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Arizona Section Newsletter

July 2010

MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENGINEERING GEOLOGISTS - ARIZONA SECTION

Dinner Meeting
Thursday, August 19, 2010
El Peñasco

REGISTRATION/HAPPY HOUR AT 6 PM
MEETING SPONSORSHIP COURTESY OF **AECOM**

DINNER STARTS AT 7:00 PM

SPEAKER:
Mr. Joel Anderson

PRESENTATION:
Engineers without Borders

MEETING RESERVATIONS
(Please e-mail Bonnie Whitley by August 16, 2010)
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Please note Arizona Section meeting prices:
Members \$20.00, Non-Members \$25.00, Full Time Students \$5.00, State Employees \$10.00

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ARIZONA SECTION SECRETARY – Bonnie Whitley

Welcome to the latest edition of the AEG Arizona Section newsletter!

We had a great meeting in May. Our speaker was Duane Kreuger, the 2010 AEG President. His presentation was titled “Environmental Consulting: Where We’re At and Where We’re Going”. Thanks again to Geomechanics Southwest, Inc. for sponsoring this meeting.

We also held annual officer elections at the May meeting. Pancho Garza was elected as our new Chair, replacing Ken Ferguson who decided to step down this year. Francis Ackerman was elected as our new Vice Chair. Gregg Mitchell, Ben Ciampa and I are continuing on in our current posts.

Our July meeting was our first held in Tucson since becoming the official Arizona section. Our speaker was Lee Allison, the Director of AZGS and the Arizona State Geologist. Lee presentation was titled “A Digital Revolution in the Geosciences” and included an update on the cutting edge work going on at the AZGS and their work centering on the Geoscience Information Network (GIN). The goal is help make a network of digital available geoscience data that is freely distributed and available on the web. Thanks again to Golder Associates for sponsoring this meeting.

Our next meeting will be held on August 19th. Details are shown on the previous page. Joel Anderson with Engineers without Borders will be our speaker.

Please consider becoming a member of AEG. One of the goals of the Arizona Section is to grow our membership and it’s clear that we are not communicating the benefits of membership. I strongly encourage you to join if you are not a member – you get the AEG Environmental & Engineering Geology publication, a nice entry on the resumé, career building and recruiting support, on-line access to many journals, and numerous other forms of support. Students, involvement and membership in AEG goes a long way towards getting your career going. And now, student membership is free. Details on how to join are found later in this newsletter.

Also, we’ve been doing great for meeting sponsors, but we always need more. Sponsorship helps to keep our meetings fun with beverages, and our Section alive and well, so please help the Section out and sponsor a meeting or more. At this time we only have 2 annual sponsors for 2010, that seems way too small to me. Contact me for more information or fill out a sponsorship for and send it in - http://www.aegweb.org/files/public/AZ_SEC_Sponsor_Form_pdf_WEBCOPY.pdf.

Please don’t forget about the AEG Arizona Section Blog (<http://aegarizona.blogspot.com/>). We’ve cut down on the email announcements that are sent out, but they are all posted at the blog. It’s a great source of information about Environmental and Engineering Geology and what’s going on in and around Arizona. I encourage everyone to check by frequently.

Thanks, Bonnie Whitley, AEG Secretary

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2010 SECTION MEETINGS

Arizona Section Meetings

Arizona Section meetings will be held at: El Penasco in Tempe, unless otherwise noted.

Cost: Members \$20.00, Non-Members \$25.00, Full Time Students \$5.00, State Employees \$10.00

The Section's 2010 meeting schedule is as follows (topics/speakers subject to change):

- **August 19**, Joel Anderson, Engineers without Borders
- **September 30**, Brian Conway, InSAR

Meetings, meeting locations, and field trips listed above are subject to change.

U of A Chapter Meetings/News

No news for July 2010, as this Chapter seems to be inactive. If you are interested in reanimating the U of A Student Chapter, please contact Pancho Garza (pancho.garza@aecom.com).

AEG MEMBERSHIP

If you aren't a member, consider joining. You can obtain an application, or join on-line at www.aegweb.org. If you are a member – are you current? If not, you have several ways to renew.

1) Fill out the paperwork and mail it in, 2) log onto www.aegweb.org with your ID and password; 3) Calling the National office at (303) 757-2926, or 4) send an email to aeg@aegweb.org and we will call you.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have Announcements that you want to get out to the Section, let us know and we'll publish it here.

- **We Need Sponsors!** Sponsorship makes our meeting great and keeps our section alive and functioning. We have a few lined up, but could use more so please consider a sponsorship – more information is available at
- http://www.aegweb.org/files/public/AZ_SEC_Sponsor_Form_pdf_WEBCOPY.pdf.
- Visit Geo Slice, the AEG Arizona Section blog – We hope to grow its use as way to distribute information of various forms. <http://aegarizona.blogspot.com/>

JOB OPENINGS, JOBS WANTED

To add a job opening contact Bonnie Whitley at bonniwhitleype@gmail.com.

E-MAIL LIST

If you want to be added to the newsletter email list, or no longer want to be included, please send them to Bonnie Whitley at bonniwhitleype@gmail.com or to Pancho Garza at pancho.garza@aecom.com. Any additions or corrections to the email list or to the newsletter contact Bonnie or Pancho as above.

MEETING SPONSORS

We are always looking for sponsors for our monthly dinner meetings and for the Student Section activities. Sponsorship includes one dinner; and you can put up a small display and have a few minutes to talk about your company. More information is found at http://www.aegweb.org/files/public/AZ_SEC_Sponsor_Form_pdf_WEBCOPY.pdf.

To Sponsor an Arizona Section Meeting or the U of A Student Chapter, contact Pancho Garza (602-770-2560).

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SECTION SPONSORS

Our Section annual sponsors are listed below. The sponsors for this season are a tremendous support and we are grateful for their participation. If you would like to become an Arizona Section annual sponsor, please contact Pancho Garza (pancho.garza@aecom.com)

