

## AGS DISTINGUISHED SCIENTIST AWARD. GESNER MEDAL - 1996 Ronald Pickerill

Dr. Ronald Pickerill was born in Britain and received his B.Sc. and Ph.D. in geology from the University of Liverpool in the early 1970's, where he was awarded the PGH Boswell Prize in Sedimentology. He began his career as an instructor/lecturer at the University of New Brunswick after entering Canada in 1974 and was granted tenure in 1981. He has acted as chairman or member of numerous university committees including Acting Chairman of the Department of Geology at the University of New Brunswick in 1992-1993. He has supervised or served on committees for over 40 M.Sc. and Ph.D. theses. His publication record speaks for itself; he has published over 130 papers in refereed scientific journals and over 100 additional scientific contributions (abstracts, book chapters, government reports and monographs), mostly dealing with ichnology, sedimentology, invertebrate paleontology and stratigraphy.

Since 1974 he has acted in the capacity of official reviewer for approximately 40 NSERC, NSF, American Chemical Society and Czechoslovakia Academy of Science applications. He currently is co-editor of Atlantic Geology, a position he has held for 15 years; editor of Ichnos, a member of the editorial board of the Geological Journal and Chairman of the GAC Special Publications. Not Surprisingly, he has reviewed over 120 papers for these scientific journals.

Over 20 years he has earned a reputation as an outstanding professor, researcher and a long and tireless supporter of geosciences in the Atlantic Region.