

# SME CO SECTION

## FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

### **EMCD MEETING** FEBRUARY 8TH @ 6PM

*Building a Clean Energy Future for the World*

Presenter: Dr. Martin Keller

Tickets: \$40/person

RSVP to Philip Keller (303-974-2151 or pkeller@energyfuels.com)



**Malone's Clubhouse Grill**

14455 W 64th Ave

Arvada, CO

### **MINING 4 BEER** FEBRUARY 13TH @ 5PM



**Hogshead Brewery**

4460 West 29th Ave

Denver, CO 80212

## **2024 EVENT CALENDAR**

March 21: Krumb Lecture Webinar

April 18: CSU Chapter Meeting (Fort Collins)

April 24: Miner's Give Back - Earth Day

May 16: End of Year Meeting

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**Interested in volunteering?**

Reach out to Dick Beach for more info!  
dickbeach@mines.edu or 303-986-6335



# OFFICER SPOTLIGHT



## RICHARD (DICK) BEACH

**Richard A. Beach**, Chair of the SME Colorado Section Minerals Education Coalition (MEC), graduated from the Colorado School of Mines with a professional degree in geological engineering in 1966. After a stint in graduate school, Dick served two years in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Virginia and Vietnam. Dick worked as a geologist and physical scientist for the U.S. Bureau of Mines from 1972 until retirement in 1994. His work analyzed restraints on mineral exploration and development and applied them to statewide studies of Federal mineral lands in several Rocky Mountain States.

Since retirement, Dick has continued to be actively involved in professional activities with the Colorado Mining Association, Colorado School of Mines Alumni Association, Denver Mining Club, Denver Region Exploration Geologists' Society, Mineralogical Society of America, Mining History Association, and the Society for Mining, Metallurgy & Exploration. As Chair of the Colorado Section MEC, Dick makes presentations about mining and minerals in Denver Metro area classrooms, serves as a judge of science fair projects, and does mining and minerals outreach at other venues.



Dick has been an active volunteer and leader with the Boy Scouts for more than 45 years. He works with scouts earning the Mining in Society merit badge and leads backpacking and camping trips in the Colorado wilderness, canoeing Rocky Mountain rivers, and conducting an annual climb of a Colorado Fourteener.

**WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND PASSION FOR THE INDUSTRY, DICK. THANK YOU FOR CONTINUING TO BE A ROLE MODEL AND ADVOCATE FOR YOUTH ENGAGEMENT!**

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**DENVER, COLORADO**

**MARCH 20-23, 2024**

# JOIN OUR TEAM

If you are interested in becoming more involved with the SME Colorado Section, consider joining our Board of Officers!

Send notice of interest to:

**melissa chalona**

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## MINERAL PROCESSING DIVISION - COLORADO SECTION

### Why Attend the Colorado MPD Annual Meeting?

The Colorado Mineral Processing Division Subsection of the Society of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers (SME) had its first meeting in 1949 at The Broadmoor in Colorado Springs, Colorado. This event remains the longest running annual meeting in the history of the Broadmoor. This year will mark the 73<sup>rd</sup> year of the conference.

The intent and structure of the meeting is to provide a comfortable setting in which participants may attend technical sessions in a somewhat informal setting. The design of the program is such that it attracts people from a wide range of disciplines within the mining industry, and fosters camaraderie for all. Themes and Topics of the meeting and technical papers are adjusted annually to be current with social, economic, environmental, operational, and financial concerns within the industry, while staying within the general topic of "Mineral Processing".

It has always been the goal of this meeting to bring together those from operating companies, engineering, academia, and equipment or service suppliers in a setting which would provide an atmosphere of professionalism combined with a relaxed "get together" attitude to facilitate the exchange of ideas, knowledge, and experience.

The MPD meeting was also designed to provide invaluable contact and networking possibilities for attendees in a forum which attracts those from upper-level positions of companies. It is a great opportunity to re-kindle old friendships and establish new ones.

Supporting the next generation of mineral processing engineers remains a key focus of the Colorado MPD. Once again, the MPD will be supporting three students to attend and present at the 2024 conference. In addition, the committee is working to expand the Len and Rosa Harris Student Award to support up to three promising young mineral processing engineers from the Colorado School of Mines. None of this is possible without the financial support of our sponsors and attendees. We greatly appreciate all of your contributions!

The Executive Committee of the Colorado MPD is composed of an all-volunteer group of experienced people from all disciplines of the industry who meet monthly to develop the program.

The theme for the 2024 conference is "Back to the Future: How Do We Get There?" The meeting will take place from April 25<sup>th</sup> to April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024. A block of rooms at the Broadmoor has been reserved for the conference attendees but will sell out fast. When making reservation via phone, use code CSME424. Stay up to date with conference registration, speaker details and other information via our website [www.coloradompd.com](http://www.coloradompd.com) or on LinkedIn.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, we look forward to seeing you at The Broadmoor.

Best Regards,

Brett Berg  
2024 Chairman

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September 8, 2023

## **SME Colorado Mineral Processing Division Annual Conference 2024 Sponsorship Information**

Thank you for your consideration in financial sponsorship for the 2024 SME Colorado Minerals Processing Division (MPD) meeting to be held at The Broadmoor in Colorado Springs from April 25 - 27, 2024. The 2024 theme will be:

**“Back to the Future: How Do We Get There?”**

Sponsorship is based on a tiered system (Diamond, Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Copper) and/or sponsorship for the SME-MPD golf tournament. Sponsor levels are shown in the table below.

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Please contact Thomas Boundy ([thomas.boundy@kiewit.com](mailto:thomas.boundy@kiewit.com)) for more information or if you are interested in becoming a sponsor.

On behalf of the Conference Committee, I would like to thank you for your continued support of this conference.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas Boundy

Sponsorship Chair, MPD

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