



3134 Montavesta Road, Lexington KY 40502-3548
ASMR's Office Fax (859) 335 6529
Phone (859) 351-9032 (cell)
E-mail asmr2@insightbb.com, asmr4@insightbb.com,
or asmr5@insightbb.com
Web page <http://ces.ca.uky.edu/asmr>

ASMR NEWSLETTER

January, 2009

BILLINGS MEETINGS, MAY 30 – JUNE 5, 2009

All but a few papers have arrived. **The absolute deadline for submitting the draft papers for review was revised to February 2.** No papers will be processed after that date.

The planning committee is to meet the second week of February. An announcement will be mailed shortly after that meeting as well as being placed on the **ASMR** web page. This will include the general program and the registration form. A more detailed version with respect to the sessions and respective titles of talks and posters will be in the spring issue of Reclamation Matters. The magazine should arrive sometime in mid to late April.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Membership Renewals have continued to arrive. If you haven't sent in your renewal do it prior to the end of February, as on March 1, I will begin removing from the **ASMR** List Serve the email addresses of those who have not paid their dues and you will no longer receive emails as to Newsletters, position announcements, etc. There are 183 of the 500 members from last year who have not paid their dues for 2009.

A few more Corporate Members have been received for 2009. Remember, the names listed on the web page as Corporate Members are in order received.

If you have misplaced the renewal form which I sent by bulk mail around December 1, either go to the **ASMR** web page for this form or email me and I will send you one.

WILLIAM PLASS ENDOWMENT FUND

The spouse of Bill Plass, Lola, has thanked me and others who have contributed to the William Plass Endowment Fund, approved by the National Executive Council (NEC). I know she appreciates the generosity of those who have contributed. Interest from this fund will provide a \$500 monetary award to the annual recipient of the William T. Plass Award. **There was a new line placed on the renewal form for 2009, but you may have missed seeing it.** Please send your contribution to the **ASMR** office in Lexington. A receipt will be sent to you for tax deduction purposes for this charitable donation. If you have sent me a contribution and I have not sent you a receipt, drop me an email or note as it has been a little hectic the past four or five weeks. We are on our way to collecting approximately 20% of the amount needed (\$10,000) to insure that this award will be made for the years to come.

AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the three major awards, the William T. Plass Award, the Richard I. and Lela M. Barnhisel Reclamation Researcher of the Year Award, and/or the Reclamationist of the Year Award ended on January 30. If you are just about finished developing a package to send electronically to Jerry, send him an email as he might possibly accept it. Jerry's email address is jerryschuman2@msn.com and these need to be as Word documents (“**doc**” rather than a “**docx**”).

I sent out an electronic announcement regarding nominations for the three **ASMR** Memorial Scholarship Awards a few days ago. This was in the form of a detailed announcement as well as a flyer to post on your bulletin boards. If you have, or know of, a deserving student, information as to the procedures is on the **ASMR** web page. These nominations are to be received by **March 2**. Dr. Robert Nairn's email address is NAIRN@OU.EDU.

RECLAMATION MATTERS

ASMR is negotiating with Del Communications to publish Reclamation Matters. We have a proposed contract, but have one or two minor points of clarification. In essence, the NEC has approved this document and I do not anticipate any problems with having a signed contract in the next few days.

I plan to provide Del with the names of all **ASMR** members who are associated with companies. We need to get this off on the right foot. The lack of advertising was the main reason for the failure between **ASMR** and Lester Publications. Our mailing list has doubled since the first issue, so advertising needs to double as well. The cost of advertising is essentially the same as in the past. I would appreciate it if anyone working for a company which is involved with mining through reclamation would pass me the contact person's name, their email address, and phone number and I will send it on to Del Communications.

The editor of Reclamation Matters who has worked with Jeff Skousen the past three years is employed by Del. I think we all are please with the content and quality or their work. I have received three magazines that Del publishes and their workmanship is comparable with our past issues of Reclamation Matters.

Solicitation of advertising by Del for the magazine will likely be handled by someone in their sales staff. If your company would consider advertising or wishes to continue advertising, or if you know of a company you think would advertise in the magazine, please contact me at one of the email addresses in the letterhead of this newsletter. The current mailing list has been increased this past year to about 4700, with 4500 from the U.S and the remainder from Canada and several other countries. I anticipate this number to increase to at least 5,000 by the time the fall 2009 issue goes to press.

NEW MINING PROGRAM

The University of Pittsburgh has just started a mining engineering program. The following courses are a part of this program: ENGR 1631-Introduction to Mining Engineering; ENGR 1637-Strata Control Engineering; ENGR 1635-Mine Ventilation Engineering; ENGR 1634-Environmental Controls in Mining, and ENGR 1633-Sustainable Development in Mining: Economics, Society, and Environment

DIRECTORY

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

- Ms. Eleanor Bassett, 741 Ivy Ave., Kamloops, BC V2B 3W9, Canada; Email: eleanor.bassett@gmail.com
- Mr. Paul Cordy, 209-1928 Nelson Street, Vancouver, BC V6G 1N2, Canada; Email: paulcordy@gmail.com
- Miss Amber Greenall, 5127 Watson Lake Road, 100 Mile House, BC V0K 2E1, Canada; Email: amber.greenall@gmail.com
- Mr. Nicholas Haus, 1653 Mount Tabor Road, Blacksburg, VA 24060; Phone: (540) 231-6539; Email: nhaus@vt.edu
- Ms. Catherine Henry, 2040 A Bowser Ave, Prince George, BC V2L 3Z9, Canada; Email: duchemi@unbc.ca
- Ms. Sarah Hindle, 1228 Nicola Street, Apt # 1108, Vancouver, BC V6G 2Y6, Canada; Email: sarah.hindle@live.com
- Ms. Jillian Kelly, 505 Carran Lane, Victoria, BC V9C 4L3, Canada; Email: jillian.3kelly@community.royalroads.ca
- Ms. Christine Petersen, 122 Chandler Drive Kamloops, BC V2E 2P1, Canada; Email: cpetersen@tru.ca
- Mr. Chance M. Robinson, P.O. Box 2026, College Station, TX 77841, Phone: (979) 691-2580; Email: Chance07@tamu.edu
- Mr. Rodolfo Socsa, 2506 Melfa Lane, Vancouver, BC V6T 2C6, Canada; Email: rodolfoneiva@gmail.com
- Mr. Anthony Willard, 2740 University Ave. Apartment 25, Morgantown, WV 25064, Phone: (304) 444-1976; Email: awillar2@mix.wvu.edu
- Mr. Brandon Winfrey, 1426 Animal Sciences Bldg (#142) College Park, MD 20742, Phone: (405) 443-7477; Email: winfrey@gmail.com
- Mr. Jin Weeks, #803 6823 Station Hill Drive, Barnaby, BC V3N 0A8, Canada; Email: wjchoi@kores.or.kr

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

- Miss Katie Erin G. Miller, Nevada Department of Wildlife 60 Youth Center Road, Elko, NV 89801; Phone: (775) 777-2368; Fax: (775) 738-2485; Email: kmiller@ndow.org

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

- Mr. Bourbia Djamel, University Mentouri, 100 City Center Drive, P.O. Box 2128, Mississauga, Ontario L5B 3C6, Canada; Phone: (905) 897-9192; Email: dbourbia@hotmail.com
- Mr. Matt Tanner, HDR Engineering Inc., 17111 Preston Rd., Suite 200, Dallas, TX 75248; Phone: (972) 960-4427; Fax: (972) 960-4471; Email: matt.tanner@hdrinc.com

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

- Mr. Billy Nicholson, Trapper Mining, Inc., P.O. Box 187, Craig, CO 81625; Phone: (970) 826-6142; Email: billy@trappermine.com
- Mr. Ron Stevenson, Stevenson Intermountain Seed, P.O. Box 2, Ephraim, UT 84627; Phone: (435) 283-6639; Fax: (435) 283-4155; Email: ron@stevensonintermountainseed.com

UP-COMING EVENTS

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

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>

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 Annely 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**

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>

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

Continued on page 5

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**.