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CHANGING OF THE GUARD



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In the academic publishing world, 'December issues' are a big deal. Indexes are prepared, lists of reviewers are compiled and cumulative lists of contents are assembled for those libraries that still bind their paper journals into volumes.

In learned societies, it is also the time when those volunteers who serve on some of our committees take their leave and are replaced by new ones. So, a big "Thank you" to Richard Pattrick and Andy Fleet (Custodian Trustees), to Andrew Kerr (Public Relations Officer), and to Council members

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Held by: F. Wall and A.N.

Brian O'Driscoll and David Wray. Special thanks must go to Kathryn Goodenough, who has been the society's General Secretary for the past six years. This is one of the most demanding posts in the society, and Kathryn has served in exemplary fashion. She's not escaping entirely, however, as she will serve as chair of the Awards Committee from 2017–2019.

New people joining the MSGBI team are: Jana Horák – General Secretary; Philip Pogge von Strandmann – Public Relations Officer; David Wray – Custodian Trustee; John Bowles – Custodian Trustee; David Pyle – Distinguished Lecturer Coordinator; Members of Council: Clare Warren, Chiara Petrone, Sam Broom Fendley

Welcome all.

BOOK SALE

Our book sale continues until the end of January 2017. But please place an order soon to ensure that you don't miss out. Many of our stocks are being depleted quickly (the whole purpose of the sale, of course!).

In particular, copies of *Phoscorites and Carbonatites from Mantle to Mine: The Key Example of the Kola Alkaline Province* are selling like hot cakes. Get 'em before they're gone.

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'REDOX' MEETING IN 2017

In 2017, several of the society's special interest groups (Geochemistry, Environmental Mineralogy, Geomicrobiology and Clay Minerals) are coming together to run a two-day meeting entitled, 'Redox Processes'. The meeting will be held in Manchester (UK) from 21–22 June 2017. Registration details available soon.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

At this time of year, you are asked to renew your MSGBI membership as soon as possible. It really helps when this is done promptly, avoiding the need for several reminders. Please renew as soon as the reminder pops into your mailbox. Thank you.

ONLINE ONLY JOURNALS FROM 2017 FORWARD



Beginning January 2017, our journals (*Mineralogical Magazine* and *Clay Minerals*) will become online only. We have listened to the vast bulk of our members who have told us that they don't use the paper copy and prefer to access their chosen content online. This will also mean that we will have more money to publish more pages more quickly. Members should log in at www.minersoc.org to access the journals. The online version of *Elements*, which continues in paper form, will also be available from this aforementioned web page, without further barrier.

Note: We now have an online submission tool for Clay Minerals. Submit your next paper for that journal at http://www.edmgr.com/ clayminerals/

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