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## President's Message

Hello SDES Black Hills Chapter members!

I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year! We are looking forward to several exciting events at the beginning of 2020. Please join us at our January Membership Meeting to learn about the Robbinsdale storm water retention design presented by Longbranch Civil Engineering, Inc.

The Black Hills Chapter is also planning our Engineer's week Awards Luncheon which will be held on February 18th at the Rushmore Hotel in Rapid City. At this event we will present awards for Young Engineer, Engineer, and Project and of the Year. Please remember to nominate fellow members and projects for these prestigious awards. This event will also feature a presentation by Rob Mudge of RPM & Associates Inc. I look forward to the year ahead and seeing you at these events.

Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Brett Belzer, PE  
President of the Black Hills Chapter  
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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **ENGINEER'S WEEK**

Save the date for the SDES Order of the Engineer E-Week Luncheon on **Tuesday,**

**February 18<sup>th</sup>**, 2020! Our speaker will be Robert Mudge, from RPM companies. Look for postcards in the mail.

***Don't forget to send in your nomination forms for Engineer, Young Engineer, and Project of the year awards by January 30th!***

### ***YOUTH IN SCIENCE***

YIS is sponsoring "DREAM BIG", a celebration of human ingenuity in the form of engineering marvels. This free film is open to the public on **February 19th at 6PM** at the Elks Theatre. Doors open at 5:30. Door prizes are sponsored by local STEM supporters, including the BH Chapter of SDES.

### ***MATHCOUNTS***

The big event is coming up on **February 22 at 1 PM** in Classroom Building, room 204! The mathletes still need a few volunteers to emcee, take pictures, proctor, or grade. Please contact [Seth Keene](mailto:seth.keene@k12.sd.us) at [seth.keene@k12.sd.us](mailto:seth.keene@k12.sd.us) for more information. If you'd like to donate to MATHCOUNTS, please email Bill Huber at [william@ecpcompany.com](mailto:william@ecpcompany.com).

MathCounts is one of the most successful education partnerships involving volunteers, educators, industry sponsors and students. This local contest is for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students of the South Dakota West River area schools. Sponsored by the South Dakota Engineering Society, Black Hills Chapter.

### ***SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER MEETINGS***

The next Chapter Lunch & Learn will be on Thursday, **January 23rd at 11:30 AM** in the Community Room of the Rapid City Library. Kale McNaboe, PE, from Longbranch Engineering will present on Robinsdale drainage analysis following a major storm event (1 PDH). Please pay at the event. [Follow the link to RSVP](#).

*Have any topic suggestions? We'd love to hear them. Please contact a Board member with your ideas.*

### ***SDSM&T GEOLOGY and GEOLOGICAL Engineering Seminar Series***

The ERI Department is hosting Dr. Scyller Borglum from RESPEC on **January 31st** for a talk on "South Dakota Geology, Geography and Politics." The meeting will take place in room CB204W. Details and later events can be found here: [GGE-Seminars-Workshops-Meetings](#). For more information, please contact Dan Soeder at [Dan.Soeder@sdsmt.edu](mailto:Dan.Soeder@sdsmt.edu).

### ***SDSMT CAREER FAIR***

The spring career fair is **February 4th** in the King Center. Held once each semester, fall and spring, the SD Mines Career Fair connects over 1,000 students with 150 employers (about a third from South Dakota).

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**Pres. Belzer presenting an award to Gail Boddicker for her  
15 years of service to SDES and furthering the profession  
of engineering. Thank you Gail for all you've done!**

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**TREASURER'S  
REPORT**

**Scholarships/Donation Schedule**

		<b>Year</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>(AS OF 30-Dec-2019)</b>		2019	Youth in Science	\$500.00
			Scholarships	\$2,500.00
Account		2020	Youth in Science	\$1,000.00
			Scholarships	\$2,500.00
Checking \$17,753.72		2021	Youth in Science	\$500.00
Savings \$ 7,828.02			Scholarships	\$2,500.00
CD #1 \$ 1,109.89		2022	Youth in Science	\$500.00
CD #2 \$ 2,603.35			Scholarships	\$2,500.00
Petty \$ 150.00			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,500.00</b>

**SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER BOARD MEETINGS**

Board meetings are open to everyone. Meeting locations are generally chosen a week prior, so please contact a Board member if you are interested in attending.

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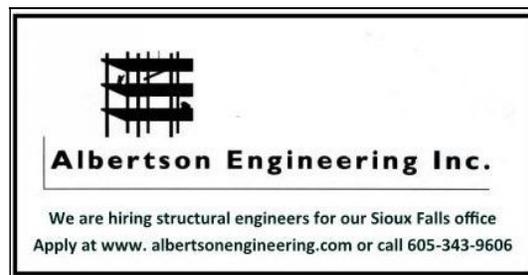
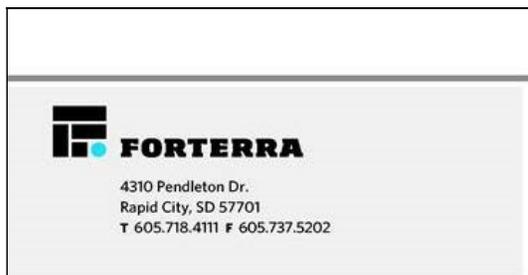
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