# The Lattice

## New Association with Mineralogical Record

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SA Council voted unanimously at the October 24, 1999, meeting to establish a new association between MSA and Rocks and Minerals as well as *Mineralogical Record*. The motivation was both to augment the Society's activities in areas of interest to the serious amateur and mineral enthusiast, and also to expand the Society's outreach programs. The agreements reached with Rocks and Minerals were outlined by then President John Ferry in The Lattice, vol. 15, no. 4. November, 1999. It is my pleasure to announce that a similar agreement has recently been reached with Mineralogical Record.

The Mineralogical Record, now in its 32<sup>nd</sup> year of publication, is widely considered to be the leading international journal for advanced mineral collectors, amateur mineralogists and specimen-oriented professionals. Headed by Editor/Publisher, and MSA Fellow, Wendell Wilson (wendwilsonite, Ca2Mg(AsO4)·2H2O, described in 1987 from Sterling Hill, N.J., and elsewhere), the magazine is the only scientific journal ever to have had a mineral named in its honor (*minrecordite*, Ca Zn  $(CO_3)_2$ , member of the dolomite group, described in 1983 from

Tsumeb, Namibia). It has furthermore been honored as the recipient of the 1994 Carnegie Mineralogical Award for "outstanding contributions in the field of mineralogy." Each issue is entirely mineralogical in focus, covering scientific, aesthetic, historical, regional, curatorial, hobbyist, and market-related aspects. All articles undergo peer review by the Board of Associate Editors and by outside reviewers. New species descriptions, new species abstracts, MSA abstracts from the annual Tucson Mineralogical Symposium, regionally focused mineralogical studies (a specialty) and historical studies, among other

subjects covered, are designed as long-term mineralogical references with special emphasis on thorough bibliographies.

The Mineralogical Record also publishes important IMA documents, including the IMA's hardcover World Directory of Mineral Collections, plus other mineralogical reference works such as Fleischer's Glossary of Mineral Species and Glossary of Obsolete Mineral Names. Mineralogical Record is made accessible through a comprehensive, hardcover index that is cumulative from volume 1.

The Mineralogical Record,

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## Symposium and Field Trip on Melts in Crust and Upper Mantle at GSA National Meeting

"Melt in the Crust and Upper Mantle: How Much, Where, For How Long, and What Significance for Geodynamics?" is the topic of a Pardee Keynote Symposium and topical session to be held at the Geological Society of America National Meeting, Boston, MA, November 5–8, 2001. The conveners are Tracy Rushmer, University of Vermont; Michael Brown, University of Maryland; George W. Bergantz, University of Washington; and Greg Hirth, WHOI.

Understanding the role of partial melt in the geochemical and dynamic evolution of the lithosphere has gained new momentum with the advent of higher resolution geochemical mea-

#### Letter from the President



# Some comments on MSA's first Dana Medal, the Goldschmidt Conference, and two MSA Council decisions

By Cornelis ("Kase") Klein, MSA President

MSA Council established the **Dana Medal** in 1998 when it was first described as a "midcareer award." It was subsequently officially named the Dana Medal in honor of the legendary contributions by James Dwight Dana (1813-1895) and Edward Salisbury Dana (1849-1935) to the science of mineralogy. E.S. Dana was honorary MSA President from 1926 until 1935.

The Dana Medal is intended to recognize continued outstanding scientific contributions through original research in the mineralogical sciences by an individual in the midst of his or her career. The

medal is bronze, engraved with the recipient's name, and 3" in diameter (see photograph). The very first recipient of the MSA Dana Medal is George R. Rossman, Professor in the Division of Geological and Planetary Science at the California Institute of Technology. As President of MSA I had the honor and privilege of presenting the Dana Medal for 2001 to George Rossman in a specially scheduled session of the Goldschmidt Conference on Wednesday, May 23. George was introduced by his colleague from Caltech, Professor Paul D. Asimow, his citationist (see group picture). Following

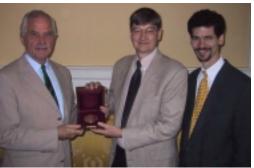
the ceremonial aspects of the session, George gave a very enlightening and entertaining lecture entitled "The Beauty of Minerals" which in addition to

beauty gave much insight into the role of water and hydrogen in essentially anhydrous minerals. In all, it was a festive and informative event held in one of the most elegant

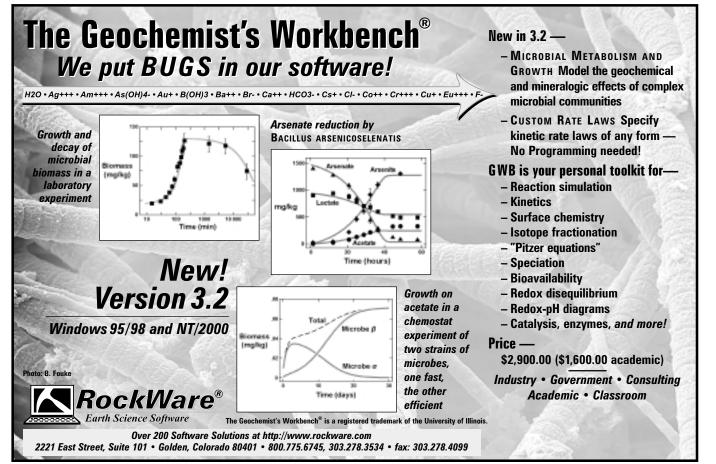
aspects of

large rooms of The Homestead Hotel.

The Dana Medal recipient for 2002 was announced during the Goldschmidt Confer-



Left to right: Cornelis Klein, George Rossman, and Paul Asimow





ence to be Michael F. Hochella, Jr., Professor in the Department of Geological Sciences at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Virginia. As many of you undoubtedly know Mike, with his co-convenor Bob Bodnar, organized the very successful Goldschmidt Conference in

Hot Springs, Virginia (more about that below). The Dana Medal 2002 presentation is planned for the joint spring AGU-MSA-GS meetings in Washington, D.C.

The eleventh annual V.M. Goldschmidt Conference was held in the tiny town of Hot Springs, Virginia, in the very large and grand hotel The Homestead, from May 20-24, 2001, with Virginia Tech as the host. Conference sponsors were the Geochemical Society, MSA, Lunar and Planetary Institute, the European Association of Geochemistry, NASA, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. The conference had about 950 registered attendees, and 425 oral and poster presentations; 296 of the participants came from outside the USA representing a total of 28 countries. The overall success of this meeting is captured in some of the remarks written to Bob Bodnar and Mike Hochella, with a copy to me, by Michael Brown (Department of Geology, University of Maryland): "I wanted to write to thank you for such a wonderfully successful Goldschmidt meeting. I thought the range of people and science, from mainstream geophysics to microbiology, with, of course, my beloved petrology right in the middle, was wonderful. Adding one of the mineralogical societies as a co-sponsor brings in everything from mineral physics to planetary geology, but in a wider context than just geochemistry, which makes for a much better meeting scientifically." (I will come back to the co-sponsorship of spring meetings when I make some comments on the MSA Council discussions, below). On behalf of MSA I want to express our enormous gratitude for the outstanding success that Bob and Mike achieved in this conference. Not only was the technical program very broad and successful but the meeting site, The Homestead, was a very efficient venue for the scientific sessions and a most elegant and beautiful "home" for the participants. Bob and Mike were lucky indeed to have been able to relocate the whole conference to this hotel (only eight months ago) after the prior arranged for hotel in Roanoke, Virginia was unable to fulfill their earlier commitment. Again many, many thanks.

The Geochemical Society and MSA co-sponsored a short course, prior to the Goldschmidt meeting, entitled "Molecular Modeling Theory and Applications in the Geosciences" in Roanoke, Virginia. The conveners were Randall T. Cygan, Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and James D. Kubicki of Pennsylvania State University, University Park. It attracted seventy-five participants in addition to the fourteen speakers. Volume 42 of the Reviews of Mineralogy and Geochemistry Series entitled *Molecular Modeling Theory: Ap*-



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The Mineralogical Society of America is composed of individuals interested in mineralogy, crystallography, and petrology. Founded in 1919, the Society promotes, through education and research, the understanding and application of mineralogy by industry, universities, government and the public.

Membership benefits include: American Mineralogist, published bi-monthly; 25% discount on volumes in the *Reviews in Mineralogy and Geochemistry* series; *The Lattice*; special subscription rates for *Mineralogical Abstracts, Physics and Chemistry of Minerals, Journal of Petrology, Rocks and Minerals,* and *Mineralogical Record*; reduced registration fees at MSA short courses; member rates for the MSA/Geological Society of America annual meeting and member rates at MSA's spring meeting with the American Geophysical Union; participation in a Society that supports the many facets of mineralogy.

Dues for 2001: professional members \$50; student members \$5. American Mineralogist subscription: professional members add \$30; student members add \$25. Membership is on a calendar year basis. Individuals who join after January 1, 2001 will be sent all back issues of volume 85 for 2001.

Additional membership information and an application, and/or a price list of the Society's publications are elsewhere in this newsletter, or contact the Business Office.

Institutions may subscribe to the 2001 volume of *American Mineralogist* for the annual rate of \$480 in the US and \$490 for non-US addresses. The subscription price includes any new volumes of the *Reviews in Mineralogy and Geochemistry* series and issues of the *Lattice* published during the calendar year of the subscription. Payment must be received in full before a subscription will be started.

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#### Notes from Washington

#### by J. Alexander Speer

•Ballots for the 2001 election of 2002 MSA officers and councilors were mailed to members at the end of April 2001. They are due back in the Business Office by August 1, 2001. Voting is an important responsibility for MSA members because the individuals you elect to office decide on the direction of the Society. Third dues renewal notices were sent with the ballots to those 2000 members from whom we had not received a 2001 renewal through April 10, 2001. If you have not yet received a ballot, or a renewal notice if you need one, please contact the MSA Business Office. This will be the last *Lattice* mailing to members who have not renewed for 2001.

• At its 2001 Spring Meeting, MSA Council voted to keep 2002 professional member dues at the 2001 cost of \$50. Student dues also remain at \$5. New for 2002 will be a member subscription to the electronic version of American Mineralogist at \$10. Member subscriptions to the paper copy *American Mineralogist* were increased to \$35 from \$30, and will include access to the electronic version. This is a 17% increase, but member subscriptions were last changed in 1992, when the journal still had 6 rather than 8 issues a year. Institutional subscriptions to the paper journal were increased to \$530 for subscribers with U.S. addresses and \$550 for subscribers with non-U.S. addresses. Institutional subscriptions to the electronic journal will not be available until 2003.

• MSA 2002 membership renewals will start with an electronic reminder and membership renewal at the beginning of September. If you have never shared your current e-mail address with MSA and would like to participate in the online renewal, please send us your address. Hard copy renewal notices will be sent by the end of October for those who have not renewed by then. You can save your Society money by renewing early whether you choose to use the electronic version in September or the traditional paper version in October. As encouragement there will again be a \$5 discount on the professional membership dues for renewals received before December 31, 2001.

 In the days of snail mail alone, the post office might return after many weeks or months certain classes of mail to us indicating that the individual was no longer at that address and, with any luck, what the new address might be. Usually the mail was forwarded to the individual until the forwarding order expired, after that the mail was returned to us with no clue as to the new address. Mail sent outside the U.S. was seldom returned. You may notice on much of MSA's mail now there is a "Return Service Requested" indicia. This tells the US Post Office not to forward the mail but to return it to us with the new address. This costs us about 50 cents per returned item but the service does alert us to address changes much faster than in the past. Unfortunately, the service is available for US addresses only. No matter where you receive your mail, you can save your Society money by telling us of any address changes in a timely manner. 4

You can do this by mail, phone, fax, e-mail, or online. Still, do not be surprised if the next 1 or 2 mailings from MSA have your old address—these pieces were probably in the mail stream 1–2 months before you told us of your address change.

•In addition to any mail address changes, make sure to tell us about any changes in your phone number and e-mail. There is no organization such as the US Postal Service to alert us about changes. MSA can just no longer contact you. The spread of cellular phones and increasing numbers of required phone numbers have led to new overlaid area codes and exchanges. E-mail address changes can also be rapid when you change service providers or servers. These make it impossible for us to know your new contact information unless you tell us.

•There are three new MSA/GS publications printed since the first of the year—Reviews in Mineralogy and Geochemistry (RiMG) Volume 40: *Sulfate Minerals: Crystallography, Geochemistry, and Environmental Significance,* 2000; C. N. Alpers, J. L. Jambor, and D. K. Nordstrom, Eds.; Volume 41: *High-Temperature and High Pressure Crystal Chemistry,* 2001; R. M. Hazen and R. T. Downs, Eds.; and Volume 42: *Molecular Modeling Theory: Applications in the Geosciences,* 2001; Randall T. Cygan and James D. Kubicki, Eds. Descriptions of these and ordering information can be found at the MSA website and elsewhere in this issue.

•Postal rates in each class increased on 1/7/2001. There was a penny per letter increase on first class, 7.2% increase in nonprofit periodicals, 4.8% increase in nonprofit standard (bulk) mail, and, depending on destination, about a 10% increase in airmail rates. All these were well publicized, expected, and held to a minimum by various types of publicity and lobbying groups. A rate that MSA uses extensively that did not benefit from such special attention was international surface mail rates. Increases here were 200-300%. The only good news is that the rates to Canada decreased; though that country seems to have a renewed interest in collecting customs duties. The new rates are somewhat erratic. Some higher rates depend on distance from the US, but others reflect the higher fees some nearby countries charge the US Postal Service for receiving mail from the US. Adding insult to the injury, the cost per pound increases rapidly to 4 pounds, then slowly declines at greater weight. 4 pounds is the dividing line between surface letter and surface parcel, though it is not clear why the rate per pound should be so high at this dividing line. 4 pounds corresponds roughly to 2 RiMG volumes, making shipping costs on 2 books the greatest per book. There will be another rate increase within the month and news accounts indicate another by the end of the year. It appears that the US and other Postal Services have forgotten the lessons learned from the uniform and reduced postal rate reforms of the 1840s-1870s and are headed to repeat the postal failures of earlier times.

After resisting for many years, MSA will begin a separate charge for shipping on book orders starting this spring. Separate shipping will make it easier to adjust for varying rates as opposed to try to continually adjust book prices. Given the high rates, we encourage non-US address members customers to combine book orders to lower the shipping cost per book where possible.

•More sections of the MSA website (www.minsocam.org) continue to come online.

The **Reviews in Mineralogy and Geochemistry** section contains a list of all errata of which we are aware. If you are an author of a chapter, and would like to post corrections, please send them to us. We prefer the text be sent as a text file and any corrected figures as gif or pdf files.

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The **Links** section has been reorganized and expanded. There are now other **Society and Publications** links [Societies & Organizations, Journals (technical mineral-related publications), Magazines (broad interest mineral-related publications), and List of mineralogical, lapidary and fossil clubs in the U.S.A.] and a separate listing of **Mineral-related** links [Sites with extensive, mineral-related links, Mineral Databases, Tutorials, sites devoted to a specific mineral, sites devoted to a specific mineral-related (but otherwise hard to categorize), and mineral-related Web-rings]. If there are links that you think we should include, please let us know.

There is a now a **Collector's Corner**, described elsewhere in this issue of *The Lattice* by David von Bargen.

The MSA website has gained some recognition. Most important was the notification on 1/14/2001 that Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) will include the MSA website in their *Current Web Contents*. More description about this can be obtained by selecting the *Current Web Contents* logo on the MSA website. The same month *Lapidary Journal* included the MSA website in their "Sites to See." They described the site as being neither flashy nor sexy but providing solid, invaluable content.

•There have been two book reviews of Reviews in Mineralogy volume 38, *Uranium: Mineralogy, Geochemistry and the Environment*: K. Morris, 2001, Journal of Petrology 42, 853–854 and by E. K. Hyslop, 2001, Mineralogical Magazine 125, 149–150; as well as a book review of volume 39, *Transformation Process in Minerals*, by M. D. Welch, 2001, Mineralogical Magazine 125, 313–314. The reveiwers felt the books were well worth the price.

## MSA Workshop at the GSA Meeting: Practical application of XRF techniques to the analysis of geological materials

Designed for both novice and experienced users of XRF techniques in geology, this workshop will focus on practical approaches to XRF analysis of soils, rocks, waters, petroleum-based products (oils, gasolines, etc.) and other types of materials typically encountered by geoanalysts. The course will emphasize practical exercises in sample preparation, calibration methods, and analysis of several different geological sample types. The one-day workshop will take place on Monday November 5, 2001, at the application facility at Philips Analytical in Natick, MA. There is a limit of 20 participants and there is no fee. Philips Analytical will provide transportation back and forth from the Hynes Convention Center, as well as lunch for all course participants. To enroll, (1) register on the MSA home page: http://www.minsocam.org or (2) send your name, address, telephone, fax, and email addresses to the MSA Business Office, 1015 18th St. NW Ste 601, Washington, D.C. 20036-5212, U.S.A. Phone: 202-775-4344. Fax: 202-775-0018. E-mail: business@minsocam.org. For additional information, please contact David Coler (david.coler@philips.com).

Inc., is a non-profit scientific/ educational corporation, which is self-sustaining through its 7500 subscribers and purchasers worldwide. In addition it maintains a superb corporate library rich in historical mineralogical works, information from which is made available to authors engaged in historical or technical research.

The cooperative arrangement between MSA and Mineralogical Record involves five specific agreements. First, all MSA members will be eligible to subscribe to Mineralogical Record at a 15% discount. The subscription option will appear on your MSA membership renewal form starting soon, and is similar to the agreement that MSA currently enjoys with other publications such as Rocks and Minerals, Journal of Petrology, and Physics and Chemistry of Minerals. Second, Mineralogical Record will have a page on the MSA website to list current tables of contents for their journal, announcements, or other relevant information, as well as a link to the Mineralogical Record's website. Third, MSA will have a quarter page in the Mineralogical Record, as a regular feature, for announcements, advertisements, membership forms, etc. MSA will reciprocate by providing the Mineralogical Record with a quarter page in The Lattice for announcements, subscription forms, or other appropriate material. Fourth, MSA and Mineralogical Record will exchange promotional materials that will be displayed at each

other's booths at meetings and mineral shows. Finally, Mineralogical Record will periodically offer some of its other mineralogical books and publications to MSA members at a 25% discount. These arrangements benefit the *Mineralogical Record* organization by providing an opportunity to expand its readership, and also MSA by potentially expanding the number and diversity of the readership of American Mineralogist.

One of the greatest advantages of this new relationship between MSA and Mineralogical Record, however, is a new opportunity for outreach for members of the Society. Our association with Mineralogical Record offers MSA members a new outlet for the publication of appropriate mineralogical research and review articles of significance to a broader audience. I strongly encourage MSA members to submit appropriate manuscripts to Mineralogical Record, where the exposure may serve to recruit one of the next generation of mineralogists and earth scientists.

As with the other journals having an association with MSA, the editorial policies and scope of the *Mineralogical Record* will remain entirely in the hands of the journal's staff. Details of manuscript submission and suggestions for authors will be found at the corporation's website: www. mineralogicalrecord.com.

I wish to thank Wendell Wilson of the *Mineralogical Record* for helping to make this new association possible. I look forward to an enjoyable and productive relationship between our two organizations.



## All about submitting to the American Mineralogist

By Rachel A. Russell, Managing Editor, American Mineralogist

R ight now we are somewhat under the historical average for submissions, and submission-to-publication times have never been faster, so this is a great time to submit! We welcome all topics: environmental mineralogy, biomineralization, clay minerals, planetary materials, crystallography, geochemistry, and petrology. We really do welcome anything related to earth sciences that passes our peer review, and the inside back cover of every issue highlights many of the specialties but does not limit them.

#### STEPS TO SUBMISSION

Important information for authors is published on the inside back cover of each issue of the American Mineralogist. The key idea when submitting is to make it easy for the Editors and Reviewers to understand your work. Use double spacing, with a 10 or 12-size readable non-condensed font, and nice inch-wide margins on all sides. Save paper by putting the title, bylines, affiliations, and abstract all on the same page, as much as possible. I also suggest keeping notation and abbreviations out of titles. Keep titles short, as much as is realistic for your paper. The body of your manuscript follows, with references after that. Figure captions go after references, Tables go after that, Figures are next, and any footnote or deposit material is last. The goal of this standard format is to make it easy for the editors and reviewers. If they like to look at the figures first, they flip to the back, or perhaps they quickly pull out the tables first and start there.

Do take a moment *before* submission and look at your figures. Are they readable? Are the fonts too small or large? Can you make the proportions of the figures the same? Can you use just one font in the figures? Did you follow our proper abbreviations, such as wt% for weight percent, and *T* for temperature? I honestly think that starting with figures that are as clear as possible helps at every step on the way to publication.

Mail 3 copies of your article, with a cover letter, to the American Mineralogist, care of the Washington, D.C., address (see inside back cover of any issue). Right now, although web-based submission is coming, we still need 3 copies of your manuscript, tables, and figures and 1 cover letter. The cover letter must state that the manuscript "has not been previously published, wholly or in part, and is not and will not be submitted elsewhere for publication while it is in review." Your complete and proper mailing address, phone, fax, and especially e-mail address must also be included. As mentioned in the previous Lattice (February 2001), if any of your figures should be printed in color, go ahead and tell us up front. If you will be requesting use of the Color Fund, then explain the reasons as well. It will not affect your peer review, but it will speed things up later.

#### TECHNICAL AND TYPESETTING NOTES

The only scientific change to note is that our Technical Editor for Crystal Structures, Dr. Robert T. Downs, who continues to check all the crystallography tables for any sort of problems, has requested that the site occupancy data be included in the crystallography data tables. Recently, after we log those new 6 submissions in, we have begun sending requests to those authors, which asks them to send Dr. Downs the material in Word or ASCII format. This procedure should make the double-checking easier for everyone.

There is no need to have small caps, or all caps, or any other formatting besides bold, italic, subscripts and superscripts as appropriate. In fact, you can simple make a "Note to typesetter" on the front page of your manuscript regarding any complex notation such as stacks, subscripts to subscripts, or overbars (i.e., Miller Indices). For example, many people will have 1-11 in their paper and tell us that this means the first 1 has an overbar, while 11-1 would mean the second 1 has an overbar. This makes it easier to type up the manuscript, and it is very clear to editors, reviewers, and us.

#### TIMELINE

Allow time for your manuscript to reach us, which depends on where you live and how you mailed it. Once a week we assign all new manuscripts to an associate editor and promptly mail the packets out to them. We notify the corresponding author and associate editor of the assignment via e-mail that same day.

Each associate editor has his or her own style, but it is likely the corresponding author will hear from the associate editor in a few weeks that the paper is in review. Generally, peer review should take about three months, although it varies greatly. But the corresponding author can send the associate editor a query at this point to obtain information. There could be a lot or a little communication but typically most papers will need some revision. At this point the Associate Editor will definitely contact the corresponding author. There are things to do during the revision that are not necessary in the first submission, as the complete author instruction information on the web site makes clear. When the revision is complete it is sent back to the Associate Editor, **not** the editorial office.

The associate editor then decides if the revision was satisfactory. There could be more discussion and communication with the author at this point. There could be another peer review. Or the next communication could be a letter of rejection from one of the Editors with advice on how to re-submit.

Most likely, however, the next communication will be an email from the editorial office in Washington, notifying you that the paper is in "pre-accept" phase and trying to solve any technical problems at this point. It is at this point that electronic tables and text are required. When there are no problems, the file goes to one of the Editors; he or she reviews everything, mediates anything, and edits the paper. The corrected final paper is sent back to the editorial office and we mail the official acceptance letter, both paper and email versions. It is typically at this time that electronic artwork, if available, is requested.

After acceptance, the corresponding author is sent proofs to correct, and after that the paper is published!

Finally, at every step it is vital for you to notify the associate editor of any extended leave plans, or alternate e-mail addresses, Continued on page 18 Mineralogical Society of America Short Course Announcement

## STABLE ISOTOPE GEOCHEMISTRY

- **Dates:** November 2-4, 2001 (preceding the Mineralogical Society of America-Geological Society of America Annual meeting in Boston, MA)
- **Times & Location**: Short Course sessions are from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm Saturday and 9 am to 4:30 pm Sunday. There is an informal welcoming reception from 7 to 9 pm Friday evening, November 2. All events are at the at the Colonnade Hotel, 120 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02116 USA phone (617) 424-7000 fax: (617) 424-1717, http://www.colonnadehotel.com/.
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	Professional Registration:	Member	\$ 265	\$ 315
	C	Non-member	\$ 350*	\$ 400*
	Student Registration:	Member	\$ 75	\$ 125
	ç	Non-member	\$ 110*	\$ 160*
	Speaker		none	none
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- **Registering**: Registration forms are available from the MSA Business Office, 1015 Eighteenth St NW Ste 601, Washington, D.C. 20036-5212, USA. Tel: (202) 775-4344 Fax: (202) 775-0018 e-mail: business@minsocam.org; or from the MSA Home Page (http://www.minsocam.org). Registration forms with payment must be returned to the MSA Business Office. Registration fees will be fully refunded if cancellation is received in writing on or before October 5, 2001. You can also register online with a credit card. Registration is limited to 100 participants. All participants and speakers must register.
- **Practical:** Registration fee includes MSA short course sessions, refreshments at breaks, lunches on Saturday and Sunday, and the *Reviews in Mineralogy and Geochemistry* volume. Registration fee does <u>not</u> include room, other meals, or transportation costs to or from the short course site. Participants may contact one of the GSA hotels or the Colonnade Hotel, 120 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02116 USA phone (617) 424-7000 fax: (617) 424-1717, http://www.colonnadehotel.com/ to make reservations, pay for rooms, etc. Information on the short course, lodging, ground transportation, and course updates will be on the MSA Home Page (http://www.minsocam.org).
- **Student Scholarships**: A limited number of student scholarships covering some portion of the registration fee will be available. If you will be a registered student for Fall 2001, and would like to be considered for a scholarship, enclose a brief statement, less than 500 words, describing your reasons for wanting to attend the short course. Send this with your registration before August 31, 2001. This might include your background, publications, the relation of stable isotope geochemistry to your thesis research, or future plans.

#### **Short Course Description**

Stable Isotope Geochemistry is central to the study of the solid Earth, its atmosphere, hydrosphere, biosphere, and its extraterrestrial environment. New analytical technology of the past decade is revolutionary, causing wider application and more fundamental understanding. This short course will show how isotope ratios in minerals, rocks and fluids provide evidence for understanding a wide range of natural phenomena including: paleoclimate, marine sedimentation, geomicrobiology, cycles, history, biogeochemical thermal hydrothermal/ metamorphic fluid flow, and igneous petrogenesis. Speakers will review these topics - with emphasis on O, C, H, and S isotopes - and the principles of equilibrium and kinetic isotope exchange.

#### **Topics and Speakers/Authors**

Equilibrium oxygen, hydrogen, and carbon isotope fractionation factors applicable to geological systems
Rates and mechanisms of isotopic exchangeDavid R. Cole and Sumit Chakraborty
Fractionation of the isotopes of carbon and hydrogen in biosynthetic processes
Stable isotope variations in extraterrestrial material
Oxygen isotope variations of basaltic lavas and upper mantle rocks
Stable isotope thermometryJohn W. Valley
Metamorphic fluid flowLukas Baumgartner and John W. Valley
Stable isotopes in seafloor hydrothermal systems: Vent fluids, hydrothermal deposits, hydrothermal alteration, and microbial processes
Isotopic ratios of precipitation: On beyond paleothermometry
Isotopic evolution of the biogeochemical carbon cycle during the Precambrian
Isotopic biogeochemistry of marine organic carbonKatherine H. Freeman
Biogeochemistry of stable sulfur isotopes Donald Canfield
Causes of stratigraphic variation in marine carbon isotope ratios

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#### On the IMA Classification of Pyroxenes and Amphiboles

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classification is a system to put in order a series of related objects, in order to show affinities and to ensure a degree of uniformity of usage (Oxford English Dictionary 1989). Other purposes are to enhance clarity, to assure consistency, to avoid ambiguity, and to discard obsolete terms. Ideally, the reform of a classification should retain as many terms of historical significance and common usage as is possible. Not only does this make a transition easier, but also it is kind to users. An example is afforded by the Streckeisen (1967) scheme of classifying igneous rocks. Whereas the compositional fields of many common rocks types (granite, quartz monzonite, granodiorite...) differ substantially from those of the countless earlier classifications, the terminology is largely intact.

Recent IMA classifications of the amphiboles (Leake et al. 1978, 1997) and the pyroxenes (Morimoto et al 1988) have attempted to establish rigor and precision within these complex mineral groups based chiefly on chemical composition. This is laudable, especially now that electron microprobe analyses have become routine. Today, when a geologist or mineralogist uses the terms actinolite or omphacite, for example, it is clear, within narrowly defined limits, exactly what is meant. In the old days, actinolite covered a multitude of pale blue-green amphiboles, and omphacite was any grass-green pyroxene in a garnetiferous rock.

My contention here is that the new IMA classifications of pyroxenes and amphiboles do violence to history and in some cases seriously disrupt usefulness. In short, some unwise choices were made, and nearly all at the expense of the teacher of mineralogy, the petrographer, or the field geologist. I shall touch on a few abuses; the perceptive mineralogist will already have found many others.

The pyroxene classification is particularly ill considered and has two overridingly offensive parts.

(1) The orthopyroxene series. With a simple stroke of the classifier's pen, field practitioners have been denied such time-honored and above all <u>useful</u> terms as bronzite and hypersthene. Bronzite, so aptly named, is one of the rare pyroxenes readily identifiable in the field. Hypersthene is beautifully pleochroic and a guidepost for students. Traditional enstatite ( $En_{100-90}$ ) and hypersthene ( $En_{70-50}$ ) are quite distinctive optically and different paragenetically, yet we are now to call the pair simply enstatite. With the demise of hypersthene metagranite) disappear as well? Let us unite to restore the useful division of the orthopyroxene series with its handy and chemically precise members: enstatite, bronzite, hypersthene, ferrohypersthene, eulite, and ferrosilite.

(2) The demise of salite. The calcic, alumina-poor clinopyroxenes (the diopside-hedenbergite series) used to have a pair of commanding intermediate members: salite and ferrosalite. Now banished, these common minerals, which are so widespread in skarn and pyroxene amphibolite, must be described as diopside or hedenbergite. So much information is lost! The dark-brown to black clinopyroxene (Di 60) in granulite-facies amphibolite north of Québec City, for example, bears little affinity or resemblance to the white to light-gray diopside (Di 98) in adjacent marble. Yet, based on their compositions, which are altogether distinct, the new IMA classification compels that the two pyroxenes be called diopside. Worse, the intimate relationship of diopside to tremolite, one of the cornerstones of metamorphic petrology, has been destroyed. Whereas tremolite continues to occupy a realistically narrow window (Mg/(Mg + Fe) =1.0-0.9), diopside now has the barn door (Mg/(Mg + Fe) =1.0-0.5). This disparity is confusing and will derail students and geologists alike. That diopside can retrograde to actinolite is an aberration waiting to be corrected by the repatriation of salite, bounded by the appropriately restricted ranges for diopside (Di 1.0-0.9) and ferrosalite (Di 0.5-0.1), with hedenbergite being Di 0.1-0.0.

The amphibole classification is relatively more thoughtful. Here again, though, two points merit consideration.

(1) The demise of crossite. This is especially unfortunate because the mineral survived the first cut (Leake et al. 1978), only to fall to the second swipe of the axe (Leake et al. 1997). Crossite is an unusual amphibole in that commonly it can be identified optically. On a practical level, the demise of crossite has erased the mineralogical distinction between the well-established blueschist terrains of Japan and California. Once they were characterized, respectively, by the occurrence of crossite and glaucophane. Now the contrast between the two terrains is blurred and lost to view; both carry only glaucophane.

(2) Basaltic hornblende (or oxyhornblende, or lamprobolite) deserves its place in the sun. This is another amphibole that is distinctive optically, chemically, paragenetically, and that possesses a long and cherished history. To refer to this arresting amphibole as "ferri-magnesio hastingsite" is insulting!

Permit me to make a few general closing comments, the first on the use of pyroxene and amphibole non-minerals. Certainly we all are aware that "uralite," "bastite" and so on are not minerals. They are mixtures: fine-grained aggregates of various phases in unfixed proportions. Yet, they (and other non-minerals such as saussurite, pinite, leucoxene, iddingsite...) are useful because they conjure up clear mental images. In a single word, each carries substantial petrogenetic information. We should not discourage use of these terms (the IMA classifications have banished them) but, on the contrary, we should emphasize their semantic advantages and encourage their use, ever keeping in mind that **Continued on page 18**  Mineralogical Society of America Short Course Announcement

## NANOPARTICLES IN THE ENVIRONMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

- **Dates:** Short Course sessions are December 8 and 9, 2001. The short course will start at 8 a.m. on Saturday and end early afternoon on Sunday so people can attend the American Geophysical Union Meeting in San Francisco, CA that starts Monday, December 10. There is a reception Friday, December 7 from 7:00-10:00 pm.
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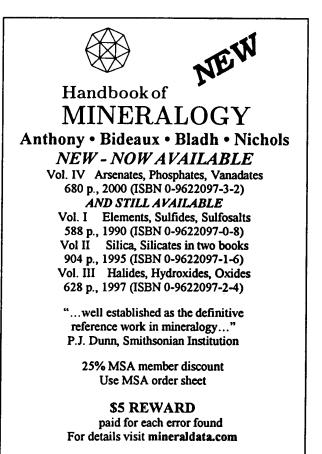
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#### they are not minerals.

The "50-percent rule" or its equivalent at smaller divisions is a keystone of the IMA classifications. The concept is unequivocal and scientifically precise. A problem arises, however, where the extremes of a two-member series are too far apart; that is, they are too unlike one another. To offer an example, let me return to the orthopyroxenes. Imagine a suite of amphibolites with phases that fall between En<sub>55</sub> and En<sub>48</sub>. This is a small range of composition, yet some of the pyroxenes would be called enstatite, and the remainder ferrosilite, two minerals quite dissimilar optically, genetically, and in appearance. In short, two orthopyroxenes that differ but ever so slightly (for example En<sub>50.2</sub> vs. En<sub>49.9</sub>) would receive wholly disparate names. Prior to the IMA assault, the two pyroxenes would have been, respectively, hypersthene and ferrohypersthene. The image there is clear: two similar orthopyroxenes of intermediate composition, one slightly more Fe-rich than the other.

Finally, will the zealots of classification newspeak next attack the plagioclase series? Are the four members that straddle the long gap between albite and anorthite to be banished? Will quartz diorite now carry "calcic albite" (andesine)? Will gabbro carry "sodic anorthite" (labradorite)? The possibilities are downright discouraging.

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surements and more sophisticated geophysical and experimental techniques. These data reveal a complexity in crustal and mantle processes that has yet to be fully exposed to and appreciated by the Earth Science community.

The conveners plan a half-day in which invited speakers, including Sandy Cruden, Phil England, Nick Petford, Ernie Rutter, Ed Sawyer and Christian Teyssier, will present not only current research but also their vision of the future direction of research to understand crust-mantle interactions and crust-mantle evolution. In this symposium and Topical Session, the focus is on the following topics: the role of the mantle in a geochemically evolving lithosphere; the dynamics of partial melting in the continental crust and upper mantle; relationships between the grain-scale distribution of melt and the geochemical and physical properties of partially molten rocks; the specific links between petrologic and structural response to melt transport and accumulation; and kinematic and dynamic expressions of partial melt distribution on the orogenic scale. We will consider how the presence or influence of melt can be detected from the outcrop to the plate scale. How can outcrop/hand-specimen scale observations be used to provide links between laboratory/theoretical studies and large-scale geophysical observations?

Poster or Oral contributions are invited for the Topical Ses-

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sion (T5). Further information on the session and submission information can be found on the web site for the meeting at http://www.geosociety.org/meetings/2001/techprog.htm.

A post-meeting field trip is planned for November 8–11, 2001, on "Deformation, Metamorphism, and Granite Ascent in Western Maine" to be led by Gary Solar, Mike Brown, and° Paul Tomascak. The contact person for this field trip is Gary Solar, Dept. of Earth Sciences, State University of New York, College at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY 14222; Tel: (716) 878-4900. The cost is \$350 and registration is limited to 33. More information can be found at the following website: http://www.geosociety.org/meetings/2001/t-ftrip.htm.

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*plications in the Geosciences* was available at the time. I am told that the course was very successful and on behalf of MSA I thank Randy and Jim for their major efforts to make this success possible.

There was also a workshop entitled "Calculating Metamorphic Phase Equilibria," prior to the Goldschmidt Conference, held on the campus of Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia. The workshop was taught jointly by Roger Powell, University of Melbourne and Chris Carson, Yale University. It was convened by Michael Brown, University of Maryland and Bob Tracy, Virginia Tech. Thirty two scientists attended and I heard that it was very successful. MSA is most grateful to the conveners and lecturers for having made this possible.

And now some comments on two issues that were taken up at the second **MSA 2001 Council** meeting (held on the Saturday prior to the Goldschmidt Conference) and which are probably of considerable interest to the MSA membership. The first issue is that of future spring meetings (in addition to the wellestablished association of MSA with the American Geophysical Union's annual spring meeting and the Geological Society of America's annual fall meeting). Over the prior several months much attention was given to this by MSA's meeting coordinator, Peter Heaney. MSA council in consultation with Peter developed the following tentative plan for co-sponsorship by MSA of the following spring meeting schedule:

Spring 2002: A joint AGU-MSA meeting in Washington, D.C. (May 28-June 1) because co-sponsorship with the Goldschmidt Conference would take us to Davos, Switzerland in August 17-23, which is just a week prior to the IMA meeting in Edinburgh, UK (September 1-6, 2002). The MSA Council meeting will take place at the Washington AGU meeting and the presentation of the Dana Medal 2002 will take place there as well. The Council has decided that MSA will be one of the co-sponsors of the IMA meetings and I understand from Ian Parsons, Vice President of IMA and chairman of the organizing committee, that quite a few MSA members have already been asked to convene scientific sessions there. The draft technical program for these meetings is beginning to firm up.

Spring 2003: Although MSA would have been most interested in being a co-sponsor with the Goldschmidt Conference once more, the Goldschmidt Conference for 2003 is planned for Kurashiki, Japan for September 7-12. The AGU meeting is planned for Nice, France, April 7-11, 2003. In view of both organizations having their meetings overseas, the council recommended that MSA approach the Clay Mineral Society in the hope of MSA co-sponsorship of their spring meeting planned for June 7-11, in Athens, Georgia. This proposal is presently under consideration by the Clay Mineral Society.

Spring, 2004: Although this is now three years away, MSA Council decided to express its strong interest in possible cosponsorship with the Geochemical Society (and other societies) of the Goldschmidt Conference planned for Copenhagen, Denmark in late May, 2004. This possible joint meeting venture will be considered by the Goldschmidt Committee as well as the Geochemical Society.

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## "Collector's Corners" on the MSA Website

By David Von Bargen, E-mail: davidvb@worldnet.att.net

The "Collector's Cor ner" of the MSA's Internet site opened for business early in May. It is a site designed for anyone with an interest in minerals who wants to learn more about them. The site is a combination of original content, articles from the American Mineralogist, and links to other web sites.

The Frequently Asked Question section is derived from the Ask-A-Mineralogist bulletin board. Questions from the bulletin board have been transferred to the Collector's Corner and are organized by topic. The answers published here have a bit more background information and links are added. I thank the members who have helped answered Ask-A-Mineralogist questions on the MSA Talk list.

In response to queries to the MSA website, a state by state listing of state mineral locality indexes, state issues of "hobby" magazines, state mineralogies, and web resources is provided.

A page on the classic mineral localities lists mineral sites with a diverse mineralogy or many type species. The information listed includes a count of the total number of species and type minerals along with literature and web references.

The first article from the "archives of the *American Mineralogist*" is Peter Rickwood's "The Largest Crystals" from 1981.

Future plans include "reprinting" more articles from the American Mineralogist, adding an illustrated glossary of mineralogical terms (a picture is worth a thousand words—and takes about as long to download), and adding a searchable table of contents for the first fifty years of *Rocks & Minerals* (as an adjunct to Lanny Ream's MINDEX program—a computer index to the "hobby" literature).

#### President's column, Continued from page 19

Spring, 2005: It is the hope of MSA Council that MSA would be able to co-sponsor a Goldschmidt Conference in the USA in the spring of 2005.

And now to the second MSA Council issue that will be of interest to MSA membership. This involves the fast evolving and complex field of websites, electronic databases and electronic publishing. In order to remain abreast of all developments and best choice venues in this area MSA's Vice President, Rod Ewing, was asked to establish a task force on electronic publishing. Also the Council considered at length a further proposal, originally presented to Council in 1999, by Richard A. Bideaux, General Partner in Mineral Data Publishing, to make the two Silicate volumes of Handbook of Mineralogy available as an electronically accessible database for MSA membership on MSA's website. It was decided that if Dick Bideaux would allow such an experiment to begin fairly soon and if MSA's "web wizard" Gordon Nord saw no great hurdles in doing this, that MSA would go ahead with such a "test" of making a major mineralogical database available electronically. I have spoken with both Dick and Gordon and I believe that such a development will take place fairly soon.

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The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada have awarded a Canada Research Chair in Crystallography and Mineralogy to Dr. Frank C. Hawthorne, Distinguished Professor of Geological Sciences at the University of Manitoba. This provides teaching relief and significant additional research funding for seven years, and is renewable.

Frank Hawthorne was born in Bristol, England, and grew up in Bristol and Maidenhead, where his principal interests were playing rugby, field hockey, cricket, and track and field. He has a B.Sc. In Geology from Imperial College, London, an A.R.S.M. from the Royal School of Mines, London, and a Ph.D. in Geology from McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario. He moved to the University of Manitoba as a Postdoctoral Fellow in 1973, became a Research Associate in 1975 and a University Research Fellow in 1980. He became an Associate Professor in 1984 and a Full Professor in 1985.

Frank is widely recognized as an authority on amphiboles and other groups of complex rock-forming minerals, the topology and energetics of mineral structures, long-range and short-range order in minerals, the role of light lithophile elements in complex minerals, crystal-structure determination of minerals, complementary analytical techniques, and he has described many new minerals, interacting widely with the mineral-collecting community in the process. He is widely regarded as a seminal thinker in the areas of Mineralogy and Crystallography; his work addresses the widest range of topics and addresses some of the most fundamental questions on the behavior of solid in general and minerals in particular. His current interests involve science, poetry, biography and art, and he has been known to drink coffee.

#### Deadline

Material for the August 2001 Lattice is July 16, 2001.

Contributions may be sent to Andrea Koziol via surface mail at the Department of Geology, University of Dayton, Dayton, OH 45469-2364 or via e-mail at koziol@notes. udayton. edu.

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