



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow SDES Members,

Welcome Chapter members to the start of our 2022-2023 monthly meeting cycle. This past summer has been cruising and here we are in September. I am excited that we are continuing to offer opportunities for our members to network, gain PDHs, and learn more about what other engineers are doing in the local area. We are looking to be more consistent and have a membership meeting and/or social outing very month. I'm looking forward to everyone coming out to our first social at Press Start next Wednesday at 5 PM. Come early as we will offer a limited number of free drinks and game play.

I encourage you to look at the many opportunities to participate and help support the society, whether that be at one of the career fairs coming up, upcoming Youth in Science, or the Art+Engineering mixer on the 15th. Your presence and willingness to volunteer would be greatly appreciated. Lastly, if you have not done so already, register for the SDES Fall PDH Conference in Sioux Falls, September 28-29. More information below.

I hope you all are doing well. I'm looking forward to seeing you next week!

Joe Noble, PE
President of the Black Hills Chapter
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2022-2023 Notable Events

Fall Conference – Sioux Falls, SD, September 28th-29th
MATHCOUNTS – February 2023 (volunteer opportunity)
Awards Gala – Spring 2023
Annual Conference (Pierre) – Spring 2023

2022-2023 BLACK HILLS CHAPTER SDES OFFICERS

President: Joe Noble (Joe.Noble@AE2S.com)
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COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Awards/Recognition: Anne Winckel
MATHCOUNTS: Ericka Amborn
University Relations: Matt Hanley
Public Relations: Amy Hasvold
Scholarship & Endowment: Kyle Hansen
Newsletter Editor: Erik Walega

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 21: September Members' Meeting (Social)

When: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Where: Press Start (Downtown Rapid City)

September 24:

SD Mines Homecoming (including M Hill Rededication)

When: Varies by activity
Where: Varies by activity

Pumpkin Chunkin

When: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Where: Downtown Rapid City

September 27-28: Rapid City Construction Career Camp

When: *September 27th is reserved for RCAS students only.
Where: Central States Fairground

September 28-29: Fall Conference

When: 11:30 AM, Sept. 28 – 4:45 PM, Sept. 29
Where: Hilton Garden Inn Downtown Sioux Falls
More details below.

October 6: October Members meeting (GCC Plant Tour)

When: 12:00-1:00 (lunch not provided)
Where: 501 North St. Onge Street, Rapid City, SD 57702

*SDES Black Hills Chapter
2021 Award Winners:*

2021 Young Engineer of the Year: Erik Walega
2021 Engineer of the Year: Brian Jenner
2021 Outstanding Engineering Achievement:
Black Hawk Water User District Wellhouse
and Reservoir Tank
Owner/Designer: AE2S



ACEC/SDES 2021 Award Winners:

2021 Young Engineer of the Year: Erik Walega
2021 Engineer of the Year: Trent Bruce
2021 Outstanding Engineering Achievement:
8th Street Bridge and Greenway Improvements



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS!

2022 SDES Black Hills Chapter Nominees

Do any up-and-coming or seasoned SDES engineers come to mind when you think of someone positively contributing to their profession and their community? **Nominate them!** Have you seen or heard of any local, outstanding engineering projects that have been completed recently? **Nominate one!**

TREASURER'S REPORT

(AS OF 30-AUGUST-22)

Account

Checking: \$6,775.87
Savings: \$7,838.38
CD #1: \$2,633.95
Endowment: \$59,958.41

Scholarship/Donation Schedule

<u>Year</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2022	Scholarship	\$2,500.00
2023	Scholarship	\$2,500.00
	TOTAL	\$5,000.00

Scholarship Update

The Black Hills Chapter will continue to support academics with one \$2500 scholarship in Fall 2022. Proceeds from the last time the Black Hills Chapter hosted the SDES Annual Convention, member contributions, and distributions from the Black Hills Chapter's Jody 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.

**SDES BLACK HILLS CHAPTER WELCOMES
NEW MEMBERS!**

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

- *Caiden Merritt (Lohmiller & Company / Carrier West)*
- *William Kuhl IV (SD Mines Student)*

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 the third week of the month (September to May) either during lunch 11:30-1:00 (presentation at noon) or as an early evening tour/social. Please check specific arrangements as meeting dates / locations vary due to speaker/room availability, etc.

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

BLACK HILLS CHAPTER NEWSLETTER SPONSORS

Contributions from local consultants, contractors, suppliers, government agencies, and other related companies provide vital funding for our scholarships, MATHCOUNTS program, and other worthy activities. Newsletter sponsors go from September to May. Please consider the minimal donation of \$10/month or \$75 for nine months to show your support for the local SDES chapter and get the exposure of your advertisement in the newsletters throughout the next year. Ads may be business card size (up to 2 3/4" H x 3 1/2" W, maximum), B&W or color, your choice. If you and/or your company are interested in becoming a Sponsor, please visit the SDES website and register at [South Dakota Engineering Society - 2022-23 SDES Black Hills Chapter Newsletter Sponsorship](#) or contact Erik Walega at erik.walega@respec.com.

A BIG THANK YOU to all our Sponsors!

2022 FALL PDH CONFERENCE

The SDES Eastern Chapter invites you to the 2022 Fall PDH Conference in Sioux Falls. Come explore the everchanging Sioux Falls skyline as we are eager to gather together for a cutting-edge project tour, exceptional educational opportunities, and plenty of networking time! With up to 9 hours of interactive PDH including 10 educational sessions, a project tour, and a social event -- the conference will be the perfect chance to learn about a variety of new topics, process, and projects while catching up with colleagues, clients and our industry partners! Click the Fall Conference link in the Upcoming Events window of the homepage to find out more and register. If you are an SDES member, please log in first to get the member SDES.org conference rate.

