

BLACK HILLS CHAPTER JANUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A new year is upon us and I have almost gotten use to writing 2017. I hope all of you had a blessed holiday season.

Our next membership meeting will be February 22nd from 11:30 to 1:00 taking place at the Christensen Hall of Fame located in the King Center on the SDSM&T campus. We will be presenting the Black Hills Chapter annual awards and the annual scholarship. Please attend to congratulate the recipients. A quick reminder that award applications are due by February 14th. You should have already received nomination forms and instructions, but if not, please contact Bruce Struckman (bruce.struckman@kljeng.com).

Also, please continue to 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 26th-28th at the Spearfish Holiday Inn Convention Center. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. A call for presentations has been sent out and a few responses have been received. There is still time to add your name to the list of presenters. Also if you have an interesting presentation idea, or are interested in serving on the conference planning committee, please let me know by e-mailing me at james@ktmdsi.com.

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

Upcoming Events

Feb 19-25, 2017: Engineers Week

The theme for this year's national E-Week is "Dream Big." Please plan to attend the activities.

Wed. Feb 22, 2017: Membership Mtg/ Luncheon

The annual Black Hills SDES luncheon will be held during E-Week on Wednesday February 22 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at Christensen Hall of Fame, King Center on the SDSMT campus. Chapter awards and scholarship recipients will be recognized at this luncheon. Cost is \$20 and engineers who attend can earn 1 PDH. More details (including the speaker announcement, etc.) will follow shortly, but please put on your calendar and plan to join us! You should RSVP to Stacia Slowey at stacia.slowey@hdrinc.com prior to Feb 17. (Note: the 1st 20 students to RSVP are free!)



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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! 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 or contact Dr. Soonkie Nam (Snookie.Nam@sdsmt.edu).

SDSM&T GEOLOGY and GEOLOGICAL

Engineering Seminar Series: The SDSM&T Geology and Geological Engineering seminar schedule can be found at: www.sdsmt.edu/Academics/Departments/Geology-and-Geological-Engineering/Activities-and-Organizations/Seminars,-Workshops,-Meetings/ For more info, please contact Dr. Foster Sawyer (Foster.Sawyer@sdsmt.edu) or Liangping Li (Liangping.Li@sdsmt.edu).

SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

MEETINGS: Chapter membership meetings are generally on the third Thursday of the month (September to May) from 11:30-1 (presentation at noon). Please check specific arrangements for meeting dates and locations. 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 during the second week of each month at 12:00 PM and they are open to everyone. Meeting locations are usually chosen a week prior, so please contact a Board member if you're interested in attending.



TREASURER'S REPORT

(As of 01-Jan-17)

Accounts

Checking:	\$4,031.52
Savings:	\$7,791.10
CD #1:	\$1,089.37
CD #2:	\$2,536.69

Scholarship/Donation Schedule

<u>Year</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
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
2020	Youth in Science Scholarship	\$500.00 \$2,000.00

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.

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 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), 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.

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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. 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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