Registrations are in their final stage with regard to the rates. However, the deadline for the time the rates increase has been extended to May 14. These must be received by 5:00 PM EDT if either mailed or faxed, as decisions for cancellations of workshops, and field and social tours will be made on Saturday, May 15. If you have enrolled for one of these events that has to be cancelled due to failure to make the minimum numbers, you will be given the opportunity to select another event or receive a refund. If the event is at a higher cost, the individual will need to pay the difference, and partial refunds will be made if the event is at a lower cost.

There are some workshops and tours that are below the minimum numbers, so if you plan to attend any of these events fax or email the registration form immediately. There is one tour and workshop each which are approaching their maximum numbers allowed, so it is also important to send your registration to secure a place on the bus or in the classroom. As noted, the fax machine is in the home of the Executive Secretary and is secure.

The official web page for the meetings is www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com and the committee is striving to keep this up to date. The program is supposed to be posted on the web page two weeks prior to the meetings.

RECLAMATION MATTERS

The spring issue of Reclamation Matters was mailed from our office a couple weeks ago and everyone should have received their copy. We do have some copies remaining if you wish an additional copy. Unfortunately, a few copies were returned undelivered due to incorrect addresses. If you have moved you must inform ASMR as this is mailed using our bulk mail permit and they are not likely to be forwarded to your new address, and when returned ASMR must pay first class postage which is approximately $3.00 per issue.

I was pleased that we received several (>50) subscriptions to the magazine from non-members at a cost of $10/year. However, the bulk of the 3,500 on this mailing list who were either former ASMR members, or persons who had attended one of our annual meetings the past few years, or added to the mailing list from a variety of sources, chose not to subscribe. There are several (>50) who wished information to be sent regarding future meetings, etc. via email. ASMR will mail all magazines until such time the number of advertisements increase to support a larger mailing list.
STUDENT TRAVEL GRANT PROGRAM

Student Travel Grant Program – There have been some requests for applications for travel grants to the Pittsburgh meetings. If you are giving a paper and have not applied, do so very soon. Instructions are on the ASMR web page.

STUDENT CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Students at the University of Wyoming have organized a local chapter. Unfortunately I have failed to request a list of officers, but they had their second full monthly meeting in April. The program consisted of presentations from two people with reclamation projects that the students were asked to help with over the coming summer months. One is the UP Tie Plant right south of Laramie, and the other related to a dam removal and reconstruction on the Encampment River. Lisa Cox informed me that the club is really shaping up, with about 10 active members at this point, most of whom are ASMR Student Members, and she is encouraging others to become members of ASMR as well as members of their local chapter.

Perhaps a challenge is in order to the other ASMR chapter, the University of Wisconsin, Platteville to see which chapter will have the most ASMR members in 2011.

DIRECTORY

Second Request for the Directory: As reported in the February newsletter, there will not be a printed hard copy of the Directory in the near future at least. Some of these components will be listed only on the ASMR web page. Plans include sending an electronic Excel spread sheet in early July.

In the past issues there were two sections for which I need your help. I would like to update your interest with respect to Technical Divisions. I will list these using numbers, and I am suggesting that this be ranked in order of your first three choices. Please send me your preference by email prior to July 1. Use the following numbers 1=Ecology, 2=Forestry and Wildlife, 3=Geotechnical Engineering, 4=Land Use Planning and Design, 5=Tailings Reclamation, 6=Soils and Overburden, and 7=Water Management.

If you wish to identify up to three professional organizations as listed in the past directories, send me an email listing these affiliations. I do not plan to transfer these from the past directory. As these are received, I will assign numbers to enter in a column on the spread sheet. The legend will be listed in some manner at the end of the spread sheet.

FORMER MEMBER

I am sorry to inform you that Prof. Norman Rethman passed away Wednesday afternoon May 5 after suffering a heart attack. Norman was a member of ASMR beginning in 1992 up to a few years ago when he retired from the Department of Plant Production and Soil Science, The University of Pretoria, South Africa. I had just received word from him two days earlier that he was planning to come to the 2011 ASMR meetings in Bismarck, ND, and had requested the dates for this meeting and possible events. For those interested, I will accept donations to the Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund in his honor. His former secretary at the University of Pretoria stated “his absence is a severe loss for us all here.” I will inform her of any donations given in his honor.
New Student Members since the last Newsletter and the Directory was printed.

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UP-COMING EVENTS

If you have meetings that you would like to list, send the information to ASMR.

ASMR 27th Annual Meetings will be in Pittsburgh with Lois Uranowski, OSM; Bruce Golden, Western PA Coalition Abandon Mine Reclamation (WPCAMR); Tom Grote, Stream Restoration, Inc.; and Mike Bower, Appalachian Reforestation Initiative (ARRI) as the key committee members. The Radisson will be the hotel for the meetings, which will be **June 5-11, 2010**. The Radisson is actually located in Green Tree, a suburb of Pittsburgh near the OSM office.

International Mine Water Association (IMWA) 2010 Conference “Mine Water and Innovative Thinking,” Sydney/Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada, **September 5 – 9, 2010**. e-mail: amy@IMWA2010.info website: [www.IMWA2010.info](http://www.IMWA2010.info) A flyer may be found on the ASMR website with meetings other than ASMR.

32nd Annual Conference National Association of Abandoned Mine Land Programs (NAAMLP) to be held **September 19-22, 2010** in the Hilton Hotel and Conference Center, Scranton, Pennsylvania. Prospective presenters should submit abstracts for papers or proposals for workshops or panel discussions on or before **May 7, 2010**. Abstracts should be emailed to: Presentations@NAAMLP2010.com. Please contact Eric Cavazza at (814) 472-1844 or ecavazza@state.pa.us or visit the conference website at [www.NAAMLP2010.com](http://www.NAAMLP2010.com).

Mine Closure 2010, V International Conference on Mine Closure. Santiago, Chile **November 23 - 26, 2010**. The call for papers deadline is **January 25, 2010**. For additional information, please contact: Olga Cherepanova, Gecamin, Chile, email address mc@mineclosure2010.com or visit the website at [www.mineclosure2010.com](http://www.mineclosure2010.com).

ASMR 28th Annual Meetings will be in Bismarck, ND at the Ramkota Hotel with Steve Schroeder the host. Additional information will be added here when it is nearer the meetings. The date has been set for **June 12-16, 2011**.

ASMR 29th Annual Meetings will be in Mississippi with David Lang the local host. The location and time have not been set. Initially we had hoped to have been successful in obtaining ICARD 9 and if that would have occurred the meetings would have been in Jackson the third week in June. The location in Mississippi and date now may change, as the time gets closer.

ASMR 30th Annual Meetings will be in Wyoming but the location and time have not been set.