

AAPG Publication Pipeline Committee Annual Report Fiscal Year 2008-2009 April 12, 2010



The Mission of the Publication Pipeline

The mission of the AAPG Publication Pipeline Committee is to improve geoscience education in countries abroad by providing used geoscience books and periodicals at no cost to eligible libraries that request them.

To fulfill its mission, the Publication Pipeline Committee collects donations of geoscience books and periodicals and forwards them to overseas universities and libraries. Publications are donated by geoscientists, some of whom are retired or deceased geoscientists and company libraries. The books and periodicals are inventoried, boxed, stored and then distributed when a recipient university is identified. These publications are shipped with the assistance of AAPG members, student chapters, affiliated societies and companies with overseas operations. When necessary, the committee applies to the AAPG Foundation for funding to ship these materials. To date the committee has **shipped over 70 tons** of publications to numerous universities serving an untold number of students in more than a dozen countries.



1 Shipment ready to go out

ACCOMPLISHMENTS – FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

OUTGOING SHIPMENTS (DONATIONS SENT TO UNIVERSITIES)

The Committee has had another successful year. Outgoing Shipments consisted of 11 tons in 9 Shipments sent to 9 universities in 3 different countries (Nigeria, Bangladesh and Argentina). Shipments consisted of 642 boxes in 18 pallets.



2 Happy Recipients

In addition we just sent 6 pallets to be split between three Nigerian Universities and 6 more pallets are also being built to go to Nigerian Universities. We would like to thank Chevron and Shell for sponsoring the shipping costs for these donations. We also have at least one shipment of two pallets being built for Universidad Industrial de Santander, Bucaramanga, Colombia. Schlumberger is the sponsor.

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SHIPMENTS AWAITING SPONSORS

- Outgoing Shipment of 2 pallets for Mosul Iraq is complete but waiting on shipping sponsors.
- Universidad de Atacama, Chile. Waiting on sponsor.

In addition we proactively initiated the following outgoing shipments-donations which are in various stages of preparation:

- Universidad de San Marcos, Lima, Perú
- Universidad del Altiplano, Puno, Perú
- Universidad Central de Colombia, Bogotá, Colombia
- University of West Indies, Trinidad & Tobago
- University of Karachi, Pakistan

INCOMING SHIPMENTS (DONATIONS RECEIVED FROM INDIVIDUALS AND COMPANIES)

We received 1,242 boxes from 45 donors this past year. Improvement in PPC marketing is indicated by the level of incoming donations. If we consider only the individual donations, not counting the large XOM donations in 2007 and 2009, we received:

Year	Boxes Received
2007-08	238
2008-09	294
2009-10	658

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

We saw improvement in our inventory process and the addition of a contract data entry person. In 2009 we inventoried over 600 boxes.

Developed a process to handle incoming and outgoing donations including a new and complete information request instruction packet, compatible incoming and outgoing donations inventory forms, improved tracking of incoming and outgoing donations, improved file identification and archiving.



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TREASURER'S REPORT

Rick Wall, our Treasurer, prepared the Annual Treasurer's Report. (See separate hand-out)

THANKS FOR A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Committee members worked an average of 12 hours per week. This plus the 12 hours per week by the contract data entry person results in more than 120 hours per month of work at our staging site. The volunteer work includes physical labour moving 40 pound boxes around. We wish to especially thank two of our members who have done the bulk of this work: Claudio Manzolillo and Martin Cassidy.



4 Martin and Claudio

We added two new members: Amy Moss and Jon Blickwede. Thanks for sharing the work.

Our staging site is provided by Granite Properties for \$1 per year and additional space is provided *pro bono* by Casmar Corp. (Dr. Martin Cassidy). We thank them.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Our most urgent issues continue to be:

- 1) Identifying universities that need the publications
- 2) Finding in-country AAPG members able to assist the Publication Pipeline with receipt of shipments at destination
- 3) Locating companies and or organizations who can underwrite shipment costs.

As in years past, special emphasis will be put upon involving more AAPG members, especially in-country members and student chapters who can help facilitate and ensure an efficient donation program. This type of collaborative effort has worked well in the past and is our model for success in the future.

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Current Active Committee Members have all spent time and hard labour to achieve our results. We are labeled a “committee” but function as a small distribution company requiring constant work, each week and a formal meeting each month. Here is the group of volunteers, all AAPG members, that makes it happen (in no particular order): Claudio Manzolillo, Jan Heagy, Rick Wall, Chuck Caughey, Dave Drowley, Gerrit Wind, Ray Sorenson (Tulsa), Amy Moss-Russell, Jon Blickwede, and of course, Martin Cassidy. The GSA Conferee is William G. Gilliam



5 A few of the group moving boxes; Jan, Martin, Claudio, Gerrit, Amy

We are geoscientists helping geoscientists!

Gerrit Wind

Chairman

Attachments:

Treasurer's Report by Rick Wall

Slides of our operations prepared by Claudio Manzolillo, who also supplied the photos above