The Alabama Geological Society (AGS) is pleased to announce the availability of student travel grants for Spring 2014 in the amount of $200. These grants are meant to offset the cost of travel for students (graduate or undergraduate) who would like to attend professional conferences and present research. The AGS believes that the presentation of research in a professional setting provides invaluable experience for students as well as the potential for future opportunities such as further education, employment, and/or the establishment of collaborative work. Students must be a member of the AGS, have an accepted first author abstract, and intend to present at a professional meeting to qualify. Student may apply for membership when applying for the travel grant; if the student is unsure of membership status, contact Richard Carroll, AGS Treasurer (rcarroll@gsa.state.al.us). Up to 4 grants will be awarded from the applications received. Please note that these travel grants exclude events such as the AAPG Student Expo, although if a group of students attending wish to receive some funding for such a trip, they may contact AGS directly.

Applications will be accepted no earlier than 8am, Monday, March 3, 2014, through 5pm, Friday, March 7, 2014. Only applications received during the application window will be considered. Announcement of recipients will take place on or about March 12, 2014.

Only applications via email, to Denise Hills, AGS secretary (dhills@gsa.state.al.us), will be considered. Subject line must read "AGS Travel Grant Application Spring 2014". Included in the email must be a statement of the professional meeting (including dates and location) the student author will be attending, a copy of the abstract acceptance in .pdf format, and a copy of the abstract itself in Word format for publishing in the AGS newsletter. Please be sure that you include all requested information in the format required. Failure to follow these instructions will disqualify the applicant.

If you have questions, please contact Denise Hills.

Please distribute this information to interested students.