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April 3–7 8th International Conference on the Biogeochemistry of Trace Elements, Adelaide, Australia. Details: 8th ICOTBE Conference Secretariat, Attn: Sandra Wildman, CSIRO Land & Water, Private Bag No. 2, Glen Osmond 5064, South Australia. E-mail: 8thICOTBE@csiro.au; fax: +61-8-8303-8572; web page: www.clw.csiro.au/conferences/8thicobte/

April 10–13 107th Annual Meeting & Exposition of the American Ceramic Society, Baltimore, MD, USA. Details: Mark Mecklenborg. Tel.: 614-794-5829; e-mail: mmecklenborg@ceramics.org; web page: www.ceramics.org/meetings/am2005/default.asp

April 17–21 Third Study of Matter at Extreme Conditions (SMEC), Miami, FL, USA. E-mail: hennesse@fiu.edu; web page: www.cesmec.fiu.edu/SMEC2005/index.php

April 25–29 European Geosciences Union (EGU) Second General Assembly, Vienna, Austria. Details: EGU Office, Max-Planck-Str. 13, 37191 Katlenburg-Lindau, Germany. Tel.: +49-5556-1440; fax: +49-5556-4709; e-mail: egu@copernicus.org; web page: www.copernicus.org/EGU/ga/egu05/ind ex.htm

April 25–30 Asia Pacific Winter Conference on Plasma Spectrochemistry, Chiang Mai, Thailand. Details: Ramon Barnes, ICP Information Newsletter, P.O. Box 666, Hadley, MA 01003-0666, USA. Tel.: 413-256-8942; fax: 413-256-3746; e-mail: wc2005@chem.umass.edu; web page: www.unix.oit.umass.edu/~wc2005

May 5–7 4th International Colloquium on Magmatism, Metamorphism and Associated Mineralizations, Agadir, Morocco. Web page: http://3ma.esta.ac.ma

May 15–18 GAC-MAC: Halifax 2005, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. Details: hfx2005@gov.ns.ca; web page: www.halifax2005.ca/

May 20–25 Goldschmidt 2005, Moscow, Idaho, USA. E-mail: gold2005@uidaho.edu; web page: www.uidaho.edu/gold2005

May 23–27 AGU Joint Assembly, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. Details: AGU Meetings Department, 2000 Florida Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20009, USA. Tel.: 202-777-7333; fax: 202-328-0566; e-mail: meetinginfo@agu.org; web page: www.agu.org/meetings/sm05/

May 28–June 2 American Crystallographic Association (ACA) Annual Meeting, Walt Disney World, FL, USA. Details: Ed Collins, Program Chair. E-mail: edward_collins@med.unc.edu; web page: www.hwi.buffalo.edu/ACA/future-meetings.html

May 31–June 3 Workshop on Oxygen in Asteroids and Meteorites, Flagstaff, AZ, USA. Details: Dave Mittlefehldt, NASA Johnson Space Center. Tel.: 281-483-5043; e-mail: david.w.mittlefehldt@nasa.gov; web page: www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/am2005/am2005.1st.html

June 11–15 42nd Annual Meeting of The Clay Minerals Society, Burlington, Vermont, USA. Details: Peter C. Ryan, Geology Department, Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont 05753,

USA. Tel.: 802-443-2557; e-mail: pryan@middlebury.edu; web page: www.claysonline.org/home/HomeAnnualMeeting.html

June 13–17 European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers, 67th Annual International Conference and Exhibition, Madrid, Spain. Details: Sandra Hermus, Conference Assistant, Standerdmolen 10, 3995 AA Houten or PO Box 59, 3990 DB Houten, The Netherlands. Fax: +31 30 6343534; web page: www.eage.nl/conferences/index2.phtml?confid=17

June 19–22 American Association of Petroleum Geologists and Society for Sedimentary Geology Joint Annual Meeting and Exhibition, Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Details: AAPG Conventions Dept., PO Box 979, Tulsa, OK 74119, USA. Tel.: 918-560-2679; fax: 918-560-2684; e-mail: convене2@aapg.org; web page: www.aapg.org/cal-gary/globalroundup.cfm

June 19–28 EMU School: Mineral Behaviour at Extreme Conditions, Heidelberg, Germany. E-mail: EMU2005@min.uni-heidelberg.de; web page: http://www.univie.ac.at/Mineralogie/EMU/emus_7.htm

July 3–9 7th International Eclogite Conference, Seggau, Austria. Details: Alexander Proyer, IEC-7 Organizing Committee, Institute of Earth Sciences, Department of Mineralogy and Petrology, University of Graz, Universitaetsplatz 2, A-8010 Graz, Austria. Fax: +43 316 380 9865; e-mail: iec-7@uni-graz.at; web page: www.uni-graz.at/IEC-7/

July 6–9 ECROFI XVIII: European Current Research on Fluid Inclusions, Siena, Italy. E-mail: bonelli5@unisi.it or ecrofiXVIII@unisi.it; web page: www.unisi.it/eventi/ECROFI XVIII

July 11–15 Role of Volatiles and Atmospheres on Martian Impact Craters, The Johns Hopkins University, Maryland, USA. Details: Nadine Barlow, Northern Arizona University. Tel.: 928-523-5452; e-mail: nadine.barlow@nau.edu; web page: www.lpi.usra.edu/meetings/volatiles2005/volatiles2005.1st.html

July 31–August 3 5th International Dyke Conference (IDC-5), Rovaniemi, Finland. Details: Dr. Jouni Vuollo, Geological Survey of Finland, PO Box 77, FIN-96101 Rovaniemi, Finland. Tel.: +358 (0)205 504206; fax: +358 (0)205 5014; e-mail: jouni.vuollo@gtk.fi; web page: http://idc5.gsf.fi/

July 31–August 5 Gordon Research Conference on Inorganic Geochemistry and Ore Deposits, Proctor Academy, Andover, New Hampshire. Details at www.grc.uri.edu/programs/2005/inorggeo.htm

August 7–11 10th International Platinum Symposium, Oulu, Finland. Details: Dr. Tuomo Alapieti, University of Oulu. Tel.: +358-8-553 1432; mobile: +358-40-504 4599; fax: +358-8-553 1484; e-mail: tuomo.alapieti@oulu.fi; web page: http://platinumsymposium.oulu.fi/

August 8–11 Earth System Processes 2, Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Details: Chris Beaumont, e-mail: chris.beaumont@dal.ca; Don Canfield, e-mail: dec@biology.ou.dk; web page: www.geosociety.org/meetings/esp2/

August 18–21 Society for Geology Applied to Mineral Deposits, 8th Biennial Meeting, Beijing, China. Details: 8th SGA Biennial Meeting, Dr. Jingwen Mao – Secretary, Institute of Mineral Resources, Chinese Academy of Geological Sciences, 26 Baiwanzhuang Road, Beijing 100037, China. Tel.: +86 10 68 32 73 33; fax: +86 10 68 33 63 58; e-mail: mail@sga2005.com; web page: www.sga2005.com/

August 21–27 Claysphere: Past, Present and Future, 13th International Clay Conference, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan. Details: Prof. T. Sakamoto, Secretary General 13th ICC, Faculty of Science, Okayama University of Science, 1-1, Ridai-cho, Okayama 700-0005, Japan. Tel.: +81-86-252-8922, e-mail: icc13@das.ous.ac.jp; web page: www.soc.nii.ac.jp/csj2/13ICC/

August 23–26 3rd Federation of European Zeolite Associations (FEZA) Conference, Prague, Czech Republic. E-mail: feza2005@jh-inst.cas.cz; web page: www.jh-inst.cas.cz/~feza2005/

August 23–27 7th International Symposium on the Geochemistry of the Earth's Surface (GES-7), Aix-en-Provence, France. Details: Jean-Dominique Meunier, CEREGE, Europôle Méditerranéen de l'Arbois – BP 80, 13545 Aix-en-Provence cedex 4, France. Tel.: (+33) 442 971 524; fax: (+33) 442 971 540; e-mail: ges7@cerege.fr; web page: www.cerege.fr/GES7/index.htm

August 23–31 XX Congress of International Union of Crystallography, Florence, Italy. Details: Congress Secretariat, XX Congress and General Assembly of the International Union of Crystallography, c/o Dipartimento di Energetica, University of Florence, via S. Marta 3, 50139 Firenze, Italy. Tel.: +39-055-4796209; fax: +39-055-4796342; e-mail: iucr@iucr2005.it; web page: www.iucr2005.it

August 28–September 1 American Chemical Society 230th meeting, Washington, DC. Details: 2005 ACS Meetings, 1155 – 16th St NW, Washington, DC 20036-489, USA. Tel.: 202-872-4396; fax: 202-872-6128; e-mail: natlmtgs@acs.org

August 29–September 2 Structure, Tectonics and Ore Mineralization Processes (STOMP), James Cook University, Townsville, Australia. E-mail: Timothy.Baker@jcu.edu.au or Thomas.Blenkinsop@jcu.edu.au; Web page: www.es.jcu.edu.au/STOMP/

September 10–11 Symposium on Agate and Other Forms of Cryptocrystalline Quartz, Colorado School of Mines, Golden, CO, USA. Details: Peter Modreski, U.S. Geological Survey. Tel. 303-202-4766, e-mail: pmodreski@usgs.gov

September 11–16 6th International Symposium on Applied Isotope Geochemistry (AIG-6), Prague, Czech Republic. E-mail: aig6@natur.cuni.cz; web page: http://www.aig6.cz

September 12–13 Micro-organisms and Earth Systems: Advances in Geomicrobiology, University of Keele, UK. Details: Society for General Microbiology, Marlborough House, Basingstoke Road, Spencers Wood, Reading RG7 1AG, UK. E-mail: j.hurst@sgm.ac.uk; web page: www.sgm.ac.uk/meetings

September 12–16 68th Annual Meteoritical Society Meeting,

Gatlinburg, Tennessee, USA. Details: Kimberly Taylor (LPI Meeting Coordinator), Program Services Department, Lunar and Planetary Institute, 3600 Bay Area Boulevard, Houston, TX 77058-1113, USA. Tel.: 281-486 2151; fax: 281-486 2160; e-mail: metsoc2005@utk.edu or taylor@lpi.usra.edu; web page: http://geoweb.gg.utk.edu/2005/metsoc2005.html

September 12–16 22nd International Meeting on Organic Geochemistry (22 IMOG), Seville, Spain. Details: Viajes El Corte Ingles, Teniente Borges 5, Seville 41002, Spain. Tel.: +34 954506605; fax: +34 954223512; e-mail: secretary@imog05.org; web page: http://www.imog05.org

September 19–23 From Tropics to Tundra: 22nd International Symposium of the Association of Exploration Geochemists, Perth, Western Australia. Details: Promaco Conventions Pty Ltd, ABN 68 008 784 585, PO Box 890, Canning Bridge, Western Australia 6153. Tel.: +61 8 9332 2900; fax: +61 8 9332 2911; e-mail: promaco@promaco.com.au; web page: www.promaco.com.au/conference/2005/iges

September 25–28 Materials Science & Technology 2005 (MS&T '05), Pittsburgh, PA, USA. Contact: TMS Meetings Services, 184 Thorn Hill Road, Warrendale, PA 15086. Tel.: 724-776-9000, ext. 243; e-mail: mtgsv@tms.org

October 16–19 GSA Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA. Details: GSA Meetings, Box 9140, Boulder, CO 80301-9140, USA. Tel.: 303-447-2020, ext. 164; fax: 303-447-1133; e-mail: meetings@geosociety.org; web page: www.geosociety.org/meetings/index.htm

November 6–11 International Gondwana 12 Conference, Mendoza, Argentina. Details: Gondwana 12, Centro de Investigaciones Geológicas, Calle 1 # 644, B1900TAC La Plata, Argentina. Tel./Fax: +54 221 4215677; e-mail: gondwana@cig.museo.unlp.edu.ar; web page: http://cig.museo.unlp.edu.ar/gondwana

November 13–15 Geology Forum 05: Focus on Exploration, Cape Town, South Africa. Details: B. Wills, Minerals Engineering Int., 18 Dracaena Ave., Falmouth, Cornwall TR11 2EQ, UK. Tel.: 44 (0)7768 234 121; e-mail: bwills@min-eng.com; web page: www.min-eng.com/geologyforum05/index.html

December 5–9 American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, California, USA. Details: E. Terry, AGU Meetings Department, 2000 Florida Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20009 USA. Tel.: 202-777-7335; fax: 202-328-0566, e-mail: eterry@agu.org or meetinginfo@agu.org; web page: www.agu.org/meetings

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March 12–16 The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society Annual Meeting & Exhibition, San Antonio, TX, USA. Contact: TMS Meetings Services, 184 Thorn Hill Road, Warrendale, PA 15086, USA. Tel.: 724-776-9000, ext. 243; e-mail: mtgsv@tms.org; web page: www.tms.org/Meetings/Meetings2006.asp

March 26–30 American Chemical Society 231st Annual meeting, Atlanta, GA, USA.

From the Managing Editor

It has been heartwarming to read the positive feedback and the useful suggestions many of you have sent. It made all the hard work worthwhile. My favorite message was this one: «Wow... Quel magazine! Il est très beau maman. Félicitations! J'espère qu'il sera un succès monstre. Beau travail.» It was from my son David, who is doing an MSc in geology at McGill University.

If you sense, from reading Ian Parsons' editorial, that the editorial team works well together, you are right. Indeed, we feel privileged that we get along so well and that we can happily come to a consensus on just about every issue that comes our way.

DIAMONDS AND GLAMOUR

While working on this issue, I learned a lot about diamonds and the unique contribution their study has made to our understanding of the mantle. Studying diamonds can be a glamorous occupation at times, as this picture of George Harlow attests. When George sent me the picture for fun, I begged him to allow me to use it.



George Harlow at a dinner held just prior to the opening event for the exhibition *The Nature of Diamonds* in October 1997. COURTESY OF THE AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

AND THEN THERE WERE SEVEN

So much has happened since I was closing the inaugural issue, in a race against time to have the issue on hand for the Geological Society of America meeting. Just as I was putting the

finishing touches to the issue, I received an e-mail message from Terry Seward informing us that the European Association for Geochemistry (EAG) Council had voted to join *Elements*. We were able to add a last-minute news item. During the GSA meeting, we learned that the International Association of GeoChemistry (IAGC) Council had also voted to join the *Elements* effort, and members of both EAG and IAGC did receive the inaugural issue. We welcome these two societies and their members, and you can read their news on pages 110 and 112.

ELEMENTS' WEBSITE

Elements now has its own website, which is also linked to the website of each of the participating societies. Take a moment to browse through it. We have posted the inaugural issue on the website as a sample copy. We welcome comments. www.elementsmagazine.org

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May 4-6 Society of Economic Geologists 2006 Conference, Keystone, Colorado, USA. Web page: www.segweb.org/meeting.htm

June 3-7 Joint 43rd Annual Meeting of The Clay Minerals Society and Annual Meeting of the Groupe Français des Argiles (French Clay Group), Oléron Island, France. Details: Sabine Petit, Université de Poitiers, CNRS Hydr'ASA, 40 Av. du Recteur Pineau, 86022 Poitiers Cédex, France. Tel.: 33-(0)5-49-45-37-56; e-mail: sabine.petit@hydrasa.univ-poitiers.fr; web page: www.clays.org

July 16-23 Zeolite '06, Socorro, New Mexico, USA. Details: Dr. Robert Bowman. E-mail: b Bowman@nmt.edu; web page: <http://cms.lanl.gov/zeo2006.html>

July 23-28 19th International Mineralogical Association (IMA) Meeting, Kobe, Japan. Details: Prof. T. Yamanaka. E-mail: b61400@center.osaka-u.ac.jp; web page: www.congre.co.jp/ima2006/

August 26-27 GIA Gemological Research Conference, San Diego California, USA. Contact information: Dr. James Shigley, jshigley@gia.edu, or Brendan Laurs, blaurs@gia.edu

August 27-September 1 16th Annual V.M. Goldschmidt Conference, Melbourne, Australia. e-mail: goldschmidt2006@tourhosts.com.au; web page: www.goldschmidt2006.org

August 27-September 1 17th International Mass Spectrometry Conference (IMSC), Prague, Czech Republic. Web page: www.imsc2006.org/

October 22-25 Geological Society of America Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA. Details: GSA Meetings Dept., PO Box 9140, Boulder, CO 80301-9140, USA. Tel.: 303-447-2020; fax: 303-447-1133; e-mail: meetings@geosociety.org; web page: www.geosociety.org/meetings/index.htm

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