



Planetary Sciences Section Newsletter: September 2016

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1. AGU Elections close 27 September—vote now!

Please take a few moments to review the members who have agreed to stand for election this year, and cast your vote before 27 September 2016. Election winners can sometimes be determined by a very small margin, so every member's vote is important.

Candidates for the AGU Planetary Sciences section:

Continuing: President Sarah T. Stewart and Past President Linda T. Elkins-Tanton

President-elect: Nathan Bridges and Rosaly M. C. Lopes

Secretary: Jorn Helbert and Michael Mischna

The complete slate of candidates for the sections and the Union can be found at <http://elections.agu.org/>.

2. AGU Fellows announced

We are pleased to recognize the 2016 AGU Fellows who have contributed to Planetary Sciences. AGU Fellowship is an honor given to individual AGU members who have made exceptional scientific contributions and gained prominence in their respective fields of Earth and space sciences. Since the AGU Fellows program was established in 1962, and according to the organization's bylaws, no more than 0.01 percent of the total membership of AGU is recognized annually.

Congratulations to

Linda T. Elkins-Tanton, Arizona State University

Paul R. Mahaffy, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center

Trevor R. Ireland, Australian National University

A complete list of the 2016 AGU Fellows may be found at <https://news.agu.org/press-release/american-geophysical-union-announces-2016-fellows/>.

3. 2016 AGU Fall Meeting registration deadlines

Registration is now open for the AGU Fall Meeting, to be held at the Moscone Center in San Francisco. Friday, 14 October, is the last day to renew your AGU membership to be able to register at member rates. The early registration deadline to receive the best rates is 3 November.

The Planetary Sciences section will have a full slate of oral and poster sessions at the Fall Meeting, plus our Whipple and Greeley lectures and a NASA town hall meeting. The schedule will be available in October.

We will hold our very popular Planetary Sciences reception on Tuesday evening with great food and drinks—buy a ticket for the reception when you register for the meeting (if you have already registered but did not buy a ticket, you may log back in and add it).

Planetary Sciences is also cosponsoring two student mixers, one with Space Physics and one with Volcanology. Both events will be fun ways to meet your fellow students and to help enlarge students' views of career tracks they may consider. Please register for these events with your meeting registration.

This will be the last meeting held in San Francisco until 2019. While the Moscone Center undergoes renovations, the 2017 AGU Fall Meeting will be held in New Orleans and the 2018 Fall Meeting will be in Washington, D. C.

4. Twenty-fifth anniversary of *JGR: Planets*

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the first publication of *JGR: Planets*. As part of the celebration, a *JGR: Planets* special issue of review papers has been organized and covers many important themes of discovery over the past 25 years and looking toward the next 25. The first several papers have already been accepted and are now online. All of these papers will be free to view without a subscription until the end of 2016. Check them out at [http://agupubs.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/agu/issue/10.1002/\(ISSN\)2169-9100\(CAT\)SpecialIssues\(VI\)JGRE25/](http://agupubs.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/agu/issue/10.1002/(ISSN)2169-9100(CAT)SpecialIssues(VI)JGRE25/).

5. *JGR: Planets* topical special issues

Are you organizing a topical meeting or a special session at a larger conference this year? *JGR: Planets* is soliciting proposals for special issues on topics of a timely, cross-cutting, or broad nature. Special issues are a great way to collect and share knowledge on important topics in a timely fashion. If you are interested in proposing a special issue, please contact the *JGR: Planets* editors, Steven Hauck, David Baratoux, and Sabine Stanley, at jgr-planets@agu.org.

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