

# AEG Inland Chapter President's Message

## June 2006

### Message from the President

#### Chapter President's message - June

Greetings fellow environmental and engineering geologists of the Inland Empire.

The May meeting was held in the rustic Pinnacle Peak restaurant in Colton, which is famous for cutting the ties of any foolish enough to wear one. Severed ties line the walls throughout the restaurant. Fortunately, the attire of the geologist attending the June meeting did not warrant such drastic measures.

An excellent talk was presented by **Stephen Testa**, despite a computer failure that prevented viewing of photographs he had compiled for the talk. Double thanks to **Mr. Testa** who also made a presentation at the Rules and Regulations short course at UCR, which was co-sponsored with **Inland Geological Society**.

Our thanks go out to that group, coordinating Instructor **Tien Lee** of **UCR Department of Earth Sciences**; presenters **Paul Sweeny, Steve Testa, David Jones, Steven Kupferman, Alfredo Zanoria, John Broderick, Janice Hernandez** and **UCR Extension Services staff**.

Please consider attending the upcoming rock slope stability short course in June. This will be a hands-on course that will enhance the knowledge and skills of all who attend. Please sign up early to reserve your place and to aid the instructors and Chapter in planning.

Many thanks to the Petra sponsors who have provided financial support to the Charter. Those individuals and organization are acknowledged below.

Cordially,

*Gary Wallace*

AEG Inland Empire Chapter

2006 President

### Nomination/Election of 2006-2007 Officers

The current term of Chapter Officer expires 30-Sep-06. Therefore Open Season for Nominations of 2006-2007 Chapter Officers is underway upon us, the Members and attenders. Please NOTE:

Candidates for Officers should be AEG Members or become AEG Members, Candidates for President are required to be a Member of AEG by 1-Oct-06. Please NOW submit your Nomination of specific candidates for Officers to President Gary Wallace (see Officer contact information below) with a copy to Past President Frank Jordan at [GEO.Jordan@gmail.com](mailto:GEO.Jordan@gmail.com) .

A slate of candidates will be submitted in a forthcoming Notice based on a final call for nominations at the June meeting. Nominations will not be considered following the business

of the June meeting. Write-in candidates are allowed (see below). An Election Ballot will be distributed prior to the July meeting Notice, and be available following that.

An Election will occur at the August Meeting, and new Officer installation will occur at the September meeting. Write-ins will be allowed, including floor nominations at the August meeting during meeting business immediately before the actual election. New Officers will be in charge effective 1-Oct-06.

## **Meeting Summary**

### **Secretary's report**

The May meeting held at Pinnacle Pete's in Colton was well attended by all who wanted to gain in broadening their knowledge of the importance of the petroleum industry in California. Despite our technical difficulties Stephen Testa did a great job at presenting a snapshot of the influences of geologist and oil played on the California economy.

Prior to dinner, the board met to discuss the proposed "*Rock Slope Stability Investigation and Analysis*" short course. Thanks to all who responded to our survey of interest on the topic. Based on the number of those who are committed to attend the board unanimously confirm the class will be held in Temecula on June 23 and 24. Many thanks to Rick Gundry for his tireless research and planning.

As always if you have topic of interest or a place you think we should visit forward you information to anyone on the board. Also remember nominations for new board members are open now.

See you in June.

Thanks,  
*Mike Cook*

AEG Inland Empire Secretary

### **Treasurer's Report**

The End-Of-Year Fiscal Report for AEG Fiscal Year 2005-2006, ending 30-June-06, for Inland Empire Chapter will be forthcoming after 30-Jun-06, for submitting to AEG Southern California Section, and AEG National at the designated time-frame, likely 30-AUG-2006.

We have about \$2,000 in the Chapter banking account, which is a couple of orders of magnitude larger than one-year ago, thanks to many individuals and companies that donated with terrific giving to Petras financial foundation-building in this inaugural year.

Although the Chapter was initially formed in early April 2005 (or several weeks before as some may remember), the inaugural year finance-building for a stronger monetary foundation began about a year ago, and ends 30-June-06.

Thanks to all PETRAS SPONSORS and all those that have also incrementally made donations which all counts up.

*Rick Gundry*, Treasurer