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**OHIO SECTION ANNUAL MEETING - Thursday, January 18, 2007
Columbus, Ohio**

**Dale Gnidovec, Curator of the Orton Geological Museum at The Ohio State University will
present:**

The Magnificent Morrison

Mr. Dale Gnidovec will discuss the Morrison Formation, a Late Jurassic rock unit that has produced thousands of bones of many well-known dinosaurs - Allosaurus, Apatosaurus (Brontosaurus), Diplodocus, Stegosaurus - from such famous sites as Dinosaur National Monument and Como Bluff. Details of a Morrison site in southern Montana which Dale has worked at will be presented.

Mr. Gnidovec is the Curator and Collections Manager of the Orton Geological Museum, The Ohio State University for the past 17 years. Dale's primary interest is paleontology, especially dinosaurs. Mr. Gnidovec is well known to Ohioans as the author of a weekly geological column in the Columbus Dispatch. He also speaks to about 4,000 people per year in classrooms, Metro Park outings, club meetings, and at the Orton museum.

Location:

Midwest Hotel & Conference Center
4900 Sinclair Road (I-71 and Morse Road exit)
Columbus, OH, 43229
Phone: 614-846-0300

A map and directions are available elsewhere in this newsletter.

Schedule:

5:20 - 6:00 pm Registration
6:00 - 6:45 pm Social Hour and Cash Bar
6:45 - 7:00 pm Welcome, Introductions, Brief Business Meeting, and Invocation
7:00 - 7:45 pm Dinner
7:50 - 8:00 pm Presentation of Awards and Certificates
8:00 - 9:00 pm Keynote Speaker - Dale Gnidovec
9:00 - 9:15 pm Questions, Answers and Conclusion

Menu:

- Dinner Buffet includes Roast Sirloin of Beef and Chicken Breast with Honey Mustard Sauce
- Fresh Sliced Fruit Display
- Mixed Garden Green Salad
- Southern Potato Salad
- Vegetable
- Pasta Salad
- Oven Roasted Rosemary Potatoes
- Rice Pilaf
- Green Beans Almondine
- Desert Tray

Cost:

\$35 regular members and their guests

\$25 student members

\$45 nonmembers

Costs include tax and gratuity:

Payment can be made via cash or check to Treasurer, Greg Kinsall during registration.

Reservations:

Deadline: Friday, January 12th

Contact: President Elect, Roger McCready 937-445-0967 roger.mccready@ncr.com

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**JOHN DINUNZIO, CPG-09244**

This is my last message as President of the AIPG-Ohio Section and I would like to thank the Executive Board for their contributions and support throughout the year. We've made some great strides in fulfilling our Section goals as developed in our Strategic Plan. More specifically, our Student Section is stronger and more active than past years. As a Section, we look forward to continued growth and involvement from our Student Members.

As we prepare for the Holiday Season, our thoughts of family get-togethers and parties fill our time, and to that end, the Executive Board has decided to hold our Annual Meeting in January 2007. This may be a first, but the benefits of having our Section meeting at a different venue and during the "off-peak" time of year will financially benefit our organization. Our Annual Meeting will be held on January 18th at the Midwest Hotel & Conference Center on Sinclair Road near I-71 and Morse Road in Columbus, Ohio (additional details are included herein). I would like to thank Roger McCready for organizing the details of this event and I welcome him as our new President in 2007.

I have enjoyed meeting with old colleagues as well as making new acquaintances during the year at our quarterly functions and look forward to assisting the Section during 2007 as the Past-President.

I would like to thank everyone for their support throughout the year and wish you and your family a happy and healthy holiday season.

ADDRESS CHANGES

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OHIO GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY WINTER GALA

The Ohio Geological Society will be holding their 9th Annual Winter Gala on Friday, January 19th, 2007 at 6:30 pm. They invite all geologists, associates, and friends to attend. The cost is \$25 per person and includes dinner, musical entertainment and an evening full of fun! This year's event will again be at the Midwest Hotel & Conference Center, 4900 Sinclair Road in Columbus, Ohio. Please RSVP by January 15th to amy.lang@formanenergy.com or 614-717-9262. We look forward to seeing you there!

2007 OHIO SECTION BALLOT

It's time for us to elect Ohio Section officers for 2007. The following members are offered as candidates:

President-Elect/Program Chair:

This office lasts for three years and will serve as Program Chair in 2007, President in 2008, and Past President in 2009.

Christopher R. Everett, CPG-10839. Mr. Everett is a hydrogeologist, and has spent his entire professional career with Burgess & Niple, Inc., whom he joined in 1997. His principal area of expertise is hydrogeologic investigations, particularly regarding groundwater as a resource. With Burgess & Niple, Inc., he is responsible for directing and conducting groundwater supply investigations, computer groundwater modeling, wellhead protection studies, dewatering investigations, and various other hydrogeologic investigations. Mr. Everett holds Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Geological Sciences from The Ohio State University.

Please vote for one:

_____ Christopher R. Everett

_____ Write-In Candidate _____ (name)

President:

The 2006 President-Elect, Roger McCready, CPG-10120 will advance to President.

Past President:

The 2006 President-Elect, John DiNunzio, CPG-09244, will advance to Past President.

Committee Members at Large:

The Ohio Section has three Members at Large who serve for one year at a time. Please vote for three of the candidates below:

Frank L. Majchszak, CPG-10186. Mr. Majchszak is currently affiliated with Eagon & Associates, where he works on environmental site characterizations and water supply projects. He has been employed as a petroleum exploration geologist for Texaco and as an independent petroleum consultant. Mr. Majchszak has also been employed by the Ohio Geological Survey where he characterized the "Big Injun" and "Maxton" Sandstones Ohio (OGS Report of Investigations 124). As head of the Subsurface Geology Section, he supervised various sub-proposals and published individual research findings related to the multi-state Devonian Shales Project. Mr. Majchszak is a member and past officer of the Ohio Geological Society, a member of Sigma Gamma Epsilon, and a voting member of ASTM Committee D-18 (Soil and Rock). Mr. Majchszak received his B.S. degree in Geology from the University of Toledo in 1970 and an MS degree in engineering geology.

Bruce Pletsch, CPG-10783. Mr. Pletsch works at the Miami Conservancy District, managing two joint projects with USGS. One of which, is the study of naturally occurring arsenic in groundwater within the Great Miami River Basin in Ohio. The other involves using isotopes of nitrogen and oxygen to trace sources of nitrate in drinking water. Mr. Pletsch has also been employed as a consultant for Tetra Tech,

Dames & Moore, and Handex Environmental, where he managed and performed environmental investigations for private sector and government clients, at places such as the Rocky Mountain Arsenal in Colorado and Loring Air Force Base in Limestone, Maine. Mr. Pletsch received his MA Geology from Boston University and his BS Geology from the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

George Ten Eyck, CPG-07990. Mr. Ten Eyck is currently employed by Tetra Tech, conducting environmental technology and health and safety training under a U.S. EPA contract. Previously, he was employed by a Cincinnati-based environmental engineering firm conducting groundwater investigations, environmental site assessments, and remedial projects. Prior to the environmental industry, Mr. Ten Eyck was employed as a petroleum geologist in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Mr Ten Eyck was very active with the Oklahoma City Geological Society, serving as President during the 1986-1987 term. He is also certified as a Professional Geologist in Indiana and Kentucky and is a member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

Please vote for three:

Frank L. Majchszak
 Bruce Pletsch
 George Ten Eyck
 Write-In Candidate _____ (name)

Secretary:

Craig Cox, CPG-07612, has volunteered to serve a second two-year term as secretary.

Please vote for one:

Craig Cox
 Write-In Candidate _____ (name)

Treasurer:

Greg Kinsall, CPG-10643, has volunteered to serve a second two-year term as treasurer.

Please vote for one:

Greg Kinsall
 Write-In Candidate _____ (name)

Other Committee Chairs:

The other committee chairs are served for an indefinite period of time. There are currently no changes in the committee chairs, but anyone interested in serving or assisting in these positions, including that of Newsletter Editor, are welcome.

Please Send Your Completed Ballot to Secretary Craig Cox

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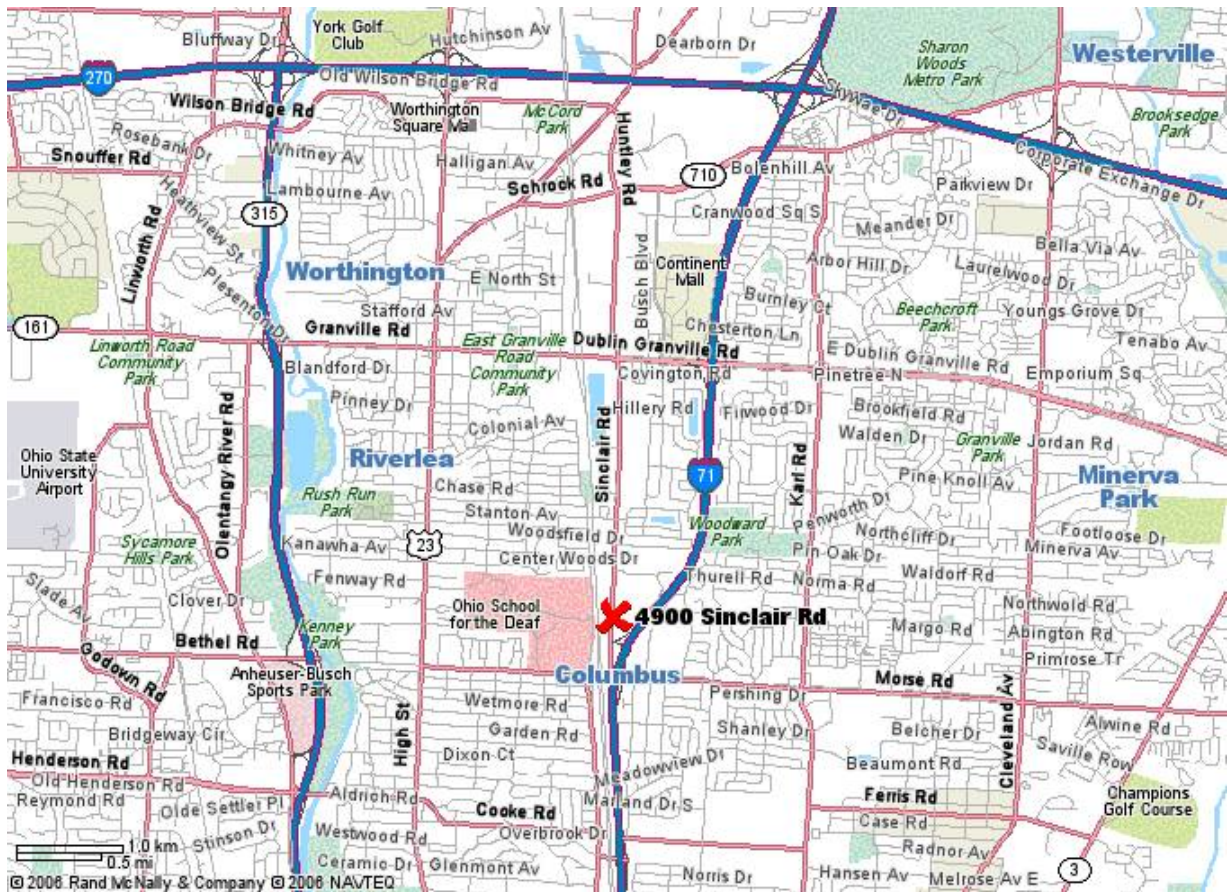
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Results will be announced at the Annual Meeting on November 18.

MAP TO JANUARY 2007 OHIO SECTION MEETING

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The conference center is at the northwest corner of the intersection of Morse and Sinclair Roads. The exit is two exits south of the intersection of north I270 and I-71.



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