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ASMR NEWSLETTER

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BILLINGS MEETINGS, MAY 30 – JUNE 5, 2009

The Reclamation Matters magazine should arrive sometime in mid-April. It contains details as to reserving rooms at the Crowne Plaza. These details are also in the flyer as well as on the web page. **There are specific instructions (Codes) as to how to reference the hotel either online or by phone.** If these are not used, you will be told there are no rooms available.

Mail, fax, or email your registrations to me, the addresses are above. The fax machine is in my home. All papers have been peer reviewed and several have been obtained in final form.

SILENT AUCTION

We are planning to have a silent auction again this year at the Billings Meetings. However, the funds raised this year will be used to support the Travel Grants for students who are giving papers at the meetings. Put your thinking caps on and come up with items for this worthy cause. Some Societies such as the Wildlife Society makes available multiple grants of \$500 for student travel to their meetings. **ASMR** was only able to make available a total of \$350 this year.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The planning meeting took place for the 2010 meetings in Pittsburgh on March 16, at the Radisson Hotel Green Tree. Various committees were selected and work has begun which should make for a successful meeting. The meetings will also be joined by Western Pennsylvania Coalition for Abandoned Mineland Reclamation. This group will bring a new twist to our sessions. We hope to have several non-technical or case studies from this organization. We expect non-peer reviewed papers to be submitted which may evolve into sessions that could draw persons who will also benefit from our more technical presentations. The theme of the meetings was chosen as **Bridging Reclamation Science and the Community.**

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The Membership Renewals process has been completed. Individual email messages were sent to all those who had not renewed. The response was very good, yet there were several who chose not to renew this year, not unlike that in the past. Even with the downturn of the economy, the renewal rate was higher than it has been since I have been Executive Secretary. Those who have not renewed were placed on the inactive roll, and hopefully they will renew next year.

The Corporate Membership section of the **ASMR** web page has been recently updated. Those who did not pay corporate dues were removed, although some of them renewed as "Regular" members. If you failed to renew your company at the Corporate Level this can be corrected, just send in the difference between these two fee rates and I will re-instate your company on the web page.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

ASMR has gained three new Life members, one at the individual level, Henry Austin, and two at the corporate level. The two companies are MH Wolf & Associates, Environmental Consulting Inc., Ms. Marcia H. Wolfe representative, and Peabody Energy, Mr. Vern R. Pfannenstiel representative. Plaques will be presented to these persons at the Billings Meetings at our awards banquet on Thursday at noon.

STUDENT TRAVEL GRANTS

There have been four students who have applied for the travel grants thus far. The deadline for this is April 20. The information as to requirements and application form is on the **ASMR** web page. Go to the section Student Travel Grants and Scholarship Program. Materials are to be sent electronically to the **ASMR** email address.

RECLAMATION MATTERS

ASMR's agreement with Del Communications to publish Reclamation Matters looks to be very successful. The proof copy has been distributed and the magazine has gone to press and should arrive by mid-April. The distribution list went under revision recently and over 300 addresses were either corrected or deleted. This list is now about 4,500 as a result of the requirement of the U.S. Postal Service for us to verify the accuracy of all bulk mailings. I had hoped to have received addresses from two other organizations that may supply me with their mailing list, but that hasn't happened yet. I believe we have gained about 25 new members since last fall as a result of the magazine.

DIRECTORY

New Student Members since the last Newsletter and the Directory was printed.

Alan Garrido, 2900 Chautauqua Apt. 220, Norman, OK 73072; Phone: (405) 325-0829;

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Beatriz Santamaria, 1101 Glen Eagles Ct. Norman, OK 73072; Phone: (405) 325-0829;

Email: bsantamaria@ou.edu

Tiffany Thompson, 207 Pioneer Tower, Univ. Wisconsin, Platteville, Platteville, WI 53818:

Email: tthompson@uwplatt.edu

New Regular Members since the last Newsletter and the Directory was printed.

Bill Bellah, 603 Klondike Drive Buffalo, WY 82834, Phone: (307) 684-2112; Email:

mbellah@yahoo.com

Jacob Gay, 327 Shell Creek Road, Buffalo, WY 82834, Phone: (307) 684-2112; Fax: (307) 684-2142;

Email jgay@gmecwy.com

Len Meier, Office of Surface Mining, 501 Belle St, Alton, IL 62002; Phone; (618) 463-6463 x5109;

Email: lmeier@osmre.gov

New Corporate Members since the last Newsletter and the Directory was printed.

Peabody Energy, 701 Market Street, St. Louis MO 63101

Regular Members Returning as ASMR members since the Directory was printed.

Morris Elliott, 5985 Bell Valley Rd., Casper, WY 82604; Phone: (307) 277-1121; Email:

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UP-COMING EVENTS

If you have meetings that you would like to list, send the information to ASMR.

International Mine Water Association (IMWA) will host a three-day workshop on Mine Water to be held at Cape Breton University (Nova Scotia, Canada), April 23-25, 2009. Contact Prof. Dr. Christian Wolkersdorfer, PO Box 5300, Sydney, NS, B1P 6L2, Canada Phone: 902 563 1285. Registration form found on the following web site: <http://minewater.cbu.ca>

GEOMORPHIC RECLAMATION AND NATURAL STREAM DESIGN AT COAL MINES: A TECHNICAL INTERACTIVE FORUM; HOLIDAY INN & CONFERENCE CENTER 3005 Linden Drive, Bristol, Virginia 24202; April 28-30, 2009; Registration Questions to Lana Campbell (618) 453-5674; E-MAIL lanac@siu.edu; Questions on Content of Forum to Kimery Vories (618) 463-6463 extension 5103, kvories@osmre.gov; Web site is below.
<https://www.dce.siu.edu/index.php/Conferences/Geomorphic-Reclamation-and-Natural-Stream-Design-at-Coal-Mines>

Advanced Aquifer Testing Techniques Featuring AQTESOLV: New Concepts, Field Methods and Data Analysis Procedures Waltham Woods Professional Conference Center, Boston, Massachusetts -- April 28-30, 2009. Register Now: \$980.00, After April 17, 2009: \$1,195.00. Optional computer rental: \$300.00. Register by phone at 763.607.0092. Questions: customerservice@midwestgeo.com

World of Coal Ash, **May 4-7, 2009**, Lexington, KY. Abstracts due **13 October 2008**, Information on web page <http://www.worldofcoalash.org/presenters/callforpapers.html> or contact Annelly Noble, (720) 870-7897

ASMR 26th Annual Meetings and the 11th Billings Land Reclamation Symposium, **May 30 – June 5, 2009**, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Billings, MT. Dennis Neuman is the host, dneuman@reclamationresearch.net and additional information will be added here as well as the ASMR web page when it is nearer the meetings.

24th International Applied Geochemistry Symposium, June 1st to 4th, 2009. Hosted by the Univ. of New Brunswick, Fredericton, NB. For information: <http://www.unb.ca/conferences/IAGS2009/> **David Lentz**, IAGS'09 Chair, Tel: (506) 447-3190 FAX: (506) 453-5055 email: dlentz@unb.ca

Ontario Mine Reclamation Symposium and Field Trip June 9 - 10, 2009 Timmins, Ontario For additional information, please contact Bryan Tisch, Natural Resources Canada at (613) 943-8746 (btisch@nrcan.gc.ca) László Götz, Porcupine Gold Mines at (705) 235-6720 (laszlo.gotz@goldcorp.com) Adrianna Stech, Ontario Mining Association at (416) 364-9301 ext 227 (astech@oma.on.ca)

8th ICARD (International Conference of Acid Rock Drainage) will be held June 22 - 26, 2009 in Skelleftea, Sweden. Their website address is http://www.miro.co.uk/sec_call_abs.pdf.

LatAm Mining Congress will be held June 29-July 1, 2009 The Biltmore, Coral Gables FL. Download the brochure The agenda has been redesigned to help major, mid-cap, and junior mining executives and investors operate in the new market environment.

3rd NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION (NCER) 2009, Los Angeles, California, July 20-24, 2009. Technical sessions will focus on six primary themes: 1. Ecosystem Restoration at the Watershed Scale 2. New Planning Approaches to Achieve Ecosystem Restoration. 3.

Science and Engineering Integration. 4. Linking Monitoring Results with Management Decision-making. 5. Urban Ecosystem Restoration. 6. Ecosystem Goods and Services. Online abstract submission officially opens October 15. Please contact Mr. Tom St. Clair by telephone at 904-232-1774 or by email at: GSTClair@pbsj.com with recommendations.

Canadian Land Reclamation Association (CLRA) First Announcement – Call for papers, **CLRA 2009 Annual Meeting and Conference, August 23 - 25, 2009, Québec City, Québec, Canada www.clra.ca**

The University of Western Australia's Australian Centre for Geomechanics and Centre for Land Rehabilitation are calling for papers for the Fourth International Conference on Mine Closure 2009. Abstracts should be submitted by February 16 and papers by April 27. The conference will be on **September 9-11** at the Sheraton Hotel, Perth. For more information, visit the website: <http://www.mineclosure2009.com>

Northern Latitudes Mining Reclamation Workshop Yellowknife, Northwest Territories Canada **September 8 to 11, 2009** Contact information Bill Price, Natural Resources Canada bill.price@nrcan-rncan.gc.ca Telephone: (250) 847-9335 / (250) 847-7603 (fax)

IMWA Symposium 2009: Pretoria (South Africa), **19 - 23 October, 2009**, CSIR Conference Centre, Pretoria

EIGHTEENTH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON MINE PLANNING & EQUIPMENT SELECTION, November, 16-19, 2009, Banff, Alberta, Canada. **June 15, 2009** Receipt of abstracts (1 page limit); **June 30, 2009** Notification of paper acceptance; **September 15, 2009** Deadline for camera-ready manuscripts. Contact Dr. Raj K. Singhal singhal@shaw.ca Official Websites: <http://www.mpes-cami-swemp.com/>

11TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES AND WASTE MANAGEMENT IN ENERGY AND MINERAL PRODUCTION November 16-19, 2009, Banff, Alberta, Canada. **June 15, 2009** Receipt of abstracts (1 page limit); **June 30, 2009** Notification of paper acceptance; **August 15, 2009** Deadline for camera-ready manuscripts. Contact: Dr. Raj K. Singhal Email: singhal@shaw.ca, Official Websites: <http://www.mpes-cami-swemp.com/>

The **3rd National Conference on Ecosystem Restoration** (NCER '09) to be held: July 20-24, 2009 in Los Angeles, CA at the Westin Bonaventure. Web site for additional information concerning this meeting; go to: <http://conference.ifas.ufl.edu/NCER2009>

ASMR 27th Annual Meetings will be in Pittsburgh with Lois Uranowski (OSM) and Margaret Dunn (Stream Restoration, Inc.) as co-hosts. The Radisson will be the hotel for the meetings which will be June 5-12, 2010. The Radisson is actually located in Green Tree a suburb of Pittsburgh in the vicinity of the OSM office.

ASMR 28th Annual Meetings will be in Bismarck, ND at the Ramkoda Hotel with Steve Schroeder the host. Additional information will be added here when it is nearer the meetings. The date has been set for **June 12-16, 2011**.