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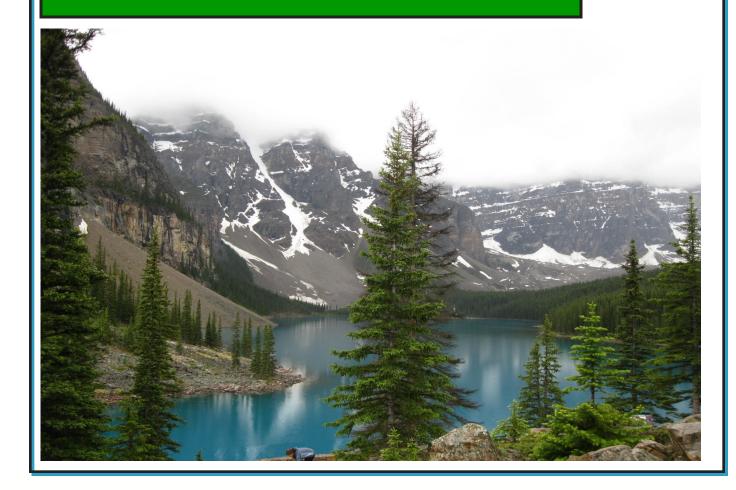
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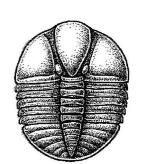
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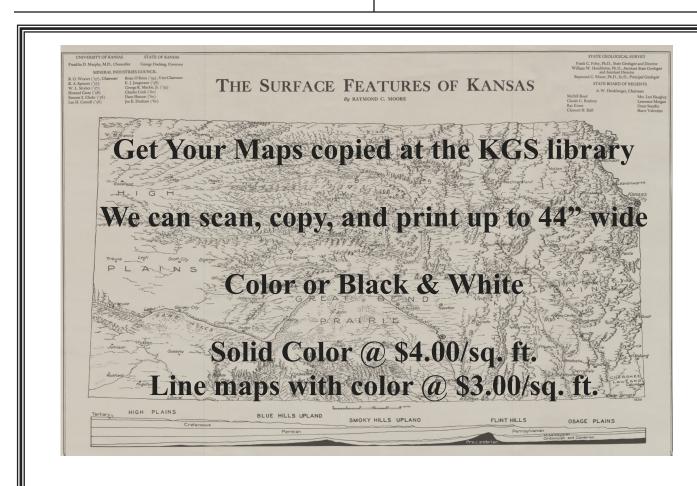
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#### Greetings to all KGS Members!

Trees are green and flowers in bloom, a time to take in natural beauty as we see the living world grow! Likewise, the continued growth in drilling activity has further improved the society's economic standing as its investments grow and the library sells more the data-hungry oil & gas industry.

The society continues in its quest for a permanent library manager. Tammy Nichols is the interim manager, and continues the difficult task of maintaining the complex nature of its many functions. She and her staff of three (Rhonda, Angela, and Janice) have continued to provide the membership with trusted high quality service that all are accustomed.

Angela Forrest (library employee) completed a successful mission Houston in early April, attending the 100<sup>th</sup> AAPG anniversary at national convention. She manned the KGS booth, and expertly engaged the many visitors as she promoted the library status, and that of Kansas exploration in general. Several others from the KGS also attended, David Clothier, Doug Davis, Ernie Morrison, and Wes Hansen in particular were very helpful in aiding Angela this her first such experience.



Our large and complex collection of data is both unique and diverse. Both paper and digital records will ensure our continued relevancy well into the future. We continue to add to it as large data donations continue to pour in, and must then be integrated to our collection through the efforts of the employees of both the Society and Foundation. It is a priceless irreplaceable asset of great historical and modern importance that is certainly worth fighting for as we maintain the local control that has served us well for nearly a century. I am committed to further enrichment of our collection and service to the public.

As a reminder, the general membership is currently voting on two amendments to the KGS constitution; ballots will be counted on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Please take the time to vote soon if you have an opinion regarding those issues.

Please attend the Spring Mixer on Thursday evening May 18<sup>th</sup> at the Petroleum Club, a Foundation fund raiser, and a good time for libation! May this season bring you a surge of growth as we continue to ride this wave of increased prosperity well into the future. Thank you for your continued support.

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The KGS had a booth at this event and it was operated by Angela. Not sure how many new members we had but at times traffic was brisk around the booth. In addition to representation by the KGS, Dave Clothier, Paul Ramondetta, Wes Hansen, Doug Davis, Ernie Morrison and Joel Alberts were also at the convention. For those of you that didn't make it you missed an excellent opportunity to hear some great talks, see some amazing posters and network with 7500 plus other geologists. Most were upbeat and felt the future was strong. One of the statements I really like was: \$50 oil is really good but \$70 oil is even better. One of the highlights was Dr. Hendratta Ali of Fort Hays State University receiving an Inspirational Education Award at the AAPG Foundation Banquet.

On Tuesday Morning the Midcontinent AAPG Section had their annual meeting. Some of the highlights of this meeting were: Fort Smith reported that last falls' field conference was a success with 129 attendees and a profit of \$9550. Dr. Chris Fielding from Nebraska reported that the Nebraska Field Conference set to be held next year is coming together and the dates have been set for October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of 2018. Mark your calendars for this event. It is not often enough we get to see some of the Pennsylvanian carbonates in outcrop.

The Funding and Scholarship Committee awarded \$37,000 in scholarships and grants including \$4,000 to the Kansas Geologic Foundation.

The Midcontinent Imperial Barrel contest had the University of Kansas, University of Oklahoma and the University of Arkansas place in that order. Wichita State received an honorable mention. In Houston the team of five Ph.D. and M.S. students from the University of Houston won the world final award. The winner received \$20,000 to be used in the coming year to support the activities of the department. As you can imagine this is a fierce competition.

On a down note membership in the Midcontinent section of AAPG has declined. If you were a member or want to become a member of AAPG please consider doing so. You have local representation to go to these meeting and the more members there are the greater the number of representative there are to represent you. If you are thinking about joining AAPG or being involved, the AAPG Midcontinent Section Meeting in Oklahoma City would be a great place to start. The dates are September 30<sup>th</sup> through October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The papers should be great and you will have a chance to network with geologists working the areas you work. More information will be coming out about registration.

(Submitted by Ernie Morrison)

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Dear Members and Friends of the Kansas Geological Foundation:

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The KGF Mixer will be held on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, at the Petroleum Club from 4:30 PM to 8:00 PM. Kathy Latham and her excellent staff have agreed to host another exceptional event.



As always, membership in the Kansas Geological Foundation or the Kansas Geological Society is **NOT** required to attend (but some of you may join the Foundation before you leave the event). Anyone even remotely interested in geology (or geologists) is welcome to attend for FREE, and everyone is invited to join the Kansas Geological Foundation for a minimum \$50 /year contribution, which is a tax deductible donation to a non-profit/charitable/educational organization.

We of course are asking for **DONATIONS** to subsidize this event to offset the cost of food, libations and services, as the Board of Directors is always under the impression that this event should be self-supporting. In addition to sponsoring the Mixer, your donation assists the Foundation in continuing to sponsor its current endeavors which include both educational and data preservation efforts.

The KGF Board of Directors has announced the plans for the <u>Accelerated</u> <u>Data Integration Project</u>, which targets an *accelerated* pace for moving, cataloguing, scanning, etc., donated geologic data and materials from storage up into the KGS library facility. Somewhere in that mass of unsorted and unincorporated data there may exist that one missing piece of information that leads a geologist to a major discovery. Not only does this take an incredible amount of time, it also takes *money*. Please join us May 18th to learn more about the project, and please consider being involved in it through a one time or multi-year commitment.

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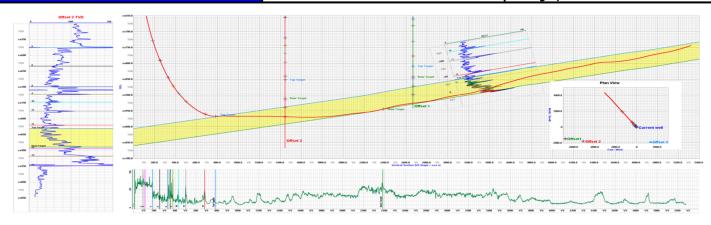
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## Kansas Geological Foundation News

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Between 2011 and 2016, the integration project compared 131,811 well logs to holdings on Walters Digital Library (WDL). Of these, 45,814 (34.8%) were not in WDL and were subsequently added to the library holdings. Additionally, 1,173 of the donated logs were re-scanned to replace poor images on WDL.

In the first quarter of 2017, 1,182 donated logs were compared to WDL. 175 (14.8%) new logs were added to WDL, with nine re-scans.

There have been some noteworthy data donations recently. Vess Oil Corp. donated several file cabinets of well logs and a very large strip chart collection which was compiled by Cities Service. Many of these strip charts date back to the 1920s. Pat Deenihan donated several boxes of well logs. Sal and Chellie Mazzullo donated a couple hundred old maps. We thank all donors for supporting the Foundation. (Submitted by Ted Jochems).

#### 2017 KGF Grants

At the April 19, 2017 KGF Board meeting, a grant request from William Hagood, graduate student at Kansas State University, was reviewed. His project involves the study of 13 cores of the Viola Formation in Southwest Kansas. His project supervisors are Dr. Matthew Totten and Dr. Karin Goldberg at KSU. The KGF Board approved \$1100.00 (one half of his request) with the balance to be paid from our next budget as progress is shown.

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**Applications for the Fall semester were due by May 1, 2017.** At the May KGF meeting the recipients for Fall 2017 scholarships will be determined.

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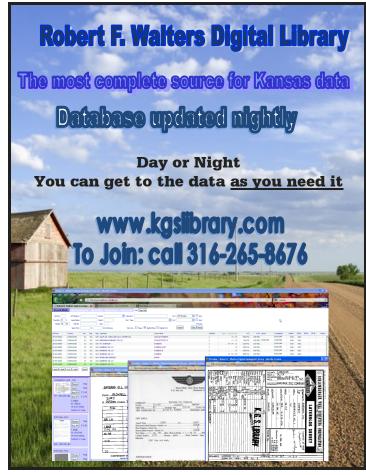
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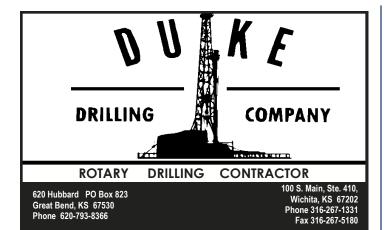


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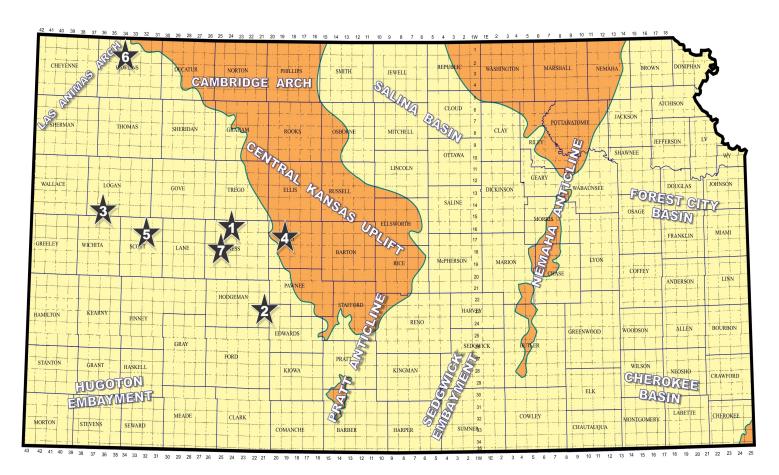
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# **Exploration Highlights**

#### By John H. Morrison, III Independent Oil & Gas



Map courtesy of Marc Summervill

Trans Pacific Oil Corp., Wichita (KS), has discovered new Cherokee Sand oil reserves in Ness County with the successful completion of their #1-16 Rolf. The wildcat well, located in the NE/4 of section 16- T16s- R24W, establishes a new unnamed oil field about 2.5 miles northwest of the town of Ransom, KS. The well was drilled to a total depth in the Mississippian formation of 4,650 ft. Discovery site lies nearly one mile east of established Mississippian oil production in the Ransom Northwest Field (1976). (API 15-135-25935)

Carmen Schmitt, Inc. of Great Bend (KS) is producing oil from the Mississippian formation at the #1 Horacek A in Hodgeman County. The wildcat well found new oil deposits nearly two miles southeast of the Kingry Field (1963) where the Mississippian formation is also productive. Operator drilled the well to a total depth of 4,576 ft. at location in the NW/4 of section 13- T23s- R21W, about 12 miles southeast of Hanston, KS. The new field has not been named. (API 15-083-21931)

Ritchie Exploration, Inc., Wichita (KS), is producing an undisclosed amount of crude oil at the #1 Blau 16-C wildcat well in Logan County. The well found oil deposits in the SW/4 of section 16- T15s- R36W. The Mississippian formation was initially targeted for exploration when drilled to a total depth of 5,022 ft by log measurement. No production information has been released. The Rackmaster Field, which lies about 2 miles away, produces Marmaton oil and was also discovered by Ritchie Exploration last year. The Blau lease is situated about 11 miles south and 7 miles west of Russell Springs, KS. The new oil field has not been named. (API 15-109-21472)

Lachenmayr Oil, LLC, Newton (KS), is pumping 7 bbls of oil per day from the Arbuckle formation at the #1

JME Farms new pool discovery in Rush County. The wildcat well was drilled in the NE/4 of section 17-T17s-R19W, about one mile south of established production in the Hampton Field (1967, Basal Pennsylvanian Conglomerate, Arbuckle oil). Total depth was obtained at 3,901 ft. Production comes from 10 feet of open hole. The unnamed oil field is located about 7 miles east of the town of McCracken, KS. (API 15-165-22138)

Stelbar Oil Corporation, Wichita (KS), has discovered new oil reserves in the Marmaton (Pawnee) and Basal Pennsylvanian formations to establish a new unnamed oil field in Scott County. The #1-36 J. Nuss was drilled into the Mississippian formation at a total depth of 4,640 ft in the NW/4 of section 36-T17s- R32W. Discovery site lies over 3/4-mile northwest of production in the Beckley North Field (1994, Marmaton, Cherokee, Mississippian oil), nearly 3 miles north and 5 miles east of Scott City, KS. (API 15-171-21187)

In Rawlins County, Murfin Drilling Company, Inc., Wichita (KS), has successfully completed the #1-7 Haller new pool discovery in the SW/4 of section 7- T2s- R34W. The well is producing an undisclosed amount of oil from the Lansing-Kansas City zones with total depth reaching 4,735 ft. Discovery site is located nearly 3 miles southeast of the St. John Cemetery Field, which has produced over 491,000 bbls of oil from 11 wells since it's founding in 1985. The unnamed field is located about 4 miles north and 2.3 miles east of the town of Beardsley, KS. (API 15-153-21182)

Stewart Producers, Inc. of Mt Vernon, IL. has started producing oil at the #1 Dinges Trust, spotted in the SW/4 of section 13- T18s- R25W, in Ness County. The wildcat well is producing an undisclosed amount of crude from the Mississippian formation and establishes a new oil field over one mile north of similar production in the now abandoned Laird North Field (1977-1996). Operator drilled the well to a total depth of 4,440 ft. The unnamed pool is located about 2.5 miles north and 0.5 miles east of the town of Laird. (API 15-135-25941)



# **Kansas Geological Foundation Memorials**

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