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Alexandria, VA - The American Geosciences Institute has awarded this year's William B. Heroy Jr. Award for Distinguished Service to AGI to the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), AGI Member Organization, for its generous financial support and leadership of AGI programs.

AAPG and the AAPG Foundation's support can be seen in AGI's Education and Outreach, Geoscience Policy, Environmental and Geoscience Community Building programs – efforts that demonstrate a multifaceted service to the AGI mission. The AAPG Foundation has supported Earth Science Week since its inception with both funds and kit materials, and contributed substantially to the formation of the education branch of AGI's Center for Geoscience Education and Public Understanding.

Kit materials and general geoscience outreach has been further enhanced by a collaboration with the AAPG Youth Educational Activities Committee, which produced a "Handbook for Visiting Geoscientists."

Collaboration with AAPG also resulted in two Environmental Awareness Series booklets. For the first, AAPG acted as a publishing partner and reviewer for the Petroleum and the Environment booklet; the second booklet, Meeting Environmental Challenges with Remote Sensing Imagery, was authored by AAPG Environmental Geoscience Advisory Committee member Rebecca Dodge.

AAPG also has supported more than 30 Geoscience Policy interns at AGI since 1998, many of who continued to careers in public policy. Moreover, AAPG has:

- Actively supplied members for many AGI committees.
- Provided time during its annual meeting opening session for the presentation of the AGI Marcus Milling Legendary Geoscientist Medal.
- Worked closely with AGI's Information Services department to assist in comprehensive coverage of AAPG publications in GeoRef.
- Helped provide expertise for revisions to the Glossary of Geology.

The award is named after William B. Heroy Jr.'s exemplary service to the American Geosciences Institute. His professional accomplishments were exceeded only by his love of geology and his commendable modesty in the face of such achievements.

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