



**AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS
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**OHIO SECTION MEETING -
Wednesday, June 27, 2007
Columbus, Ohio**

**Heather Raymond, Lead Hydrogeologist of Ohio EPA's Division of Drinking and Ground
Water will present:**

It's Not That Hard to Dye!

Heather will discuss a fluorescein dye tracer study of a karst aquifer in southwestern Ohio.

Location:

Hunan Lion Restaurant
2038 Bethel Road
Columbus, OH 43235
614-459-3933

Schedule:

5:00-6:00 Social Hour
6:00-7:30 Dinner
7:30-9:00 Presentation

Menu:

Order from menu - gourmet Chinese dining

Cost:

\$10+

Reservations:

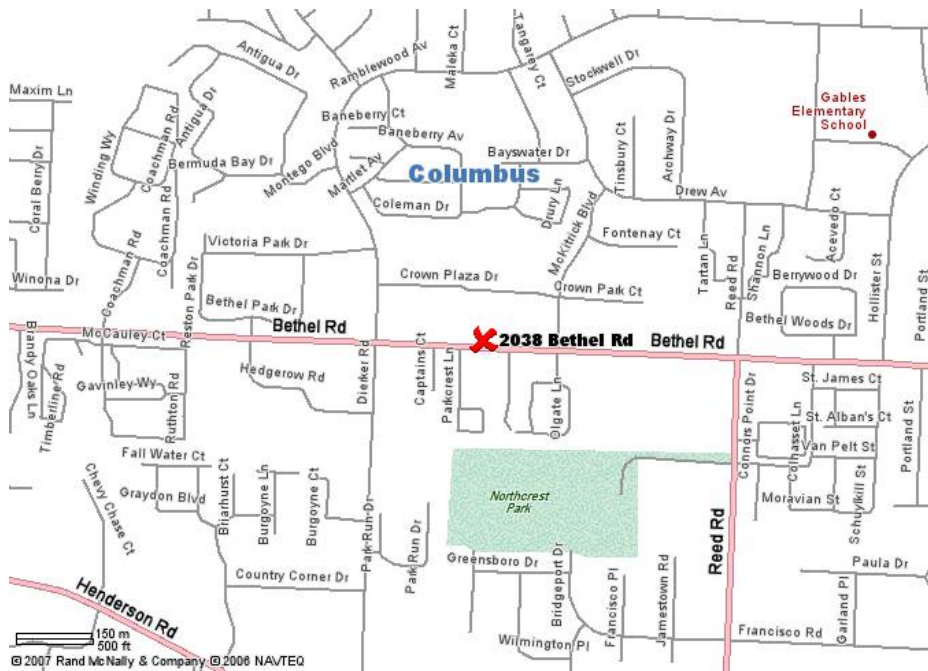
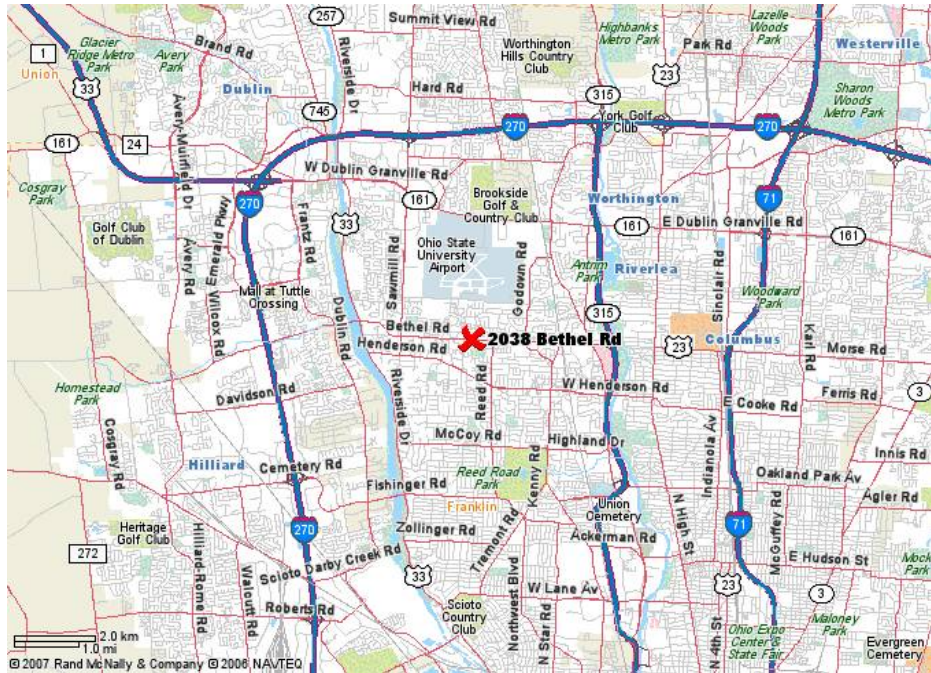
Deadline: Monday, June 25, 4:00 pm
Contact: President Elect, Chris Everett 614-459-2050 or 614-425-2267

Map on following page.

Map to Hunan Lion Restaurant, 2038 Bethel Road, Columbus, OH 43235, 614-459-3933

The nearest freeway exits are:

- Bethel Road from SR315
- Tuttle Crossing from 270 southbound
- Arlington/Fishing Road from 270 northbound



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Roger McCready, Ohio Section President, CPG-10120

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, an important aspect of AIPG Ohio Section's Vision Statement is "to be the representative voice of the professional geologists in the state." This is a tall task for the Executive Committee without input from the membership. The Executive Committee has prepared a short survey in an attempt to get this vital input from the membership. The questions are completed and we are working out how to bring it to the membership - hopefully on-line. Look for more information concerning this membership survey this summer.

AIPG's Ohio Section has been reaching out to the student chapters. Bruce Pletsch and I met with the student chapters at Wright State University and The Ohio State University this past Spring. Bruce and I presented information concerning AIPG and the different careers paths available to geologists these days. Both meetings were well attended and interactive. Bruce and I plan on visiting the Bowling Green chapter this fall.

An Urgent Plea for Support

An important issue that has recently come to the Executive Committee's attention is the potential loss of some funding for the Ohio Department of Natural Resource's Geological Survey. I don't think I need to remind our membership how much the Geological Survey work is relied upon in everyday work that we conduct for our companies and clients. The issue originates from the perceived increase of budget when two separate budget lines items were joined for the FY0809 budget. The Executive Committee reacted and provided support to the Geological Survey through the submission of a formal resolution and through testimony in front of the Ohio Senate Financial and Financial Institutions committee. The initial reaction from several senators on this committee was that they understand the situation and will work to resolve it. However, it is far from a slam dunk.

Therefore, we need the geologists of AIPG and for that matter the State of Ohio to provide support for the Geological Survey. The most efficient manner is through letters and emails. And once you have a letter written you might as well call your local state representative and at least leave a message with their staff. Your correspondence should explain how your work utilizes the products of the Geological Survey to help Ohio commerce thrive.

In addition to supporting the Geological Survey, this is a great opportunity for AIPG to be recognized by members of the Ohio legislature for future use. Let's make the most of this opportunity!

A sample letter and a copy of the resolution are attached to this newsletter. Below are some key contacts in which to send this information.

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Postscript from Mac Swinford, Assistant Chief ODNR, Division of Geological Survey

Mike Shelton, Division of Geological Survey's legislative Liaison, stated that the Ohio Senate correction to the Survey budget has been made..... He was optimistic about the funding staying put, however additional letters of support could help make sure the change makes it through the conference committee. It is obvious that the letters of support have made a difference and we thank you all.

REMINDER

In an attempt to allow more members to attend quarterly meetings, President-Elect, Chris Everett has scheduled all this year's meetings in advance, which are listed later in the newsletter. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS! And if you lose the email with this information just visit the web site www.aipg-ohio.org which is kept up-to-date with this newsletter and other useful information and links. If you haven't visited the web site lately you should, and add it to your Favorites list.

REMINDER

Our friendly AIPG Section to the north is hosting the National AIPG Meeting October 7-11, 2007 in Traverse City, Michigan. There are several ways that the Ohio Section can support this event: through financial assistance, technical paper presentations, and attendance. The Ohio Section will be providing monetary support for this event, but technical support is also needed. The theme of this Year's National Meeting is "*Geology: The Foundation for the Environment and Resources.*" Please consider sharing with the region some of the great work being performed by the geologic professionals of the Ohio Section. Go Geo-Buckeyes! Abstract submissions are due by July 30, 2007. Submission forms for professionals and students can be found on our web site at www.aipg-ohio.org.

AIPG OHIO SECTION AWARDS

Please consider recognizing your fellow geologists by nominating them for an AIPG Ohio Section award. Send your nominations to Committee Member at Large, George Ten Eyck, CPG-07990, Ph 513-251-2730, Fax 513-251-0200, glt_3@hotmail.com.

Outstanding Service to the Public

Awarded to members who have made outstanding contributions to the public health and welfare during their career through:

- Expert testimony to governmental agencies;
- Distinguished service on governmental commissions and committees; or
- Geological expertise where needed by the public.

Limited to Ohio Section members in good standing.

Certificate of Recognition

Awarded to Ohio Section Members in good standing with 20 to 35 years of membership (in any state).

Outstanding Service to the Institute Award

Awarded to members who have made outstanding contributions to the Ohio Section through public interface and promotes an understanding of the geologic profession.

Limited to Ohio Section members in good standing. Maximum one award per year.

Certificate of Merit

Awarded to chair people or committee members who have provided meritorious service to the Section President.

Limited to Ohio Section members in good standing. Maximum of two awards per year.

Outstanding Achievement Award

Awarded to non-members who have made outstanding geologically-related contributions to the public or to the geologic profession.

Open to non-members, including governmental officials, other scientists and professionals, educators, and media professionals. This award is not necessarily awarded annually.

Outstanding Service to the Profession

Awarded to non-members who have given:

- Long records of distinguished service, in addition to their daily job description;
- Improvement to the profession as an effective advocate; and
- Emphasis on public interface.

Open to non-members with a minimum of 20 years in the profession. Maximum one award per year.

Outstanding Student Paper

Open to student members or non-members at an accredited college or university.

Award of Honor

Given to members with a demonstrated record for distinguished service through the receipt of at least two previous Ohio Section awards, including the Certificate of Recognition.

Limited to Ohio Section members in good standing. Maximum of two awards per year.

SEPTEMBER OHIO SECTION MEETING Thursday, September 27, 2007, Columbus - *Professional Geologic Practice - Standards, Ethics, and Expert Witness Responsibilities* - to be presented by Mark Rowland, Burgess & Niple Hydrogeologist, and Wray Blattner, Thompson-Hine Environmental Attorney.

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Please send all address changes to AIPG National Membership Services:

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AIPG 2007 ANNUAL MEETING

Adam Heft, 2007 Chair, CPG-10265

We are looking for exhibitors, advertisers, sponsors, and people to present papers or posters; if any of the Ohio Section members or their company is interested in supporting the meeting this way, please contact me, and I will send you the relevant details. Please also pass the word to your vendors and encourage them to support the meeting. Having been to several AIPG Annual Meetings, I can tell you from personal experience that it is certainly worthwhile to attend. There may not be another opportunity to attend a NATIONAL meeting of any organization so close to home in the foreseeable future. Make the most of this opportunity while it is available to you! This is your opportunity to let AIPG members from across the nation know what you are doing, and to find out what others are doing as well.

A complete summary of information regarding the meeting is posted on the Michigan Section website <http://mi.aipg.org/2007%20Ann%20Mtg/2007Conference.html>. Updates will be posted regularly.

Use this unique opportunity to meet other geologists from across the country, learn something (either in a short course or on a field trip), brag a little (by giving a presentation about your favorite project), and have a good time!

If you have any questions regarding the meeting, feel free to contact me or one of the other Planning Committee members. You can reach me at hefta@fitzhenne.com or at 517-887-1100. I hope to see you in Traverse City this fall!

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