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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear SME Foundation Friends,

My two-year SME Foundation Presidential term will conclude at the upcoming SME Annual Conference & Expo. While I have held numerous SME leadership positions, I have been particularly proud to serve as the SME Foundation President working with our contributors, Trustees and staff. This experience has been rewarding and, as experienced by our Trustees, SME Foundation involvement has been professionally rewarding in supporting SME's mission-critical programs.

The SME Foundation has benefited from strong leadership. I am grateful for the strong support and guidance I have received from our Executive Committee, which includes Mary Korpi, Dennis Bryan, Steve Holmes, Ryan Murray, John Mansanti and Dave Kanagy. And my special thanks to our Corporate Giving Committee Co-Chairs Scott Lawson and Josh Olmsted who, despite their very busy professional careers, have given their valuable time to fundraise. Last, but certainly not least, I have appreciated the work of Niki Humphreys, SME Foundation Manager, and Lorie Laessig, SME Foundation Coordinator, for all of their assistance and support during my tenure as SMEF President.

At the upcoming 2019 SME Foundation Board of Trustees meeting, Mary Korpi will become the new SME Foundation President for the 2019-2021 term. Mary is an excellent leader and I ask everyone to join me in welcoming her to this position.

Through the steadfast support, diligent and hard efforts by our Trustees and excellent staff, we have been successful meeting the vital Ph.D. Fellowship and Career Development Grant program fundraising challenge that represents 70 percent of our total fundraising needs. At the same time, our MEC, PE, ABET and Miners Give Back programs are financially on solid and sustainable footing. While the future is never assured, we are now focused and have great support.

I invite you all to the SME Foundation Annual Gala Dinner on Sunday, February 24, 2019 at 6:00pm. This year we will be celebrating "Rocky Mountain Style in Colorful Colorado." Please join the Foundation Board of Trustees and volunteers for an evening of good food, door prizes and dancing, as well as reconnecting with friends and colleagues.

Serving as the SME Foundation President has been a great honor and professionally satisfying. I encourage all of our contributors and supporters to continue providing strong financial funding for the SME Foundation professional and educational programs.

Thank you,

Bill A. Hancock, PE, RM
SME Foundation President

MineralsEducationCoalition.org

MEC IS IN SEARCH OF VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 24TH WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE

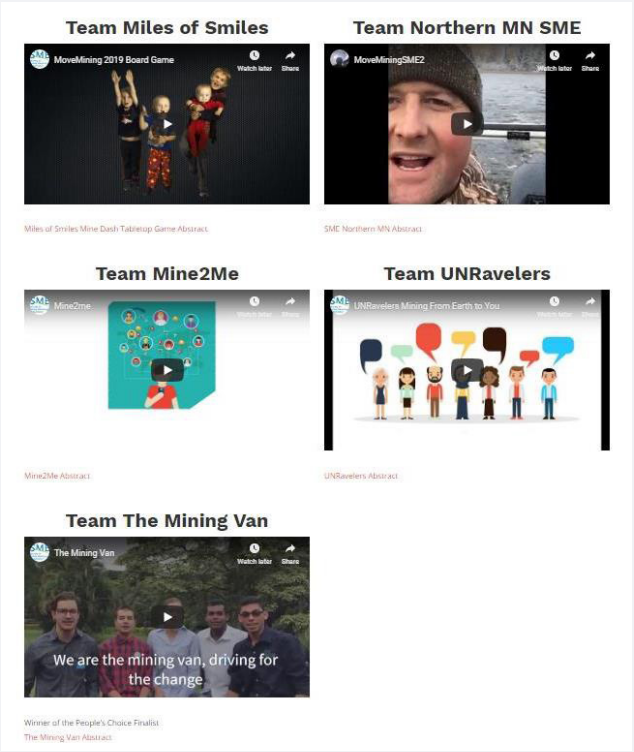
The Minerals Education Coalition is seeking volunteers to help guide participants through hands-on activities about mining, minerals and the Mining in Society merit badge, July 22 – August 2, 2019, at the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve in West Virginia. Sponsored by the SME WAAIME division and CONSOL Energy, the booth will focus on mine safety, reclamation, public perception, exploration and careers in mining. Come be a part of the first World Jamboree in North America since 1967!

For information on attending the event as a volunteer for one or two weeks, please contact Tanya Kriss at ***kriss@smenent.org***.

Please view SME member and MEC Scouting Subcommittee Chair Charlie Zimmerman's video at ***https://youtu.be/xGel1f7c078***.

MOVE MINING FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

Five teams have taken the top spots as the finalists in the Season Three Move Mining competition:



- Team Miles of Smiles from Littleton, Colorado, United States.
- Team Mine2Me from the University of British Columbia, Canada.
- Team The Mining Van from the SME Student Chapter Medellín, Mining and Metallurgy Engineering Department of the National University of Colombia, Medellín, Colombia.
- Team Northern MN SME from the Northern Minnesota Subsection of SME in the United States.
- Team UNRavelers from The John Mackay Club, The University of Nevada, Reno, United States.

The teams are now fleshing out the idea from their three-minute video into a three-to-four page concept paper and preparing their presentations for the Live Event on February 25, 2019 from 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm, in Denver, CO. Check out their video and abstract submissions here at ***www.MoveMining.org*** and be sure to attend or view the Live Event to see the five finalist teams compete for a $5,000 grand prize. Each team will have a chance to pitch their ideas to the judges on stage. The event is open to anyone attending the 2019 SME Annual Conference & Expo and no ticket is necessary for admittance. It's a must-see event! Officially sponsored by Komatsu, MEC would also like to send a special thanks to Newmont Mining Corporation for sponsoring the Live Event Facebook streaming, which is available for those who cannot attend the conference. The Live Event Facebook Stream can be found at ***www.Facebook.com/SocietyForMining***.

Upcoming Events:

movemining™
www.movemining.org
Live Event: Feb. 25, 2019 | Live Streamed on SME Facebook

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CHANGES ARE ON THE HORIZON FOR THE MINERS GIVE BACK PROGRAM

In 2015, SMEF Miners Give Back program partnered with Engineers without Borders (EWB) to leverage EWB's global network of on-the-ground engineers in developing countries that implement multiple projects to address the needs identified by a community. EWB's mission compliments that of MGB's: to support world-wide initiatives focused on humanitarian efforts that tangibly improve the lives of individuals and inspire a commitment to give back to the local community.

SMEF supported EWB projects from 2015 through 2018. These EWB projects helped to improve the water supply for the village of Khanalthok, Nepal; devised methods to address the lack of clean, usable water for the residents of Las Mojarras, Guatemala; assisted a small agricultural village of Saccha in northern Peru to gain access to clean water; and assisted in the design of a water project in Nakyenyi, Uganda.

Due to recent changes in the EWB-USA partnership structure, MGB is now pursuing a U.S.-based initiative. This will allow the committee to have more direct contact with the projects that MGB funds. Several projects are under review and will be presented to the SME Foundation Board of Trustees detailing the new approach and the benefits to be derived.

NATIONAL SCIENCE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (NSTA) AREA CONFERENCES

Terry Jennings and Beth Price volunteered at the Reno event

MEC provided K-12 educators with educational resources at the 2018 National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) area conferences. MEC worked with SME members, mining companies and other geoscience organizations to fund, plan and conduct this year's conferences.

In all, about 3,000 rock and mineral kits were distributed to teachers who attended the events in Reno, NV; National Harbor, MD; and Charlotte, NC. Major sponsors of the NSTA area conventions were Luck Stone, Kinross Bald Mountain, SME member Dale Elifrits and Kathy Elifrits and Kappes, Cassiday & Associates.

The 2019 NSTA area conferences will be held in Salt Lake City, UT (October 24-26), Cincinnati, OH (November 14-16) and Seattle, WA (December 12-14). MEC welcomes sponsorship of the rock sample boxes and printing, box assembly teams, donations of rock and mineral samples and enthusiastic volunteers to talk with teachers during the event. Planning for these events will begin in April. If you would like more information on how to get involved in this valuable outreach or contribute through sponsorship, please contact Tanya Kriss at ***kriss@smenet.org*** for more information!

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I ♥ MINING Rocky Mountain Style

Join the SME Foundation at the Annual Gala Dinner & Silent Auction
Sunday, Feb. 24, 2019 | 6:00 pm | Denver, CO
Get your Tickets Online Today!

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