



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear SME Foundation Friends,

It was fantastic seeing many of you at the MINEXCHANGE 2022 SME Annual Conference & Expo in Salt Lake City. After two years, it was great getting back together, catching up with long-time friends and enjoying the many events, sessions, and the Exhibit Hall. With a conference attendance of more than 5,000, it appears many people were ready to get out, renew and make new connections.

The SME Foundation Annual Gala Dinner “Aloha, Let’s Luau!” was a sold-out event. We thank Metso Outotec for their sponsorship of the cocktail hour prior to the dinner and Black & Veatch for their sponsorship of the wine service during dinner. Special entertainment was provided by Hana Studio that included hula dancers and a knife dancing performance. The audience was encouraged to join the performers on stage to perform the hula and the famous Haka Warrior Dance. I don’t think we will win any Academy Awards for our performance, but everyone sure had a lot of fun. And a special thanks to J.H. Fletcher & Co. and Cashman Equipment Co., who donated wonderful door prizes that included a trip to Hawaii! Thank you to everyone who donated items to the SME/SMEF Silent Auction. The auction had many great items, both onsite and online, which generated more than \$15,000 in funding.

This year promises to be a great year for the SME Foundation thanks to all of the generous individual and corporate donors. The SMEF Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees continue to work diligently managing the business of the SME Foundation, which includes the official adoption of an updated Strategic Plan for the next five years. New SMEF vision and mission statements have been established and objectives and goals include a continued focus on fundraising, education and outreach.

With all the turmoil going on in the world, commodities and mining remain a strong foundation for the world’s economy and standard of living. With your continued financial support and generosity of the SME Foundation, mining will remain vibrant for many years to come.

Thank you,

Steven C. Holmes
SME Foundation President

Hit the Links November 18, 2022

We are planning our third annual SME Foundation Benefit Golf Tournament in Phoenix on November 18. Sponsor and Golfer registration is available at www.SMEFgolfing4good.com



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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF MOVE MINING SEASON 6!

Five finalist teams competed at the Move Mining live event during MINEXCHANGE 2022 SME Annual Conference & EXPO in Salt Lake City, Utah for the Grand Prize of \$5,000. Team TerraMovers from Peru and the U.S. shared their winning concept to develop an interactive video game called "Goaldigger." The video game is intended to change the perception of mining from a simple and ancient activity, to a modern activity.

Thank you to our wonderful Move Mining Season 6 emcee, Heyda Vass, and our five expert judges—Jill Rick, Abani Samal, Stacey Koon, Julie Marinucci and Carlos Eyzaguirre. We sincerely appreciate your contribution to helping change the perception of mining.

TerraMovers – Move Mining Season 6 Winners



Left to right: Jose Felix Enriquez, Raul Quispe, Ingrid Benito, Lizeth Fiorela Quispe and Cole Warnock

Thank you to Komatsu, the Overall Sponsors of Move Mining for their multi-year enthusiastic support for this program. To meet the finalists, including the winning team, and watch the entire Season 6 competition, go to **MoveMining.org**.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2021-2022 SEASON WINNERS OF MOVE MINING NEXT GEN



The Stop Motion Siblings' winning video, "Pyrite."

Move Mining Next Gen is an online competition for K-12 students that explores the importance of mined minerals. In partnership with our sponsor Newmont, we are proud to announce the 2021-2022 Move Mining Next Gen Award Winners:

- Team "Salty" from Utah won Grades K-5 and People's Choice
- Team "Serendipity" from Minnesota won Grades 6-8
- "Chicken Steele" from Minnesota won Grades 9-12
- "The Stop Motion Siblings" from Wisconsin won the Overall Winner prize for their video on pyrite

Go to **www.MoveMiningNextGen.org** to see this year's entries, and start planning for next year's contest!

2022 NATIONAL SCIENCE TEACHING ASSOCIATION NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The 2022 National Science Teaching Association (NSTA) National Conference was held March 31-April 2 in Houston, TX. MEC's amazing volunteers, led by Charlie Zimmerman, handed out more than 3,000 free materials to teachers on the importance of minerals and mining. Donated rock boxes with mineral and metal samples including bismuth, ulexite, aluminum, bauxite, cobalt, and crushed limestone were on display at the booth.

Prior to the event, SME and MEC developed a workforce survey to identify the opportunities and barriers to students considering mining and underground construction as a career of choice. Teachers who completed the survey were entered into a drawing to win one of five \$50 Amazon gift cards. Additionally, MEC provided fun items at the booth and teachers who participated in these activities won rock boxes and took Snapchats of themselves. Teachers applied an MEC filter to these snapshots and sent them to a contact. This social media advertising was viewed by 792 recipients, spreading awareness of the booth and MEC in general.



MEC would like to thank the following donors: the SME Pittsburgh Section, the SME Florida Section and the Ohio Aggregates & Industrial Minerals Association for their donation of rock boxes.

MEC is very grateful to this team of volunteers who dedicated their time to plan and execute the conference: Charlie Zimmerman, Wendi Cooksey, Dan O'Connor, Dale Elifrits, Katie Kosloski, Kurt Doran, and Katie Hutton of Lehigh Hanson, who provided crushed limestone samples from Bridgeport, TX. Thank you for your help and support.

Mark your Calendars

The 2023 National Science Teaching Association Conference will be held March 23-26 in Atlanta, Georgia. MEC will be participating and would appreciate your support, sponsorship and/or donations of rock and mineral samples, and volunteers to engage with teachers during the event. Please contact Akudo Nwokeukwu at **nwokeukwu@smenet.org** or at 303-948-4221 for more information.



2022 PARADISE VACATION SWEEPSTAKES WINNER

Congratulations to Mary Korpi of Reno, Nevada! She is the grand prize winner of the 2022 SME Foundation Benefit Sweepstakes held during the MINEXCHANGE 2022 SME Annual Conference & Expo in Salt Lake City. Mary is the lucky winner of the Hawaiian Paradise Vacation for two (valued at \$7,500). Second prize went to Tom Rauch, President-Technical Services at McCarl's LLC, who won the getaway trip to Las Vegas (valued at \$1,500). Other exciting prizes included five CAT Cooler Prize packs valued at \$550 each and three \$50 Southwest Airlines gift cards that went to the following winners:

- Tom Hilderbrand
- Lydia Hull
- Rick Kallenborn
- Jordan Mathews
- Michael Molitor
- Todd Sanville
- Bob Schafer
- Karly Winfield

The 2022 SME Foundation Benefit Sweepstakes drawing was held at the Salt Palace Convention Center in Salt Lake City, Utah and was livestreamed over SME Facebook just before the close of the 2022 SME Conference & Expo on Wednesday, March 2. After enjoying drinks, desserts and much anticipation, Karl Ehlert of Cashman Equipment Company and Steve Holmes, SME Foundation President, announced the lucky winners of the sweepstakes.

The SME Foundation would like to thank everyone who participated in the sweepstakes this year. A total of 12,775 tickets were purchased. Thank you to Cashman Equipment Company for their generous donation of the wonderful prizes.



SME/SME FOUNDATION 2022 SILENT AUCTION



Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc.

The SME Foundation collaborated with SME Divisions to host the 2022 SME/SMEF Silent Auction. Our thanks to Civil & Environmental Consultants Inc., who was once again the Silent Auction sponsor, for their generosity and by helping to raise funds for the Foundation's programs through this popular event. We thank all of the individual and corporate donors to the auction for their help in making it a success.

2022 Silent Auction Donors

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Mark your calendar and join us February 26-March 1, 2023 in Denver, CO for the MINEXCHANGE 2023 SME Annual Conference & Expo. We look forward to seeing you then!



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