President's Message

Hello SDES Black Hills Chapter members!

Hope you all are enjoying the great fall/winter weather and are looking forward to the holiday season. At the Black Hills Chapter level, we are looking forward to our next membership meeting on November 21st, where Morgan Falcone with the City of Rapid City will be presenting on the East Rapid City Water System Expansion. On December 12th, we will be having a social event at the Dakota Point Brewery. Hope to see you at these two events.

Sincerely,

Brett Belzer, PE
President of the Black Hills Chapter
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SDSM&T GEOLOGY and GEOLOGICAL Engineering Seminar Series

The GGE Department is hosting Dr. Matt Hornbach from the Southern Methodist University on November 22nd. The topic will be "Forecasting slope failure and slide-generated tsunami hazards with IDOP data." Time and location TBA. Details and later events can be found here: GGE-Seminars-Workshops-Meetings. For more information, please contact Dan Soeder at Dan.Soeder@sdsmt.edu.

MATHCOUNTS

If you'd like to donate to or volunteer for MATHCOUNTS, please email Bill
Huber at william@ecpcompany.com.

**SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE**
The Black Hills Chapter will continue to support academics with one $2500 scholarship in Fall 2019.
For more information about the Jody Page Memorial fund, or to make a contribution to the Chapter for scholarships, contact Kyle Hansen at khansen@fmgengineering.com.
Thank you to all who have contributed to this program over the years.

**SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER MEETINGS**
The next Chapter Lunch & Learn will be on Thursday, November 21 at 11:30AM in the Community Room of the Rapid City Library. Morgan Falcone, PE from the City of Rapid City will present information on the East Rapid City Water Expansion Project (1 PDH). Please pay at the event. Follow the link to RSVP.
Have any topic suggestions? We’d love to hear them. Please contact a Board member with your ideas.

Our next Pint@5 will be held on December 12th at Dakota Point Brewery. The link to RSVP will be sent out shortly.

To submit a picture for our newsletter, please send the image and a brief caption including the name of the photographer to rachel.caesar@hdrinc.com.
SDES Chapter PR Chair, Amy DiRienzo assisting a student at the RCAS 8th Grade career fair on the rock bolt demo table. SDES's booth included a rock bolt reinforcement table and a sand/geotextile reinforcement demo. Photo courtesy of Jason Hinds.
RCAS 8th Grade Students with featured speaker, Emily Graslie. Emily is a Rapid City Native, host of the popular YouTube channel “The Brain Scoop”, and Chief Curiosity Correspondent for the Field Museum in Chicago. Photo courtesy of SDSMT Public Relations.

RCAS 8th Grade Students listen to Emily Graslie talk about how she became an “accidental scientist” and how her love of art and natural curiosity lead her to a career in museum curation. Photo courtesy of SDSMT Public Relations.
RCAS 8th Grade Students touring the Paleontology Research Laboratory at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. Photo courtesy of SDSMT Public Relations.

TREASURER’S REPORT

(AS OF 25-Sept-2019)

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SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are open to everyone. Meeting locations are generally chosen a week prior, so please contact a Board member if you are interested in attending.
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Contributions from local consultants, contractors, suppliers, government agencies, and other related companies provide vital funding for our scholarships, MathCounts program, and other worthy activities. Newsletter sponsors go from September to May. Please consider the minimal donation of $10/month or $75 for nine months to show your support for the local SDES chapter and get the exposure of your advertisement in the newsletters throughout the next year. If you and/or your company are interested in becoming a Sponsor, please contact Nancy Hoines for payment information and send an electronic version of your ad to sdengineeringsociety@gmail.com. If you do not have an electronic version, we will be able to scan it.

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