

APCG Banquet Duties of the Vice President

The Vice President emceeds the Awards Banquet at the annual meeting. Before the banquet (days before!) get a few folks to form the ad hoc “Resolutions Committee”.

The usual order of events at the banquet is as follows:

- After people are seated: welcome everyone and introduce yourself
- Introduce the Head Table(s) (find out who will be at the Head Table before hand from the Local Arrangements Chair or someone else; remember to get the names of partners who might also be seated at the table)
- Tell people to enjoy the meal, so they know you are done for now.
- As people are eating dessert, name the members of the Awards Committee (and turn the podium over to that committee chair to announce the awards (papers, travel, Women’s Network)
- Honor the memories of deceased members of the western geographical community (keep track of necrology during the year, and double check with the Sec/Treas) and have a moment of silence. Suggested wording: “it is important at this time that we remember recently deceased members of the West Coast geography community who passed away this year: [list them] May we have a moment of silence, please.”
- Introduce the Resolutions Committee, and hand the podium over that chair.
- Introduce the President, who will give an address.
- Give a final word of thanks from APCG to the community, host institution, and Program and Local Arrangements chairs, and invite people to the next annual meeting at [name site]