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Dear Foundation Board of Trustees,

I am deeply grateful for receiving the Donald A. and Mary O'Nesky Named Grant to help further my Master's research. His hard work and contribution to AAPG have allowed research to continue in his name, although he was a geologist by association, and a business man by trade.

I am correlating the Clinton Formation in Ashtabula County, Ohio, to help better understand deep formations for potential Carbon Sequestration and/or secondary oil/gas recovery in the area. The \$750 will allow me to conduct Environmental Scanning Electron Microscope (ESEM) work at the University of Akron, to better understand grain interaction on the surface of the samples, along with obtaining grain size on fine grain samples. The samples range from $< 5 \mu\text{m}$ – $50 \mu\text{m}$ in grain size. Part of the grant will help cover costs incurred from Geographix from Landmark. We have received Geographix from Landmark under Landmark's institution grant, but there will be costs incurred from setup and support. The final portion of the grant will help cover thin sections and materials needed in the sample preparation laboratory.

I am very proud to receive this help, and to be an AAPG member. I hope one day to contribute to our growing knowledge of geology in our society, and to become a dedicated member of AAPG. My future career goals are to obtain my PhD at Case Western Reserve University (starting Fall 2011), continuing research on deep Ohio geologic formations, and to teach our future generations at the university level. Donald O'Nesky has helped me achieve these goals.

Sincerely,

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