

# BLACK HILLS CHAPTER

## OCTOBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to start out by thanking Alex Fisher for presenting at the September Membership Meeting. Threw his presentation it was easy to see why the Canyon Lake Dam Reconstruction project was nominated for the Black Hills Chapter's Engineering Achievement Award. That being said I would like to encourage everyone to start thinking of projects/engineers to nominate for this year's awards. The awards that the Chapter typically presents are Engineering Achievement Award/Engineer of the Year/Young Engineer of the Year. Nominations will be due around the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year. More information with specific dates will be sent out at a later date.

Please allow me to sound like a broken record for a moment but the SDES Annual Conference, which the Black Hills Chapter will be hosting this year, will be held on April 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> at the Spearfish Holiday Inn Convention Center. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. If you have an interesting presentation idea, or are interested in serving on the conference planning committee, please let me know.

Lastly the Board has some goals that we would like to achieve over the coming year. They include how do we better serve the membership, how do we increase participation, how do we increase our membership, how do we do more than just provide pdh's. To pursue answers to these questions we will be reaching out to the membership for your input. Thank you all for your continued support of SDES and I look forward to see you at upcoming events.

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### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Awards/Recognition: Bruce Struckman  
Engineer's Week: Kyle Young  
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Scholarship/Endowment: Steve Bareis  
Newsletter Editor: Rick Bell

*Note: We're still looking for a volunteer to fill the position of Public Relations during the 2016-17 year. Please let a Board member know if you're interested!*

**In the news:** Rapid City is receiving national recognition as one of three cities to receive the 2016 Qualifications-Based Selection Merit Award by the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) and the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE). *Congrats to Rapid City!*

### Upcoming Events

**Oct 13: SDES 2016 Fall PDH Conference**

Where: Days Inn in Brookings, SD

**Oct 18: Membership Meeting**

A joint meeting with the Military Engineers will occur on Oct 18 at 11:30 am - 1 pm. See flyer on next page & note that you must **RSVP by Oct 12!**

**Feb 19-25, 2017: Engineers Week**

One of the themes for next year is "Dream Big." Please put on your calendar. Also, we'd like to make awards to engineers from the BH Chapter, so begin thinking about nominating someone!

## **PROGRAM**

### **First Annual Joint Meeting of the Rapid City Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee and the Society of American Military Engineers**

Speaker: COL John Henderson, Commander Omaha District Corps of Engineers

**Tuesday, October 18, 2016**

**LOCATION:** Rushmore Plaza Civic Center – Rushmore Room (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)  
444 North Mt. Rushmore Rd, Rapid City, SD 57701

**TIME:** 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

#### **Rapid City Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee**

The Military Affairs Club works to grow and develop solid working relationships between Ellsworth Air Force Base, the South Dakota National Guard and the business community.

#### **Society of American Military Engineers**

The Society of American Military Engineers leads collaborative efforts to identify and resolve national security infrastructure-related challenges. Founded in 1920, SAME unites public and private sector individuals and organizations from across the architecture, engineering, construction, environmental and facility management, cyber security, project planning, contracting and acquisition, and related disciplines in support of national security.

**Please RSVP no later than noon on Wednesday, October 12, 2016**

You may RSVP by replying to this email ([info@rapidcitychamber.com](mailto:info@rapidcitychamber.com)) or by calling 343-1744.

**\$13.00 per person (cash/check at the door)**

*24-hour cancellation policy applies. No shows will be billed.*

*If you RSVP and cannot attend, please call and let us know so that we can cancel your meal.*

#### **Menu**

Burger Bar

Grilled Angus Steak Burger or Peppered Turkey Pub Burger

Fresh Baked Brioche or Multi Grain Buns

Fresh Lettuce, Tomato, Red Onion & Pickle Slices

Cheddar, Swiss or American Cheese

Beer Battered Sidewinder Fries

Fresh Made Steakhouse Coleslaw

Bourbon Molasses & Bacon Baked Beans

Fresh Baked Mini Cookies

Ice Tea, Coffee or Water

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Lynn Kendall, Vice President, Rapid City Chamber of Commerce

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## UPCOMING EVENTS (cont'd)

### *April 27-28, 2017: SDES Annual Conference*

The state-wide annual conference will be held in Spearfish at the Holiday Inn Convention Center. More details to follow, but please put on your calendar now! And in the meantime, we're looking for speakers so if you or someone you know has a presentation they'd like to make, please let us know.

### *SDSM&T Civil and Environmental Engineering*

*Seminar Series:* The Civil and Environmental Engineering seminar series at SDSM&T are usually held the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of every month from 4:00-4:50 pm in CB204E. The engineering community is welcome to attend. Professional development hour (PDH) certificates could be provided to attendees upon request for seminars of a technical nature. For more information, visit [cee.sdsmt.edu](http://cee.sdsmt.edu) or contact Dr. Soonkie Nam ([Soonkie.Nam@sdsmt.edu](mailto:Soonkie.Nam@sdsmt.edu)).

### *SDSM&T GEOLOGY and GEOLOGICAL*

*Engineering Seminar Series:* The SDSM&T Geology and Geological Engineering seminar schedule can be found here:

<http://www.sdsmt.edu/Academics/Departments/Geology-and-Geological-Engineering/Activities-and-Organizations/Seminars,-Workshops,-Meetings/> For more information, please contact Dr. Tim Masterlark ([Timothy.Masterlark@sdsmt.edu](mailto:Timothy.Masterlark@sdsmt.edu)).

### *SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP*

*MEETINGS:* Chapter membership meetings are generally on the third Tuesday of the month (September to May) from 11:30-1 (presentation at noon). Please check specific arrangements as meeting dates / locations occasionally due to speaker/room availability, etc. Do you have any meeting topic suggestions? We'd love to hear them, so please contact a Board member with your ideas.

### *SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER BOARD*

*MEETINGS:* Board Meetings are generally held on the second Tuesday of each month at 12:00 PM and they are open to everyone. Meeting locations are generally chosen a week prior, so please contact a Board member if you're interested in attending.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

(As of 03-Oct-16)

### Accounts

Checking: \$3,971.52  
Savings: \$7,789.47  
CD #1: \$1,088.83  
CD #2: \$2,532.43

### Scholarship/Donation Schedule

<u>Year</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2016	Youth in Science Scholarship	\$500.00 \$2,000.00
2017	Youth in Science Scholarship	\$500.00 \$2,000.00
2018	Youth in Science Scholarship	\$500.00 \$2,000.00
2019	Youth in Science Scholarship	\$500.00 \$2,000.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>

### Scholarship Update

The Black Hills Chapter will continue to support academics with one \$2000 scholarship to a student at South Dakota School of Mines and Technology student, this year during E-Week events. Proceeds from the last time the Black Hills Chapter hosted the SDES Annual Convention, member contributions, and distributions from the Black Hills Chapter's Bill Craig Scholarship fund are used to support this scholarship. Contributions to the Bill Craig Scholarship fund or the Black Hills Chapter are welcome. For more information about the Bill Craig Scholarship fund, or to make a contribution to the Chapter for scholarships, contact Steve Bareis at [stevebareis@hotmail.com](mailto:stevebareis@hotmail.com).

Thanks to all who have provided support to this program over the years. The Chapter also has \$1000 in reserve for other charitable donations that we make throughout the year.



## The South Dakota Engineer Newsletter and the SDES Membership Directory

The current issue of The South Dakota Engineer is available at [www.sdes.org](http://www.sdes.org) by clicking on "News". As a reminder, SDES and ASCE members are invited to submit information for the e-newsletter. The newsletter is distributed September - May. Please contact Gail Boddicker, SDES Executive Director ([gail.boddicker@sdsmt.edu](mailto:gail.boddicker@sdsmt.edu)), if you have articles for submission or with any questions or concerns. The SDES Membership directory is also available upon request to SDES members only. Send your requests to Gail for a pdf of the directory. Also, please review your personal information and let her know if your contact information has changed.

## BLACK HILLS CHAPTER NEWSLETTER SPONSORS

Contributions from local consultants, contractors, suppliers, government agencies, and other related companies provide vital funding for our scholarships, MathCounts program, and other worthy activities. 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 submit an electronic version of your ad to the Rick Bell [rickbell1206@gmail.com](mailto:rickbell1206@gmail.com). Ads may be business card size (up to 2 3/4" H x 3 1/2" W, maximum), B&W or color, your choice. If you do not have an electronic version, please send your ad along with a check to Newsletter Ads, Black Hills Chapter SDES, c/o Rick Bell, 1206 Clark St., Rapid City, SD 57701 and it will be scanned. Make checks payable to SDES Black Hills Chapter. **A BIG THANK YOU to all our Sponsors!**

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