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Dear Colleagues,

Here is the June issue of the AGU Volcanology, Geochemistry, and Petrology (VGP) section newsletter. Please visit the [VGP website](#) for additional news and information. Comments and suggestions may be sent to [Joanna Denton](#).

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**(1) MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Greetings, VGP-ers! I hope all of you had a good March for Science and Earth Day. I also hope that the European Geosciences Union (EGU) attendees had an enjoyable meeting, especially Estaban Gazel, this year's Kuno Lecturer. Thank you to our EGU colleagues in Geochemistry–Mineralogy–Petrology–Volcanology (GMPV). VGP cosponsors sessions at the [EGU General Assembly](#), and likewise at the AGU Fall Meeting we have their cosponsorship for sessions. Bruno Dhuime (GMPV Meeting Committee) and Mike Burton (GMPV Division president) coordinate with us on these matters.

As I write, I wish all a good experience at the upcoming [JpGU-AGU Joint Meeting](#) at the Makuhari Messe Convention Center in Chiba, Japan. However, I recognize that you will be reading this after the meeting. Nonetheless, thank you to Eiji Ohtani-sensei for driving the organization of the joint sessions at this meeting, which include

- S-IT22 Interaction and Coevolution of the Core and Mantle in the Earth and Planets - Taku Tsuchiya

- S-IT26 Fluid-Mediated Processes and Properties Near Convergent Plate Boundaries - Bjorn Mysen
- S-IT27 Carbon in Planetary Interiors - Craig E. Manning

Thank you to the many people who have worked for their colleagues by nominating promising and well-established scientists for various awards and recognition. The committees are under way critically evaluating and selecting the recipients. Thank you to the various chairs and members for this commitment to our society. I look forward to the next newsletter, in which I get to reveal their recommendations.

Below we hear from the Meetings Committee who have worked hard to stimulate many in VGP to organize sessions for the upcoming AGU Fall Meeting. Happily, they reached out to a number of scientists, young and those not so young. I was pleased to hear about the many AGU Fall Meeting sessions that were proposed by early career scientists. By doing so, you are demonstrating your ability and desire to move the science and to be a leader. Thank you.

In 2019, AGU will celebrate its [centennial](#). There are plenty of ideas for ways to celebrate the past, present, and future of AGU. Michael Manga, all of VGP's past and present leadership, and I welcome your suggestions for how to honor and celebrate AGU this year. Please write to Michael and me with ideas for VGP's contributions.

[Bill McDonough](#), VGP Section President

AGU Section President, Volcanology, Geochemistry, and Petrology

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## (2) **2017 AGU Fall Meeting**

The deadline for [Fall Meeting](#) abstract submissions is fast approaching (2 August). This year promises to be another great meeting and in an exciting new location, New Orleans. VGP accepted 38 special sessions for Fall Meeting covering a wide range of topics, including volatile fluxes and cycling, deformation modeling, magma dynamics, habitability throughout Earth's history, tracers of deep-Earth processes, and much more. There are several sessions cosponsored by EGU as well as a number of sessions in Tectonophysics, Mineral and Rock Physics, Geodesy, Natural Hazards, Study of the Earth's Deep Interior, and Ocean Sciences that have been co-listed with VGP. There also will be special lectures by the 2017 Bowen and Daly medal winners and several general sessions for submissions that may not fit into proposed special sessions. The VGP secretaries encourage you to [submit your abstracts](#) soon.

We hope to see you there, and if you see any one of us, please don't hesitate to come up and say hello!

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Alicia Cruz-Uribe, Fall Meeting Committee Member