mexico

2002-07

Pemex, exploration vice president, all of Mexico

1999-2001

Pemex, planning manager, North Region SBU, Northern Mexico

1997-98

Pemex, exploration manager, North Region SBU, Northern Mexico

1995-97

Burgos Basin Integral Project Team Leader, NE Mexico

1994-95

Sedimentology Studies Superintendent, NE Mexico

1990-93

Exploration district manager, North Central Mexico

1986-89

Field supervisor, Geological Operations NW Mexico



1983-86

Sedimentologist, NE Mexico

1980-82

Wellsite geologist, NW Mexico

1978-79

Field geologist, Northern Mexico

1974-77

Mexican Petroleum Institute

1972-73

Carbonate sedimentologist

1972-73

Minerals Exploration Company (subsidiary of Unocal)

1970

Field assistant in North Western México

AAPG Activities

Joined AAPG in 1969 International Distinguished Lecture Committee, 1991, 1997, 1999; Visiting Geologist Committee, 1999; Annual convention session chair; General chair for the Cancún, Mexico, Conference and Exhibition, 2004; President Latin American Region, 2003-04; Geo-DC Board of Governors

Affiliated and Associated Societies and Sections and major offices held

Asociacion Mexicana de Geologos Petroleros; Tampico Section president in 1991-92; National President in 1999-2000; Asociacion Mexicana de Geofisicos de Exploracion; Asociacion de Ingenieros Petroleros de Mexico (AIPM), President Poza Rica Section, 1998; M.A. Zenteno Award, 2004; Academia Mexicana de Ingenieria, numerary member; Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE), Mexican Section Secretary and Villahermosa Conference Chair, 2001; Circum Pacific Council for Energy and Mineral Resources, regional director, 2001-05.

AAPG Honors and Awards

Recognized by the AAPG at the Heritage of Petroleum Geologist DPA/SIPES Luncheon, Annual Convention, Houston, 2002

Distinguished Service Award, AAPG, 2007
Statesmanship Award, Gulf Coast Association of Geological Societies, Corpus Christi, 2007

Publications

Around 50 published papers and over 200 presentations for all of the mentioned associations and other institutions.

Why I Accepted the Invitation to be a Candidate for an AAPG Office By ALFREDO E. GUZMÁN

The American Association of Petroleum Geologists has been a very important part of my life ever since I was very young. As I was growing up, I kept hearing about my father going to meetings, doing a Distinguished Lecture tour, becoming the first international member to hold the vice presidency, becoming Honorary Member, etc., so it was natural that when I decided to major in geology at Texas Tech University in 1967 the first thing I did was to apply for student membership. Considering my years as a student member, I've been a member of AAPG for 39 years.

Through all these years AAPG has provided me with the tools, knowledge, relationships and frame of mind, that allowed me to become vice president for exploration and later vice president for the North Region, a very large strategic business unit for Pemex – México's national oil company, and being very successful at them. It also provided me with the means to obtain the skills required to become a self-employed explorationist after retirement from a large corporation. The BULLETIN and publications brought me the insight of what petroleum geology is all about – the rocks, the processes, the subsurface, the reservoirs, the tools to explore and develop oil and gas reserves and most valuable, the understanding of the business.

AAPG has evolved from a mostly domestic professional association to a truly world wide organization, one that looks after the professional interests of members located or working all around the globe, this is why a vice presidency for Regions was created. As an international member, one that understands both the domestic organization and at the same time is aware of the needs and opportunities to improve AAPG impact to its members, I'm well positioned to facilitate and promote the different services that the organization provides. Having retired from high-level responsibilities I now have the

Why I Accepted the Invitation to be a Candidate for an AAPG Office By ADEKUNLE A. ADESIDA

Fellow AAPG members,

It is a great honor, and it humbles me to be nominated to vie for this position in the EC of AAPG. The news came to me from our President Will Green, while attending the monthly technical meeting of the Nigerian Association of Petroleum Explorationists, (an

WILLIAM S. HOUSTON

District geologist, Samson, Denver, Colo.
Born 1967, Manchester, N.H.

Academic Degrees

1989
B.S., geology, University of Vermont

1994
M.S., geology, Colorado State University

2002
Ph.D., geology, Michigan Technological University

Experience

2005-present
Samson, district geologist, Denver, Colo.

2004-2005
EnCana Oil & Gas, geologist, Denver, Colo.

2003-2004
Tom Brown Inc., exploration geologist, Denver, Colo.

2003
Bill Barrett Corp., consulting geologist, Denver, Colo.

2000-2003
Cabot Oil & Gas, geologist, Denver, Colo.

1999-2000
American Geological Institute, project manager, Alexandria, Va.

1997
Santa Fe Energy Resources, consulting geologist, Midland, Texas



1997
Monterey Resources, consulting geologist, Bakersfield, Calif.

1996
Santa Fe Energy Resources, consulting geologist, Bakersfield, Calif.

AAPG Activities
Joined AAPG 1992; DPA, DEG and EMD member
DPA Certified Petroleum Geologist #5952

AAPG, Active member
2002
2008-present
Energy Minerals Division, member

2005-present
Division of Environmental Geosciences, member

2007-present
Committee manager, Student Focus Programs

2003-present
House of Delegates, Rocky Mountain Group chair, 2007-present

Awards Committee, 2006-09
Delegate, 2006-09
Alternate, 2003-06, 2002-08

Annual Conventions

Technical Session judge, 2002-03, 2007-08
Technical Session co-chair, 2004

2000-2007
Student Chapters Committee; chair, 2004-07; vice chair, 2003-04

2005-2006
Student Focus Coordinating Committee (ad hoc)
Affiliated and Associated Societies and Sections and major offices held

2000-present
Rocky Mountain Association of Geologists; treasurer, 2004-05; American Geological Institute, Education Advisory Committee, 2001-03; Four Corners Geological Society; Houston Geological Society; Society of Exploration Geophysicists; Society for Sedimentary Geology; Geological Society of America

Publications
Publications include Guidebook editor (Paradox Basin, RMAG) and abstracts of various scientific publications.

PETER MACKENZIE

President, MacKenzie Land & Exploration, Worthington, Ohio
Born 1968, St. Paul, Minn.

Academic Degrees

1994
B.S. geological sciences, Ohio State University

Experience

2003-present
MacKenzie Land & Exploration, president

1993-2003
CGAS Exploration, vice president-geophysics

1989-94
Ohio State University, student research assistant (paleo-acid lab manager)

1986-88
U.S. Army, Armored Reconnaissance specialist (Cavalry Scout), E-4 Specialist

AAPG Activities
Joined AAPG 1992, DPA, DEG, EMD member; AAPG Foundation Trustee Associate

1992-present
AAPG, Active Member 1997

2002-present
Division of Professional Affairs, Certified Petroleum Geologist #5781, Alternate Counselor 2003-2006,



Eastern Section Counselor 2006-present

2008-present
Geo-DC Board of Governors

2007-present
Committee coordinator

2001-present
Grants-in-Aid Committee, vice chair 2002-03, chair 2003-07

2002-present
Student Chapters Committee

2007-present
Academic Liaison Committee

2005-06
Student Focus Coordinating ad hoc Committee

2002-08
Youth Educational Activities Committee

2000-05
Mentor Committee

2002-05
HoD Alternate, Ohio Geological Society

Affiliated and Associated Societies and Sections and major offices held

Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists, director 2007-present; Eastern Section AAPG, president 2005-06, Earth Science Outreach chair 2004-present; Ohio Geological Society, secretary 2003-04; SEPM-Society of Sedimentary Geology; Geological Society of America; Society of Exploration Geophysicists

AAPG Honors and Awards

2007
Eastern Section AAPG Distinguished Service Award

2006
AAPG Certificate of Merit

2004
Eastern Section AAPG Certificate of Merit

1998
Eastern Section AAPG Certificate of Merit

Publications
Publications include chapter of Guidebook (Iowa Geological Survey) and abstracts for various scientific presentations.

Why I Accepted the Invitation to be a Candidate for an AAPG Office

By WILLIAM S. HOUSTON

From the moment I joined the AAPG as a student member, I have greatly benefited from the support provided by all aspects of the organization, including formative professional development, technical and leadership training, networking opportunities and peer interactions. I am honored to be asked to run for office, and would gladly serve to support the organization's continued growth, success and influence, and to afford others the same opportunities and experiences that have been so influential to my professional career.

I have always considered myself fortunate to have a career in a field that generates such enthusiasm in its professional ranks, and that passion is often distinctively exhibited in the volunteer spirit of the geoscientist. Geoscientists have a unique sense of curiosity and stewardship, and seem to have a propensity for mentoring, educating and disseminating information both within ranks and to the greater population. I have encountered some of my most influential role models in volunteer efforts, such as visiting schools, serving on advisory boards and holding positions in professional societies. I strongly believe that it is important to give back to the profession that has been so good to me. I consider it a privilege to be considered for a leadership position in which I can redouble my contributions to the profession and organization.

Over the past five years in my roles as a committee chair and committee manager, I have had the pleasure of working closely with the headquarters staff and Executive Committees. I have participated first hand in building consensus, harnessing the efforts of volunteers, soliciting program sponsors and deploying and maximizing sometimes limited resources. These skill sets will continue to be valuable in my service to the AAPG.

These are certainly heady times in industry, and opportunities for the AAPG to expand its influence and membership abound. Great strides have been made in following the AAPG's strategic plan and expanding membership and programs on a global scale. I would like to see these efforts escalate with some of the organizations most successful offerings being initiated in all sections and international regions.

Why I Accepted the Invitation to be a Candidate for an AAPG Office

By PETER MACKENZIE

It is with great honor and deference that I have accepted this nomination for AAPG Secretary. When I began practicing geology shortly after becoming a Member of AAPG in 1992, oil was less than \$20 and heading lower. As Earth Scientists, we have a special perspective on time and change, geologic and economic. I believe this perspective is one of our true strengths, and one that should be consulted as we serve the AAPG Members of today and look towards serving Members in the future.

The foundation of AAPG is deeply and firmly seated with the legacies of many of the greatest geologists and oil finders of the world. As a professional association, our fundamental goals and aspirations are irrefutably linked to our founding purpose: to foster scientific research, to advance the science of geology, to promote technology, and to inspire high professional conduct. I believe that the sharpest focus of our Association is on our membership, both present-day and future.

AAPG has encouraged and facilitated the capture, archiving, and dissemination of knowledge of, on behalf of, and to our members. Technology makes that process more effective today than ever. The transfer of information yesterday required a printing press, envelope, and a lot of time; now can be accomplished virtually immediately with bytes and bandwidth. By leveraging new technologies for the betterment of geologists worldwide, our mission becomes more powerful and our role more essential.

I support the exploration of new publication outlets and forms. A primary technology for the dissemination of knowledge is the use of GIS. I strongly advocate our recognition of this fact, and call for a commitment to careful GIS implementation and integration as professionals and as an organization. It is the vehicle by which we will continue to fulfill our mission. How we choose to integrate and implement GIS technology is, from my viewpoint, our association's single most dramatic and defining issue of this decade. The opportunities that GIS will enable us to explore are tremendously exciting.

I believe that engaging and re-engaging our alma maters and elected officials should be as much an individual goal as an organizational initiative. By financially assisting students and faculty with their research, we will start creating the next

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contacts and interactions needed to get the job done.

I taught a computer mapping short course, led field trips and chaired sessions for the AAPG annual meetings in Los Angeles and San Diego. These provided valuable contacts for my work. In 1988, I became a Delegate for the Los Angeles Basin Geologic Society and later served for several years as president. I worked my way through the Pacific Section convention committees bringing innovations. I chaired the PSAAPG meeting in 1993 and in 2000 and co-chaired the first combined PSAAPG/WRSPE meeting.

Dan Smith persuaded me to join the House of Delegates Constitution and Bylaws committee in 1994. Subsequently I served on over a dozen AAPG committees, including Reservoir Development, and

Public Outreach. I was the first chairman for the Sections Committee and the GeoTours Committee and I facilitated the founding of the Professional Women in Earth Sciences Committee. I stood for AAPG Treasurer in 1999. Though I lost the election, I had a wonderful opportunity to travel around the country and meet new friends and share ideas. I was elected to the AAPG Advisory Council for the Pacific Section in 2001 and served again in 2006. It is surprising how much we have in common whether we live in Dubai, Houston, Calgary, Morgantown, London or Lakewood. AAPG is an international organization that is home to us all.

I was elected to chair the House of Delegates in 2005. We brought forth legislation that enabled AAPG to grow into a stronger international association by creating the International Regions Vice President and the Sections Vice President. I also had the honor to

serve on Pete Rose's Executive Committee and work with truly dedicated individuals who have given a major portion of their lives to our association.

I bring a unique experience to AAPG. Besides the above listed service I have travelled both domestically and internationally to give papers and to attend AAPG meetings and field trips. Professionally I worked for the State of California, local governments and as a consulting geologist. Teamwork has been the hallmark of my career.

I am a team player and builder. AAPG needs a strong team. I offer my commitment and services to you and AAPG so that we can finish the transformation of AAPG into the organization that is indispensable to all energy geoscientists. □

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end of our membership profile. The crew change is underway. We more senior members have an obligation to do what we can to provide our newer members with an organization that is as least as fine as the one we joined. □

Adesida from page 2

affiliate of AAPG), in Lagos. I accepted to serve, after given due consideration to the roles and responsibilities of the office and its attendant deliverables coupled with my passion for AAPG.

This is a time when our core hydrocarbon exploration and exploitation jobs are being threatened; when oil and gas prices are unprecedentedly high; when world's aggressive demand for this non-renewable energy increased at phenomenal rates with limited growth in production since 2005; when climate change and tax reform are taking prominence. It's a CHALLENGING time when Peace, coupled with working together globally should provide better insights to future energy problems.

Mindful of these, I ask myself, "What can AAPG as an International Organisation offer?" I believe we are strategically poised to continue to render our professional advice and services to government, the oil and gas companies and universities, that will create fiscal, energy and environmental regulatory stabilities. AAPG is at the forefront of answering the energy

demands of the future, because AAPG has not wavered from her seven driving core points of ideology and purpose.

Consequently, if elected, I will embark on a well planned, robust and effective team voyage to help improve on the delivery of the AAPG's programs and services to members in the Regions. Among which are, promote membership, professionalism etc; enhance increase in number of active student; facilitate and sustain the global Virtual Student Expo, Grants-In-Aid program; promote international development, and work continually with EC to update the dynamic long-range strategic plan.

Reference my biography, as President AAPG Africa Region, member of the 1st AAPG/NAPE West Africa Regional Deep Water Conference, Abuja-Nigeria, it has given me history and insight into AAPG's organization. My colleagues and I made determined effort to help establish 28 student chapters in Nigeria, ca.12 are registered in the HQ. Membership increased from 1,667 to 2,568, impacted positively on Africa Region

representation in the HoD and Advisory Council. I have experience and passion for doing them globally. If elected, I will work with Regions to increase membership/student chapters that will encourage more participation in Association's governance processes.

As an active member of the Publication/Pipeline committee, we sourced for sponsorship from corporate organisation for shipment/delivery of AAPG donated books/journal to needy Universities in Nigeria. The 2008 AAPG-IBA campaign in Africa Region was a success. Thanks to team members. These efforts, I will like to replicate to increase visibility and accessibility of AAPG programmes and services in the Regions.

My Question to all of us is 'do we know AAPG enough, does AAPG know us'?

If elected, I will work seamlessly with the President/EC, Region Presidents etc towards global growth of our aspiration. Thank you all.

Greetings from my family members. □

Guzmán from page 2

time and the experience to help our organization manage very complex issues that not only require technical knowledge of petroleum geology, but also of human interactions, particularly those that involve

different cultural backgrounds.

AAPG has given me a lot, now I'm in a position to give something back. These are the main reasons why I accepted the invitation to be a candidate for office of AAPG. □

Houston from page 3

While I think it is fair to say that the AAPG is indispensable to petroleum geologists, I would like to increasingly promote the organization as a flagship scientific society that can benefit all geoscientists. This can be accomplished by publicizing the benefits and services available through the three divisions (DPA, DEG, EMD), targeted marketing to diverse disciplines

(e.g. environmental geosciences, natural resource assessment, land use, K-12 and college educators) and continued excellence in both print and digital publications.

The AAPG can also play an essential role in disseminating geoscience information to the greater public. In this era of heated political debate over issues of global change and sustainability, the organization can take a strong stand for the application

of sound science.

I am excited to think about the bright and bold future of this grand organization, and will continue to serve in whatever capacity I am afforded. Thank you for your consideration of my candidacy. □

Mackenzie from page 3

generation of geoscientists that the world needs. By standing ready as a non-partisan source of information on science, energy, and the environment we can affect public policy.

I have served AAPG locally at the Society level as

Secretary, as section meetings committee chair, as President of the Eastern Section, within the Divisions as a member, counselor, and director, and through my involvement with numerous national committees and work groups. My time serving as Chair of the Grants-in-Aid committee has been some of my most satisfying time spent volunteering for AAPG. In 2004, as a show

of support to AAPG and its mission I became a Foundation Trustee Associate.

Thank you for taking the time to learn a little about me, and for this opportunity to serve this magnificent association. □