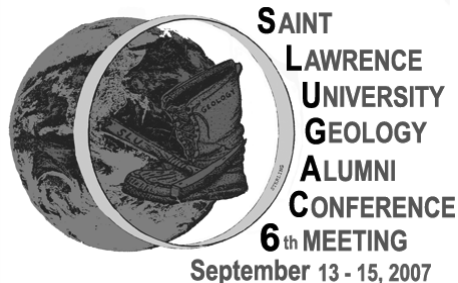


2nd Announcement !



SLUGAC 6 MAPPING THE FUTURE: VISIONS FOR GEOLOGY September 13 -15, 2007

Conference Web site: <http://it.stlawu.edu/~geoclub/alumni/SLUGAC6.html>

The SLU Geology Alumni Conference is a **student-oriented event** designed and **originated by Alumni** to inform Geology students about all aspects of the profession. In our experience this is a unique hallmark of our department and University because it is driven by Alumni volunteerism and altruism in support of undergraduate education where the theoretical becomes practical so that students can imagine themselves “doing that” after St. Lawrence. Many alumni come to the Conference to reunion with fellow graduates. About half of the alums present very brief talks about their professional projects. Some lead discussions, answer questions from students or reminisce a bit. The meeting is casual and generally allows networking between alumni, students, and faculty. We will have two new faculty in the department in the Fall, and they will want to meet alums. Students get first-hand information about careers in Geology and related disciplines and they learn pathways to career goals and graduate programs. Alumni use the occasion to inform themselves about department and university programs, goals and needs, and to network with their peers. The Geology Alumni Council, comprised of those alumni attending SLUGAC, meets to discuss their insights about the profession and their new insights about St. Lawrence. **Your support is both essential and appreciated.**

SLUGAC 6 WILL FOCUS ON **FUTURE TRENDS AND VISIONS FOR THE SCIENCE**. WE HOPE MANY ALUMS WILL SHARE THEIR VIEWS WITH US. IN TURN THERE WILL BE NEW INFORMATION FOR US TO SHARE ABOUT THE BUILDING RENOVATIONS IN THE SCIENCE COMPLEX NOW THAT THE JOHNSON HALL OF SCIENCE IS COMPLETED. THIS IS A MOST IMPORTANT TIME FOR GEOLOGY IN SOCIETY AND AT SLU SO PLEASE SHARE INSIGHTS WITH US.

Below you will find a list of tentative activities and important dates. Since we need to have some idea of attendance, there is also a registration form. We ask you to fill out and return. Having this information will be useful for planning particularly for reserving rooms and for university support. Returning a hard copy of the form is most desirable, however response via phone or email is also possible. Our contact information is listed below. We will post a running list of those who have expressed interest so get your friends together and let us hear from you. This list will be found off of the conference website.

Some activities would include:

- Talks for and with Geology students (research, work experience, new developments)
- Meet our new faculty members

- See concepts for the refurbished Geology quarters and tour the new Johnson Hall of Science
- Reception with President and Mrs. Sullivan
- R. O. Bloomer Alumni Banquet
- R. O. & Vera Bloomer Lecture (SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED – watch for it!).
- We would welcome some first hand experience with the ASBOG exam for students to hear about
- Seminar (Preparing for Graduate School, Working in Industry)
- 3rd W. T. Elberty, Jr. Memorial Auction
- Awarding of W.T. Elberty, Jr. Medal
- Examination of Dolan Outdoor Lab
- Tour new campus buildings (Art Center, Wellness Center, Bookstore, Newell Field House)

Important Dates:

- Intent to present a talk: ASAP
- Abstract Submission deadline: June 15, 2007
- Early Registration: July 15, 2007
- W.T. Elberty, Jr., Medal Nominations: July 15, 2007
- Alumni Resume Submission deadline: August 15, 2007
- Current Student Resume Submission deadline: September 5, 2007 (sooner the better)

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Contacts: Mark Erickson: meri@stlawu.edu 315-229-5198

Sarah McElfresh: sarah_mcfresh@hotmail.com 412-241-4896

Please have SLUGAC in the subject of all emails to ensure that it gets through SPAM filters.

About the Proceedings: The Proceedings will include the Schedule of Events, abstracts of talks, and resumés from current students, attending alumni, and faculty.

Abstract Submission: Send a 200-300 word abstract about your talk to sarah_mcfresh@hotmail.com with the subject: SLUGAC6 Abstract.

Format: Pasted into the body of the email, or attached as Word or Text.

Resumés: It may seem strange to send your resume to the proceedings of the conference but even brief work histories and summaries of educational background are very useful and informative to our students. From the student perspective, they may be the most helpful part of the Proceedings. This serves several purposes. It allows the students to present themselves to the alumni and vice versa. It serves as an ice breaker for conversation as it were. Also, the students are better able to appreciate the variety of pathways their futures may take with their Geology degree. The resumé should also have contact information, so that long after SLUGAC the students will still be able to contact alumni with questions. **Guidelines for resumé submission:** no more than 2 single pages, 1 inch margins, nothing in the header or footer, in text or MS Word format preferable.

Submit via email to: sarah_mcfresh@hotmail.com subject: SLUGAC6 resume

Call for Nominations for the William T. Elberty, Jr., Medal

Dear St. Lawrence Geology Alumni and Friends,

In 2004, the Geology Department instituted a tradition of awarding a medal, named for William T. Elberty, Jr. to recognize those alumni with long standing support and dedication to the St. Lawrence University Geology Department. This medal was named after Bill to recognize his long history of dedication to his students, the Department and the University, and will be awarded every three years as part of the St. Lawrence University Geology Alumni Conference (SLUGAC). This year's award will be presented at the R.O. Bloomer Banquet during SLUGAC 6 this coming fall, and award nominations for the Elberty Medal Award are currently being sought.

Eligibility: Awardees may be St. Lawrence alumni, faculty/staff, current students or friends of the Geology Department. The award is intended to honor a sustained pattern of acts of service to the Geology Program, to its educational mission in classroom, laboratory or field, to its students, faculty or staff in their teaching/research endeavors, or to its alumni in their activities related to the St. Lawrence Geology Department.

Nomination process: Nominators must submit a letter of nomination that includes a history and description of the service and support activities for which the candidate is being nominated. Letters may be sent via email or US Mail to:

Electronic:

sarah_mcelfresh@hotmail.com

Subject: SLUGAC6: WTE Medal Nomination

US Mail:

William T. Elberty, Jr. Medal Committee

11540 Clematis Blvd

Pittsburgh, PA 15235

Nominations must be received by **July 15, 2007**.

More information about the award can be found at:
<http://it.stlawu.edu/~geoclub/alumni/wtemedal.html>

Thank you

William T. Elberty, Jr. Medal Committee,

Roy Christoffersen '76,

Sarah McElfresh '98, chair

Dean Eppler '74 ,

Rick Standish '71

Duane Eppler '71 ,

REGISTRATION FORM FOR SLUGAC 6

Name _____ Graduation Year _____

Business Affiliation:

Names(s) of accompanying attendees :

Mailing Address

Phone _____ Email _____

Advanced payment is not required until September 1, 2007. But you can help us by making advanced payment of the registration fee which includes **Conference Proceedings Booklet, lunch on Friday, invitation to Dan and Ann Sullivan's reception, cost of R. O. Bloomer Banquet, and admission to the R. O. and Vera Bloomer lecture and the W. T. Elberty, Jr. Geology Auction: Registration for one person is \$65 and for an accompanying adult \$35. Late registration on arrival \$80 and \$50 accordingly.**

For the attendees listed above, I enclose my check made to the SLU GEOLOGY ALUMNI CONFERENCE 6 -- TOTAL: \$_____

Are any in your party requiring a non-meat meal? _____ How many please? _____

I would like to present a 12-minute talk with the following theme or focus (or title if known)

I would like to donate a geological item for the W. T. Elberty Auction _____

What? _____

I volunteer to help with the auction. _____; I'll be an auctioneer _____

Other Suggestions:

RETURN FORMS TO: MARK ERICKSON, Geology Department, St. Lawrence University, Canton, NY 13617