

AEG St. Louis Chapter Newsletter

November 2019

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

Thursday, November 14, 2019 - Chapter Meeting - Cara Baez of St. Louis University will speak on “Aftershock Sequences of Intermediate-Depth Earthquakes Beneath Japan.” Meeting will begin at 5:30pm at Helen Fitzgerald’s, 3650 South Lindbergh Boulevard, St. Louis, MO.

Wednesday, December 11, 2019 - Chapter Meeting - Ben Luetkemeyer will speak. Topic to be determined. Meeting will begin at 5:30pm at Syberg’s Dorsett, 2430 Old Dorsett Road, Maryland Heights, MO.

January 2020 - Winter Hiatus - No Chapter Meeting

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 - “Shaking Hands in Jeff City” - Mark your calendar to join colleagues from MGC, AIPG, GSA, and AMG for the annual visit to Missouri state legislators. Meet at 9:00am in the Capitol Plaza coffee shop. Contact Phyllis Steckel (psteckel@charter.net) for more information.

Friday-Sunday, April 3-5, 2020 - Earthquake Insight Field Trip - Explore historical sites and geological features that tell the story of the 1811-1812 New Madrid earthquakes. CEUs available. Contact Phyllis Steckel (psteckel@charter.net) for more information.

Saturday, April 25, 2020 - Field Trip to LafargeHolcim Quarry and Cement Plant - Mark your calendars for a full-day field trip to see this exciting operation in Ste. Genevieve, MO! On-site activities will begin at 10:00am and run through around 3:00pm. Additional details will be provided closer to the date of the trip.

Tuesday-Saturday, September 15-19, 2020 - AEG Annual Meeting in Portland, OR. Plan now to give a talk, take a field trip, host a technical session, lead a workshop, exhibit for your company, or serve on a committee or technical working group.

November Chapter Meeting

The November Chapter Meeting will be held on **Thursday, November 14** at 5:30 PM at Helen Fitzgerald’s (3650 South Lindbergh Boulevard, St. Louis, MO). Cara Baez of St. Louis University will speak on “Aftershock Sequences of Intermediate-Depth Earthquakes Beneath Japan.” Cost will be \$30 for members, \$40 for non-members, and \$10 for students and those between jobs.

Please RSVP at <http://www.aegstl.org/monthly-section-meetings/> by **Wednesday, November 13, 2019**.

AEG Legislative Bill Tracking

At the Association level, AEG has contracted with a legislative bill tracking firm effective **October 2019**. The bill tracking firm utilizes proprietary software and their staff to screen all 50 states draft house and senate bills. The screen/search criteria has been preset to focus on bills related to licensure, environmental and engineering geology, public health and safety, natural hazards, etc. When the software locates a related draft bill in a state's legislative docket, it will automatically send an email to recipients for that state that AEG will select.

To make this work, AEG needs your help! We are looking for AEG members (and other professionals) in states you represent who might participate in this program as "State Captains." AEG will provide additional information on the specific roles that these State Captains will play, however, AEG anticipates that over the course of one legislative session, the Captains may receive up to several dozen emails from the bill tracking software. (Captains only receive emails for their state, not for all states.)

If you are interested in stepping forward to protect our profession, send your name and email address as soon as you can to secretary@aegweb.org. If you know other professionals who may be interested, please pass along this information.

AEG St. Louis Membership Chair

The St. Louis Chapter of AEG is looking to add a Membership Chair. The Membership Chair duties will include reaching out to members who are new or who haven't renewed, developing a Chapter membership package with benefits of membership, AEG brochures, and membership application forms, and bring AEG publications to Chapter meetings to show technical contributions to applied geology. If you are interested in filling this position for the Chapter, please contact Stephanie Kline-Tissi (klinestephaniej@gmail.com) for additional information.

AEG Association Excellent Speakers List

AEG is creating a list of excellent speakers who are available and willing to travel and give presentations. The list could be used for both chapter meetings and conferences/symposiums. If you are interested in travelling and presenting at AEG events, please contact Maddie German (maddie.german45@gmail.com) to share your contact information and topics that you are willing to present.

AEG St. Louis Chapter Sponsors Needed

The AEG St. Louis Chapter is looking for sponsors for our fall 2019 and spring 2020 meetings. **Sponsorships are \$400 per meeting.** Please contact Ed Jones for more information (edwdjones@hotmail.com).

Benefits of being a Meeting Sponsor include: a **20-30 word summary in the newsletter**, **one or two PowerPoint slides** to run on the slide-show loop that is projected in the dining room during the

networking and dinner time, and if a representative of the sponsoring company attends the meeting, he or she will have **two to three minutes to talk** about their organization. Brochures, giveaways, table-top displays, and business cards are certainly welcome as well.

Employment: Job Seekers & Open Positions

Geotechnology, Inc. of Maryland Heights, MO has an immediate opening for a staff geologist/engineer/scientist in the Environmental Group. This position is for an intermediate-level candidate with 5 to 7 years of experience with MDNR MRBCA projects, UST closures, risk assessments, groundwater monitoring and environmental due diligence. This position is anticipated to have an equal mix of field work and office/reporting. Occasional travel will be required. Please send resumes to Erica O'Connor at hr@geotechnology.com.

Hanson Professional Services in Springfield, Illinois is seeking a Geologist/ Geoscientist to perform field soil and rock identification/classification, evaluate soil and groundwater data, and provide recommendations based on findings. Direct the installation of groundwater monitoring wells in the field. Prepare reports that present the findings of groundwater and soil monitoring and possible requirements for additional assessments and/or remediation. Assist with other services related to earth materials and groundwater. This position is for an entry-level candidate with 1-3 years of experience. Bachelor's degree in geology or hydrology required, masters preferred. Please apply on our careers page at hanson-inc.com/careers and contact DeAnn Cummins at dcummins@hanson-inc.com with any questions.

To all Jobseekers and Employers – Please contact the newsletter editor, **Jessie Goodwin** (jgoodwin@geotechnology.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.

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