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John Townsley
President

(Full bio in December 2008 issue of the RECORDER.)

I'm well prepared, at least I should be. As VP for the past 9 months I've been learning, mainly from Jon Downton and Francois Aubin, but also from many, many others.

As President-Elect for 2010, my major concerns will be financial issues and collaboration.

Financially... thankfully... 2009 is looking like a breakeven year, even though a slight deficit had originally been forecast. This means that the CSEG will likely make another donation to the CSEG Foundation, continuing to grow its corpus. Looking ahead, 2010 will be challenging, and we may incur a slight deficit in order to continue to fund the same services as in past years.

On the other hand, collaboration seems to be spreading out and growing. It is amazing what CSEG members accomplish by working together in motivated, focused committees. And, every committee seems to begin with only a few people and an idea. To me, the CSEG members are a great example of what Margaret Mead was thinking of when she said...

"Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

In 2010, with the support of a talented executive committee, I will work towards continuing and enhancing the collaborative nature of the CSEG. Significant change is not required thanks to the enthusiasm of the CSEG members. The CSEG is well prepared for the future due to the wise council of past executives and the hard work of all the CSEG committees.

I am looking forward with excitement to 2010 and am honored to have the opportunity to serve the CSEG. **R**



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Larry Herd for Vice President

I was born an Edmontonian and ended up at the University of Manitoba with a Bachelor of Science Honors Geophysics degree in 1978. Out of the gate, I couldn't decide whether or not to pursue hard rock geophysics. Once I spent a summer with Union Oil in Calgary, however, I was hooked on soft rock seismic and have spent the rest of my career in various technical and business roles ever since. I thrive on the challenges of running a consulting business, keeping current with the constantly evolving technologies of our field, working with our clients, contractors and peers in the mining and oil and gas industries domestic and abroad, developing new business ideas, understanding the GenYer (I have three of them – I actually joined Facebook recently!) and supporting our society, both corporately and personally.

In 1982, John Boyd took a chance by taking me under his wing, green and full of enthusiasm. Under John's mentorship, our small management group maneuvered Boyd PetroSearch through industry ups and downs (several times as I recall) to where it is today. In the process and with help from many colleagues, several offshoot companies were developed and divested, including Discovery Exploration Surveys, Gemini Exploration Technology (now Divestco), Northern EnviroSearch, and Boyd Geomatics / Pixures Canada (now Valtus).

I am an active outdoorsman and enjoy flying (my new hobby), curling (30 years in the Doodlespiel), whitewater canoeing, camping and anything else that takes Vicki and I out of the city on the weekends.

I believe my strong background in business management, along with my MBA from the University of Calgary in 1986, provides a solid foundation for the three-year volunteer position of Vice President / President/ Past President on the Executive of the CSEG. Having served on the Executive as Director of Finance two years ago, I understand how the "machinery" of our Society works and the importance of our community of volunteers at all levels.

Volunteering has always been an important part of my professional life. In the past, I have served on technical teams for CSEG and SEG conventions, the Doodlebug and Doodlespiel committees, Joint Industry / Government Geophysical Committees and subcommittees, Small Explorers and Producers of Canada (SEPAC), Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP), the Chief Geophysicists Forum, the Line Widths Steering Committee and most recently in 2008 as Director of Finance for the CSEG. In 1989 I received the CSEG Best Paper award and have supported the CSEG, SEG, CSPG, CAGC, CIM, APEGS and APEGGA throughout my career.

Today, our Society is facing challenges from several fronts: the current economic climate (revenues and sponsorship funds are down), the brain drain associated with the demographic shift of our membership population (many veterans soon to retire),

ensuring that the bright young minds of tomorrow have an opportunity (and a desire) to join and thrive in our industry, inter-society relationships (with the SEG, the CSPG and other important sister Societies), just to name a few. These challenges and others will require the continued attention from your new executive and the ongoing great work of the Foundation and all of the CSEG committees. I believe I have the skill sets and desire to help manage the Society through these times.

It is truly an honor to be nominated as Vice President. If I am fortunate enough to be elected by the membership, I will apply all of my enthusiasm, experience and knowledge to this important position, and continue the excellent ambassadorship and leadership examples set by my predecessors. *R*



Mike Jones for Vice President

I grew up back in the UK and after a degree in Physics and a MSc in Physical Oceanography (tinged with disappointment when I found it was the Marine Biologists who got to do the scuba diving and field work!) I became a Geophysicist.

My first geophysical employment was with Sefel Geophysical in the UK, and after 3 years there I moved to Calgary in 1984 and have been here ever since. I spent 3 years with Seismograph Service Corporation (SSC) where I was first introduced to Borehole Geophysics before moving to Schlumberger here in Calgary.

With Schlumberger I have been able to be involved in the areas where seismic data meets the wellbore, logs and geology. I've had the opportunity to work with VSP data, Sonic logs, Cross-Well, Sonic Imaging, Inversion, AVO, and most recently microseismic for hydraulic fracture monitoring or reservoir monitoring.

I have enjoyed being a member of the CSEG for the last 25 years. Through the Annual Conventions I've presented papers on VSP Interpretation, AVO, Sonic Imaging, Match Filtering, Microseismic monitoring and other topics. I've also helped on Technical Committees and session chairing for the Convention. My more specific involvement came through participation on the committee for the Ski Spree for several years, including Chairing that event, and then for 2009 I was the CSEG General Co-Chair for the Annual Convention 'Frontiers and Innovation'. This was a fantastic opportunity to really appreciate the scale of that event and the number of people who contribute time and ideas to make it happen so successfully every year, through the booms and not-so-booms of the business cycle. Recently I was also on the committee organizing the CSEG Microseismic Workshop 'Breaking Preconceptions' held in October at C.O.P.

The Society has been well run through the years, continuously increasing the scope of its activities, adding quality events year after year. It does an excellent job of encouraging education opportunities through the Doodletrain, technical luncheons,

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lunchbox and Distinguished Lecturer presentations, social opportunities through the Doodlespiel, Doodlebug and Ski spree, and professionally through the convention and the monthly 'RECORDER' magazine.

I think that the success of the recent Microseismic Workshop which was significantly oversubscribed, suggests that there would be a demand for an annual CSEG Workshop on a cutting-edge topic to remind us that we generate lots of innovative geophysical solutions right here in Canada.

My objectives will be to maintain the inclusive nature of the society and do everything I can to add to the enjoyment of working in Exploration Geophysics in Canada. It is an honour to be nominated as Vice President, and I hope to have the opportunity to help the Society to continue functioning as successfully in the future as it has in the past. *R*



Kelly Zamiski for Assistant Director of Member Services

One could say my seismic career started upon birth, with my father being an active part of the industry for almost 41 years. Some of my greatest memories as a kid, where tromping down cat cut

seismic lines as wide as the QE 2, and watching surface charges explode as the crew was recording!

Wow, how things have changed!

A native Calgarian, I am currently a director at Sourcex Geophysical Corporation, specializing in full service project management, and 2D/ 3D seismic acquisition. The road to where I am now has been a fulfilling one, with many different life experiences from touring with the likes of Garth Brooks, and the Rolling Stones, (Mick, Keith and I go way back!), to inking up the press rollers at the Calgary Herald, to my current role, which is some of the best fun I have ever had, simply because of the fantastic people in the industry!

I am honoured and delighted to have been asked to submit my name for the position of Assistant Director of Member Services. Through my volunteer time as a past Chairman of the CSEG Ski Spree, and as a current member of the Board of Directors for the CAGC, I find it important to give back and help out when I can, to the industry that opened so many doors for me professionally, and personally. I will do my best to continue the great work of the CSEG. *R*



Barrie Jose for Assistant Director of Member Services

I attended Queen's University from 1973-1977 obtaining a B.Sc. Honours in Geological Sciences with Physics. Not ready to work full time, I completed my M.Sc. in Geophysics two years later

in 1979 at the University of British Columbia. I joined Imperial Oil straight out of university, just in time to catch the later half of the "Oil Boom" before the crash in 1981. It was quite an exciting time in the industry and the demographics were far different from currently. 30 years later in my career, it seems like quite a ride. I spent the next 14 years (1979-1993) with Imperial Oil / Esso / Exxon in various assignments throughout Western Canada and the North Sea. I spent six years on expat assignments based out of London working ten major North Sea Fields during the peak of activity there for Exxon and the North Africa region for another company. I returned to Calgary and spent the next four years in the geophysical software industry (1995-1999) with Photon-CogniSeis-Paradigm Geophysical on the leading (bleeding?)—edge of technology working on interpretation software development/design and travelling globally conducting technical presentations. This further exposed me to a wider range of domestic and international geophysical interpretation issues.

In 1999, a friend and former Esso colleague convinced me to join Sproule Associates and go back to being a high-end "abuser" of geophysical software rather than designing it, and ten years later I am still there as Manager Geosciences / Chief Geophysicist and a partner in the firm. The hectic pace of the consulting lifestyle is not for everyone, but I can't honestly imagine a better job for me as an interpreter as I have been extremely fortunate to have seen a huge variety of plays, prospects, and fields in my geophysical interpretations spanning about 45 countries and have the luxury of interpreting terra-bytes of seismic each year on a very wide variety of plays.

I have chaired sessions at past CSEG conventions, written an article for the RECORDER on 3D visualization techniques, participated (golfed poorly) in past Doodlebug golf tournaments, and enjoyed the Ski Spree with my family for the past dozen years, was the secretary for the quarterly meetings of the Chief Geophysicist Forum (CGF) last year (2008) and am currently serving as the Chairman of the CGF this year (2009). I am also an active member of the CSPG, SEG, AAPG, EAGE, PESGB, and APEGGA societies.

I am honoured to stand for election to serve the CSEG community as Assistant Director of Membership. *R*

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Mike Perz (Acclaimed) for Assistant Director of Educational Services

OI was born and raised in Toronto. To give you a clue about my age, I'll point out that I missed out on being around for the Leafs' last Stanley Cup victory by a matter of months (as a Habs fan I

never thought it fair that I should have to be answerable for the ineptitudes of my home team). It would be romantic for me to say that geophysics was coursing through my veins in my formative years, but to tell you the truth my favourite subject in high school was Latin (I may have been dimly aware at the time that this interest didn't exactly amount to a meal ticket). In grade twelve my guidance counselor unveiled this spiffy new career-planning computer application into which each student was asked to key in his or her academic interests and desired salary, and out would pop a recommended career-of-choice. I hand-coded "math/physics" and "as much money as possible" onto the computer cards and dumped them into the tray, at which point the mighty cogs of the mainframe began churning. After some time the dot-matrix printer spewed out this little tag of paper bearing the words "actuarial science", and it was then and there that I decided to lean a little more on my own internal gut feel, and less on external forces, for the purposes of seeking out my workplace calling. At any rate, the topic of geophysics became quite alluring shortly after that episode (in fairness to actuaries across the land, I suppose I never did give their field its due contemplation).

I did my undergraduate work at the University of Toronto where I received my BSc in Physics in 1990, and my graduate work at the University of British Columbia where I received my MSc in Geophysics in 1993. My first industry job was at Pulsonic Geophysical Ltd., where I was primarily engaged in writing prestack time migration software. For the past twelve years I have been employed at Geo-X Systems/Divestco Processing, first as an Applications Programmer, and more recently as Manager of Research and Development. Managerial duties have never precluded me from pursuing various research interests in seismic processing such as first arrival tomography, spatial regularization of inadequately sampled land data, and fracture detection. I have presented numerous CSEG and SEG papers, and have published several articles in both the RECORDER and The Leading Edge (on a couple of occasions I have been a most flattered recipient, along with co-authors, of awards for some of this work). I've always been amazed at, and proud of, the sense of spirit and the vibrancy within our local geophysical society, and I've always tried to stay involved in CSEG activities as much as time constraints associated with early parenthood would permit. Over the years I've sat on numerous technical committees for both the CSEG and SEG conventions and I was CSEG Technical Chairman at the 2007 Joint Convention. I also served on the CSEG Scholarship Committee from 2000-2002. I have always maintained a keen interest in continuing education, owing in part, no doubt, to my academically-rooted upbringing (professor Dad and high-school teacher Mom), but also to the fact that our industry's technology evolves with such great rapidity that I find

it virtually impossible to stay on top of things without the helping hand of external training. I would be honoured to serve the Society as Assistant Director of Educational Services in the forthcoming year. *R*



Pratt Barndollar (Acclaimed) for Assistant Director of Finance

I am currently Manager, Exploration Portfolio & Planning at Talisman Energy, and have over 25 years of North American and international experience in a variety of positions in large and small oil companies. In 2008 I served as CSEG coordinator for the Kids in Science Program at the Joint Convention, and am active in CSPG, AAPG and APEGGA. In recent years my roles in business management and as a principle in a small private company have given me a deep understanding of financial and business reporting, and I am honored to have been nominated for a related role with CSEG. *R*



Cheran Mangat (Acclaimed) for Assistant Director of Communications

I was born in Uganda, East Africa and have been a bit of a globetrotter since Idi Amin's time. I am a fully qualified Geophysicist and have worked in various facets of the oil and gas industry from reservoir engineering, interpretation, seismic processing and reservoir characterization. I joined Fugro-Jason in the UK in October 2001 as a Senior Geophysicist. In April 2004 I transferred to the Calgary business unit. Having been in a technical role for most of my career, I decided to make a 360-degree turn and join the business aspect of our industry. I took the role as a Business Development Manager for Fugro-Jason in January 2007.

On a personal note, I am happily married to Dev who is busy with his own profession as a Dental Surgeon. During my career, I took 7 years off to raise our two lovely children, Nahar who is 14 and Priyanka who is 12. One of the best attractions of Calgary is the closeness to the mountains, which makes it easy to enjoy my favourite pastime of hiking in the summers.

I have always enjoyed volunteering in my free time and I am pleased and honoured to be nominated as the Assistant Director of Communications for the CSEG. I have also taken part in the CSEG Luncheon Committee and the DoodleTrain Organizing Committee. Outside of the Oil and Gas business sector, I am an avid supporter of Breast Cancer Research. I look forward to using my skills and experience in helping out with the wonderful work the CSEG has been doing over the last several years. Thank you. *R*