

1. Message from TOS President, Alan Mix

TOS as an Ethical Organization. We want everyone to feel both welcome and safe within TOS. As have many organizations, TOS has been re-evaluating its policies regarding ethical conduct and expectations of its members, officers, employees, and participants in its activities. TOS has always been a welcoming community that emphasizes open expression and exchange of ideas with equal opportunity and fair treatment of all, free from all forms of discrimination or harassment. This policy has long been [posted on our website](#). But we can do better, with more clarity about our expectations, and with procedures for action should our expectations not be met. To that end, we have developed a much more detailed and stronger policy which is now being reviewed by legal counsel, and we expect to have this policy in force very soon. I'd like to thank the subcommittee that considered, drafted and debated all elements of this policy – Susan Lozier, Martin Visbeck, Larry Atkinson, James Girton, Ellen Kappel, and Rick Murray, with able assistance from Jenny Ramarui, as well as the full TOS Council for moving this forward. Stay tuned. We will circulate the new draft policy to our membership for comment soon. After review and modification to make sure our policy represents the will of our members, we trust that Council will ratify this new policy so that it will be in force as soon as possible.

2. Dr. Annick Bricaud Selected to Receive Jerlov Award

We are very pleased to announce that Dr. Annick Bricaud (Laboratoire d'Océanographie de Villefranche (LOV), CNRS – Sorbonne Université, Villefranche-sur-Mer, France) has been selected to receive the Jerlov Award and will be honored at the Awards Banquet on October 11th. Read more about Dr. Bricaud's accomplishments and the Jerlov Award [here](#).

3. Seeking Candidates for TOS Council Election

TOS is seeking candidates for President-elect, two Councilor seats (Geological Oceanography and At-Large) and Student Representative. Self-nominations are welcome; please send a statement of interest and an abbreviated CV to [Jenny Ramarui](#) by **September 30, 2018**. All suggestions will be considered by the TOS Council, and three candidates selected for each Council position will appear on the ballot that will be posted in November.

4. TOS Fellows Nominations Due October 31, 2018

The deadline for submitting nominations for TOS Fellows is **October 31, 2018**. The program recognizing individuals who have attained eminence in oceanography through their outstanding contributions to the field of oceanography or its applications during a substantial period of years. Click [here](#) to learn more about the Fellows Program.

5. TOS Membership Renewal Notices Coming in October

Beginning October 1, early career, regular and sponsoring members will be able to renew their TOS memberships. Please note that the cost of regular and sponsoring memberships have increased slightly (\$10 increase for regular, \$15 for sponsoring membership). Early career membership remains at \$30, and student membership remains free of charge.

TOS is making great strides toward fulfilling its [mission](#) as we grow to represent more members of the oceanographic community worldwide. Please invite your colleagues to [join](#) by forwarding them [this link](#) to the membership page. If you would like to support TOS initiatives and programs, please consider [contributing](#) by following [this link](#).

Please contact Jenny Ramarui (jenny@tos.org), TOS Executive Director, with any questions about items in this message or your membership.