Health and Safety Minute

A review of mining fatalities from 2010 to 2015 by MSHA showed each year approximately three miners are fatally injured in a mobile equipment accident due to not properly wearing a seat belt. These miners' lives could have been saved if they simply buckled their seat belt while operating mobile equipment.

Tips for Safely Operating Mobile Equipment:
- Always buckle up, every time, in all mobile equipment.
- Do not allow more miners to ride than the number of seat belts in the mobile equipment.
- Never ride in the bed of a pick up or the bucket of mobile equipment.
- Regular inspect and replace seat belts in all equipment.

Section Chair Report

I am pleased to announce our last meeting had a nice turnout and Larry Clark of Jolimont was a wonderful presenter. As always, we are trying to ramp up meeting attendance. We hope you can make it to our next meeting, which will be held in Golden on November 16! As always, guests are welcome and encouraged.

As a reminder, we are again approaching the time of year when SME membership dues are due. Also, if you have not paid Colorado Section dues, now is a good time to do so. Thank you for all that you do and we hope you can make it to our November meeting, and if you have ideas, questions, comments, or criticisms about how the Section is running or regarding Section activities, please e-mail me atjspriet@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Jessica Spriet

Table Mountain Inn in Golden
1310 Washington Ave,
Golden, CO 80401

Doors open at 5:30
Dinner starts at 6pm

Elliot Matthews, E.I.T., of BGC will present on “Engineering North of 60: A Geotechnical Endeavor in the Subartic” about his work at the Diavik Diamond Mine in the Northwest Territories of Canada.

$50 for members, $20 for students.
2017 Colorado School of Mines Summit

“A Framework to Manage the Environmental Reality of Orphaned and Abandoned Mine Lands”

The Colorado School of Mines will host its 2nd Summit “A Framework to Manage the Environmental Reality of Orphaned and Abandoned Mine Lands” on November 14, 2017. The 1st Summit on “Reasonable Expectations for Mine Closure” held in 2016 highlighted the need to continue the conversation and develop collaborative strategies that lead to action. This 2nd high-level Summit will address best practices to navigate the complex environmental, political, and social aspects of managing orphaned and abandoned mine lands. Three areas of discussion will structure the Summit: Technical, Partnership and Policy, and Administrative.

If you are interested in attending, please register through the link below.

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/orphaned-and-abandoned-mine-lands-tickets-36462931610

2017 SME Arizona Conference

The Annual Conference of the SME Arizona Conference being held December 3rd and 4th is held in JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort & Spa in Tucson, AZ is a comprehensive professional development meeting of the mining industry in the Southwest, specifically Arizona. The conference program covers the latest developments on mining projects and technical innovations in the areas of mining, geology, metallurgy, environmental, new projects and blasting, in the Southwest United States and Northern Mexico. It is a focused event unique to the challenges and opportunities of the mining business in the desert southwest. The Arizona SME Conference has a long-standing history of excellence in program content, networking, and events that support the local industry and a highly anticipated yearly gathering of friends and colleagues from the region.

http://www.smearizonaconference.com/

We want to hear from the Colorado SME Members!

Starting with the November dinner meeting, the Colorado SME chapter will be seeking the feedback from those who attended the event via an on-line survey. The feedback will be used to evaluate the experiences of our members and direct the future of the meetings. Details on the on-line survey will be given at the November meeting.
Upcoming Meetings

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

- November 16, 2017 – Dinner Table Mountain Inn, Golden
- January 18, 2018 – Happy Hour in DTC
- February 15, 2018 – Lunch at Rock Bottom Brewery, Denver
- March 15, 2018 – Lunch at Landry’s in DTC
- April 19, 2018 – TBD Dinner in Golden
- May 17, 2018 – TBD 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 Laura Fletcher, lfletcher@dowl.com or Richard Schwering, rswerring@hardrock-consulting.com, with any questions regarding the meetings.
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