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• Taury Smith: Fault-controlled hydrothermal alteration processes and products
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• Stan Keith & Monte Swan: Hydrothermal Petroleum: Answers from Linkages between HTD-hosted Petroleum Deposits and Mississippi Valley Type (MVT) Pb-Zn Deposits
• Paul Bartos: Hydrothermal Dolomite associated with Leadville-type Carbonate Pb-Zn-Ag-(Cu) Ore Bodies: Implications for Hydrocarbon Exploration

Plus Neil Hurley (Albion-Scipio), Tom Boreen, Hazel Barton, and Jay Gregg AND Posters with core from Canada, the Rockies, the mid-Continent, and the Irish Midlands to name a FEW places.

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Dear KGS members and friends,

I was having writer’s block, so I asked Rebecca to insert this “skinny” picture of me to help fill up my space. She also e-mailed a request from me to Larry Richardson to use this photo in the new KGS Directory that he is compiling. Those of you that fight the “battle of the bulge” know that lack of exercise and poor dietary habits are to blame. I have told several people that when it comes to sweets, I have the will power of a crack addict.

Betty and I plan a return trip to Hawaii next June. Several friends will join us on a cruise to 4 of the islands embarking from Honolulu. The cruise will also go to Fanning Island (the former Christmas Island) to comply with United States Maritime laws requiring a foreign country stop on cruises from U.S. ports that involve a ship of foreign registry. We will, of course, have to spend a week or so with the kids on Oahu either before or after the cruise. I do not want to go on this trip looking like I do now. I really must get the resolve to lose the weight AGAIN!

Enough about me. This issue of the Bulletin focuses on the nominees for the KGS Board for 2005-2006. I want to thank the members of the nominating committee for a selection of fine candidates for these offices. My great thanks to those who were willing to run for these positions. Often times it is hard for many of the membership to commit the time necessary to serve the KGS. Please take time to review the candidates on pages 14-16 and cast your ballots promptly when you receive them in the mail.

The Annual KGS Shooting Tournament was a success. There were no injuries, as I was not in attendance. A list of the generous sponsors and the photo highlights are on pages 22 and 23.

Bob Cowdery continues to line up speakers for our technical meetings. Licensed geologists already know that his efforts really help each of us to get the necessary credits for license renewal. Please sign-up for credit each time you are able to attend. Some members were notified of an audit of their CEU’s recently. Each of us is responsible for documenting our credits each renewal period.

Please mark your calendars for the Annual KGS Banquet on January 28, 2005 at the Wichita Petroleum Club.

On behalf of the KGS staff, I wish each of you a safe and happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas or Happy Hanukah and a prosperous and Happy New Year.

Bye for now,

Wes
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The end is in sight
For all to delight
My term as President
Will end at midnight
December 31, 2004

Next in line is Fred James
Who will take over the reins
He begins 2005 in the black
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Has lessened the toil
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And that is no bull

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Pass on what you know
Before your 6 feet below

A special thanks to Cowdery, Bob
For his excellent job

Here is to Fred and his new crew
And to all of you
It has been fun
So should it end on a pun

No it is not
Saying no more
Is a chore

Will it end
Yes it will
Should we end
Or should we begin

On second thought
Don’t get distraught

Thanks for the memories

- Tom Hansen

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MEMBER PROFILE: Willis Nigh

Willis Nigh

Willis is possibly not as well-known as some KGS members because he took a 22 year “hiatus” from the profession and industry to teach school, but nevertheless he has been an active explorationist both before and after this period.

His story commences in 1929 when he was born in Great Bend, Kansas. His father was an agent telegrapher for the railroad and his mother was a homemaker. Willis had an older brother, Kenneth, and an older sister, Betty, both now deceased.

He attended school at Penalosa, Kansas until his Junior year in high school when the family moved to Kiowa, Kansas. Willis graduated from Kiowa High School in 1947.

After attending Wichita University for one year, he joined the Air Force during the Korean War. He worked in Personnel while in the Air Force, and was stationed in Austin, Texas and Nashville, Tennessee.

After his discharge from the Air Force, he returned to Wichita and enrolled once again at Wichita University. He graduated in 1956 with a degree in geology. His interest in geology, and the decision to pursue this field, after he returned from the service, was derived in part from an association with an uncle who was an operator in eastern Kansas, and the fact that Willis liked working outdoors. Some of his classmates at WSU were: Neil Sikes, Harvey, Gough J. C. Musgrove, Harold Steincamp, Bill Hamm, Gordon Keen, and H. J. Groves. During his years at WSU, Willis feels that he received good instruction and the opportunity to learn from Drs. Ver Wiebe, Tasch, and Berg.

While a student at WSU, Willis married Elaine Egy in 1953. Elaine and Willis have three children: Douglas, a consultant in corporate communications in St. Louis; Mindy, a pharmacist in Albuquerque; and Carrie who is a social worker at Wesley Hospital. Elaine and Willis also have 6 grandchildren, all boys.

In 2003, Elaine and Willis celebrated their “Golden Wedding Anniversary” with their family in Cuchara, Colorado. Cuchara is an area where Willis likes to go each summer to pursue his favorite recreational interest, fishing.

After his graduation from WSU in 1956, Willis worked for Rayflex. Then from 1958 to 1979 he taught school. A good friend, Tom Wright, persuaded Willis to return to exploration, and helped him develop his well-sitting skills.

Willis formed Southwind Petroleum Corp in 1981, and has retained that entity to the present. From 1985 until 1995 he worked for Ray Goodin and credits Ray for giving him invaluable insights into both the exploration and operation parts of the oil.
and gas business. Willis still operates some gas wells in Kiowa County, and continues to be active in exploration and drilling.

Willis would still be a petroleum geologist if he had it to do over. From his own experiences as a petroleum geologist and perhaps from his school-teacher background, he would advise the young geologist just entering the field to continue to learn whether it be through course work, seminars, technical programs or just by reading technical material.

Willis, before he completely retires, wants to be satisfied with the results of his efforts and doesn’t want to be forced to turn over his operations until he is ready.

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I. Wayne Woolsey

Education:  B.S. Business Administration, North Texas University, 1952; M.S., Geology, Texas A & M, 1958


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Dallas E. Donner

Education: B.S. Geology, Wichita State University, 1981.


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Steve E. Stribling

Education: B.S. Geology, Wichita State University, 1983.


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Harvey N. Gough

Education: University of Wichita, B.S. Geology, 1957.


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Bill C. Romig


Professional Affiliations: AAPG, KGS

KGS Board and Committees:
Dear Members,

Well, it is election time again. Not only on the national level, but right here at the KGS. Please look over the “Meet the Candidates” section of this Bulletin and give careful consideration of all the wonderfully qualified individuals who have accepted the run for office of the KGS.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the candidates for running for office. I know everyone is very busy right now and we do appreciate those of you who have made a commitment to help run the KGS.

We had a wonderful turnout for the annual shooting tournament at Lynbrooke. See page 23 for some photo highlights of the day. Thank you’s go to Larry Richardson and Rick Saenger for organizing such a good shoot. It could not have been a more perfect day for a shoot!

The next event coming up will be in the annual Banquet on January 28th. That is the last Friday in January. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. We are planning a very fun and entertaining evening for everyone.

Everyone is very busy and we all love to see these “UP” times. The KGS library is doing very well this year and we appreciate all of the business. The four of us struggle to keep up with it at times, so if you have had to wait…

please understand, we are doing our best.

The scanning project is still moving along nicely. We have picked up several new Walters Digital Library memberships this past month and we have now completed a year of being in business, so renewals are coming up. Everyone who is using it seems to be very pleased with the ability to access data 24-7.

Since this is the last Bulletin of 2004, I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the KGS Board for their hard work and dedication to helping me keep your Society running smoothly. On the same note, thank you to all of the committee chairs and their committees. Without the cooperation and dedication of time from these individuals, our events and yearly activities would not be the success that they always are. Thank you also to everyone who has volunteered time to this library. We have made great strides this year and have accomplished a lot of projects. To all of you…..THANK YOU!

Holiday hours will be in effect the following dates. Thanksgiving, the library will be closed on Nov. 24 & 25th. Christmas, the library will be closed Friday, Dec. 24th and Friday, Dec. 31st in observance of New Years. Happy Holiday to all of you from all of us girls here at the KGS!

I am looking forward to 2005. Good luck to all of you who are running for office. I know we will have another successful year here at the KGS.

Respectfully,
Your Manager
Rebecca Radford
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(1) Ritchie Exploration Establishes New Oil Field (IOG Weekly News 09/20/04) - Ritchie Exploration, Inc., Wichita (KS), has produced new Cherokee Sand oil reserves at their Ramsey Trust #1 wildcat well in Scott County. Located 1-3/4 miles north of the city of Grigston, Kansas, in C N/2 S/2 of section 2-T18s-R31W, the new unnamed pool opener was placed on pump on July 2, 2004 at an undisclosed rate. Operator perforated the Johnson Zone member of the Cherokee formation to recover the oil deposits. L. D. Drilling was rotary drilling contractor. They bottomed the well at a total depth of 4600 ft. Ritchie’s new oil field lies nearly 1-1/2 miles southwest of Lansing-Kansas City oil wells in the Manning Field which lies on the Scott County / Lane County line in section 1. Mississippian oil is being produced about 1-1/2 miles to the southwest of the new pool in the Manning Southwest Field in section 16. Closest Cherokee production lies over two miles to the northeast in the now abandoned Danny Field in section 25-T17s-R31W. In 1988, the Brungardt #1 pool opener produced 120 barrels of oil per day from the Cherokee at a depth between 4520 to 4538 ft.

(2) IA Operating Opens New Field in Graham County (IOG Weekly News 09/20/04) - Wichita-based IA Operating has discovered new Lansing-Kansas City oil reserves in Graham County at the Karmen #7-1, located in approximately W/2 NW/4 in section 7-T9s-R23W. The wildcat well is producing crude from perforations in the Lansing-Kansas City limestones. Daily potential is not available. The well was put on pump on August 6, 2004. Murfin Drilling’s Rig #16 drilled the well to a total depth of 4050 ft. Discovery site is located 3/4-mile west of known Lansing-Kansas City oil production in the Jackson Branch Field. Productive zone lies around 3886 to 3891 ft. in depth at the nearby producers. IA Operating’s new oil field has not been named to date. Field area is located 3-3/4
miles south and 1-1/2 miles east of Penokee, Kansas.

(3) Mull Drilling Company Has Discovery (IOG Weekly News 10/4/04) - Mull Drilling Company, Wichita (KS), has discovered new source of Cherokee oil reserves at the Schreiber Trusts #1-27 wildcat well in Ness County. Oil deposits were discovered at well site located in approximately SE NW NE in section 27-T16s-R23W, about 4 miles east of Ransom, Kansas. Duke Drilling’s Rig #4 was contracted last June to drill the well to a rotary total depth of 4470 ft. Operator has perforated the Cherokee Sand section and placed the well on commercial production at an undisclosed rate effective July 1, 2004. The new oil field has not been named. Field area lies about 1-1/4 miles southeast of nearest known Cherokee production in the vicinity. The Osgood Field in sections 16 and 21 has produced oil from Cherokee zone at a depth ranging from 4416 to 4420 ft., as well as from Mississippian formation from 4442 to 4453 ft.

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