

Science where he continues his research and teaching.

Madam Speaker, following my remarks, I will include from the USGS publication *Sound Waves* two articles about both of these eminent researchers, which includes much more detail about their lifetimes of work in the field and about the special collaborative relationships among these outstanding St. Petersburg organizations.

Dr. Al Hine and Dr. Gene Shinn are two shining examples of the energy and enthusiasm we have captured in St. Petersburg that makes our city the center of international work in marine science and geology. Please join me in congratulating them on these great honors and in thanking them for their continuing efforts to impart their knowledge and enthusiasm to future generations of their students and colleagues.

USGS COLLABORATOR WINS PRESTIGIOUS SEPM SHEPARD MEDAL, SOUND WAVES, DECEMBER 2008

Barbara Lidz

Albert C. Hine, a close collaborator with scientists at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) office in St. Petersburg, Florida, from its inception in 1988, will receive the Francis P. Shepard Medal for Marine Geology at the 2009 Society for Sedimentary Geology (SEPM) annual meeting in Denver. Hine is currently Associate Dean in the College of Marine Science at the University of South Florida (USF) in St. Petersburg, where he began his career in 1979. He has worked extensively with USGS personnel for many years, including Gene Shinn (who will receive SEPM's Twenhofel Medal at the 2009 meeting; see article, this issue), Bob Halley, Barbara Lidz, David Twichell, Kevin Cunningham, Jack Kindinger, Lisa Robbins, Terry Edgar, and Kim Yates.

Hine received his B.S. degree from Dartmouth, his M.S. from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and his Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina. For his dissertation he investigated modern carbonate-bank-margin sediment on the Bahama Banks with high-resolution seismic profiling. He studies coastlines, continental shelves, carbonate platforms, and coral reefs, using an array of geophysical tools. Hine has been heavily involved in the Ocean Drilling Program (ODP) and served on the program's Ocean History Panel, Site Survey Panel, and U.S. Science Advisory Committee; he was also selected to be a Joint Oceanographic Institutions/U.S. Science Advisory Committee Distinguished Lecturer for 2005–2006 (URL <http://www.oceanleadership.org/usssp/dls/hine>). Hine has had extensive seagoing experience on many research vessels, including as co-Chief Scientist on ODP Leg 182 to the Great Australian Bight and as a member of the scientific crew on Leg 194 to the Marion Plateau of northeastern Australia. He currently serves on the University–National Oceanographic Laboratory System (UNOLS) Fleet Improvement Committee.

Hine has written approximately 140 peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters. He is major advisor to 11 Ph.D. and 22 M.S. candidates, including 2 from the USGS. His former graduate students are spread far, wide, and deep. In recent years, he has focused on deep-water coral reefs and drowned barrier islands; with Bob Halley and others, he mapped the deepest coral reef in the United States, off the southwest coast of Florida (see related *Sound Waves* articles, “USGS Scientists Use the SeaBOSS to Explore What Could Be the Deepest Coral Reef in the Continental United States” and “Coral Reef Off Florida Determined to be Deepest Known on U.S. Continental Shelf”).

The Shepard Medal is given to persons who have a sustained record of outstanding research contributions in marine geology. Francis Parker Shepard (1897–1985), known as “The Father of Marine Geology,” is one of the field's true heroes. Shepard began his career studying structural geology but is best known for his work on, and understanding of, submarine canyons. A short story of his life is available as a PDF file (76.4 KB) at URL [http://gsahist.org/gsat/gt01dec20\\_21.pdf](http://gsahist.org/gsat/gt01dec20_21.pdf).

GENE SHINN WINS PREEMINENT SEPM TWENHOFEL MEDAL, SOUND WAVES, DECEMBER 2008

Barbara Lidz

Eugene A. Shinn, carbonate geologist with Shell Oil in the 1960s and then with the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) for 31 years, will receive the 2009 William H. Twenhofel Medal from the Society for Sedimentary Geology (SEPM). The highest recognition given by the SEPM, the Twenhofel Medal is awarded annually to a person for his or her outstanding contributions in sedimentary geology. Albert C. Hine, Associate Dean of Research at the University of South Florida (USF) College of Marine Science in St. Petersburg, made the announcement in August. Shinn received an honorary Ph.D. from USF in 1998 and was a commencement speaker. Since retiring in 2006 from the USGS Florida Integrated Science Center office in St. Petersburg, Shinn has been seated as a Courtesy Professor at the USF College of Marine Science next door.

Nominees for the Twenhofel Medal are chosen for their outstanding contributions in paleontology, sedimentology, stratigraphy, and (or) allied scientific disciplines. The contributions normally entail extensive personal research but may involve some combination of research, teaching, administration, or other activities that have notably advanced scientific knowledge in the field of sedimentary geology. Shinn has devoted his career to each of these areas and more, and has excelled in all. As a researcher dedicated to working in the field, he is recognized as a pioneer in studies of carbonate sediment, tidal flats, diagenesis, coral-reef ecosystems, and, in recent years, the effects of transatlantic African dust on corals and human health. Shinn has an innate ability often to perceive truths before others do, and he encourages discussion and innovative thinking. He is not afraid to speak his mind or to get on the hot seat amidst controversy; he also knows when to avoid controversy. Shinn has led numerous modern-carbonate field trips to the Florida Keys and the Bahamas for SEPM, the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), the Geological Society of America (GSA), and many universities and local societies. He has published more than 150 scientific papers, produced training films, won several “best paper” awards, and received the USGS Meritorious Service Award, as well as the USGS Gene Shoemaker Award for Excellence in Communications. Shinn joins the ranks of other very distinguished geologists who have shaped major concepts in understanding Earth processes and history in the realm of carbonate geology. The honor is long overdue. Shinn will receive the award at the Society's annual meeting in Denver in June 2009. Congratulations, Gene, for a meritorious job well done!

William H. Twenhofel (1875–1957), Ph.D. Yale (1912), is regarded as the patriarch of sedimentary geology. Twenhofel, who was a member of the National Research Council, retired in 1945 from an illustrious academic career at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, where the Department of Geology and Geophysics has offered one of the top Earth-science programs in the United States for

decades. Twenhofel cofounded the *Journal of Sedimentary Petrology*, now the *Journal of Sedimentary Research*, one of the premier journals in the field of sedimentary geology.

## HONORING BARBARA E. HERRING

### HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 26, 2009

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the passing from this life of Barbara E. Herring, who served as the first female law director for the city of Toledo. Mayor Carleton Finkbeiner appointed Mrs. Herring law director in August 1999, after 4 months as acting law director. She retired as law director in December 2005, as the administration of Mayor Jack Ford was drawing to a close. As Mayor Finkbeiner said to the *Blade*, “If you're going to be a first-rate city in this country, you have to have leaders that come from every sector of the community.” Mr. Finkbeiner said at her appointment, “Barb is going to be a very strong law director and a strong component to the leadership of the city.”

Most of her tenure was in the succeeding administration, and “I was honored to serve with her,” Mayor Ford said to the *Blade*. “She was the best director I had. [She] helped draft the ethics statement we all lived under during the 4 years I was mayor. She helped set the tone.”

One issue in which she played a big part was the city's smoking ban, which preceded the statewide ban by several years. On other issues as well, “in those days, Toledo was setting the tone for the State as far as home-rule rights,” Mayor Ford said. “She wrestled through a big case in the [Ohio] Court of Appeals with respect to [off-campus] student housing. I had full confidence in her. She was ethically driven. Early on, we had an understanding that we would do things by the book and do it right and not try to be politically cute.”

While she was honored to be chosen as the first woman to serve as law director, her husband, David, said, “she was more concerned about being considered the best law director. She built that department up and was so aggressively fighting for them and trying to do things to get new talent in there,” he said to the *Blade*. She had a calming effect, even in demanding circumstances, said Kelly Bejaige, who was her secretary. “She was very dignified and caring, and that carried her through,” Ms. Bejaige said. “She had great respect from many people. She saw the best in everybody, and she tried to bring that out in people. She was no nonsense. She expected a lot, but nothing less than she was willing to give herself.”

Mrs. Herring was a partner in the law firm of Cooper, Straub, Walinski & Cramer in 1991 when then-law director for the city of Toledo Keith Wilkowski hired her as a staff attorney. She later became the city's general counsel. She joined the law firm after graduating cum laude in 1984 from the University of Toledo law school.

Mrs. Herring taught English and psychology about 8 years at Springfield High School near Toledo, Ohio. Before that, she taught about 6 years at Springfield Junior High. “She was

really the consummate teacher, and education lost what a real teacher should do," her husband said. "She cared not just for the mental and scholastic side of the students, but she cared about their personal welfare."

Born in Denver, Colorado, Mrs. Herring was a teenager when she moved with her family to Sylvania Township, near Toledo, Ohio. She was a 1963 graduate of Sylvania High School and received a bachelor's degree from Ohio State University. She was a trustee of the Toledo Legal Aid Society and was a former president of Ohio Municipal Attorneys. In retirement, she was on the board of St. Paul's Community Center. She took part in the Lucas County Juvenile Court's Court Appointed Special Advocate program. She was a lector at Blessed Sacrament Church. Surviving are her husband, David, whom she married May 21, 1966; sons, David and Nathan; brother, John White; sister, Carole Gildemeister, and five grandchildren.

It is with the deepest admiration that I pay tribute to the exemplary life of a pioneering woman. She dedicated her life in service to her family, friends, her students and the city of Toledo. May her family be comforted by the memories they hold and may Barbara Herring be blessed with a loving peace.

#### TARP REFORM AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2009

SPEECH OF

#### HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 14, 2009*

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 384) to reform the Troubled Assets Relief Program of the Secretary of the Treasury and ensure accountability under such Program, and for other purposes.

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Mr. Chairman, I rise today to express my support for the TARP Reform and Accountability Act (H.R. 384). I thank Chairman FRANK and the House Leadership for their hard work on this legislation, which brings focus, accountability, and transparency to the implementation of the Troubled Asset Relief Program, TARP, to make it an effective tool to stabilize and revive our economy.

Our country faces the bleakest economic forecast since the Great Depression of the 1930s. Today, millions of Americans are struggling to find jobs, keep their homes, and pay their bills. Last fall, to prevent the collapse of our financial markets, the 110th Congress swiftly passed the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act (EESA). With this measure, Congress entrusted the Bush administration's Treasury Department with \$350 billion from the Troubled Asset Relief Program to purchase bad debt—including mortgages—from financial institutions in order to thaw credit markets and increase confidence in the financial system. Unfortunately, in implementing the TARP, the Bush Administration failed to address housing foreclosures, resume the flow of credit, or perform oversight of financial institutions receiving assistance under the TARP.

As the 111th Congress considers releasing an additional \$350 billion in TARP funds to the Treasury Department under the Obama ad-

ministration, we must be assured the additional money will be spent responsibly and transparently.

The TARP Reform and Accountability Act addresses fundamental flaws in the implementation of "TARP I" by closing loopholes and enforcing strict accountability and transparency. The act ensures that TARP funds aid American families at risk of losing their homes as originally intended by Congress by mandating foreclosure relief and making improvements to the Hope for Homeowners program. In addition, stringent executive compensation limits for all past and future TARP assistance will prevent taxpayer dollars paying for corporate bonuses.

Once again, I thank Chairman FRANK for his leadership and urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this important, timely legislation.

#### IN HONOR OF THE ALBANY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND ITS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

#### HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, January 26, 2009*

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor 34 men and women and one whole family from Albany, MN who have put their heart and soul into making that community such a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family.

This weekend, the Albany Chamber of Commerce honored these people for putting their "hand and heart into everything they do" to serve their colleagues and their fellow citizens. From keeping us safe to teaching our children to caring for our elderly, these men and women are the rock on which we stand. The chamber, which itself is such an integral part of this community, has taken this opportunity to draw attention to the selfless and kind acts of these individuals and their nominating organizations:

Richard "Hunk" Wolf, Albany Fire Department; Richard Schiller, Albany Senior Dining; Bertha Schiller, Albany Senior Dining; Rosie Finken, Albany Senior Dining; Bob Pauly, Albany Senior Dining; Bob Thielman, Albany Senior Dining; Ralph Vos, Albany Senior Dining; Norbert Vos, Albany Senior Dining; Rosie Krebs, Albany Senior Dining; Howard Krebs, Albany Senior Dining; Robert St. Marie, Albany Senior Dining; Richard Carlson, Albany Senior Dining; Grace Carlson, Albany Senior Dining; LuAnn Jopp, Albany Home Bakery; Pam Kraker, Albany Lions; Sarah Kittelson, Albany Police Department; Tammy Jurek, Albany Police Department; Darren Trousil, Albany Police Department.

Paul Nelson, Wells Concrete Products; Steve Stromme, Albany Area Schools; Ron Paulsen, Albany Area Schools; Herb Binsfeld, Albany Food Shelf; Mary Binsfeld, Albany Food Shelf; Kathy Pung, AAH & Medical Center; Judy Zenzen, AAH & Medical Center; Janet Christen, Holy Family School; Ryan Scherping, Holy Family School; Patty Leyk, Our Savior's Lutheran Church; Val Oehrlein, Mother of Mercy Auxiliary; The Sand Family, Albany Chamber; Al Amdahl, Albany Jaycees; Brennan Shay, Albany Pioneer Club; Bev Lieser, Albany Women of Today; Nathan

Meer, Albany Boy Scouts; Justin Overman, Albany Boy Scouts.

I share in the chamber's recognition of their great public service.

#### HONORING THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT GROUP

#### HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, January 26, 2009*

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, in this troubled economy with fluctuating markets and fiscal uncertainty, it is the small business owner that keeps our economy functioning and keeps the American dream alive.

I am honored to represent thousands of small business owners whose associations, the National Franchise Association (NFA) and the National Association Management Group (NAMG), are headquartered in my district in Kennesaw, Georgia.

These associations would like to recognize three distinct leaders; NFA Chairman Joseph Anghelone, NAMG Chairman William Patterson and NFA Government Relations Committee Chairman Benjamin Jarratt.

Mr. Joseph Anghelone began his tenure as the NFA Chairman in February of 2006, and since then he has established a record of dedication to the National Franchise Association and its membership. During his years of selfless service, Mr. Anghelone has been committed to advancing the Burger King Brand through vigorous advocacy on all levels.

In addition to his role as NFA Chairman, Mr. Anghelone has served as the Franchise Relations Committee Chairman and Diversity Affairs Committee Chairman during his term. While his duties have been heavy, Mr. Anghelone has put the association and its membership ahead of himself, to the betterment of the franchisee community.

Mr. William Patterson has served as the Chairman of the National Association Management Group since April of 2006. Previously Mr. Patterson held the post of NAMG Board Director, a position he began in February of 2005.

Mr. Patterson has displayed diligent service to NAMG and its Board of Directors. This service has been marked by a dedication to the growth and continued development of the organization while providing steadfast leadership and direction.

Mr. Benjamin Jarratt was selected to serve as the NFA Secretary in February 2006, and since then he has assumed the role of NFA Government Relations Committee Chairman. In that position, Mr. Jarratt has played a significant role in the development of the NFA's Government Relations advocacy efforts.

In addition, Mr. Jarratt served as the Chairman of the NFA's Government Relations Summit in 2007 and again in 2008. Mr. Jarratt has developed a reputation as a staunch advocate for the interests of franchisees and their businesses.

The National Franchise Association and National Association Management Group continue to grow and prosper in the face of numerous challenges, which is a testament to the efforts of these three outstanding individuals. The NFA and NAMG will be eternally grateful for the leadership they have provided.