



# THE 105<sup>TH</sup> RMCMI CONVENTION & ANNUAL MEETING

## INTO THE HEADWINDS OF CHANGE!

**June 28 through June 30, 2009  
Snowmass Village, Colorado**



Karen Inzano  
RMCMI Executive Director

Join your colleagues and friends in the coal industry for an excellent convention in the Colorado Rockies.

*The right time and the right place  
for a meeting of the minds.*

Keynote: **Gene Kranz** - Apollo 13 Flight Control Director

**Jim Bausell**, COO - Touchstone Energy Cooperatives

**Jeane Hull**, *President* - Powder River Coal

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Equipment Management and Improvement

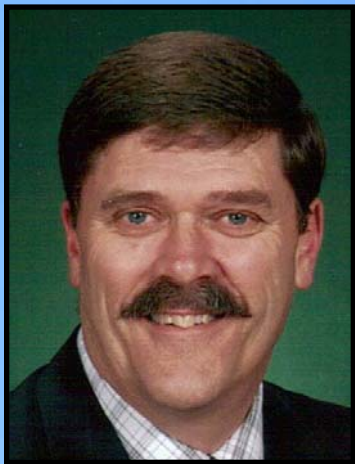
**Excellent Speakers** on Carbon Sequestration, Behavioral  
Safety, MSHA of the Future, Coal Markets and more

**Mine Rescue Evaluations**

**Short Course** - Maintenance and Reliability - June 26-27

**Conventioneer Rodeo** for Young and Old

**25th Anniversary Scholarship Program**



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# General Information

## 105th Meeting - "Into the Headwinds of Change"

### Register Early for Discounts!

- You may pay by check or credit card. You may sign-up online by going to **www.rmcmi.org**. You will see the information on the right side of the home page.
- Or, you may complete the Advance Registration Form on page 14, to be received no later than **June 1, 2009** for the lower rate. Your check will be your receipt or, if paid by credit card, an e-mail receipt will be sent directly to your e-mail address.
- *For additional registration pages you may go to [www.rmcmi.org](http://www.rmcmi.org) and download a PDF from the right side of the home page.*

ONLINE: [www.rmcmi.org](http://www.rmcmi.org)  
 MAIL: RMCMI Convention  
 8057 S. Yukon Way  
 Littleton, CO 80128-5510  
 FAX: 303/948-1132

- Full payment MUST accompany the completed Registration Form. Dues are \$175 per calendar year (\$50 for seniors). All registrants must be members. If you are not currently a member, you may include the amount on the registration form, or call the office and we will be glad to sign you up. A confirmation postcard will be mailed to you upon processing.
- All questions may be directed to the RMCMI office at 303/948-3300 or [mail@rmcmi.org](mailto:mail@rmcmi.org).

### Student Registration Policy

- Any student in an engineering discipline attending an accredited school may attend any technical sessions at no charge. You must pre-register by calling the RMCMI office at 303/948-3300 so that a badge can be made for you. No admittance to any session will be allowed without a name badge. To attend the complete convention, register at the *spouse rate* for either the "A" or "B" package.



### Cancellation Policy

- All cancellations must be in writing and mailed or faxed to the RMCMI office at 8057 S. Yukon Way, Littleton, CO 80128-5510 *prior to June 1, 2009*. A \$100 processing fee will be assessed. No refunds for cancellations postmarked after June 1, 2009. Substitutions will be allowed if in writing prior to May 29 but will incur a \$50 processing fee. **Registrants are responsible for cancellation of their own hotel rooms.**

### Registration Hours for Name Tags

- You may pick up your registration packet at the RMCMI Registration Desk.
 

Saturday, June 27	2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, June 28	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 28	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Monday, June 29	7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

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# General Information

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### Travel

- **By Air: to DIA or the Aspen Airport.** Free shuttle by the Silvertree to/from Aspen Airport. Rental cars also available. Shuttle from DIA, Colorado Mtn. Express, 800-525-6363 for \$99 ea. one way. Call ahead to schedule.
- **Driving from Denver:** I-70 to Exit 116 toward CO-82. Right onto N. River Drive which becomes 6th Street. Slight Right onto Grand Ave/CO 82 E. for 35 miles. Slight right onto Brush Creek Rd. Left onto Owl Creek Rd. End at Snowmass Village. Just under 200 miles - 3 1/2 hours.

### Lodging

- Room reservations are your responsibility. Please do not send your room reservations to RMCMI. Call **1-800-525-9402** for reservations by **June 2**. Our rates are good from June 22 through July 5.
- **Mention RMCMI so that the Institute is credited with your room.** We are responsible for a certain block of rooms and if we do not use the full block, the Institute must pay a penalty.
- Rooms are available at:
  - The Silvertree Hotel** (where some of the meetings will be held), beginning at \$139, and the **Wildwood Lodge** - beginning at \$99, and **Village Property Management Condominiums** with 15% off prevailing rates.
- Go to **[www.silvertreeproperties.com/summer](http://www.silvertreeproperties.com/summer)** and you will be able to see photos of the various room types in the different properties. You will also be able to see activities available prior to or after the convention.
- After June 2, 2009, rooms will go public and be will be offered at the RMCMI rates only if available.
- Cancellations must be made seven days prior to arrival to avoid forfeiture of the reservation value. A \$25 cancellation fee will be assessed. No-shows, or cancellations 6 days, or less, will be billed the full amount of the reservation.
- Complimentary parking is available.
- If you use a bellman, please tip appropriately.

### Altitude, Dress, Dining and Activities

- With an altitude of under 8,000 ft. Snowmass offers outstanding views.
- Remember for those of you not used to altitude, you will want to drink plenty of fluids so that you do not get flu-like symptoms associated with altitude sickness. It is wise to decrease alcohol intake and eat high carbs and low fat.
- A few steps down from the hotel and Conference Center is the Snowmass Mall where you can find restaurants and other stores. For quick, inexpensive meals, try Taqueria 85, in the Bus depot. They have \$2.50 tacos and \$1.00 sodas. There is no need to leave the resort, but if you should want to see other areas, it is an easy shuttle to the town of Aspen, 10 miles away, filled with shops and restaurants.
- Activities are endless. You may look online before you arrive or talk to the concierge to find the perfect activity for you and your family.
- Temperatures will be in the 70s during the day but will cool off in the evening to the high 40s.
- Bring a warm jacket as we will be at the Rodeo grounds until about 9:30 before we head back to the hotel. Blue jeans are appropriate on Monday night. Casual dress is suggested for any other Institute meeting or social event. Brief afternoon showers happen often in the mountains.

**This year we are having a western theme culminating with a conventioner rodeo for young and old ... so bring your cowboy boots and hat.**

#### Did You Know...

In just three years, Rocky Mountain Coal Mining Institute will celebrate its 100th Anniversary.

### Questions

Please direct all questions to the RMCMI office at:  
 8057 S. Yukon Way, Littleton, CO 80128  
[mail@rmcml.org](mailto:mail@rmcml.org)  
 303/948-3300 Phone  
 303/948-1132 Fax

# Short Course

## Maintenance and Reliability Can Improve Coal Mine Profits and ... MRG's Reliability Game®

Sponsored by **P&H MINEPRO SERVICES**

### ABOUT THE SHORT COURSE

Friday and Saturday, June 26-27

#### "Maintenance and Reliability Can Improve Coal Mine Profits"

Coal mines need profit. High market demand brings exceptional profits. Diminished market demand reduces profit. Equipment and system maintenance and reliability can improve profits in either demand case.

Reliability requires improved maintenance and a mine maintenance department that builds partnerships with other mine departments. If the maintenance department will not or cannot develop these partnerships, improved maintenance and higher reliability become less possible. Production, engineering, stores, and purchasing are the mine maintenance department's chief partners.

The course about which you are reading will provide attendees information that will permit them to pursue enhanced profits through improved maintenance and higher reliability.

Course instructors will describe and present examples of world class principles that lead to improved maintenance and higher equipment and system reliability. Instructors will discuss why partnerships are critical to improved maintenance and improved reliability. Examples of preventive maintenance, condition-based maintenance, and computerized maintenance management will give attendees an idea of how these elements support improved maintenance and enhance equipment and system reliability.

**Randy Fizer** - Arch Coal  
*Manager of Equipment Reliability*

Friday June 26, 2009

### INTRODUCTION

- WAYS TO REDUCE YOUR MAINTENANCE COST
- A JOURNEY TO IMPROVED RELIABILITY
- MORE WAYS TO REDUCE YOUR MAINTENANCE COST
- MAINTENANCE PARTNERSHIPS
- THE DETECTION POINT-TO-FAILURE CURVE
- CONDITION MONITORING EXAMPLES
- ASSET RELIABILITY DEFINED
- A COMPUTERIZED MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS EXAMPLE
- SOCIETY FOR MAINTENANCE AND RELIABILITY PROFESSIONALS

### Instructors:

#### **Randy Fizer**

Manager of Equipment Reliability  
*Arch Coal - Grand Junction, CO*

#### **Terry Taylor**

Manager of Equipment Reliability  
*Arch Coal - Charleston, WV*

#### **Arne Rajala**

Manager of Maintenance Planning  
*Arch Coal - Grand Junction, CO*

#### **Steve O'Connell**

Maintenance Engineer  
*Mountain Coal Company - Somerset, CO*

Saturday June 27, 2009

### MRG's Reliability Game®

Mine Planners; Production Managers & Coordinators; Business Managers, Analysts & Purchasing Leaders; and Maintenance Staff need to participate in the Reliability Game® to develop Team success for Managing Coal Mine Assets!

The Reliability Game® is designed to teach participants how to make the transition from a reactive to a proactive maintenance environment. They will learn to "follow the money" and further their understanding of the business potential of reliability. Changing organizational culture is often challenging, but it is also most rewarding.

Participants will learn:

- The financial opportunity associated with proactive maintenance
- Where the money goes
- How to stop wasting money
- How is it used?

The Reliability Game® is played by teams of four people who will assume one of the following roles: Finance Manager, Purchasing Coordinator, Maintenance Resource Planner, Operations Coordinator.

The concept is simple: each team determines the best way to manage their equipment, money, time, labor and material resources. Throughout the simulation, each team's financial performance is tracked and discussed, creating a competitive atmosphere. By the game's end there is typically a greater appreciation for the value of reliability and the entire reliability philosophy.

#### **Dennis Belanger**

Management Resources Group  
Southbury, CT

# Mine Rescue

Sponsored by **THE NORTH AMERICAN COAL CORP.**

Registration Packets sent directly to the teams

Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday - June 27 through June 30

**David Evans** of *Westmoreland Coal Company*, and **Cheryl Evans**, *EMR Health and Safety*, co-chair the Eighteenth Annual Mine Rescue Evaluation Program, coinciding with the 105th RMCMI Convention.

During the 4-day evaluation, approximately 80 mine rescue participants will be engaged in various simulated rescue scenarios. Surface mines, processing plants, coal handling facilities and power plants all benefit from this event. Teams will return to their facility confident that they can efficiently and safely handle any emergency situation that may arise at their facility. It also provides an opportunity for family members and coal mine operators to observe the level of expertise displayed by mine rescue teams as they engage in emergency situations.

The Rescue Rodeo, a fun and educational addition to the Mine Rescue Evaluation on Saturday afternoon, takes place after the 4-hour Technical Session class.

The agenda will be posted at the Mine Rescue Registration Desk.

The **Awards Breakfast** Tuesday morning is an exciting time as teams are recognized for the knowledge they brought to the evaluations as well as the knowledge they gained, both from the evaluators and by studying the other teams. It is a fun breakfast with exhaustion giving way to pride for hard work and accomplishment.

This breakfast is open to all package "A" members as well as the MR teams and families. The Institute encourages you to attend to acknowledge these professionals who may save the life of someone you know. Let's let them know how much they are appreciated.

A headline sponsor since 2004, the Caterpillar dealers have supported RMCMI financially for Public Education and with their attendance and involvement. We thank them sincerely.

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# Preliminary Program

## 105th Meeting - "Into the Headwinds of Change"

Sponsored by Basin Electric Power Cooperative and Powder River Energy Corp.; Benetech, Inc.; Caterpillar Dealers: Empire, Wagner, Wheeler, and Wyoming; Thunder Basin Coal Co.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 26

**7:15 a.m.** Short Course Breakfast and Class  
Sponsored by P&H MINEPRO SERVICES

### SATURDAY, JUNE 27

**7:15 a.m.** Short Course Breakfast and Class

**8:00 a.m.** Mine Rescue Technical Session

**1:00 p.m.** Mine Rescue Rodeo  
Sponsored by NORTH AMERICAN COAL

**2:30 p.m.** **RMCMC REGISTRATION to 4:30 p.m.**  
Sponsored by CONSOL ENERGY, INC.,  
J. H. FLETCHER & CO. and SELWAY CORP.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 28

**6:30 a.m.** Mine Rescue Breakfast  
(Scenarios begin after breakfast)

**7:00 a.m.** Golf Tourney Breakfast & Scramble  
Sponsored by: CONOCOPHILLIPS &  
LETOURNEAU TECHNOLOGIES

**9:00 a.m.** **REGISTRATION to 4:00 p.m.**

**10:00 a.m.** Trip to Aspen for a Scavenger Hunt and Lunch. Everyone welcome (See page 11)

**2:30 p.m.** Advisory Board to 3:30 p.m.  
**Bob Bartosh**, presiding

**3:30 p.m.** 2008-2009 Board of Directors  
to 5:45 - **Ken Miller**,  
RMCMC President, presiding

**6:00 p.m.** Scholarship Orientation  
Meeting to 6:30 - *Winners, Chairs,  
President, CLO, ED*

**5:30 p.m.** **REGISTRATION for latecomers  
to 7:00 p.m.**

**6:30 p.m.** Kid's Night Out (ages 3-12) (See page 10)

**7:00 p.m.** **Welcome Reception to 9:30 p.m.**  
Sponsored by NORWEST CORP. and SAV-  
AGE SERVICES (Included in Package "A")

### MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 29

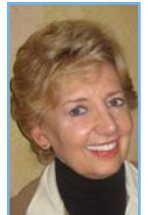
**6:30 a.m.** Mine Rescue Breakfast  
(Scenarios begin after breakfast)

**7:00 a.m.** Continental Breakfast Sponsored by  
DAKOTA COAL CO. &  
Golf Awards Sponsored by CONOCO-  
PHILLIPS & LETOURNEAU  
TECHNOLOGIES (all attendees)

**7:00 a.m.** **REGISTRATION to 8:30 a.m.**

**7:00 a.m.** Speakers' Breakfast  
(Speakers, President, Convention Liaison  
Officer, AV Technician, Program Chairs, ED)

**8:30 a.m.** **Welcome  
Karen Inzano**  
RMCMC Executive Director



**Ken Miller**, Thunder Basin Coal Co.  
RMCMC 2008-2009 President



**Gary Stubblefield**  
Norwest Corporation  
Convention Liaison Officer



### "FAILURE IS NOT AN OPTION"

**Gene Kranz**, NASA Flight Control  
Director and Presidential Medal of  
Freedom Recipient



Gene was commissioned in the U.S. Air Force in 1954, and flew high-performance jet fighter aircraft, including the F-80, F-86, and the F-100. In 1958, he worked as a flight test engineer at Holloman AFB, New Mexico, for McDonnell Aircraft, developing the Quail Decoy Missile for the B-47 and B-52 aircraft. In 1960, Mr. Kranz joined the NASA Space Task Group and was assigned as assistant flight director for Project Mercury. He assumed flight director duties for all Project Gemini Missions, and was the branch chief for Flight Control Operations. He is very well known for his position as Apollo 13 Flight Control Director.

Mr. Kranz retired from NASA in March 1994 after 37 years of federal service. His current activities include consulting and motivational speaking to professional, civic, and youth groups. He is also a flight engineer on a B-17 "Flying Fortress," performing at air shows. Since retirement from NASA, he has also built an aerobatic biplane.

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**11th ANNUAL SAFETY AWARDS**  
Presented by **Ed Pettigrew**, *Safety Chair*  
BHP Billiton

Sponsored by BHP BILLITON, ICG ADDCAR SYSTEMS, LLC, and SALT RIVER PROJECT

### COAL'S ROLE IN ELECTRICITY GENERATION

**Jim Bausell**, COO

Touchstone Energy Cooperatives

Mr. Bausell serves as the VP of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) and is responsible for business development efforts. He directs national community and economic development efforts, and commercial and industrial business development support, for NRECA's 900 member cooperatives. He is also COO of Touchstone Energy Cooperatives, the national brand for America's consumer owned electric utilities, with 683 electric cooperatives and public power districts serving the energy needs of over 30 million Americans in 46 states.

He holds his Bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College and his Master's from Johns Hopkins University.



### CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT AT PEABODY ENERGY

**Jeane Hull**, *President*  
Powder River Coal

Ms. Hull is responsible for all operational aspects for Peabody's four Wyoming mines - North Antelope Rochelle, Caballo, Rawhide and School Creek. The mines produced over 147 million tons of coal in 2008.

A registered professional engineer, Ms. Hull graduated from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. She holds an MBA from Nova University in Florida. She also is a Six Sigma Green Belt.

**12:00 p.m.** **Scholarship Lunch**  
**25th Anniversary of the Program**  
Sponsored by: BUCYRUS, PEABODY ENERGY, & TRAPPER MINING  
(Included in the "A" pkg.)  
**Life Member Presentation?**

MONDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 29  
3RD ANNUAL SHUBART FORUM

**Brad Lewis**, ICG ADDCAR Systems, LLC  
*Program Chair*

**2:00 p.m.** **LEADERSHIP PRIORITIES IN A NEW BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT**  
**John Pfisterer**, *President & CEO*  
Komatsu Equipment Co.

**2:45 p.m.** **THE PERFECT ZERO**  
**Ken Cochran**, *President & GM*,  
Thunder Basin Coal Company

**3:30 p.m.** **RECAP OF MINE RESCUE SCENARIOS**  
**David Evans**, *Mine Rescue Co-Chair*, Texas Westmoreland  
*See and learn the reason for the various scenarios on which our Mine Rescue Teams are evaluated.*

**3:45 p.m.** **COAL STOCK PILE MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENTS**  
**Gary Takenaka**, *GM-Applied Improvements*, CONSOL Energy

**4:15 p.m.** **THE SEVEN HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS**  
**Dennis Belanger**, *VP Business Development*, Management Resources Group, Inc.

**5:30 p.m.** **Snowmass Rodeo Grounds**  
(The evening is included in all Packages)

**6:00 p.m.** **RODEO AND RECEPTION**  
Family members may participate in various rodeo games.

**7:00 p.m.** **BBQ**  
Sponsored by  
CUMMINS ROCKY MOUNTAIN, LLC  
RIO TINTO ENERGY AMERICA

**8:00 p.m.** **DANCING TO A FIVE PIECE BAND**  
Sponsored by BALDOR-DODGE-RELIANCE & FENNER DUNLOP AMERICAS

*We hope to also have a fire pit for roasting marshmallows and singing old-time songs for the children.*

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

**7:00 a.m.** **Mine Rescue Recognition and Awards Breakfast**  
Sponsored by NORTH AMERICAN COAL CORP. (For everyone with Package "A" or Mine Rescue)

# Preliminary Program

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### TUESDAY MORNING GENERAL SESSION

- 9:00 a.m.** **MSHA OF THE FUTURE**  
**Laura Beverage**, Attorney, Jackson Kelly PLLC
- 9:30 a.m.** **ADVANCES OF WOMEN IN COAL MINING**  
**Jessica Smith**, Ph.D.  
Anthropology, Univ. of Michigan
- 10:15 a.m.** **COAL MARKETS FOR THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION**  
**Bob Burnham** - Senior Analyst  
Wood Mackenzie, Inc.
- 10:45 a.m.** **CAN BEHAVIORAL SAFETY REDUCE INJURIES IN MINING?**  
**Dr. Grainne Matthews**, Senior Project Mgr., Quality Safety Edge
- 11:15 a.m.** **CARBON SEQUESTRATION: OPPORTUNITIES AND CONSTRAINTS**  
**Jim Thomson**, VP Hydrogeology  
Norwest Corp.
- 12:00 p.m.** **Closing Lunch & Annual Meeting** (Incl. in Package "A")  
Sponsored by ARCH WESTERN BITUMINOUS GROUP  
Win two free "A" Packages to the 2010 Zermatt, Utah Convention.
- 12:40 p.m.** **Annual Meeting**  
Review of 2008/2009
- A thank you to our President, **Ken Miller**, and passing of the gavel to **Randy Lehn**, Peabody Energy.
- A special thank you to **Gary Stubblefield** as he passes the Convention Liaison position to **Bob Bartosh**. Gary served since 2000.
- 1:15 p.m.** **JIM DAVIDSON** -  
Speaking of Adventure  
CLIMB ON -  
STRENGTH FOR  
LIFE'S ADVENTURES
- 2:00 p.m.** Adjournment
- 2:30 p.m.** 2009-10 Board Meeting till 5:00



Thanks to the following  
Volunteers and also to all  
Welcome Committee Members!

They all make RMCMI happen!

### Board of Directors & Treasurer

<i>President</i>	Ken Miller
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<i>Treasurer</i>	Tarra Nuss

### Standing Committees

<i>By-Laws / Resolutions</i>	Kent Salitros, Russell Hardy
<i>Finance</i>	Tarra Nuss, Randy Lehn, Denise Dragoo
<i>Nominating</i>	Gary Stubblefield, Randy Lehn, Dave Smaldone

### Convention Committee

Ken Miller, Denise Dragoo, Gary Stubblefield, Brad Lewis, Rex Christensen, Julie Cummings, Bruce Lindsay, LeRoy Jacobs and Jane Thomas

### Committee Chairs and Members

<i>Membership</i>	Brad Lewis, Debra Evans, Gery Dillinger, Bill Kendall, Jeff Dale
<i>Mine Rescue</i>	David & Cheryl Evans, Dave Smaldone
<i>Patrons/Scholars</i>	Clark Moseley, Curt Belden, Kent Salitros, Becki Boam, Bob Burnham, Bruce Hale
<i>Professional Devl.</i>	Phil Patton, Kim McCarter, Russell Hardy, Mike Briggs, Harry Rhulen
<i>Public Education</i>	Sam Quigley, Randy Lehn, Jamie Torske, Terry Laverty, David Jones, Rich Bate
<i>Public Relations</i>	Greg Hinshaw, Tom Bailey, Tom Durham, Ever Martinez
<i>Safety</i>	Ed Pettigrew, Hank McCabe, Ben Hardman, Bill Weaver

# Sponsors of the Institute

The Rocky Mountain Coal Mining Institute is a 501(C)(3) organization and as such relies on contributions and dues to support the various programs that the Institute sponsors. We sincerely thank those that continue to support the Institute and welcome additional sponsors who wish to help "Promote western coal through education."

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Dakota Coal Company

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BHP Billiton

ICG ADDCAR Systems, LLC

Salt River Project

## SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

BUCYRUS

Peabody Energy Corporation

Trapper Mining

## MONDAY NIGHT BBQ

Cummins Rocky Mountain, LLC

Rio Tinto Energy America

## MONDAY NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT

Baldor-Dodge-Reliance

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## CLOSING LUNCH & ANNUAL MEETING

Arch Western Bituminous Group

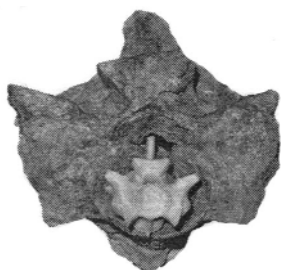
## Golf Beverage Cart

Chevron Mining Inc.

## CONVENTION SUPPORTERS:

Butler Machinery, Cate Equipment, John T. Boyd Co., Safety Solutions, Int'l., Thermo Fisher Scientific, WWC Engineering

## 43-foot Fossil Slithers out of Obscurity



It was the mother of all snakes, a behemoth as long as a school bus and as heavy as a Volkswagen Beetle, that ruled the Amazon rainforest for 2 million years. Now this monster has resurfaced in fossils taken from the Cerrejon open-pit coal mine in Colombia. Modern boas and anacondas, which average less than 20 feet in length, have been known to swallow Chihuahuas, but this prehistoric monster snacked on giant turtles and primitive crocodiles. It has been named Titanoboa Cerrejonensis.

*The fossil dwarfs a bone from a 17-foot anaconda.*

*Ray Carson, AFT/Getty Images*

## All in the Family

Former RMCMI President **Jim Mattern** took special interest in the article "Fifty Years Ago" in the last RMCMI newsletter. It was written by Robert Tallman (R.T.) Person, CEO of PSCo from 1959-1979. He was Jim's uncle.

# 25th Anniversary Scholarship Lunch

Sponsored by **BUCYRUS, PEABODY ENERGY** and **TRAPPER MINING**

## 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS LUNCH

Monday, June 29, 2009

One of the most exciting and rewarding programs of the Institute is the awarding of scholarships each year to eight new, deserving students. It is part of the mission of the Institute to “Promote western coal through education” and the Institute takes pride in helping students further their education. Our Scholarship Chair, **Curt Belden**, Powder River Coal, interviewed 21 students and chose outstanding winners. The students then may qualify to receive the second-half of the scholarship during their senior year of college. As of today, the Institute has presented 388 scholarships to 208 students for a total of \$508,250. This worthy program is possible because of an outstanding Patrons Program. **Clark Moseley**, Emeco Equipment (USA) LLC, is again the Patrons of the Institute Chair. **Becki Boam**, BHP Billiton, assisted Clark this year.

**Bob Burnham** chose three Technical Scholars for 2009. They will each receive \$1,000 toward technical training.

### 2009 winners are:

<b>William Werner</b>	University of Arizona	<b>Tyler Barth</b>	SD School of Mines & Tech
<b>Brandon Field</b>	Colorado School of Mines	<b>Weston Kingsley</b>	Texas A&M
<b>Amerlyn Dean</b>	Montana Tech	<b>Matthew Hyita</b>	University of Utah
<b>Andrew Monroy</b>	New Mexico Tech	<b>Tyler Huus</b>	Montana Tech

### LIFE MEMBER

Each year the RMCMI Board of Directors considers bestowing a member with the distinction of “Life Member.” A member is chosen based on his/her service to the Institute and to its goals and purposes. “**The person who serves - deserves.**” There are years when one or more of our members stand out for having served above and beyond, for the benefit of the Institute. Only then will this prestigious honor be granted. Will it be this year?

## CHILDREN’S PROGRAM

Children are an important part of the RMCMI Annual Convention. They must, however, have a badge to attend any of the functions. Please see page 14. **Please pre-register for the RMCMI Sunday event as we need to allow for food and sitters.**

### SUNDAY - 6/28 - 9:15 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Scavenger Hunt for everyone interested

Children old enough to walk and enjoy the trip are invited along on Sunday morning for a trip to Aspen where they will help their “team” in a scavenger hunt throughout the old town. There may be a visit to a Chocolate store or some other fun places. Lunch at the park will follow. Tickets must be purchased for each participant attending.

### SUNDAY - 6/28 - 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Children 6 weeks -12 will have a safe, fun evening with games, arts and crafts and dinner, while their parents are at the Welcome Reception. **At The Treehouse - must pre-register.**

### MONDAY - 6/29 - 5:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Everyone will go to the Rodeo grounds in Snowmass Village at 5:30. At 6:00 we will have a conventioneer rodeo for young and old ... and maybe the Board of Directors. There will be cow patty tosses, roping, sack races, etc. It will be just as much fun for those of us watching as for those participating. A BBQ dinner will follow and then a 5 piece band will play for everyone to dance. We hope to have a fire for marshmallows and storytelling for the children. Make sure everyone has a warm coat as the evenings can get cool at that altitude.

During your stay in Snowmass children may enjoy day care at the Treehouse. Check their website at [www.treehousekidsclub.com/home](http://www.treehousekidsclub.com/home) to see all they offer. Other than the Sunday night program, childcare must be taken care of individually. This will allow you to attend meetings and enjoy adult activities. **Reserve in advance by calling 1-800-923-8733. This is not part of the convention program.**



# Patrons of the Institute

**PATRONS OF THE INSTITUTE** have donated for 25 years and support an outstanding program which awards 16 engineering and 8 technical scholarships yearly to deserving students in our eight member states. Names in **bold are Charter Patrons** having donated every year since the inception of the program. Donations as of April 8, 2009 are:

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## SUNDAY FAMILY PROGRAM

SUNDAY - JUNE 28  
Scavenger Hunt and Lunch in old Aspen  
9:15 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

- Want to explore Aspen, learn about its history, and have fun doing it? Put on your walking shoes and put on your thinking cap! It's time to participate in one of our creative scavenger hunts around Aspen. Your hunt will take you through several of our most fun stores & restaurants; you'll learn about the streets, buildings and memorable people that made Aspen what it is today. The total group will be divided into teams and given a colored bandana to match. Your group will be given instructions and a bag with all the contents you will need for the adventure. The object will be to collect a variety of things to help your team solve a final puzzle or question. However, time is NOT the main winning factor! Each team will have lots of opportunities to earn points during the hunt. A "guide" will accompany each team from Blazing Adventures Group Services Department. A picnic box lunch will follow at Herron Park where participants can learn the "real" answers and laugh over their experiences. Pick



up from the front door of The Silvertree Hotel at 9:15 am. We will go over the adventure with all participants and depart by 9:30. You will return by 1:30 pm. Minimum: 24/Maximum: 50 people.

- This is a perfect family outing and highlights the history of this old, prestigious, mountain town.

## MONDAY - JUNE 29

- A deli and other restaurants are just a few steps from the hotel. Transportation to Snowmass Village and Aspen. Call Blazing Adventures at 970-923-4544 for activities such as biking, fishing, rafting, etc.

# 2009 Calendar

**MR** = Mine Rescue (Mbrs., Eval., Victims)    **SC** = Short Course    **A** = A Pkg.    **E** = Everyone with Badges    **P** = Private    **G** = Golf    **T** = Ticket

Time	Friday 6/26	Saturday 6/27	Sunday 6/28	Monday 6/29	Tuesday 6/30
6:30 am			<b>MR</b> - MR Breakfast	<b>MR</b> - MR Breakfast	
7:00			<b>MR</b> - Scenarios  <b>G</b> - Golf with Continental Breakfast	<b>E</b> - Continental Breakfast <b>E</b> - Golf Prizes <b>E</b> - Registration to 8:30 <b>P</b> - Speakers' Breakfast	<b>MR &amp; A</b> Awards Breakfast
7:15	<b>SC</b> - Short Course Breakfast	<b>SC</b> - Short Course Breakfast			
8:00	<b>SC</b> - Classes	<b>SC</b> - Classes <b>MR</b> - Technical Session			
8:30				<b>E</b> - Opening Session <b>Gene Kranz</b> - <i>Failure is not an Option.</i> <b>Safety Awards</b>	
9:00			<b>E</b> - Registration to 4	<b>Jim Bausell</b> - <i>Coal's Role in Electricity Generation</i> <b>Jeane Hull</b> - <i>Continuous Improvement at Peabody Energy</i>	<b>E</b> - General Session <b>Laura Beverage</b> <b>Dr. Jessica Smith</b> <b>Bob Burnham</b> <b>Dr. Grainne Matthews</b> <b>Jim Thomson</b>
9:15			<b>T</b> - Aspen Scavenger / Lunch - All invited w/ticket		
12:00 pm	<b>SC</b> - SC Lunch	<b>MR</b> - Lunch <b>SC</b> - SC Lunch	<b>MR</b> - Lunch	<b>A or T</b> - Scholar Lunch	<b>A or T</b> - Closing Lunch & Annual Meeting
1:00	<b>SC</b> - Classes	<b>MR</b> - Rodeo <b>SC</b> - Classes	<b>MR</b> - Scenarios		<b>Jim Davidson</b> Climb On - Strength for Life's Adventures
2:00				<b>E</b> - Shubart Vendors Forum <b>John Pfisterer</b> <b>Ken Cochran</b> <i>Mine Rescue Presentation</i> <b>Gary Takenaka</b> <b>Dennis Belanger</b>	
2:30		<b>E</b> - Registration - 4:30	<b>P</b> - Advisory Board Mtg.		<b>P</b> - Board of Directors
3:30			<b>P</b> - Board of Directors		
5:30			<b>E</b> - Registration to 7	<b>E</b> Go to Rodeo Grounds	
6:00			<b>P</b> - Scholarship Meeting	<b>E</b> Participatory Rodeo	
6:15					
6:30			<b>T</b> - Kid's Night Out		
7:00		<b>P</b> - President's Dinner	<b>A or T</b> - Welcome Recpt.	<b>E</b> - BBQ and Dance	

# Registration

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## 105th Convention & Annual Meeting June 28-June 30, 2009 The Silvertree Hotel - Snowmass, Colorado

Attendees are from coal, utility, manufacturing, service/suppliers, transportation, consultants, research, education and more.

- All adult attendees must have either Package A or Package B.
- Name tags are required.
- You must be a member, or family of a member, to attend. Membership is only \$175 per calendar year. Speakers, scholars, and students are not required to be members.

### REGISTRATION FEES INCLUDE:

#### PACKAGE A - All Inclusive

Only additional costs are for optional programs such as golf, Sunday family programs, and children's program.

- All Technical Sessions & Breaks
- Sunday Welcome Reception
- Monday Continental Breakfast
- Monday Scholarship Awards Lunch
- Monday BBQ, Rodeo and Dance
- Tuesday Mine Rescue Awards Breakfast
- Tuesday Closing Lunch, Annual Meeting & Entertainment

#### PACKAGE B

- All Technical Sessions & Breaks
- Monday Continental Breakfast
- Monday BBQ, Rodeo and Dance

You may also purchase the Welcome Reception, Scholarship Lunch, MR Breakfast Buffet, or Closing Lunch and Annual Meeting tickets.

Optional programs such as golf, Sunday family program, and children's venues may also be purchased.

#### OPTIONS

- Short Course
- Golf - Only available with purchase of Package "A" or "B"
- Family event in Aspen- Sunday
- Children's Sunday night program

**Closing Lunch and Annual Meeting** - An overview of what your Board of Directors and Committees have done during the year as well as election of next years' officers. You will also have a chance to win two **FREE** convention "A" packages to the 106th RMCMI Convention and Annual Meeting in Zermatt, Utah, 2010. Prior winners are not eligible. The lunch will close with **Jim Davidson** giving a compelling story about his close call with death after falling into a crevasse at the summit of Mt. Rainier.

#### CANCELLATIONS

A \$100 fee will be assessed for cancellations, in writing, received by **June 1. No refunds after June 1.**

#### TRAVEL & LODGING

Participants are responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements. See page 3.

REGISTER - Additional copies of this registration can be found online at **www.rmcmi.org**

- Credit Card:  
*Sign-up on-line at above website, or  
Mail to address below or Fax - 303/948-1132  
E-mail receipts will be sent to your inbox.*

■ Checks to: **RMCMI Convention  
8057 S. Yukon Way  
Littleton, CO 80128-5510**

- **Questions: Call Karen Inzano or Beth Coen - at 303/948-3300 or e-mail at mail@rmcmi.org.**

This brochure is published for members' convenience in making travel and convention plans. As changes occur they will be updated in the convention newspaper sent out prior to convention and in the program booklet found in your convention packet distributed at Snowmass. We will also put important changes on the website if, and when, they become available.



Please tear this sheet out using the perforation and copy for your records before sending to RMCMI

## RMCMI REGISTRATION EARLY RATES HONORED UNTIL JUNE 1, 2009

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION (Please **print/write legibly** so we do not need to call you)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name for Badge \_\_\_\_\_ Prof. Eng.

Company \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Departure \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Departure \_\_\_\_\_

*(Dates needed to verify room and meal counts)*

**IF Spouse or Children are attending, please complete family section below**

Badge Name for Spouse (first & last) _____	Child #1 _____	Birth Year _____
Home Address _____	Child #2 _____	Birth Year _____
City, State & Zip _____	Child #3 _____	Birth Year _____
E-mail _____	Child #4 _____	Birth Year _____
Phone _____		(12 and under)

All "A" and "B" packages include technical sessions, Monday continental breakfast, Monday BBQ and entertainment, and morning and afternoon breaks.

	<u>BY 6/1</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Total</u>		<u>AFTER 6/1</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Total</u>
Pkg. A - Member <i>All Inclusive - See page 13</i> .....	___	\$ 675	_____		___	\$ 750	_____
Pkg. A - Senior <i>65 or better - All Inclusive</i> .....	___	\$ 400	_____		___	\$ 475	_____
Pkg. A - Spouse / Student <i>All Inclusive</i> .....	___	\$ 310	_____		___	\$ 385	_____
Pkg. B - Member <i>See page 13</i> .....	___	\$ 545	_____		___	\$ 620	_____
Pkg. B - Senior <i>65 or better</i> .....	___	\$ 270	_____		___	\$ 345	_____
Pkg. B - Spouse / Student .....	___	\$ 180	_____		___	\$ 250	_____
Short Course <i>If ordering Package A or B</i> .....	___	\$ 620	_____		___	\$ 670	_____
Short Course Only <i>If not attending the Convention</i> .....	___	\$ 680	_____		___	\$ 730	_____

OPTIONAL EVENTS - Per Person - Adults must register for "A" or "B" package before signing up for optional events.  
Please sign up prior to convention so meals can be planned

Golf (include form on pg. 15) <i>Must also purchase Pkg. A or B to play golf</i> .....	@ 140 ea				@ 160 ea		
Golf Sponsorships - HOLES, TEES <i>Please bring forward total from Page 15</i> .....							
Sunday Family & Lunch Activity in Aspen <i>Everyone welcome with ticket</i> .....	@	66 ea	_____		@	70 ea	_____
Sunday Welcome Reception <i>Included in Package A - Everyone else welcome with ticket</i> .....	@	75 ea	_____		@	90 ea	_____
Sunday Kid's Night Out <i>While parents are at Welcome Reception - FOR FIRST CHILD</i> .....	@	30 ea	_____		@	30 ea	_____
Sunday Kid's Night Out <i>While parents are at Welcome Reception - FOR ADDITIONAL CHILDREN</i> .....	@	26 ea	_____		@	26 ea	_____
Monday Scholarship Lunch <i>Incl. in Pkg. A - Everyone else welcome with ticket</i> .....	@	35 ea	_____		@	40 ea	_____
Monday Child BBQ <i>Ages 4-12 (3 and under is free)</i> .....	@	25 ea	_____		@	31 ea	_____
Monday Teen BBQ .....	@	50 ea	_____		@	56 ea	_____
Tuesday Mine Rescue Breakfast <i>Incl. in Pkg. A and MR - Everyone else welcome with ticket</i> .....	@	27 ea	_____		@	37 ea	_____
Tuesday Mine Rescue Breakfast / Child <i>Ages 4-12</i> .....	@	15 ea	_____		@	20 ea	_____
Tuesday Closing Lunch <i>Incl. in Pkg. A - Annual Meeting and Entertainment - Everyone else welcome with ticket</i> .....	@	37 ea	_____		@	44 ea	_____
Tuesday Closing Lunch / Child <i>Ages 4-12</i> .....	@	17 ea	_____		@	22 ea	_____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE FOR CONVENTION .....		\$ _____			\$ _____
2009 RMCMI Dues \$175 (\$50 senior) per calendar year <i>Must be paid current to attend convention</i> .....		\$ _____			\$ _____
PATRONS (Scholarship Contribution - Tax Deductible) .....		\$ _____			\$ _____
<b>TOTAL</b> .....		<b>\$ _____</b>			<b>\$ _____</b>

CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_ CHARGE:  VISA  MC  AMEX Account # \_\_\_\_\_

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# Golf - Sunday, June 28

Sponsored by **CONOCOPHILLIPS** and **LETOURNEAU TECHNOLOGIES**

You **MUST** be convention registered to play in the tournament. **Bruce Lindsay**, Arch Western Bituminous Group, is this years' Golf Chair. His e-mail is [blindsay@archcoal.com](mailto:blindsay@archcoal.com).

It is very important to PAY ONLY FOR YOURSELF AND/OR SPOUSE, as the computer is not set up to handle payments for others. It is difficult to track and we appreciate your help on this. You may request pairings, but only pay for yourself.

- LOCATION** River Valley Ranch - Par 72 - 6,181 feet in elevation  
7,350 yard course with Mt. Sopris as a backdrop
- TIME** 8:00 start with continental breakfast before tee time
- FORMAT** 4-person Scramble
- DRESS CODE** Soft spike or tennis shoes. Men: collared shirts and slacks or shorts. Women: shirts and skirt, shorts or slacks. No cut-offs, tank tops or denim allowed.
- COST** \$140 per member/spouse. Includes green fees, 1/2 cart, range balls, prizes & Continental Breakfast
- PRIZES** Winners names will be posted near the Registration Desk on Sunday evening by 8:30 p.m. Prizes will be awarded Monday promptly at 7:15 a.m. Pictures will be taken of the winners. You must be present to win any award. Unclaimed prizes will be raffled.
- DEADLINE** **June 1, 2009 for the lowest price. No refunds will be made after this date.**
- PAIRINGS** Foursome requests will be honored only if all four have convention registered by June 1. Otherwise you will be paired with other players. In the case of multiple requests for the same player, earliest postmark determines foursome.
- CONFIRMATION** Pairings will be posted at the convention registration area upon your arrival. If possible, pairings will also be posted on the website.

PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE WITH YOUR REGISTRATION SHEET BY MAIL OR FAX. You may pay by check or credit card. The RMCMI office will process credit card payments and you will receive a receipt in your e-mail box. WE CANNOT PAIR ANYONE WITHOUT A HANDICAP.

DIRECTIONS: From the Snowmass Village take Hwy. 82 north toward Carbondale (Glenwood). Take Carbondale exit #133 and go south toward Redstone 2.5 miles. Turn right into the course at the big stone markers.

Print Player Name & Company	Handicap or 18 Hole Average	Print Player Name & Company	Handicap or 18 Hole Average
1. _____	_____	3. _____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	4. _____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

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\_\_\_\_\_ Golf Hole(s) @ \$ 100 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Tee Box Sponsor @ \$ 200 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

My firm will donate a prize  Yes  No

Please list prize \_\_\_\_\_

Bring prize to Golf Awards breakfast Monday morning.

Mulligans will be sold for \$10 each at the Course. Limit 2.

**Total of Golf Hole and Tee Box Sponsorships**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Carry forward to Registration Sheet on Page 14.**  
Send in this sheet - but also put total due on your Registration Page.

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