

Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists

The Rocky Mountain Section Newsletter

JANUARY 2009

MEETING DATE

THURSDAY
JANUARY 8th, 2009

TIME

5:45 p.m. Social Hour
6:30 p.m. Dinner
7:30 p.m. Presentation

LOCATION

Berthoud Hall,
Colorado School of
Mines
1516 Illinois St.
Golden, Co 80401
Room 205
See Map Below

COST

\$25 Members
\$27 Non-members
Students, free first
time then \$10

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BY NOON,
TUESDAY
JANUARY 6TH

Reflections and Snapshots from a 40 year Geo-Odyssey

Dr. Edmund Medley, PE, CEG
Geosyntec Consultants

Reflections and Snapshots from a 40 year Geo-Odyssey ??Shoot! This Has Been Delightful!?: With this typical enthusiastic comment from the late Professor Richard H. Jahns, Dr. Medley describes the highlights of his own unusual career as a prospector, geological engineer, geotechnical engineer and vagabond - a random walk of major life lurches, with several engaging detours. Pausing en route, Dr Medley offers some observations on the current state of engineering geology education and professional practice with (likely provocative) suggestions to academics, students and young professionals.

Biography:

Biography: Dr. Edmund Medley, PE, CEG is a Senior Consultant in the Geoenvironmental practice of the Oakland, California office of Geosyntec Consultants. Dr. Medley has over 30 years of unusually varied international experience in geological and geotechnical engineering, geophysics and mineral exploration. Dr. Medley is professionally licensed/registered/chartered as both an engineer and geologist in the USA, Canada and the United Kingdom.

Dr. Medley consults on various aspects of geological and geotechnical engineering, including investigation and characterization of bimbos and geotechnical/geological engineering vulnerabilities and failures of civil engineering works. Recent consultations include a geological engineering reconnaissance of damage resulting from the October 2006 Hawaii earthquake.

Dr. Medley has contributed to over 50 publications. He has presented more than 100 lectures and taught several Short Courses. Recent contributions focused on the seismic performance of rock block structures and the use of 3-D stereo photography in geoenvironmental. He has appeared in TV documentaries featuring the investigation of the 1995 Sea Cliff Incident in San Francisco. Dr Medley is a peer reviewer for professional journals and a member of the Editorial Board of the International Journal of Geoenvironmental Case Histories.

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Words from the Chair

Thank you again to Mark Molinari and the AEG Executive Council. I understand Mark's presentation on LiDAR applications in environmental and engineering geology was quite interesting and informative.



As 2008 comes to a close, I'd like to thank our members for their enthusiasm and outstanding support this season. We've had great turnouts for every meeting so far! Let's continue to show our support in the New Year.

Next month we have an early meeting on January 8th. We're excited and honored to have our second Jahn's Lecturer of the season, Dr. Ed Medley. Dr. Medley will be giving an intriguing presentation on his observations and unusual career over the last 40 years with a few thoughts on the current state of the engineering geology practice and engineering geology education. Having read his biography and several of his blog posts (<http://edmedley.com>), I believe this will be a fun and memorable presentation. I recommend everyone check out his website!

It's time to start thinking about our annual Student Night. Student Night is coming up in March and we'll continue with our new poster session format. Planning is already underway and if anyone would like to help with the event this year please feel free to contact me or another member of the board. Stay tuned for information on how you and your companies can help sponsor Student Night this year.

On a personal note, I'm excited to announce I recently passed the Professional Geologist licensure exam, so I am now an official licensed PG. Also, I'm sorry to say I won't be at the January meeting. Unfortunately (I write with a smirk), I'll be basking in the sun and swimming in the warm ocean waters of Hawaii.

I hope everyone has a wonderful, safe holiday season! Happy Holidays and Happy New Year! Don't forget to RSVP.

See you all next year,

Sean Harvey, GIT
Chair, AEG-RMS

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He is the 2009 Richard H Jahns Distinguished Lecturer in Engineering Geology, a distinction jointly awarded by the Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists and the Geological Society of America (Engineering Geology Division). The award was established in 1988 to commemorate Professor Jahns (1915-1983), who had an influential and diverse career in academia, consulting and government.

Additional details of Dr. Medley's professional background are available at his personal website <http://edmedley.com>

2008-2009 Upcoming Meeting Presentations

January 8, 2009	Ed Medley	Jahn's Lecturer
February 12, 2009	Alan Howard	Los Angeles Ocean Outfall Tunnel
March 27, 2009	Student Night	Friday
April 9, 2009	Robin Dornfest	Sugar Beet Spoils, Geotechnical Implications
May 14, 2009	Susan Steele-Weir	Trip report from Antarctica— Family Night

If you are interested in Presenting at an AEG meeting contact Sean Harvey at chair@aeqrms.org

Student Night 2009

Please see the attached flier for information on being a sponsor for Student Night 2009. A great way to give back to the geological engineering/engineering geology professionals of tomorrow.



ASSOCIATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL & ENGINEERING
GEOLOGISTS

AEG Student Night

Friday March 27, 2008

5:30-9:00 PM

Berthoud Hall, Room 243

Colorado School of Mines, Golden, CO

The Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists (AEG) represents professionals in the field of environmental and engineering geology in the greater Denver area and throughout the Rocky Mountain region. AEG is hosting our Annual Student Night Banquet, where environmental and engineering geology students from across the Rocky Mountain region will present their research as part of this well-attended networking event.

We would like to invite you to participate as a sponsor for the event. This will be an exciting opportunity for you to gain recognition for your firm by as many as 100 professionals and students in the region. This event also serves as an excellent recruiting opportunity, as the region's best and brightest students will be in attendance. You may participate at the following sponsorship levels:

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES	
Diamond Level	\$400
Platinum Level	\$200
Gold Level	\$100
Silver Level	\$50
Bronze Level	\$25

All sponsors will be listed on a posterboard at the meeting, in the section newsletter, and on the section website (www.aegrms.org). All students who attend this meeting receive complimentary admission so this event would not be possible without the support of our sponsors. We thank you in advance for your generous donations!

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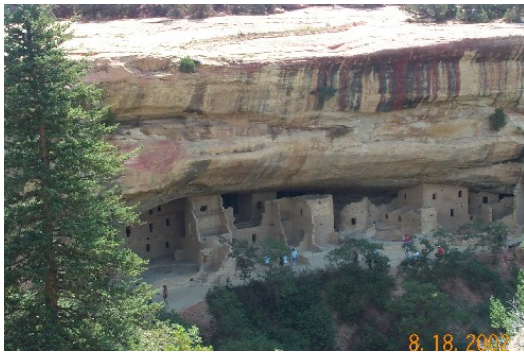
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