

COMMENTS FROM THE EDITOR

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GEO-HEAT CENTER QUARTERLY BULLETIN

We want to inform all our readers that this is the last issue of the Geo-Heat Center Quarterly Bulletin. January 2013 marks the end of our contract under Award Number DE-EE0002741. This contract allowed us to publish the Bulletin for three years (12 issues), prepare several state reports (Arizona, the Dakotas, Eastern States, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming) and to continue providing technical assistance to increase the utilization of geothermal energy in the U.S., especially in the areas of direct utilization.

BULLETIN HISTORY

The first issue of the Bulletin was published in May 1975. There have been three periods up to this point where funding was not available for the Bulletin. They occurred from Summer 1987 to the Summer 1988, from September 2005 to September 2006 and from January 2008 to May 2010. There have been three editors of the bulletin over the years: Paul Lienau, John Lund and myself.

The Geo-Heat Center has published almost 675 articles in 120 issues of the bulletin. The topics of the articles range from Aquaculture to Wells. Below are some of the subject headings:

Agribusiness, Aquaculture, Case Studies, Cooling, Economics, Education/Training, Electric Power, Equipment/Materials, Exploration/Evaluation, General Utilization, Geothermal Resources, Greenhouses, Heat Exchangers, Heat Pumps, Industrial, International, Metering, Miscellaneous, Resorts/Spas, Snow Melting; Space / District Heating and Wells.

The Geo-Heat Center started placing the bulletin articles online after they had been published since 1995. Since that time we have added older bulletin issues and articles. These all are available from our website at <http://geoheat.oit.edu/gcindex.htm>

NATIONAL GEOTHERMAL DATABASE SYSTEM

The Geo-Heat Center is working on another contract which is part of the National Geothermal Database System. Under this contract we are digitizing all the publications in our library, past bulletin articles, and technical papers. We will be including metadata information for the publications and placing them online to be accessible through our library website and also the National Geothermal Database System website.

The webpage location for the Geo-Heat Center library publications is <http://digitalib.oit.edu/cdm/landingpage/collection/geoheat>

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The webpage location for the National Geothermal Database System is <http://www.geothermaldatabase.org>. This website will include all the data and publications from all the contributors for the National Geothermal Database System.

The Geo-Heat Center has been able to hire several students from the Oregon Institute of Technology to help with the completion of this contract by scanning and inputting the metadata information. The picture below was taken at the Geothermal Resource Council Annual Meeting in Oct. 2012 which most of the students were able to attend.



Geo-Heat Center students, staff and emeritus at the Geothermal Resources Council Annual Meeting 2012. From left to right: Reginald Boyle, Phillip Maddi, Todd Krueger, Seth Lutz, Sam Cole, Greg Robinson, Sarah Hole, Ziyad El Tawil, Spencer Jones, Jon Hall, Aleena Anderson, Nick DeMolina, Toni Boyd (staff), Andrew Zvibleman and John Lund (emeritus). Not pictured: Andrew Chiasson, Joe Miranda, Casey Coulson, and Matt Perkins.

GEOTHERMAL ENERGY PROSPECTING FOR THE CARIBBEAN ISLANDS OF NEVIS AND MONTserrat

It was brought to our attention that the bulletin article referenced above published in the *GHC Quarterly Bulletin Vol. 31, No. 2* was not properly referenced concerning some of the figures and text. Below is the acknowledgment by the author and apology.

E-mail from Randy R. Koon Koon

I am emailing you with regards to the article "Geothermal Energy Prospecting for the Caribbean Islands of Nevis and Montserrat" in the *Geo-Heat Center Quarterly Bulletin* entitled "National Geothermal Academy" (ISSN 0276-1084, VOL. 31 NO. 2, AUGUST 2012). The figures and text in the paper I submitted are the original work of Dr. Joe LaFleur and Dr. Roland Hoag entitled "Geothermal Exploration on Nevis: A Caribbean Success Story" published in the Geothermal Resources Council (GRC) Transactions, Volume 34 in 2010. Hence the reader should reference the original GRC publication, rather than the paper in the above mentioned *GHC Quarterly Bulletin*.