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ENGINEERING GEOLOGISTS**
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SECTION, SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
"Serving Professionals in Engineering, Environmental and
Ground-Water Geology"

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER, MAY 2008 NEWSLETTER

MAY MEETING NOTICE: TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008. Join us in the familiar confines of Ninyo & Moore's conference room. Social Period starts at 5:30 PM, talk at 6:00 pm. In case you've forgotten, Ninyo & Moore, is located at 5710 Ruffin Road, San Diego, CA. Please contact Lesley Barnes at Tetra Tech (lesley.barnes@ttemi.com) to RSVP. Dinner is buffet-style. Cost is \$20.

Our speaker/moderator will be Lee Vanderhurst who will preside over an informal discussion of the geotechnical issues contained in the new (draft) Storm Water Standard portion of the Land Development Manual (www.sandiego.gov/development-services/news/pdf/stormwatermanual.pdf). Please join us to give your 2 cents. We are currently working on a guest appearance by a real live City of San Diego Official to minimize misinterpretation, rumor and innuendo.

FUTURE MEETINGS

In **July**, the newly elected AEG President Dorian Elder-Mills will present a discussion of case studies in aggregate mining and reclamation. The time and place will be announced in our next newsletter.

CHAPTER PRESIDENTS COMMENTS – Steven Bradley, CEG

We'll we've a bit of quite spell with the AEG meetings but are lining a series of meetings for the summer and fall. Lee is hot on the pursuit of a viable resolution to the proposed storm water requirements for the region. I would expect to see several new faces at the upcoming meeting as we have had several phone calls from local, yet somewhat inactive members.

Lee and I attended the North American Geoscience Teachers' spring conference held at Palomar College last month and saw quite a bit of interest in our organization. We will be furthering our outreach in June by attending a professional organization day to be hosted by CalTrans at their old town office.

As always, please let us know if there subjects of interest that you would like to see the AEG San Diego Chapter address in upcoming meetings.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM THE FIELD:

- The next Board for Geologists and Geophysicists meeting will be held May 9, 2008 at The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, 9174 Sky Park Court, San Diego, CA 92123. Here's your chance to vent your ignimbrites.
- The newly formed AEG Student/Young Professional Support Committee is initiating a Visiting Professionals Program in order to reach more students earlier in their academic careers. Visiting Professionals will communicate about the field of environmental and engineering geology and explain to students how AEG can support them as they pursue their education and career in geology.

This initiative is just one of several the committee is pursuing to reach students and young professionals, including developing a Face Book page, a "Welcome to the Profession" package, and a graduation gift of one year's professional membership to graduating AEG student members. Since the committee believes face-to-face contact with AEG members has the potential for a very positive impact with students and young professionals, we are starting the Visiting Professionals Program first.

We are calling for volunteers to serve as Visiting Professionals. We especially want to reach students at schools that don't have the support an AEG Student Chapter. A Visiting Professional could choose from a variety of presentations including an informal question and answer session with a campus geology club, a talk about your experiences throughout your career, or a more formal presentation of a case study.

We'd like you to consider one visit during the academic year to a campus in your area to help us launch this program. If travel is involved, we anticipate the availability of funding to support travel expenses, though we do ask you to volunteer your valuable time.

If you are interested please contact Becky Roland at broland@aegweb.org.

If you are not receiving a newsletter, please contact Lee Vanderhurst at lvanderhurst@geotechnicsinc.com. We receive at least 5 "pings" a month indicating a change of address or bad address information.

MISSION STATEMENT

The San Diego Chapter of the AEG subscribes to the national AEG's mission statement. The Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists (AEG) contributes to its members' professional success and the public welfare by providing leadership, advocacy, and applied research in environmental and engineering geology.

AEG AND USEFUL LOCAL LINKS

- Southern California Section AEG: <http://www.aegsc.org/>
- National AEG: <http://www.aegweb.org/>
- San Diego Association of Geologists <http://www.sandiegogeologists.org>

- American Society of Civil Engineers,
San Diego Geotechnical Group http://www.asce-sd.org/groups_geotech.asp
- San Diego State University,
Geology Department <http://www.geology.sdsu.edu>

EMPLOYMENT

PALEONTOLOGICAL FIELD MANAGER SAN DIEGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

Coordinate paleontological field activities (i.e., supervision of field monitors in prospecting for and collection of fossils and the recording of stratigraphic, taphonomic, geographic, and topographic data) and production of final project reports that summarize the methods and preliminary results of paleontological salvage activities. Other duties include generation of initial discovery letter reports for City, County, and/or State agency managers and generation of paleontological resource assessment technical reports. Opportunities also include paleontological field work in the Southern California region and working with the extensive fossil collections of the San Diego Natural History Museum.

Qualified candidates must have at least a B.S. Degree in Geology or Paleobiology; 2 to 3 years of relevant experience (especially sedimentary geology and paleontology); excellent supervisory/managerial, verbal, written, and interpersonal skills; and a strong work ethic, intense drive, and initiative for quality and customer service. This position is a regular, full-time salaried position with a generous benefits package (e.g., full medical and 401K plan). Compensation will be based on individual qualifications and experience (annual salary range \$40,000 to \$60,000). Please send resumes to Yvonne Kugies (ykugies@sdnhm.org).

As a service to our members, AEG San Diego welcomes job postings - either for open positions or jobs wanted. Please contact Lee Vanderhurst (lvanderhurst@geotechnicsinc.com) for information on advertising in this newsletter. The cost for an ad is \$25 per month.

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