



## **AGS Distinguished Service Award – 2001 Mike Parkhill**

Over the twenty-nine years of its existence, the Atlantic Geoscience Society has been blessed with many people who have volunteered their time and energies for the good of the Society and the geoscience profession. One of these long-time volunteers of the AGS is a past-president, Mike Parkhill. I nominate Mike for the AGS Distinguished Service Award.

Mike has served as a councillor from New Brunswick, Vice President and President of the Society. He organized the Bathurst, NB annual meeting which was one of the few meetings outside the normal orbit of annual meeting locations in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. For many years he has taken on the task of accepting abstracts for annual meetings and organizing them into a publication. One can always count on Mike for organizing some part of the annual meeting.

During his tenure as President, Mike introduced new measures to more formally review proposals for financial assistance from the Society. Through this and other means he has been a good steward of the society's funds and its financial well-being.

As a member of the Executive Council of the Society he has been involved in guiding the affairs of the Society. He has encouraged the work of the Video and the Education Committees as a means of fulfilling one of the Society's mandates to communicate geoscience to the public.

Mike has long been an advocate of strengthening communications with teachers, students, and the public. He has presented many talks and workshops to teachers, students and the public. As a frequent contributor to the newsletter, he communicates with members of the Society about events and features of interest.

Mike Parkhill deserves the Distinguished Service Award for his outstanding and altruistic contributions to the Society for many years.

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