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AEG OREGON CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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Meeting Details:

Summer Social
Date: Wednesday August
30th, 2023 5:00-7:00 pm
[Lucky Lab on Hawthorne](#)

RSVP

Agenda:

Eat Pizza and talk
about your field
season!

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

October - Ray Wells: recent
geologic mapping in the
Portland Basin.

Message from the Chapter Chair

Hello Oregon Chapter!

We hope you are enjoying summer and finding time to explore some cool geology in our little corner of the world. Maybe you even took some pictures you can use to show off at the end-of-summer social? We'll be holding an end-of-summer social again on August 30th at the Lucky Lab on Hawthorne. We'll provide the pizzas, you supply the stories of summer adventures.

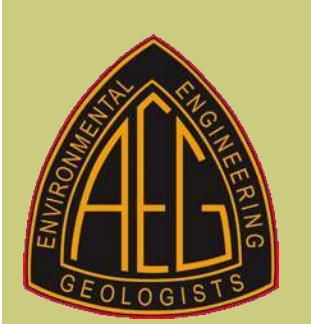
After the summer social, we hope to see many of you again at the AEG Annual Meeting right here in Portland in September. We will not have a regular chapter meeting in September, because we want to encourage everyone who can to attend the annual meeting right here in town. Instead, our next chapter meeting will be in October. Ray Wells will present on his recent geologic mapping of the Portland Basin, and may even bring some copies for in-person attendees to take home.

Lastly, this newsletter includes a copy of the ballot for our board elections. Please take a moment, fill it out, and return it to me by August 18. I know it's hard to find time to vote during the summer, but your participation and support are appreciated! We'd also like to acknowledge Justin McCarley, geologist, drone pilot, and PSU grad as the candidate for Secretary.

And speaking of elections, tomorrow is the last day to vote for Regional Director Positions. So don't forget to vote!

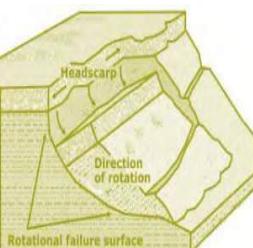
It has been a pleasure being your Chapter Chair this year.

Yours,
Aine Mines
AEG Oregon Chapter Chair 2022-2023



*Geologists have a
saying - rocks
remember.*

Neal Armstrong



BALLOT FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS

AEG OREGON CHAPTER 2022-2023

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 Aine Mines (Chapter Past Chair) Aine.Mines@ccilt.com. Please return by August 18th, 2023. The new officers will be announced at the September meeting.



CHAIR
Ryan Cole

Ryan Cole, CEG, RG, began his federal career right after high school in 2000 by enlisting in the United States Army. He volunteered for, and was selected to serve in the United States Army's Special Operations Command as a Ranger in the 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. He completed four tours in Afghanistan and one tour in Iraq in support of Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom, respectively. In 2008 Ryan began working for the US Geological Survey while attending Portland State University, where he earned both a BS and MS in geology. His first permanent geologist position was with the US Forest Service in 2011, where he worked on a variety of National Forests across the western United States. His work with the US Forest Service included the mining, energy, abandoned mine reclamation, CERCLA, Burned Area Emergency Response, timber harvest access and suitability, and working on interdisciplinary teams for Forest road and facilities projects. He was most recently assigned to the Mt. Hood National Forest and Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area as an engineering geologist. In 2020 he accepted a position at the Western Federal Lands Highway Division with the Federal Highway Administration in Vancouver, WA.

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CHAIR-ELECT

Nikos Tzetas

Nikos Tzetas is a geophysical consultant who has worked in the Pacific Northwest since 2000. He applies various near surface geophysical methods to the environmental and engineering fields. Nikos moved to the Portland area in 1994 and enjoys cycling, fishing, roasting and drinking coffee, crafting cocktails, and hanging out with his family. Nikos holds a master's degree in geosciences from The Pennsylvania State University and a bachelor's degree in geology from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece.

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TREASURER



Nicholas (Nick) Farny

Nicholas Farny, LEG, LG is an engineering geologist that has over 10 years of experience in the fields of engineering geology and geotechnical engineering. He is currently employed as an Engineering Geologist with Western Federal Lands Highway Division out of Vancouver, WA. Prior to that he was employed in the private sector in the Front Range of Colorado. He holds both Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Geology from Purdue University, and it was in college that he started attending AEG meetings in Indianapolis and Chicago. In his spare time he enjoys fishkeeping, weightlifting, heavy metal music, karaoke, and traveling with his wife Amy.

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*Geologists are never at
a loss for paperweights.*

Bill Bryson

SECRETARY
Justin McCarley

Justin McCarley, R.G., is a geologist with over 5 years of experience in engineering geology in the Pacific Northwest. He is currently employed as an engineering geologist at Cornforth Consultants in Portland, Oregon. Prior to that he worked for DOGAMI, helping use LiDAR to identify landslides in the Oregon Coast Range. He also holds an FAA remote pilot license. Justin holds a Masters degree in Geology from Portland State University. He is looking forward to getting more involved in AEG.

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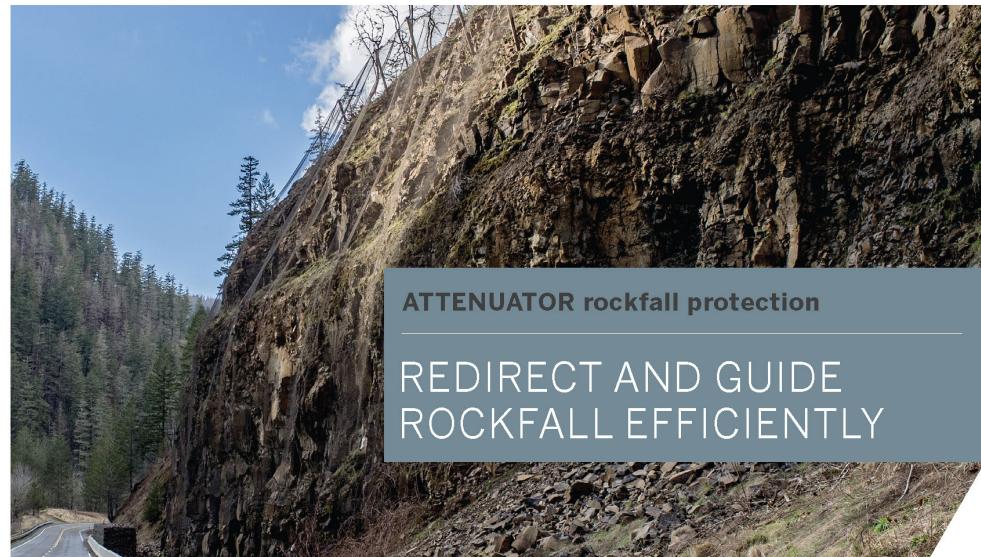
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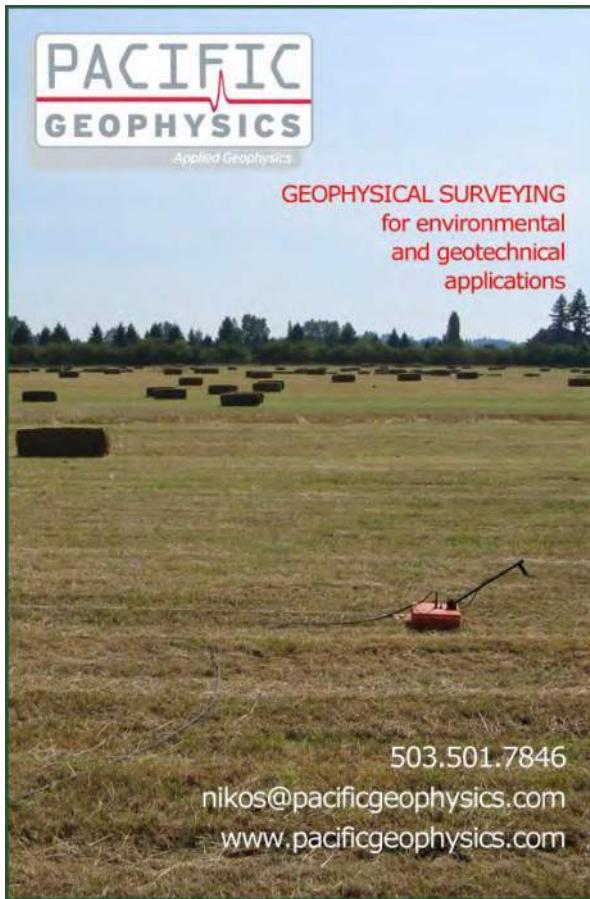


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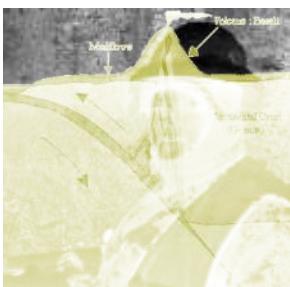
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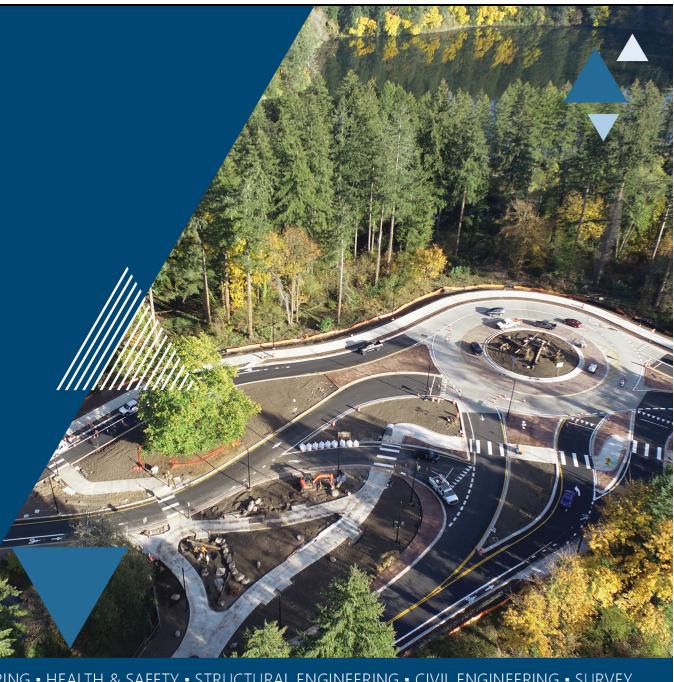


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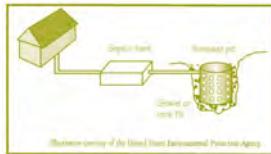
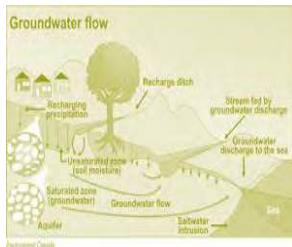


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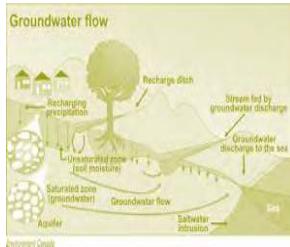
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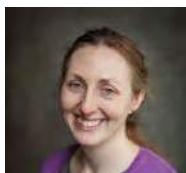
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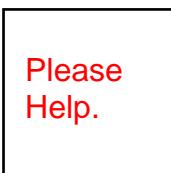
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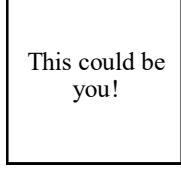
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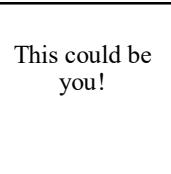
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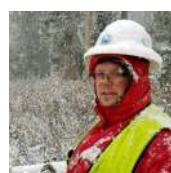
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