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**2005 OHIO SECTION ANNUAL MEETING -- Friday, November 18**

*President & CEO, COSI Columbus and Former NASA Astronaut,*

***Dr. Kathy Sullivan***

Will Present

***Geologic Perspectives on Space Travel And Space Exploration***

Dr. Kathy Sullivan, an illustrious scientist and explorer of sea and space, is committed to furthering the public's understanding of the wonder and importance of science, math and technology. The first American woman to walk in space, Kathy is a veteran of three shuttle missions and a 2004 inductee to the Astronaut Hall of Fame.

Dr. Sullivan left NASA to accept a Presidential appointment to the post of Chief Scientist at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Here she oversaw a wide array of research and technology programs ranging from climate and global change to satellites and marine biodiversity. Dr. Sullivan has maintained a lifelong commitment to education – a commitment that led her to Columbus in 1996 as President and CEO of COSI (Center of Science and Industry). Under Kathy's leadership, COSI has strengthened its impact on science teaching in the classroom and its national reputation as an innovator of hands-on, inquiry-based science learning resources.



Dr. Sullivan has used her national visibility to promote the public's awareness and understanding of science and education. She pioneered the original Challenger Center program model and has been an advisor on numerous exhibit and multimedia projects for groups including National Geographic, the Smithsonian Institution and public television. In 2003, Dr. Sullivan received the esteemed Public Service

Award from the National Science Board, to which she was appointed as a member in fall of 2004.

Dr. Sullivan is also Fellow of the prestigious American Association for the Advancement of Science and a Captain in the US Naval Reserve.

### **LOCATION**

Ohio State's Fawcett Center for Tomorrow  
2400 Olentangy River Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43210. Ph 614-292-1342  
The Fawcett Center is located on Olentangy River Rd., directly north of W. Lane Ave.  
(Maps are available on page 4 of this newsletter).

### **MENU & COST**

Chicken  
Vegetable Lasagna  
Beef Carving Table  
Vegetables  
Dessert  
Coffee, Tea, & nonalcoholic beverages (Alcoholic beverages available at cash bar).  
Cost: Regular members and Guests: \$30. Student Members: \$20.

### **SCHEDULE**

Social Hour: 6:00 pm  
Welcome and Brief Business Meeting 6:45 pm  
Dinner: 7:00 pm  
Awards: 7:50 pm  
Keynote Speaker: 8:00 pm  
Questions and Answers 9:00 pm

### **RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINE**

Please contact John Dinunzio, Phone: 614-540-6633, Fax: 614-540-6638, [jdinunzio@cecinc.com](mailto:jdinunzio@cecinc.com)  
by Thursday, November 3 to make reservations.

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### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

#### **DAVID E. HARMON, CPG 02789**

It may seem that all of my messages have to do with meetings – but I can think of no better way to interact and network than to attend a gathering of our peers and to make it a point to listen. The recent national gathering in nearby Lexington, Kentucky, was one of exceptional networking potential and I thank all of the Ohio Section who supported the meeting. I made a strong appeal at the annual meeting of the Advisory Committee for emphasizing the need to create an atmosphere whereby our young students, young members, and young CPGs would find our organization to be of benefit in achieving their goals of professional growth, thereby assuring that they continue to be a part of AIPG. Our recent joint meeting with the Ohio Geological Society was another venue that, over time, will prove of great benefit. The upcoming Annual Meeting of the Ohio Section should provide another such opportunity. Without the retention of our younger members, AIPG, along with other professional organizations, will not survive. My one appeal: Stay Active!

The annual meeting of the Ohio Section, November 18<sup>th</sup>, is listed elsewhere in this newsletter, where I call your attention to our featured speaker. Dr. Kathy Sullivan, whom I remember for her walk in space – being the first American woman to do so – is also well known for her contributions to the entire spectrum of science and science education, and her presentation should be a motivation for our younger members. Please put November 18<sup>th</sup> in your appointment journal and be in the Fawcett Center that evening.

I have considered my service as your President to be quite an honor. No great earth-shaking achievements have been made, but if I have done nothing else, I emphasized, and will continue to emphasize, the importance of combating the “graying” of our organization. The enclosed ballot reflects many new leaders to the Section, who have stepped forth to assist in achieving its strategic goals – cast your vote for the continuance of our success, and thank you again for allowing me to use the Section as my soapbox. Continue by supporting and joining our new leaders.

David E. Harmon

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## 2006 OHIO SECTION BALLOT

It's time for us to elect Ohio Section officers for 2006. A description of each office is available in the Ohio Section's 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2005 newsletter, and on the Ohio Section website. The following members are offered as candidates:

**President-Elect/Program Chair:** This office lasts for three years and will serve as Program Chair in 2006, President in 2007, Past President in 2008.

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.

Roger McCready, CPG-10120. Mr. McCready is currently employed by the National Cash Register Corporation as manager of all remedial projects which range from small UST closures to a nationally-recognized sediment contamination project. Duties also include EHS due diligence for mergers/acquisitions, property transfers, and compliance. He served as a hydrogeologist at the South Carolina Water Resources Commission and the Terran Corporation. Mr. McCready holds Bachelor of Science and Master of Science Degrees, Geology/Hydrogeology from Wright State University.

Please vote for one:

\_\_\_\_\_ Christopher R. Everett

\_\_\_\_\_ Roger McCready

\_\_\_\_\_ Write-In Candidate \_\_\_\_\_ (name)

**President:** The 2005 President-Elect, John DiNunzio, CPG-09244, will advance to President for 2006.

**Past President:** The 2005 President, David Harmon, CPG-02789, will advance to Past President for 2006.

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

**Treasurer:** The position of Treasurer is a two-year term. Craig Cox, CPG-07612, will serve his second year in 2006.

**Secretary:** The position of Secretary is also a two-year term. Greg Kinsall, CPG-10643, will serve his second year in 2006.

Mort Schmidt, CPG-08432, has volunteered to continue editing the newsletter, but would always welcome anyone interested in taking the position. The other committee chairs are served for an indefinite period of time. Anyone interested in serving or assisting in these positions would also be welcome.

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

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