

Geology, geophysics and tectonics of Northeastern Russia: a tribute to Leonid Parfenov

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We all hope that you, the reader, will benefit from the collected papers, and will perhaps be encouraged to help take the next steps towards greater understanding of this remote and wonderful region.

