

# REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS

The AIPG Awards Committee is seeking nominations for future recipients of the Ben H. Parker Memorial Medal, the Martin Van Couvering Memorial Award, the John T. Galey, Sr. Memorial Public Service Award, Honorary Membership, and Outstanding Achievement Award. The qualifications for these awards can be found below. Nominations for these awards, accompanied by supporting statement, should be sent to AIPG Headquarters, c/o Honors and Awards Chr., 12000 Washington St., Suite 285, Thornton, CO 80241.

## BEN H. PARKER MEMORIAL MEDAL

The Ben H. Parker Memorial Medal is the Institute's most distinguished award. It was established by the Executive Committee in 1969 in posthumous honor of a truly great leader, who devoted much of his life to improve the quality of geology and geologists and the services they provide. The medal is awarded to individuals who have long records of distinguished and outstanding service to the profession.

The most important criterion for this medal is a continual record of contribution to the profession of geology. A wide variety of contributions can be considered, such as (a) the education and training of geologists, (b) professional development of geologists, (c) service to the Institute, (d) leadership in the surveillance of laws, rules, and regulations affecting geology, geologists, and the public, and (e) activity in local and regional affairs of geologists.

## MARTIN VAN COUVERING MEMORIAL AWARD

The Martin Van Couvering Memorial Award was established by the Executive Committee in 1979 in posthumous honor of the first president of the Institute. Martin Van Couvering made the presidency a full-time occupation for the first two years of the Institute's history. His dynamic leadership, diplomacy, and organizational abilities established the solid foundation from which the Institute has grown. Few, if any, have given so much to the Institute.

The most important criterion for the Martin Van Couvering Memorial Award is service to the Institute. As in other awards, a wide variety of contributions to the Institute may be considered. By far the most important contribution a geologist can make to the Institute is that of time. It is the contributions by individuals to the Sections, the committees, and special projects that enable the Institute to enhance the practice of geology.

## JOHN T. GALEY, SR., MEMORIAL PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

The American Institute of Professional Geologists' Public Service Award was established by the Executive Committee in 1982 in recognition of one of its primary purposes: service to the public. In 1992, it was renamed the John T. Galey, Sr., Memorial Public Service Award, in posthumous honor of our fourth President, whose long professional career was a continuum of service to both the geological and the general public.

Recognition of public service is important because so many Members have distinguished themselves and the Institute by giving expert testimony to governmental commissions and committees, and by providing geological expertise where it was needed by the public at large.

The application of geology to the needs of the general public may be in many different forms. Recipients of this award have outstanding records of public service on the national, state, or local level well beyond their normal professional responsibilities.

## AWARD OF HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Since 1984, AIPG has conferred Honorary Membership to those who have an exemplary record of distinguished service to the profession and to the Institute.

## OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Outstanding Achievement Award was established by the 1989 Executive Committee to honor a non-member of AIPG who is widely recognized as a major contributor to the profession of geology. The award is not necessarily given annually, but only when the Awards Committee recommends an outstanding candidate to the Executive Committee for their consideration.

### American Institute of Professional Geologists Nomination form for 2017 AIPG Awards

(Please check one)

- Ben H. Parker Memorial Medal       John T. Galey, Memorial Public Service Award  
 Martin Van Couvering Memorial Award       Award of Honorary Membership       Outstanding Achievement Award

NAME OF CANDIDATE: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PERSON MAKING THE NOMINATION: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting Statement (In brief here, **please submit detailed letter of support**):

**RETURN TO:** AIPG, Attn: Awards, 12000 Washington St., Suite #285, Thornton, CO 80241. Ph. 303-412-6205, Fax: 303-253-9220

**DEADLINE:** Completed nominations must be received by **January 15, 2017**.