

AEG St. Louis Chapter Newsletter

April 2022

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Upcoming AEG St. Louis Chapter Meetings, Speakers, and Field Trips

Thursday 4/21: Join us on Thursday, April 21, at 5:30 pm for a presentation from Tessa Mortensen, M.S. Student in the Geological Engineering Program at Missouri S&T. Ms. Mortensen will share her Master's research titled "Study of Contamination Resulting from Historical Mining Within the Old Lead Belt: Mineral Fork Watershed, Conducted 2021-2022."

The meeting will be held at C.J. Muggs in the lower level of the Webster Grove location. A Google map is available at http://www.cjmuggs.com/map_webster.htm. **Private Banquet Room Entrance (no stairs required)**. Park on the lower level of the Public Parking Garage located off Gore Ave (behind our building). If Parking Mon-Fri Until 5:00 pm *Follow City Parking Signs for available parking spots. You can enter garage from any of the 3 alleys on Gore (Gore and Moody). As you walk from the garage to the building on the ground level, enter the Gorelock building using the far-left door (103R Lockwood).

RSVP on our website (www.aegstl.org/monthly-section-meetings) by April 20, 2022 to attend the meeting. The cost for attendance will be \$30 for members, \$40 for non-members, and \$15 for students, retirees, and those between jobs.

A special thanks to [Terracon](#) for sponsoring our April meeting!



Missouri Board of Geologist Registration Seeks Officers

The Missouri Board of Geologist Registration needs new Board members. There are five seats on this

Board, and all five seats are either vacant now or are held by members who continue to serve even though their official terms have already expired.

As a result, all five seats need to be filled by new members. The Board meets quarterly in Jefferson City (or virtually, depending on public-health recommendations). The Board oversees issuing licenses, license exams, testing questions, discipline issues, exam pass/fail rates, licensing issues, etc.

If you, or someone you know, are qualified and willing to serve, please visit <https://pr.mo.gov/geologists>

St. Louis Chapter Seeks Officers

The current officer terms for the St. Louis Chapter expire in May 2022. We are seeking nominations for the May 2022 to May 2024 term! This opportunity to join our exciting leadership team only comes around once every two years. Reach out to Jessie Goodwin (jgoodwin@geotechnology.com) to nominate yourself or one of your peers for a position. Elections will be held after the April 2022 meeting.

While any member is welcome to run for any position, we are specifically looking for a secretary to join our leadership team. Primary responsibilities include maintaining the Chapter email list and sending out monthly newsletters. The secretary also contributes to Chapter decisions as a valued member of the leadership team!

AEG Webinars - Careers in Geosciences, Professional Geologist License prep, and More

AEG is hosting three upcoming webinars that are geared toward students and young professionals. These webinars are free to student members (sign up for student membership [here!](#)). We hope you can join us! You can click on the titles below to register, or go to www.aegweb.org and navigate to the event via "upcoming events" on the right side.

Navigating Through School and Internship

April 6, 2pm Eastern / 11am Pacific

Betty Lee of Portland, Oregon plans to share her journey navigating through school and internship using the AEG platform on April 6th, 2022, from 11am-12pm PST. The purpose of her webinar is to share her personal experience and provide insight to others going through similar pathways a guide that may help with their academic/professional career. She will begin her webinar with a brief overview of who she is and her decision to ultimately return to school in order to continue her higher education. Next, she will touch on topics such as how she knew which major to select, the process of transferring to the university from community college, how she landed her internship, how to balance school and internship, and how students can also take this similar path that she hopes will also lead them to success. Lastly, she will end on her next steps and lessons learned.

Bob Berri Memorial Jam Session

On Saturday, April 16, 2022 (11:30 am until ???) there will be a Bob Berri Memorial Jam Session at the Cochran Shelter in Babler State Park (800 Guy Park Drive; Wildwood, Mo.). Music, music, and music -- bring your own instruments and be ready to join in. Bratwurst, buns, and fruit will be provided; bring your own stories and beverages. **RSVPs would be appreciated to Lisa Ermer 314-960-4309. Texts are ok.**

Bob Berri was an active member of the AEG St. Louis Chapter for many, many years. He passed away in late 2020 after a brief battle with Covid-19. The Student Educational Award that is given annually by the AEG St. Louis Chapter is named in his honor.

AEG Membership Spotlight

Please follow the link to the Membership Spotlight page. A lucky person will be spotlighted in the Insider and on AEG social media.

<https://aeg.memberclicks.net/membership-spotlight>

St. Louis Chapter Seeks Monthly Meeting Sponsors

The St. Louis Chapter is seeking sponsors for our meetings. A monthly meeting sponsorship is \$300. As a monthly meeting sponsor, your company will be featured in the meeting announcement and on our Chapter website, and you will have an opportunity to speak for 3-5 minutes about your company prior to the presentation at our virtual meeting. (Slides may be provided to present during this time.) Please contact the treasurer, Luke Ducey (lducey@geotechnology.com) for more information.

Chicago Chapter Virtual Meeting

The Chicago Chapter will hold a virtual meeting on Tuesday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m. Dr. J. Cory Pettijohn, Assistant Professor and Heather Miller, Online Program Coordinator for the School of Earth, Society and Environmental will speak on "Providing Educational Opportunities for Working Professionals – Certificate and Master's Degree Options in Environmental Geology at Illinois." [Register here.](#)

Employment: Job Seekers & Open Positions

For those interested in jobs with the USACE St. Louis District:

The St. Louis District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is looking to hire geologists and geotechnical engineers to work in the Geotechnical Branch. The St. Louis District is responsible for navigation along the Mississippi River and provides technical expertise for levee and dam safety projects in the region and around the United States. All resumes and student transcripts should be directed to Chief of Geotechnical Branch, Mark Alvey, email: mark.s.alvey@usace.army.mil.

EMPLOYERS:

The below students are looking for employment! Click on each name to download the student's resume.

[Ms. Alexandra Hirsch](#) will graduate from St. Louis University in May 2022 with a B.S. in Geology.

[Mr. Kaya Kamou](#) will graduate from Missouri University of Science and Technology in May 2022 with a M.S. in Geology and Geophysics.

[Ms. McKayla Mateer](#) will graduate from Missouri University of Science and Technology in May 2024 with a B.S. in Geological Engineering.

To all Jobseekers and Employers – Please contact the newsletter editor, **Ben Luetkemeyer** (ben.luetkemeyer@terracon.com), to post your search for an employer or employee, and when you have found a new job or filled an advertised position. This helps us keep our postings accurate and timely.

AEG St. Louis Chapter Officers, August 2020 - May 2022

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