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George Harlow
2017 MSA President

At its meeting in May, MSA Council voted no increase in 2018 dues for regular and student members (remaining at $80 and $20, respectively). All members will have access to the electronic versions of both the American Mineralogist and Elements. Sustaining memberships will remain at $150 + regular dues.

Member subscription rates to the print version of the 2018 American Mineralogist will increase. The US member print subscription price will be $125 (currently $120), and foreign member print subscription price will be $135 (currently $130). The US institutional subscription price (paper and electronic) will increase to $1,100 (up from $1,075), and foreign institutional subscription will be raised to $1,125 (up from $1,100). Institutional electronic-only subscription will increase to $1,000 (up from $975). These prices represent increases of 2.5–4.0%. Included in the institutional subscription would be all current-year (2018) print issues of American Mineralogist, Reviews in Mineralogy and Geochemistry (RiMG) series, Elements, as well as access to the electronic versions of these publications on the MSA website starting with volume 1, number 1. The GeoScienceWorld institutional subscriber prices for archival print copies of American Mineralogist and the RiMG series are $200 and $135, respectively. The year 2018 will be the second year that MSA will offer institutional subscriptions to print + electronic [$315 (US) and $335 (non-US)] or electronic-only ($275) versions of the RiMG series.

MSA 2018 membership renewals will start in September 2017, with membership renewal notices sent electronically, followed by several electronic reminders before a paper copy is sent to those who do not renew online by the end of October 2017.

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At the GSA Meeting in Seattle (Washington, USA) held 22–25 (Sunday – Wednesday) October 2017, MSA will have its Awards Lunch; its MSA Presidential Address; its Joint Reception among MSA, the Geochemical Society, and the GSA’s Mineralogy, Geochemistry, Petrology, and Volcanology Division; its Annual Business Meeting, as well as the Council Meeting; and there will be breakfasts for the Past Presidents and Associate Editors. The exhibit hall will be open Sunday (2–7 p.m.), Monday–Tuesday (10 a.m.–6:30 p.m.), and Wednesday (10 a.m.–2 p.m.).

The MSA Awards Lunch is Tuesday, 24 October 2017 at which the Roebling Medal will be presented to Edward M. Stolper (California Institute of Technology, USA); the Dana Medal to Thomas W. Sisson (U.S. Geological Survey, Menlo Park, California); the MSA Award to Dustin Trail (University of Rochester, New York, USA); and the Distinguished Public Service Medal to David W. Mogk (Montana State University, USA). The 2016–2017 MSA Distinguished Lecturers will also be recognized: John M. Cottle, Cin-Ty A. Lee, and Daniela Rubatto.

The MSA Awards Lectures, Annual Business Meeting, and Presidential Address session is Tuesday, 24 October 2017 at the Washington State Convention Center. At 3:00 p.m., Edward M. Stolper will present,
“Roebling Lecture: The Effects of Solid–Solid Phase Equilibria and Partial Melting on the Oxygen Fugacity of the Upper Mantle.” At 3:30 p.m., Thomas W. Sisson will present, “Dana Medal Lecture: Magma Generation in the Quaternary Cascades.” At 4:00 p.m., Dustin Trail will present, “MSA Award Lecture: An Accessory Mineral and Experimental Perspective on the Evolution of the Crust.” At 4:30 p.m., George Harlow will give his MSA Presidential Address. The MSA/GS/MGPV Joint Reception will round off the day at 5:45 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

Topical sessions have been proposed for awardees:


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**SHORT COURSE ON PETROCHRONOLOGY**

Organizers: Matthew Kohn (Boise State University, USA); Martin Engi (University of Bern, Switzerland); Pierre Lanari (University of Bern).

Dates: 20–21 October 2017

Location: Washington State Convention Center (WSCC), Seattle (USA).

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