



November 2020 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone.

Crazy to think that 2020 is almost over! I think we all can agree that COVID, killer wasps, nationwide protests, September snowstorms, and elections have made this one memorable year. I hope that as the year winds down, you can enjoy the holidays and even though it was a hectic year you have plenty to be thankful for.

I want to thank Heidi Wagner from SDSM&T for presenting at the November Membership Meeting about "Ethics and Human Resource Management in the Construction Sector".

As the construction season comes to an end, and you have a little more down time please take the time to join us for our next membership meeting. We will be hosting another virtual lunch and learn on December 16th, so look for more information in the coming weeks!

Also, keep a look out for the SDES award applications which will be heading to your inboxes in early December. Submit to have your project, young engineer, or engineer recognized for their talent and contributions to the engineering profession!

If you haven't already, please follow the SDES page on Facebook. Doug Noyes, PE

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UPCOMING EVENTS

December 16: December Membership Meeting

Speaker: Phillip Gallet
(Keller North America, Inc.)

When: 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Where: Virtual Meeting
Details to Come

AREA PROJECTS



New \$1.24M wellhouse under construction for Black Hawk Water User District. Wellhouse will pump & treat well water to future 500K gallon concrete tank.

Estimated Completion: Summer 2021

Engineer: AE2S; General Contractor: Mainline Contracting

New Membership Options

At the June Annual Membership Meeting the SDES membership voted to add to new membership options for Two-Tier Membership (State and Chapter), typically referred to as State Only Memberships. The purpose is to recognize years of service by State Only members by offering Two-Tier (State/Chapter Only) Retired Memberships and Two-Tier (State/Chapter Only) Life Memberships. Want to encourage any members who have retired to maintain their memberships after retirement. This allows them to remain active in SDES and share your knowledge and wisdom with younger members.

The Two-Tier (State Only) Retired Membership:

Available to members if the person has been a continuous member of SDES for a period of 25 years, is at least 65 years of age and has retired from active practice. "Active practice" = providing engineering consultation totaling more than 300 hours in a given year. Dues for retired status will be one-half the dues of normal State Only membership (2020 rates = \$70).

The Two-Tier (State Only) Life Membership:

Available to anyone who has been a continuous member of SDES for a period of 40 years and is at least 65 years of age. Life membership is free.

If you are eligible for either Retired or Life member status, or have questions on your eligibility, contact Nancy Hoines at sdengineeringsociety@gmail.com or (605) 951-1004.

TREASURER'S REPORT

(AS OF 30-September-20)

Account

Checking:	\$13,885.39
Savings:	\$7,831.03
CD #1:	\$1,116.25
CD #2:	\$2,625.29
Endowment:	\$22,456.87

Scholarship/Donation Schedule

<u>Year</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2020	Youth in Science Scholarship	\$500.00 \$2,500.00
2021	Youth in Science Scholarship	\$500.00 \$2,500.00
	TOTAL	\$6,000.00

Scholarship Update

The Black Hills Chapter will continue to support academics with one \$2500 scholarship in Fall 2021. Proceeds from the last time the Black Hills Chapter hosted the SDES Annual Convention, member contributions, and distributions from the Black Hills Chapter's Joy Page Scholarship Fund are used to support this scholarship. Contributions to the fund or the Black Hills Chapter are welcome. For more information about the Jody Page Memorial fund, or to make a contribution to the Chapter for scholarships, contact Kyle Hansen at khansen@fmgengineering.com.

Thanks to all who have provided support to this program over the years. The Chapter also has \$1000 in reserve for other charitable donations that we make throughout the year.

SDES Black Hills Chapter – 2020 Award Nominees!

Do you know someone who is doing great work? Someone who is on the cutting edge of their field? Or that project that just makes you say, Wow! Keep your eye out as nominees for the 2020 BH Chapter SDES Engineering Achievement Awards will be requested soon. Applications will be due January 2021 and winners announced during Engineer's Week in February. Categories include: Young Engineer of the Year, Engineer of the Year, and Outstanding Engineering Achievement. The BH Chapter winners will go on to the state competition that is awarded in conjunction with the SDES Annual Conference in April.

If you have any questions, please direct them to anne.winckel@respec.com.

SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS!

Please join us in welcoming the following new members to the Black Hills Chapter:

- *Victor Hernandez-Chinos (SDSM&T Student)*
- *Marvin Geersen, P.E. (Black Hills Energy)*
- *Isaac Knock (SDSM&T Student)*
- *Tyler Kleinsasser, EIT (SDSM&T Student)*
- *Joshua Willhite, P.E. (Fermi Research Alliance)*

The South Dakota Engineer Newsletter and the SDES Membership Directory

The current issue of The South Dakota Engineer is available at www.sdes.org by clicking on "News". As a reminder, SDES and ASCE members are invited to submit information for the e-newsletter. The newsletter is distributed September - May. The SDES Membership directory is also available upon request to SDES members only. Send your requests to a Black Hills Chapter Officer for a pdf of the directory. Also, please review your personal information and let a Black Hills Chapter Officer know if your contact information has changed.

SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:

Chapter membership meetings are generally on the third Tuesday of the month (September to May) from 11:30-1:00 (presentation at noon). Please check specific arrangements as meeting dates / locations occasionally due to speaker/room availability, etc.

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

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AREA PROJECTS



The Fitzgerald Stadium renovation is underway! Project scope includes new stadium, concessions area, natural to artificial turf field conversion, concourse, and other site improvements.

The approximately \$5 million dollar project will be completed in 2021.

Civil & Geotech Engineer: FMG Engineering

Architect: Architecture Incorporated

General Contractor: MAC Construction

Civil Site Contractor: Siteworks

Turf Contractor: Mid-America Golf

Want to highlight your project??? Or have something interesting you want to share with the society???

Send your photos and/or a short description to Joe Noble at Joe.Noble@AE2S.com