



Section Chair Report

In taking a lead from our immediate past-President of SME, Tim Arnold, I am starting each month's column out with a safety share. Safety starts with looking out for yourself and for those around you. If you encounter a potentially unsafe situation, or if you find yourself in a situation where you or someone else has been injured, remember to SLAM; Stop, Look, Assess, Manage, or to put another way, "Make haste slowly." This month's safety share deals with wildlife awareness. With the warm and dry weather that the Front Range has been experiencing, along with the associated drought, the fire danger is extremely high. Think before you act:

- Keep catalytic convertor-equipped equipment off of high grass;
- No open fires;
- If in rangeland, smoking inside of vehicle only;
- Clear an area of at least 10 feet away from work zone when doing hot work.

This is the time of year when we are looking for volunteers to join the SME Colorado Section Board-of-Directors. Volunteering is a great way to advance your career and give back to your profession. We select our officers through an in-person election held as part of our May meeting. We are still looking for an individual to serve as a director-at-large. Our current slate of proposed officers/directors for the 2017-2018 year is as follows:

- Section Chair – Jessica Spriet, Tetra Tech
- Vice Chair – Richard Schwering, Hard Rock Consulting
- Treasurer – Tem Tumurbat, RCF
- Secretary – Heather Lammers, Golder Associates
- Publicity Director – Kelly Donahue, Brown and Caldwell
- Program Chair – Brian Shaffer, USGS
- Director-at-large – Greg Honig, RCF
- Director-at-large – (Open)
- Past Chair – David Bieber

The Reclamation Colorado website has received quite a few hits, and over 60-percent of the people that come to the site view more than one page, which is considered excellent. Additional reclamation projects with pictures are always welcome.

Thank you for all that you do and I look forward to seeing you all at a meeting. If you have ideas, questions, comments, or criticisms about how the Section is running or regarding Section activities, please phone me at 303-245-6423, or email me at David.Bieber@martinmarietta.com. Thank you for entrusting me with the position of SME Colorado Section Chair.

Wishing you and yours a safe April.

Dave

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April Meeting - Thursday, April 20

Great Northern Tavern
8101 E. Belleview Ave, Suite E
Denver, CO 80237

Networking at 5:30 pm
Dinner at 6:00 pm
Speaker at 6:30 pm

Our Speaker for this month's Section meeting will be Don Hulse. Don will be presenting on the "International Social License in Mining Projects."

Mr. Hulse received his BSc in Mining Engineering from the Colorado School of Mines in 1982 and has worked in various aspects of the industry including mineral resource estimation and mine planning for hard rock and precious metal deposits. He is a Registered Professional Engineer in Colorado, a Registered Member of SME, a Member of the AIMMGM in Mexico, and a Qualified Person as defined by the Canadian National Instrument 43-101.

SME Colorado Section Membership Renewal Reminder

If you have not done so already, please take this opportunity to sign-up for or renew your SME Colorado Section membership for the 2016-2017 year.

How to join or renew:

Online: Credit card payments can be made online by visiting our website and selecting the 2016-2017 SME Colorado Section Dues link under the Our Events heading.

<http://community.smenet.org/colorado/events/>

Mail: Check payments of \$25 payable to *SME Colorado Section* mailed to Justin Anderson – SME Colorado Section Treasurer, 1400 16th St Suite 200, Denver, CO 80202-1471.

Why you should renew:

The section dues that we collect are vital to our ability to continue our programs. Our Section's focus is on advocating for our profession and industry here in our region. Some of the things that your Colorado Section dues help us to provide are scholarships for college students, majoring in mining disciplines; support for the Colorado State Science & Engineering Fair; provide teaching materials and perform outreach to Colorado science teachers through their State association, sponsorship for K-12 teachers participating in the *All About Mining – A Total Concept of the Mining Industry* course, and help support the Colorado Mining Museum and the National Mining Hall of Fame. So, by supporting the SME Colorado Section, you are directly supporting and advocating for your profession.

Upcoming Meetings

Section meetings are typically planned for the third Thursday of the month. Tentative dates and locations for 2016-2017 meetings are:

May 18, 2017 – Dinner in Denver

Monthly Meeting RSVP

Lunch Cost: \$35 per person. Students welcome at \$15 per person with reservation.

Dinner Cost: \$50 per person. Students welcome at \$20 per person with reservation

RSVP and online payments can be made through the Colorado Section SME Community Events page:

<http://community.smenet.org/colorado/events/>

Select the event you would like to attend from the Colorado Section Events page and then select "Register Now". You will be asked to log in if you have not already done so, using your SME national login credentials. There is also an option to register for a new account if you are a non-member of SME.

Credit card payments can be made online for an additional processing fee. If you plan to pay by check or cash, select the option to generate an invoice. This invoice will serve as your RSVP, with check or cash payment due at the meeting.

Please contact Brian Shaffer, bshaffer@usgs.gov, or Richard Schwering, rschwering@hardrock-consulting.com, with any questions regarding the meetings, or if you are interested in presenting.

EMCD April Meeting

The next meeting for the Extractive Metallurgy Chapter of Denver (EMCD) will be on Thursday, April 13 at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Lakewood, 7390 West Hampden.

Stan Dempsey of the Colorado mining Association will present on “Colorado Mining; The Hub of US Mining Expertise.”

Please RSVP for this event by Tuesday, April 11 by contacting Erik Stepperud at (720) 331-3222 or Solly Zitron (720) 583-2092. Reservations can also be made through the EMCD website:

www.emcdonline.com/contact-us/events-sign-up-form

Colorado MPD Convention

The Colorado MPD Convention is scheduled for May 4 – May 6 at the Broadmoor Hotel. We have a program of more than 20 speakers including Len Harris, Ken Brunk, Stan Dempsey Jr, Ronel Kappes, Mary Korpi, and 20 others who will paint a picture of today’s changing minerals industry. Please register soon at Coloradompd.com. Hotel rooms are going fast and sponsorship opportunities are still available.

CSM 2017 E-Days

The Colorado School of Mines SME Student Chapter will be hosting the annual E-Days Mining Competition on Saturday, April 22, from 8am – 12pm. The competition will feature jacklegging, hand steeling, Swede sawing, panning, and mucking. We encourage anyone interesting in showing off their mining skills and spectators to show up and have great time. Hope to see you there!

Boy Scout Jamboree

SME is seeking volunteers to staff the Mining in Society booth at the Boy Scout Jamboree in West Virginia from July 16 - 29. SME members worked with the Boy Scouts of America to establish a new mining merit badge for Scouts in 2014. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Ginger Hustrulid, ginger.h@att.net 239-989-6180, the Jamboree Coordinator for SME.

Stranahan’s Colorado Whiskey Distillery Tour May 2017

The SME Colorado Section and the EMCD will be touring Stranahan’s Whiskey Distillery on May 19th. Tours will last approximately one hour and will begin on the hour from 1pm until 7pm. The cost is \$10 per person, with a tasting opportunity included. Please RSVP with the number of people attending and the time you will arrive to Heather Lammers, hammers@golder.com, or Solly Vitron, zzitron@comcast.net.

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