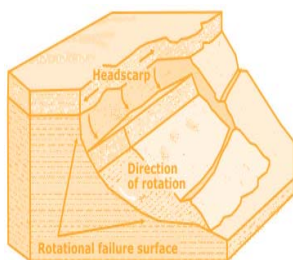
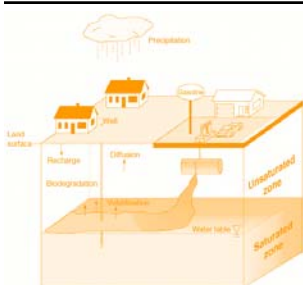




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## Upcoming Meetings:

Please contact the Oregon Section board with ideas, presenters, and topics for next season.



## BALLOT FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS AEG OREGON SECTION 2013-2014

Please indicate your vote by checking the box next to the candidate's name for each office, or by writing in a name. Your ballot should be sent to Robin Johnston (Section Past Chair) at: [robin.johnston@amec.com](mailto:robin.johnston@amec.com) or AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., c/o Robin Johnston, 7376 SW Durham Rd, Portland, OR 97224. Please return by August 23, 2013. The new slate of officers will be announced at the September meeting.

☐ **CHAIRPERSON**

**Darren Beckstrand**

Darren has been active with Oregon AEG since 2000. He received BS and MS degrees in Geology from Portland State University. He has been working as an engineering geologist for Cornforth Consultants since graduating in 2000. His career has focused on landslide and rockfall investigation and mitigation, earth and concrete dam investigations, and geotechnical instrumentation. He is a registered Geologist and/or Certified Engineering Geologist in Oregon, Washington, and Alaska.

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☐ **CHAIR-ELECT**

**Linda Mark**

Linda has been active with Oregon AEG since 2007. She received her BS degree in Geosciences from Penn State University and her MS degree in Geology from Idaho State University. Upon graduating, she worked at the USGS Cascades Volcano Observatory for over 5 years. For the last 8 years, she has been working at ESA Vigil-Agrimis, Inc. as a consultant specializing in geomorphology, hydrology, hydraulics, and environmental permitting. She is a Registered Geologist in Oregon, Washington, and Alaska.

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☐ **TREASURER**

**Adam Reese**

Adam has been active with Oregon AEG since 2007. He received BS and MS degrees in Geoenvironmental Studies from Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania and completed post graduate studies in environmental and engineering geology at Portland State University. He has 12 years of environmental and geotechnical consulting experience, primarily in the Pacific Northwest. For the past six years, he has worked for Apex Companies (formerly Ash Creek Associates) in Portland. He is a Registered Geologist and Certified Engineering Geologist in Oregon and Washington.

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☐ **SECRETARY**

**Stephen Hay**

Stephen has been active with Oregon AEG since 2007. He received his BS degrees in Geology and Geography from Portland State University and has been working as an engineering geologist for 17 years. For the past 14 years he has been employed with the Oregon Department of Transportation and is responsible for transportation project design, quarry development, landslide and rockfall geotechnical emergency response and hazardous materials emergency response. He is a registered Geologist and/or Certified Engineering Geologist in Oregon and Washington.

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## Message from the Chair

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. It never ceases to amaze me how quickly the days dash by.

Since we last met, the Oregon Board awarded the Oregon AEG Section Student Award to attend the 2013 Annual Meeting in Seattle to Emily Jenkins, Portland State University, for her work related to geochemical analysis of high-silica volcanic rocks from eastern Oregon, as well as her continued commitment to AEG and public outreach in the geologic community. Congratulations Emily! Please look for Emily's poster presentation 87Sr/86Sr of Mid-Miocene Silicic Volcanism in Eastern Oregon: Variable Sr Domains West of the Terrane-Craton Transition at the annual meeting in Seattle. A special thanks to all who applied for the award this year.

There is a great deal of AEG activity on the national level, including moving forward with the Needs Assessment based on the results of the initial survey, which many of you took part in. Key areas of focus resulted from the survey, and you will be hearing more about these in the coming months. Exciting times for AEG!

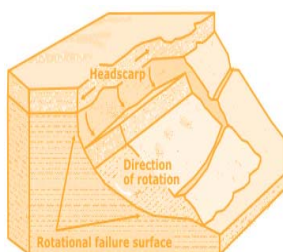
We look forward to a great 2013/2014 season. If you or someone you know would like to sponsor drinks for a meeting or advertise in the newsletter, let the board know. We are always looking for, and much appreciate, these levels of support. If you're interested in a role in any of the open committee positions shown on Page 7, please contact a board member. National AEG has revitalized the Visiting Professional Program (VPP), with a goal of increased advocacy for AEG and the professions of engineering and environmental geology, and related fields. The VPP needs AEG members who are willing to volunteer their time to share experiences with other professionals, community members, students, and others who may benefit from the services AEG and its members provide. We are seeking a liaison for the VPP. We also are still seeking to fill the Field Trip and Legislature Chair positions as well.

Please do take the time to cast your votes for the AEG Oregon Section Board Members for the 2013/2014 season (see Page 1). We are pleased that Stephen Hay with ODOT has offered to serve on the board, starting with the secretary position. Thank you, Stephen. Thanks to Kevin Schleh, Darren Beckstrand, Linda Mark, Adam Reese, Scott Braunsten, Mike Marshall, Ann Stansbeary, and Keith Olson for your service this past year. You are all remarkable people.

It's been a pleasure serving as Chair of the Oregon Section Board this past year. Thank you for all you do to make Oregon the successful and engaged section that it is. It all comes down to us individually and what we want to make of it. Keep up the good work!

See you soon,

Robin



Join us at the **56<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in 2013**,  
as the Washington section celebrates its 50th Anniversary!

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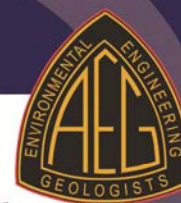


- Field Trips – 8 planned including Mt. Rainier, Landslides, Active Faults and Tectonics, Seattle Engineering & Environmental Geology, Glacial Geology, North Cascades and Mountain Biking
- Symposia – 10 planned including Tunneling, Fishery Improvements, Transportation Projects, Tsunamis, Environmental Geology Issues of Energy Development, PNW Volcanic and Seismic Hazards, Rivers and Floodplain, Quantitative Engineering Geology
- Technical Sessions – Posters and approximately 10 oral sessions to complement the symposia including Environmental Geology, Landslides, Dams, Seismic Hazards, Mining and Mine Waste Management, Geophysics, Groundwater and Karst
- Short Courses including "Challenges of Peat: Characterization, Significance, and Settlement"
- Walk to Pike Place Market, and enjoy Museums, Restaurants, Shopping and the new Wheel on the waterfront.

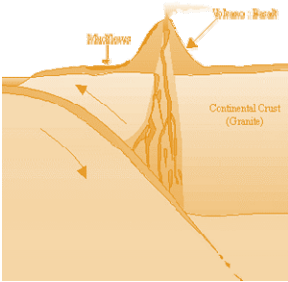
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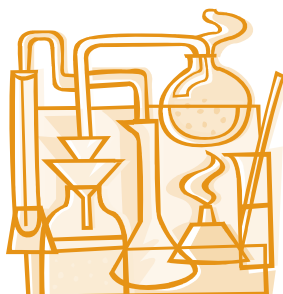
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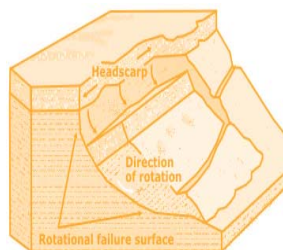
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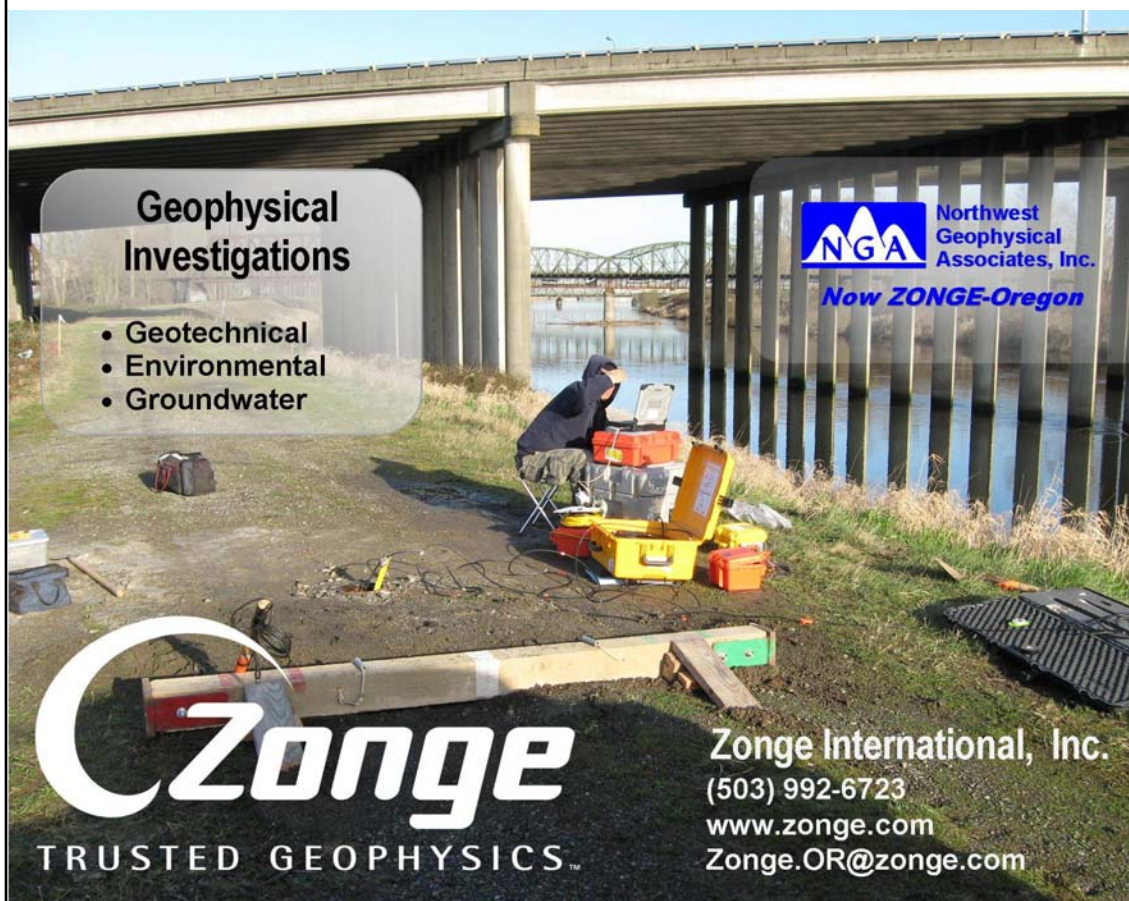
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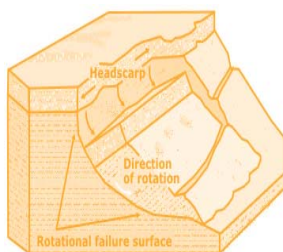
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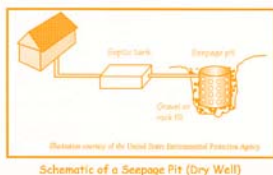
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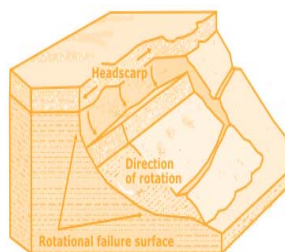
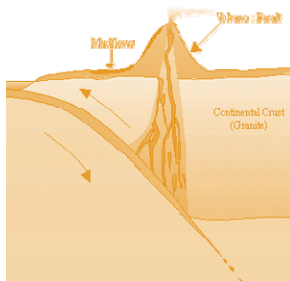


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