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ASMR NEWSLETTER

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Membership Dues

On May 15, I sent a letter to about 50 persons who had not paid dues for 2004. Because of several tasks, I have not removed these persons' names so if you received that letter and have not yet sent your renewal, this will be your last newsletter and you will not get the August issue of the magazine. I am also in the process of working on the 2004 Directory and this will include only the active members.

NEW MAGAZINE FOR ASMR

The new magazine Reclamation Matters should have arrived in March. I have a few issues remaining if for some reason you have not received your copy. Do you have an article you would like to submit for the magazine? Send it to me or Jeff Skousen as an electronic copy (Word is preferred) and be sure to include color photos (digital photos if possible). The more articles we have, the better the magazine and its value to both the readers and companies who advertise in the magazine. I have read several good papers from the meetings in Morgantown which would make good articles for the magazine.

Summary for 2004 Meetings – Morgantown, West Virginia

The meetings were highly successful. Send a note of thanks to Jeff Skousen jksousen@wvu.edu. His crew from the West Virginia Task Force, in reviewing many of the papers and serving as moderators, helped to make the sessions run smoothly. If you were not able to attend, CD's are available at the usual cost of \$6.00 which includes shipping. In addition, I, as well as Jeff, have some leather portfolios remaining from the meeting. Send me \$16 and I will include the CD as well. However, I have only 10 portfolios left, and Jeff may have a similar number.

There were 151 presentations in the sessions running Monday PM through Thursday AM. The CD contains the equivalent of 2146 pages not counting the index. This CD has both an index arranged according to the sessions as well as the first author. It like the past two meetings, is fully searchable, just enter any word and the system should find each time that word occurs in the entire document. There has been some concern expressed on the use of CD's for the Proceedings. I have done a little research on this subject. I understand that the Re-Recordable CD has a greater tendency for failure. The one thing that seems to cause failure of this type of CD, as well as, the type I use is exposing them to direct sunlight for any length of time. My new CD recorder verifies each copy after it has been burned, but if one of your CD's fails from any of the earlier meetings, let me know and I will send you a replacement.

There were 444 persons in attendance. There will be a profit from the meetings but the amount has not yet been determined. However, ASMR's portion should exceed \$8,000. These monies are invested for use in future meetings where returns are either negative or will not occur as will be the case for 2006. In 2006, the meetings will be a part of a joint meeting, with SME taking responsibility for any losses or profits.

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AWARD WINNERS

The **William T. Plass Award** was presented to **Robert Kleinmann**.

The **Reclamationist of the Year** was presented to Scott E. Belden.

The **Reclamation Researcher of the Year** (no award for 2004).

The **Memorial Scholarship, B.S. Graduate Student Award** was presented to Cal Craig

The **Memorial Scholarship, M.S. Graduate Student Award** was presented to Jonathan Anderson.

The **Memorial Scholarship, PhD. Graduate Student Award** was presented to Lyle King.

The **Student Oral Paper Competition Award** was presented to Wendy Igo.

The **Student Oral Paper Competition Award** was presented to Beyhan Amichev.

The **Outstanding Recruiter Award** was presented to Joe Galetovic.

The names of the **Pioneers of Reclamation** recognized this year include: Sy Brayley, Ben Green, Jarvis Harper, Sam Lyle, Jack Muncy, and Jim Sandusky.

2005 Meetings – Breckenridge, Colorado June 19-22, 2005

The first call for papers will be in the next issue of **Reclamation Matters** and this has also been placed on the web page. All abstracts should be sent **only** as Word or WordPerfect files electronically to asmr4@insightbb.com or asmr@insightbb.com, or asmr2@insightbb.com. Additional information is on the web page.

The web page also has the web address for the resort hotel.

NEW WEB PAGE FOR ASMR

Check out the newly designed web page <http://ces.ca.uky.edu/asmr> or use a web browser such as Google. Just type in asmr and our site is likely to appear one of the top three.

There are several new features such as a listing of all **Exhibitors** for the 2004 meetings. **Hi-lights** for the past few meetings may be found. **If you attended, are you in one of the picture I took?** If you have a slide or photo of one of these meetings, send it to me and I will include it on this section. I have also added a **Job Opportunities** section.

Note that the front page has six images. I want to change these periodically to give a new look from time to time. Send me a digital photo or slide and I will consider its being placed on the front page.

I welcome your comments and suggestions for improvement of our web page. I have plans for other improvements in the future to make this site more useful and hopefully attract members to our Society.

2006 Meetings – St. Louis, MO March 26-30, 2006

A preliminary planning meeting was held in Denver in November, and a few committee chairs have been identified. A second organizing meeting was held February 23 in Denver. The following organizations made presentations and/or proposals as a part of the joint International Congress Acid Rock Drainage (ICARD) meetings to SME: ASMR (Dave Chenoweth gave our proposal) International Mine Water Association (IMWA), Acid Drainage Technology Initiative (ADTI), SME (Environmental Division), International Network for Acid Prevention (INAP), and Rocky Mountain Regional Hazardous Substance Research Center

The proposal ASMR made was accepted. We will manage the review of papers and prepare and burn the CD's. We will also be involved in hosting one field tour to Wetlands (Jack Nawrot will head up that committee). The details or minutes of the meeting have not been received. We are in need of volunteers for various committees but my notes are rather sparse as I participated by phone.

If you have ideas as to a theme for this meeting, a committee assignment, etc., please contact me.

DIRECTORY

New Life Members

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Thomas Hunt

New Members since the Newsletter was printed.

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Former Members who have returned to Society Membership, Welcome Back

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UP-COMING EVENTS

If you have meetings that you would like listed, send the information to me.

Title	Date	Place	Contact Person
China International Mining Exposition and International Mining Development Forum	June 16-18, 2004	Beijing, China	Stella Peng domestic2@ceieac.net contact for additional information Tel: 0086-10-88361773,88382245
Soil & Water Conservation Society	July 24-28, 2004	Radisson Riverfront Hotel St. Paul, MN.	Contact: Robin.Martinek@mn.usda.gov College students, contact Kelly.Oliver@mn.usda.gov or Shannon.Bengtson@mn.usda.gov for special tours and activities. Web site www.minnesotaswcs.org/conv2004.htm
24th Central States Forest Soils Workshop.	October 12-14, 2004	Hazard, KY	Chris Barton barton@uky.edu
Indiana Bat & Coal Mining: A Technical Interactive Forum	Nov. 16-18, 2004	Louisville, KY	Kimery Vories kvories@osmre.gov Internet Registration at www.dce.siu.edu
4th Asia Pacific Symposium on Environmental Geochemistry (apseg4)	Jan 18-20, 2005	Perth W. Australia	Jennifer Ammons Noble www.apseg4.curtin.edu.au
ASMR 22nd Annual Meetings will coordinate this meeting.	Date of meetings is June 19-22, 2005 and location is Breckenridge, Colorado. Terry Toy		
ASMR 23rd Annual Meetings	Date of meetings is March 26-30, 2006 and location is St. Louis. This will be a joint meeting with several other organizations.		