IGA NEWSLETTER

Greetings Illinois Groundwater Association Members and Friends:

It is 2018 and the IGA is celebrating 35 years as your resource for keeping informed and up-to-date on groundwater research and issues. To date, we have provided over \$30,500 in grants to students throughout Illinois. We have listened to presentations on interesting topics such as monitoring nitrates continuously in the groundwater and surface water, Illinois State Law on Fracking or lack thereof, Fate and transport of pharmaceuticals in soil and groundwater, impacts of subsurface coal mining, and landfill leachate transport and monitoring. Recently, we have provided small field trips or tours through the FERMI Lab National Research Laboratory. We have also collaborated with Midwest Geosciences Group to bring you in-depth webinars that sharpen your knowledge and skills in the hydrogeologic profession.

In addition to bringing you quality continuing education credits, the IGA has also awarded over 40 recipients for their outstanding Research, Scientific Achievement and Public Information/Education Awards! We have a great community of scientists, students, professionals, and educators that together enrich the scientific field we know and love as hydrogeology. I hope you all agree that it has been a tremendous 35 years and we look forward to many more years to come!

As a way of commemorating all of what IGA has accomplished since 1983, we asked you all to vote on a new and refreshing logo. A great majority of you chose this beautiful new logo to represent IGA.



This logo beautifully encompasses Illinois, groundwater, and IGA all the while maintaining some familiarity. Our website and other items will be updated to reflect this new symbol.

Set your Calendars for May 4, 2018 for our Spring Meeting in Havanna, IL.

This spring, we will have a unique experience of bringing presentations at various locations throughout Havanna, IL consisting of interesting hydrogeologic treasures.

We will be meeting in Havanna, IL @ 10 AM @ Mason City Water Treatment Plant, 200 E. High St. Mason City, IL

Cost is **\$65 flat rate** for all, **\$20 student price**. Choose the \$65 option upon registration on PayPal.

We will load onto 15-person caravans and be escorted by George Roadcap and Daniel Abrams to an irrigation well field, quicksand, disappearing streams, and "groundwater outcrops". We will provide morning refreshments, waters, and snacks, as well as boxed lunch to be enjoyed at the lovely Emiquon

National Wetland Preserve. Register ASAP to so we can reserve enough transportation. A detailed agenda is provided in the attached.