



Summer 2006

Los Angeles Basin Geological Society Newsletter

First Meeting of the Fall: Thursday, September 28

LABGS 2006

The Los Angeles Basin Geological Society is an organization of geoscientists that spreads geologic information to the un-informed and encourages professional growth among its members. Founded in 1967, the LABGS' well being has fluctuated with the same ups and downs as like eustatic sea level charts over the years. Given that our early society history was largely lost, we would like to highlight the current activities and philosophies of the LABGS.

Our goals include:

1. To provide an environment for networking and connecting with fellow geoscientists working in the LA Basin. This is carried out in the form of our luncheon meetings, field trips and our monthly newsletter.
2. To encourage student involvement in the society from the local colleges and universities. This is done through financial support to attend our monthly luncheons, and scholarships. This spring we awarded one of our two annual scholarships, which will be awarded each spring (see additional info in newsletter).
3. To encourage K-12 teacher support via program funding and the PSAAPG Teacher of the Year Award program.
4. To provide technical presentations for professional growth on topics relevant to the geoscientist working in the LA Basin and the world. We currently hold our monthly meetings the fourth Thursday of the month. Except in December, June, July and August where we conduct no meetings. During November we meet on the third Thursday of the month.

Since our active membership lives in a geographic area that spans over 4700 square miles, it is a challenge to hold meetings that everyone can attend. Holding the meetings in Long Beach maximizes our exposure for the majority of our members. Our executive board several years ago made the decision to terminate LABGS annual dues. Instead, we now require our members to join the Pacific Section AAPG and keep that membership active with an affiliation to the LABGS. This philosophy is not new or unique since several other societies follow this membership procedure. For the LABGS, this was an intentional move to provide better value by getting two memberships for the price of one.

The Pacific Section AAPG and LABGS operate on a fiscal year from July 1 to June 30. If you are a current member, you will receive a PSAAPG membership renewal notice this month in the mail. Please note, when you renew you are renewing for both LABGS and PSAAPG (for one low price of \$12).

If you haven't done so, take this opportunity to send in a check and update your mailing information. the directory is one of the key benefits of joining the LABGS through PSAAPG. If you are not a member, a membership form is attached to the last page of the newsletter.

As the 2006-year moves into the fall the LABGS finds itself preparing for another year of luncheon meetings. Our current board will continue on for a second year of service in the same officer roles. Elections for new officers are being conducted now and will again be conducted next spring after the National Meeting (2007). Start thinking now about becoming a board member / officer in 2007. It's a great opportunity to make us a stronger organization by bringing new ideas and enthusiasm to the things we do.

Meeting Time, Place, Cost and Reservations

Time:

Thursday, September 28, 2006

Typical Meeting Agenda

Lunch Served: 11:30 AM to 12:00PM

Announcements: 11:50 AM to 12:15 PM

Guest Speaker: 12:15 PM to 12:45 PM

Place:

The Grand at Willow Street Conference Center located at 4101 East Willow Street, Long Beach, CA. (562-426-0555). Take Lakewood Boulevard south from the San Diego Freeway (405), turn west onto Willow Street and turn right onto Grand Avenue at the sign for the Center. Park free in the garage structure.

Cost:


**Lunch and Speaker: \$20.00 with reservations
\$25.00 without reservations**
Student: \$ 5.00 (Lunch and Speaker)

Meeting Reservations:

Make your reservations using our web site at www.labgs.org, emailing iaburto@breitburn.com or calling Ivan Aburto at (213) 225-5900 ext. 234. **Reservations must be made prior to Tuesday** before the meeting, but walk-ons are always welcome.

If you have a speaker suggestion, please mention it to a Board member. See the ballot in this issue!!!

WE'LL BE THERE



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LABGS and the 2007 AAPG Convention field trips

The LABGS has offered to lead four field trips in conjunction with the national meeting. If you have an interest and experience in field trips in the SoCal area please contact an officer to inquire about our needs. We are working on day-trips to these areas:

Catalina Island Geology
The Santa Monica Mts Geology
Palos Verde Peninsula Geology
Los Angeles Urban Oil Fields

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Announcements / Information

House of Delegates Nominations

The Los Angeles Basin Geological Society as a part of the National AAPG organization has three delegate spots for the National AAPG House of Delegates. Three delegates will be chosen by the members from the six nominees below. National AAPG is in the process of sending out ballots to all members. The nominees are:

Terry Adcock
Don Clarke
Jon Kuespert
Bill Long
Bob Long
Reinhard Suchsland

The LABGS Brunton Award

The LABGS Brunton Award is given to a qualified undergraduate student attending a four-year LA Basin College or University currently pursuing a baccalaureate degree in Geology or the Earth Sciences. **The 2006 recipient was Ms. Kathleen Nugal, a student at CSU-Dominguez Hills.** Ms. Nugal's award ceremony was held at the June monthly meeting.

The Society is currently looking for qualified applicants for the 2007 award.

SELECTION PROCESS

The above award winner was selected from candidates nominated by a faculty member. The winner was selected based on the following criteria:

- Grade point average in earth science classes.
- An enthusiastic or special recommendation from the college advisor, department chair, or mentor professor

The Don Clarke Award

The Don Clarke Brunton Award is given to a qualified student graduating from an LA Basin Community College with an Associate Degree, enrolled in a Geology or Earth Science curriculum with plans to pursue a baccalaureate degree in Geology or the Earth Sciences.

The Society is currently looking for qualified applicants for the 2007 award.

To qualify for this LABGS award, the student must meet the following criteria:

- Plan to graduate in 2006 with an Associate Degree from a Los Angeles Basin Area Community College.
- Complete a Geology or Earth Science curriculum.
- Must be pursuing plans to enroll in a four-year college or university with Geology, Geological Sciences, or Earth Science as their designated major.

Dibblee Foundation Matching

The LABGS will match all member contributions to the Dibblee Foundation up to a total of \$1,000 from the Society. To be eligible the donation must be sent to the LABGS before October, 2006. The LABGS will forward the donation on to the Foundation and match the dollar amount. Please send the check payable to the "Dibblee Foundation" to Jon Kuespert, c/o BreitBurn Energy Company LLC, 515 South Flower Street, Suite 4800, Los Angeles, CA 90071.

Fall Field Trip

We are working on a fall field trip for the end of the year, possibly to the Laguna Beach area when the seasons change. We hope that you can join us. More information will be forthcoming in the Fall newsletters.

Your Name Here!

Advertising in newsletters is available!
Advertising rates for a business card size ad is \$90 for one year (9 issues). These fees help offset our publishing costs. If interested please contact a Board member.

President's Note

To all of our members,

In conjunction with the June Dibblee talk by Dick Brown, the LABGS will do a limited 1:1 matching of donations from members to the Dibblee Foundation in Santa Barbara. See the note above for more information.

VOTE

The LABGS 2006 Brunton award went to Ms. Kathleen Nugal of CSU-Dominguez Hills. The ceremony took place at the June meeting.

VOTE

AAPG ballots for LABGS House of Delegate positions are being sent by National to all LABGS members. Please return them as soon as possible.

VOTE

We are also still searching to replace two individuals that have greatly contributed over the years to our Society. We lost our stellar Program Chair, Dick Brown, and Secretary, Ivan Aburto. **The ballot is going out with this newsletter for elected positions and is due by Sept 1.** Please nominate candidates if you can.

VOTE

There is also a ballot for talk subjects for this coming year. We are searching for speakers right now and welcome any suggestions.

Did I say **VOTE**

Your stamp on the ballot is appreciated.

Thanks!

Contact Us – The LABGS Board

President: Jon Kuespert (213) 225-5900
jkuespert@breitburn.com

Program Chair: currently vacant

Treasurer: Steve Zigan, (949) 355-4467
szigan@eri-us.com

Secretary: currently vacant

OUR WEB SITE ADDRESS IS:
www.labgs.org

Jon

Election for LABGS positions

For the position of President

Jon Kuespert

Other _____

For the position of Program Chair

For the position of Treasurer

Steve Zigan

Other _____

For the position of Secretary

Please mail to Jon Kuespert c/o BreitBurn Energy
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Talk Topics (choose 4)

Astronomy

Atmospheric Science

Basic Geology

Environmental Geology

Missions to Jupiter/Mars/Saturn

Ocean Exploration

Planetary Geology

Physical Oceanography

Remote Sensing

Seismic Acquisition/Interpretation

Solid Earth Geology

Vendor Technology

Other Choice . . .



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Los Angeles Basin Geological Society Membership Form

Join the LABGS and become a member of the Pacific Section AAPG all for one low price of \$12.00 per year - 2 West Coast Geoscience Organizations for the price of one



Membership Benefits

- LABGS Membership
- Monthly Luncheon Meetings with Strong Technical Programs
- Pacific Section AAPG Membership
- Pacific Section AAPG Bi-Monthly Newsletter
- Discounts for PSAAPG Bookstore Publications
- Bi-Annual West Coast Geoscience Directory - *next edition 6/03*
- Networking and Social Opportunities with Fellow Geoscientists

Current Annual LABGS/PSAAPG Dues

1 Year Option = \$12.00	\$	
3 Year Option = \$36.00	\$	

Extended E-Mail Announcement List Fees

To receive meeting notices from SJGS and CGS

1 Year Option = \$12.00	\$	
3 Year Option = \$36.00	\$	

PSAAPG Foundation Contributions

B. Hacker Publication Fund	\$	
Martin Van Couvering Fund	\$	
Dibble Map Foundation	\$	
California Well Sample Repository	\$	
John Kilkenny Scholarship Fund	\$	
PSAAPG Foundation Trust Fund	\$	

TOTAL PAYMENT

Total Amount Enclosed	\$	
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Essential Member Information

Last Name	
First Name	
Middle Initial	
E-Mail Address	
Mail Address	
<i>Res or Bus ?</i>	

Additional Directory Information

Employer	
Position / Title	
Bus Phone #	
Res Phone #	
Fax Phone #	
Spouse's Name	
Education	
School	

Signature _____

Annual membership is handled through PSAAPG and runs from July 1, through June 30. If you are already a current member of PSAAPG and you selected LABGS affiliation you are already a member of the LABGS.

**Please Make Checks out to PSAAPG and mail along with member form to:
PSAAPG P.O. Box 1072, Bakersfield, CA 93302**