



January 2021 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Engineer,

We are about to enter a busy couple of months for the BH Chapter with events that will be different than years past. The board and I have decided to move the E-Week Awards Gala as well as the Spring Conference to virtual events. We were hoping that the COVID situation would move in a direction that would allow us to meet in person, but a survey of SDES members across the state showed that most members would prefer to meet virtually. It is our desire to meet in person once again and we are hopeful that that will be soon. Until then, keep a look out for registration information for the Awards Gala and Spring Conference

With that being said, do not let the fact that our Awards Gala will be virtual stop you from submitting nominations for Young Engineer of the Year, Engineer of the Year, and Project of the Year. I believe that now more than ever we should celebrate each other as well as exciting things that are happening in our community. The deadline to submit Nominations is February 5th. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me or any other BH Chapter board member.

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February 24: Awards Gala

Speaker: Wes Dickhut, P.E.

(GeoStabilization International)

Topic: "Identification & Mitigation of Geohazards"

When: 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM MST

Where: Virtual Meeting

How: Register online by February 22

www.SDES.org/event-4155920

\$10 for SDES Members & Non-Members

Free for Students

All proceeds will go towards the Scholarship Fund



LAST CALL – 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 is rapidly approaching. Applications are due February 5, 2021 and winners will be announced at the Engineers Week Virtual Awards Gala, February, 24, 2021. 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. Applications for all Chapter awards can be found online on the SDES website at <http://www.sdes.org/page-1564527>

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

(As of 31 December 2020)

Account

Checking: \$17,576.21
Savings: \$7,832.70
CD #2: \$2,626.55
Endowment: \$22,745.62

Scholarship/Donation Schedule

<u>Year</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2021	Youth in Science	\$500.00
	Scholarship	\$2,500.00
	TOTAL	\$3,000.00

SAVE THE DATE!

***60th Annual SDES Conference
April 14-16, 2021
More details forthcoming!***

Scholarship Update

In 2021, The Black Hills Chapter will award two Jody Page Leadership Scholarships (1- \$2000/1- \$500). Applicants must be a returning South Dakota School of Mines and Technology engineering student (undergraduate only) for Fall Semester 2021. Application deadline is February 5, 2021. Please visit the Student Information and Scholarships page located on the SDES website for additional information.

Scholarship applications for the BH, Eastern and Central Chapter scholarships can be found on the SDES website at <http://www.sdes.org/page-1279270>

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.

OUTREACH UPDATE AND OPPORTUNITES

To ensure the safety and well-being of Rapid City Area Schools' students, staff, and community and to continue to minimize the spread of COVID-19, **in-person partnership opportunities will be suspended through the end of this academic year.** If your business is interested, there are still plenty of ways to participate in educational outreach through virtual programming opportunities:

- Virtual Guest Speaking: Present to a classroom and share your field of expertise.
- Virtual Partner Panel: Be a part of classroom industry discussions with RCAS students.
- Virtual Information Interviews: Meet virtually with an RCAS student(s) for a discussion on your career and/or industry.
- Virtual Learning/Industry Tour: Show students the various career options your business/organization has to offer.
- Work-based or Service Learning: Introduce students to potential career fields as they gain on-the-job experience in your work place. Work-based and service learning opportunities may take place in-person with the completion of a COVID-19 Disclaimer document or take place virtually.

If you or a member of your team are interested in providing any of these opportunities for students, please email Amy.Hasvold@RESPEC.com to get connected with RCAS.

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