

SME COLORADO SECTION – MARCH 2013 NEWS



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Monthly Meeting

March 21, 2013

Lunch at McCormick & Schmick's at the Oxford Hotel,
Downtown
1659 Wazee St. Denver, CO 80202
Meet at 11:30

Lunch will be served at 12:00
Speaker at 12:30

Speaker: Brent Kuhn, AngloGold Ashanti

Brent Kuhn is the Manager of Business Improvement for Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mine, which is owned by AngloGold Ashanti Colorado Corporation, will speak about AngloGold Ashanti's global improvement initiative known as Business Process Framework and techniques for a successful implementation. He will cover the process of Business Process Framework and how this initiative increases mining performance.

Brent is a native of North Dakota and a mining engineer graduate of the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in 2000. Brent worked for URS Corporation prior to AngloGold Ashanti. Brent has held many roles in the mining industry including: Business Improvement Consultant, Engineering Manager, Long/Short Range Mine Planner, and pit supervisor. His career has taken him globally to include the countries of: Canada, Mexico, Bolivia, Jamaica, Brazil, and South Africa. He is a certified Change Manager and utilizes Project Management as well as Change Management to implement initiatives.

Cost: \$40 per person

Students welcome at \$15 per person with reservation

Walk-ins will not be permitted. RSVP must be made by close of business Monday March 18th.

RSVP and payment information is listed on the following page.

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Meeting RSVP

To RSVP by email, please contact Lori Freemire, lorifreemire@missionroi.com.

To RSVP online, whether you are an SME member or not, go to our SME Community Event pages:

<http://community.smenet.org/Colorado/RecentCommunityEventsDashboard>

<http://community.smenet.org/smenet/events/upcomingevents>

Through the event page, you may pay by credit card, or submit your RSVP using the option to pay at the event by cash or check. If you pay by credit card online, you will be assessed a small processing charge (\$1.21 for this event). Once you have selected to "Register Now" on the event page, if you are not already logged in, you will be taken to the login page. Use your SME national login credentials, or create an account as a non-member.

Upcoming Meetings

April 18, 2013: Lunch at Maggiano's, Denver Tech Center

May 16, 2013: Awards Dinner - Downtown Denver, Venue TBD

If you are interested in being a speaker and giving a presentation at one of the section's monthly meetings, please contact the Program Chair, Richard Diaz, at 303-601-7546 or Richard.Diaz@maptek.com.

February Meeting

Thank you to Bill Stanley, V.P. Exploration, Atna Resources, Ltd., for speaking at last month's dinner meeting.



Dues: SME Colorado Section

If you haven't already, please submit payment for your Local Section Dues, \$25 for 2012-2013.

The Dues Invoice Card can be found at:

<http://www.smenet.org/docs/public/SMEColoradoSection2012-2013DuesInvoicecard.pdf>

Please print and mail the dues card to the William (Bill) Wilson, address is on the invoice.

Payments with a credit card will also be accepted online by clicking the Section Dues: SME Colorado Section 2012-2013 Link. <http://community.smenet.org/smenet/events/upcomingevents>

Section Dues are NOT part of national dues. If you have any questions about section dues, contact Bill Wilson, the section treasurer at bwilson@frii.com

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2013 – 2014 SME Colorado Section Officer Slate

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Attention Past Section Chairs

The Colorado Section Board of Directors is inviting ALL PAST COLORADO SECTION CHAIRS to the May 2013 Meeting. This gathering will provide the opportunity for new board members to meet and interact with their predecessors, and for all the Section members to recognize the contributions of our past Chairs to our organization over the years. Former Chairs, please contact Karen Jass, 303-293-5037, or kfjass@gmail.com, to RSVP (spouses welcome to attend as well). Also, please provide the years you served as Chair.



U.S. Bureau of Mines Reunions

U.S. Bureau of Mines National Reunion at the 2013 SME/CMA Annual Meeting

Where? Wynkoop Brewing Company, 1634 18th Street, Denver

When? Monday, March 25, 2013, 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Who Are Invited? All friends and former employees of the U.S. Bureau of Mines. You must check in at the host stand upon arrival to be directed to the meeting location. No RSVPs required. Pay-your-own-way. You do not have to be registered at the SME Annual Meeting to attend this event!

Contact DanielWitkowski@aol.com for further information.

December 2013 National Science Teachers Convention

The MEC Subsection (Minerals Education Coalition, formerly GEM) is once again hosting a teachers outreach exhibit at the National Science Teachers Convention at the Colorado Convention Center in December 2013. This year's active members have selected the theme, "Minerals Make Life!" highlighting the use of mineral products in food and health products. We are actively seeking volunteers brainstorm the logistics, to prepare the mineral kits, to work the event, and donors (financial, storage space, transport and materials) to help cover the cost of the kits to be given to attending teachers. Members of the MEC will follow up with detailed updates as the date gets closer. As always, the outreach-focused MEC meetings are open to anyone that is interested, generally the first Friday of each month. Contact Subsection Chair, Dick Beach, dickbeach@alumni.mines.edu with questions or to volunteer.

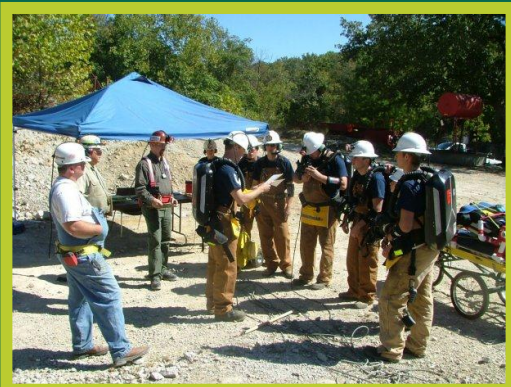
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Colorado School of Mines

The Colorado School of Mines is hosting the 35th Annual Intercollegiate Mining Games on campus March 14th through the 17th. It is expected that 50 teams will be in attendance from across the world, including South Africa and Germany. The women's and co-ed competitions will be held on Friday with the men's on Saturday and the open competition on Sunday. Everyone is welcome to attend any day or compete on Sunday.



Colorado School of Mines will also be hosting the second ever all college mine rescue competition at the Edgar Mine in Idaho Springs March 21st through the 23rd. There will be 5 teams competing including one from the University of British Columbia and one from Missouri S&T. Other schools that are interested in starting teams will be observing such as University of Alaska Fairbanks and University of Kentucky. For more information, contact Clancy Harmon, charman@mines.edu



2013 Annual Colorado Section SME Golf Outing

Save the date, Friday, September 6, 2013, for a round of golf at Fossil Trace Golf Course in Golden to raise funds for scholarships for deserving mining and geology students!

Colorado Mining Exhibit

The Colorado Mining Exhibit Foundation (2008 Prazen Award & 2007 MMSA President's Citation) will upgrade the Teacher's Corner exhibits in the mining museums in Leadville, Colorado Springs and the CSM Geology Museum, also adding a new section promoting the CMA/CSM summer teacher's course. We want to answer the question: "Now that I have learned about mining in the past, where can I get impartial, well-documented information on modern mining and reclamation?" The SME's mii.org and NMA's mineralsmakelife.org websites are places to start.

On a \$30,000 budget, we are also planning to:

1. Add a "Mining in America" gallery (including needed wiring and lighting) at NMHF&M (28,000 visitors/year)
2. Add modern computers to improve the IT function and reduce staff time needed for tours and answering student group questions at WMMI (36,000 visitors/year)
3. Add an interactive, computerized "Mineral Resource Education Center" at CSM's Geology Museum (20,000 visitors/year)
4. Build the "Railroads & Mining: Building the West" exhibit at the Heritage Museum in Idaho Springs (50,000 visitors/year - which includes the downtown Underhill Museum)

For more information, contact Guy Johnson, GPJ222@aol.com.

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