

John Mann Mentor Programs

John Mann Mentors in Applied Hydrogeology Programs

John F. Mann, Jr., had a vision. He wanted to ensure the perpetuation of first-class professionals in his beloved hydrogeology profession. Dr. Mann was a central figure in the long and continuing saga of groundwater management in southern California, and he sought a plan to ensure the continuation of good work based on good science. He found his solution—it's called the John Mann Mentors in Applied Hydrogeology Programs.

Before his passing in 1998, Dr. Mann made a generous gift to GSA Foundation that established the John F. Mann Fund. The disbursements from this fund ensure in perpetuity the Mann Mentor Programs that engage active hydrogeology practitioners and students studying for that career in regular face-to-face meetings.

Today, John Mann's Mentor Programs offer two formats that address his goals.

- **GSA Section Meetings**

At each of GSA's Section Meetings, Mann Mentor programs bring together a group of practitioners and undergrad and graduate students who share a common interest in hydrogeology. This one-on-one interaction rewards students with an unparalleled opportunity to speak with professionals not normally within their reach. And, it provides a welcome opportunity to the professionals who want to "give back" to their profession.

- **GSA's Annual Meeting**

The Mann Program underwrites the cost for up to 25 students to attend the distinguished Hydrogeology Division Luncheon and Awards Presentation held at GSA's Annual Meeting. This subsidized student opportunity provides a meaningful professional encounter seldom achievable by students due to their lack of financial resources. At this Division meeting, students:

- (a) experience firsthand the passion associated with a career in hydrogeology;
- (b) witness the fine leadership skills of Division officers; and
- (c) observe the tangible rewards of good work as demonstrated through the presentation of the Division's prestigious awards for accomplishment.

<http://www.geosociety.org/science/mentors/mannMentor.htm>

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