CONGRATULATION GRADUATES

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
I would like to start this newsletter congratulating all our graduating student members. This has been a very difficult time for students that started the semester in the classroom and had to transition to finishing classes from home. I think these students will be remembered for their dedication in completing their degrees under difficult conditions. The officers of the Georgia Section wish you all the best. The students that plan to go to graduate school please remember you can still keep your student AIPG membership. You will need to email AIPG National Headquarters and tell them your email address and university if it changes. For all our graduates that plan to start working or looking for a job, please remember that AIPG has a membership category called Early Career Professional Member that gives you a membership at a reduced cost for five years.

I have not heard from many members but I know of a few that have either been laid off or reduction in work hours. Hopefully the work environment will continue to improve and we can see an increase in employment. For all our professional members if you are hiring a new geologist for permanent employment, please let us know. We need to help our student members as much as possible.

As of now we still are planning to hold our two-day conference in September at Kennesaw State University. We think we can hold it in a safe manner but we will need to see how things are in the fall.

For our Georgia PG members you should have received an email from the Georgia Professional Geologists Board on their survey concerning continuing education. Please fill out the survey and submit it to the board so they can determine the interest in potential continuing education requirements.

Below are our Georgia Section scholarship winners and we have mailed the AIPG membership certificate along with their scholarship check. We also had two AIPG National $1,000.00 scholarship winners: Jessica Ware from Georgia Southern and John McCue from University of West Georgia. Congratulations!
Georgia Section Scholarship winners for 2020
Georgia Southern – Emily Fischer
Columbus State – Stephanie Thompson
University of Georgia – Sarah Olmstead
Georgia State – Megan Rich
West Georgia – Ryan Dapkus
University of North Georgia – Elizabeth Murphy
Berry College – Emily Silver

GEORGIA SECTION SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

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Sarah Olmstead – University of Georgia
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Emily Silver – Berry College
Jessica Ware - Georgia Southern

John McCue – West Georgia