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Louisiana's Oil Industry Centennial

Jennings

Field

The centennial of Louisiana's oil industry, marking the first discovery of oil in Louisiana on September 21, 1901, was celebrated with various functions at Jennings the weekend of September 21, 2001. Governor Foster established the Louisiana Oil Centennial Committee to plan the celebration to commemorate this very special occasion for Louisiana's Oil and Gas industry. In conjunction, LGS published its Public Information Circular No. 9 entitled "Jennings Field—the Birthplace of Louisiana's Oil Industry". This circular, compiled by Research Associate Byron Miller with assistance from his colleague in industry, Jeffrey Spencer, traces the history of the oil discovery and the people responsible for it, with historical photographs of the field (courtesy of the Jennings Carnegie Public library), and provides a brief overview of the field geology. Copies of this publication were widely distributed and given to the Centennial Commission, the Jennings Museum, Louisiana Legislators, the Louisiana Independent Oil and Gas Association (LIOGA), and attendees of Professional meetings, including the LIOGA Prospect Expo at Lafayette and the GCAGS at Shreveport. Single copies can be obtained free of charge from LGS Publications (contact Patrick O'Neill, 225-578-8590).

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Geologic Mapping in Louisiana

Cooperative agreements with the U.S. Geologic Survey (USGS) under the National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program, STATEMAP component, continue to be the primary means of support of LGS geologic mapping activities. At the end of June 2001 final deliverables were submitted for the STATEMAP FY 2000 project "Geologic Mapping of Comite, Denham Springs, St. Tammany, Hickory, and Lacombe 7.5-Minute Quadrangles". The 7.5-minute quadrangles are in two study areas: the Baton Rouge area; and the "north shore" area north of Lake

**Baton Rouge to Host GCAGS
Annual Convention, 2003**

The LGS display theme was "There Is More

Personnel News

Ronald Zimmerman, Associate Professor-Research, completed 10 years of service with LGS/LSU in October. The LSU Service Award Certificate was presented to him by LGS Director Chacko John. Ron has also been nominated as the Chairman of the Exhibits Committee for the 2003 GCAGS Convention in Baton Rouge.

John B. Echols, Assistant Professor-Research, retired from LGS/LSU at the end of June 2001, after more than a decade of service.

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