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Dear UBC SEG Chapter,

The G.M. Dawson Club would like to thank the UBC SEG chapter for its generous donation of \$1500 towards our participation in the Western Inter-University Geoscience Conference this year. We had a great turnout of twelve UBC students, who all thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and this money paid for our hotel rooms and for one of our morning breakfasts.

The conference was a great success with all of our participating individuals being quite involved in the talks, field trips and extracurricular activities. This can be seen from the D.M. Kent award presented to our group, for most enthusiastic and dedicated group throughout the conference. Highlights from the industry talks were Alexandre Aubin's (head of exploration for Cameco) talk on the Camie River uranium system in Quebec, and Dr. Bruce Eglinton's talk on using paleogeographic reconstructions for greenfields exploration. In the student talks, James Welles' award winning presentation (best geophysical talk from the Society for Exploration Geophysicists) and Chelsea Raley's presentation on the mineralization and alteration of La Plata prospect showed that the University of British Columbia's undergraduate research is among the best in Western Canada. We are very proud of them both.

The field trips to the Coop Oil Refinery and Manitoba's subterranean core logging facility were attended by all our participants. Both groups of students felt that they learned a substantial amount about the oil and gas industry from these tours, a topic that is not focused on at a hard rock school such as UBC.

An exciting development from this year's conference is that the University of British Columbia will be hosting the event this following year. We are excited to announce that Nikki Marsh, a current third year honours geology student, will be heading the 2013 WIUGC committee. We look forward to talking with the UBC SEG chapter, to discuss how you can be involved in this exciting event.

Once again thank you for your generous donation and we look forward to talking to you more about the conference soon.

Sincerely,

Noah Phillips & Nick Bueckert

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