

Newsletter December 2015

**Middleton Medal 2016
Call for Nominations**



Almost two years have passed since Bob Dalrymple received the Middleton Medal at GAC 2014, and so it is time to *submit a nomination for the 2016 medal!* We are richly endowed with worthy potential recipients, so please nominate your favourite Canadian sedimentology titan.

Call for nominations:

CSRG's Middleton Medal in Sedimentology is awarded biannually by the Canadian Sedimentology Research Group. The medal is named in honour of Gerard V. Middleton, a

Canadian pioneer in academic sedimentology, and recognises either an outstanding long-term contribution or a seminal contribution to any aspect of sedimentology by a Canadian or a sedimentology researcher working in Canada. Criteria and nomination procedures are posted on GAC's website. The next award will be conferred in spring, 2016. Nominations for the Canadian Sedimentology Research Group's Middleton Medal must be supported by three members of the GAC, one of whom acts as principal sponsor. The award is conferred in alternate years at the annual meeting of the GAC. Nomination forms shall be submitted to the CSRG chair on or before December 31st of the calendar year prior to the award's conferment. Previous recipients of the Logan Medal are not eligible candidates.

The current chair is:

Martin Ross

University of Waterloo

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A complete nomination must include the following documents:

1) Cover letter (maximum 3 pages), signed by principal sponsor and at least two co-sponsors, that includes names and contact information for the nominee and all sponsors (continued)

- 2) Citation (300 words or less; suitable for publication and for reading at the time of the award)
 - 3) Written biography of nominee that describes the achievements for which the award would be conferred
 - 4) Curriculum vitae of nominee, to support the achievements cited in the biography
- Supporting information (items 2-4) may be submitted after December 31st but before the end of January.

It is the responsibility of the Principal Sponsor to gather the supporting information. Digital files are preferred. **A completed nomination is valid for three years and may be updated by the sponsors.**

CSRG News from the (departing)

Chair

I am pleased to report that the incoming CSRG chair, Martin Ross (University of Waterloo), will bravely assume his mantle as of January 2016. Martin is a Quaternary glacial geoscientist at University of Waterloo, with an august recent history of community service as a GAC Councillor. Many thanks to Martin and his obvious passion for public service. This also means the retirement of long-serving Past Chair Peir Pufahl, whose seat I now take.

Elizabeth Turner

The 2016-17 CSRG Executive:

Chair: Martin Ross (University of Waterloo)

Vice-chair: (vacant; *please volunteer!*)

Past chair: Elizabeth Turner (Laurentian University)

Treasurer: Robert MacNaughton (Geological Survey of Canada)

Eastern Councillor: Galen Halverson (McGill University)

Western Councillor: Brian Pratt (University of Saskatchewan)

Upcoming events of interest

- GAC-MAC 2016 Whitehorse
June 1-3 2016
A student field trip subsidy is available from CSRG!
- The 20th International Sedimentological Congress in Quebec City, August 2018.
Mark your calendar, and start thinking of sessions and field trips to propose!

CSRG Annual General Meeting

There was no 2015 annual meeting owing to a lack of quorum at GAC-AGU Montreal. One can only assume that the plethora of relevant sessions and field trips was more compelling...? Please plan to participate in the next meeting, in Whitehorse (GAC-MAC, May 2016).