



October 2015

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As the weather cools and the leaves change color, the hustle of summer starts to wind down to a manageable pace for our industry. We prepare for 2016 with needed repairs, equipment purchases and training for our employees.

MVSEE is preparing for our first 4-hour blaster refresher training class. I personally would like to invite every blaster in the state to this function on October 9 at Fabick in Fenton, Missouri. Great speakers are scheduled to be present.

I challenge everyone to mentor someone in our industry for without them our future will be uncertain.

Rowdy Reynolds

President

Mississippi Valley Society of Explosives Engineers



Our Next Meeting:

Friday,
October 9, 2015

Fabick CAT
1 Fabick Drive
Fenton MO 63026

11:00 AM
Lunch & Member
Meeting

12:00—4:00 PM
Training Class

4:00 PM
Board Meeting

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Fenton MO 63026



Mississippi Valley S.E.E. Meeting



OCTOBER 9, 2015

11:00 - BBQ LUNCH

11:30 - MEMBER MEETING

12:00 - 4:00 PM - TRAINING

TRAINING FOR MEMBERS ONLY!

**Renew Membership or Sign-up
ONLINE AT: www.mvsee.org**

RSVP DEADLINE MONDAY OCTOBER 5, 2015

**ATTENDEES RECEIVE FOUR (4) HOURS
REFRESHER TRAINING FOR MISSOURI
BLASTER'S LICENSE**



LOCATION:

**1 Fabick Drive
Fenton, MO 63026**



ENERGIZING SPEAKERS:

- **BILL ZIERES**, Law Enforcement Manager, Missouri Office of the State Fire Marshal, "Common Complaints and Violations"
- **RYAN SEELKE**, Attorney at Law, Steelman, Gaunt & Horsefield, "Mistakes That An Opposing Attorney would Love to See You Make"
- **ANDREW BLAIR**, Director of Education, ISEE, ISEE Blasting Safety Certification
- **RANDY HEAD, SR.**, Drill Consultant, Caterpillar, "Drilling Safety & Accountability"



MEETING MINUTES

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY S.E.E.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:20pm by Steve Forman, President. 18 members in attendance. Steve read the S.E.E. Anti-Trust Agreement as required.

Treasurer, Lea Frea reported that our chapter has \$18,382 among three accounts. Of this, \$1845 is set-aside for state and local regulator "blasters training" which was an amount approved a few years ago. Those funds have not been tapped into yet. Also among this amount is \$3300 which belongs equally to the three local S.E.E. chapters. This amount is saved to cover the expense of the 2016 Mid-America Blasting Conference venue.

There being no old business to discuss, Forman moved on to new business. He read the results of the recent election of officer and board members whose terms begin after this meeting. Rowdy Reynolds is President and five elected Board Members are Paul Wunderlich, Tim Woodard, Greg Muenks, Ken Humphrey and Daryl Hale. Caryn Jobe is Alternate.

As a result of the board's action earlier, the next membership meeting is October 2, 2015 (date changed to Oct. 9).

A discussion ensued about the success of the Rolla mine tour this past September which was hosted by the MO S&T Student Chapter. About 60 members representing both chapters were in attendance. It was fun, interesting and informative. Therefore, we will pursue joining the two chapters this year for an event such as a clay shoot. Funds raised at this event could be for the Student Chapter. Phyllis Hasser made a motion that Lee Frea and Eric Rau organize an event. Keith Henderson seconded the motion and it was quickly approved.

Henderson reported on the I.S.E.E. Conference held within the past week at New Orleans. He spoke of the highlights and encouraged members to submit a paper for any future conference. Randy Head spoke of his experience making a presentation a few years ago and he also encourages other members not to fear the writing or the verbal presentation. Plenty of help is available within the organization. It was a great experience for him. For those who make a presentation, their trip is paid for by the I.S.E.E. Next conference is first week of February, 2016 in Las Vegas!

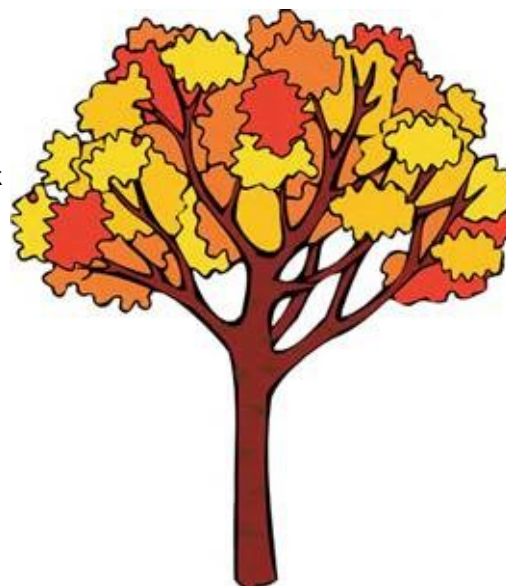
Henderson also informed us that the I.S.E.E. has a website www.explosives.org for public use. It gives the public information about blasting that could address their concerns. He also reminds everyone that there are benefits to I.S.E.E. membership which includes a kick-back to our local chapter. Cost is \$80 per year.

Steve Forman thanked the membership for their commitment to our chapter and passed the torch to Rowdy Reynolds.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Drury
Secretary



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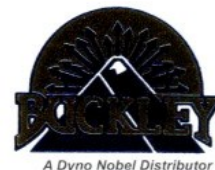
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Board Meeting Report



The MVSEE Board of Directors has met twice since the last membership meeting on February 5, 2015. The following is a summary of the minutes of the Board meetings held on February 5, June 5 and August 21, 2015. Any member wishing to receive the full minutes of these meetings can contact the Newsletter Editor (Phyllis Hasser) or Chapter Secretary (Chris Drury).

At the **February 5 meeting**, the Board met prior to the membership meeting. The primary action taken at this meeting was to change the format of membership meetings from the current four meetings per year held in the evenings. The new format will be two half-day training meetings per year held in the afternoon on the first Friday of March and October. (The meeting for October 2015 was moved to the second Friday to accommodate a Heartland Chapter activity planned on the first Friday this year.)

At this meeting, Chris Drury informed us that Fabick CAT in Fenton has a meeting space which they will make available to us free of charge for our meetings. It was agreed to accept this offer, since we now pay \$300 per meeting at the Holiday Inn.

The primary purpose of the **June 5 meeting** was to plan the October membership meeting, which will qualify as 4 hours of refresher training for the Missouri Blasters' License. Eight hours of refresher training is required every three years. The meeting will start with lunch at 11am, be followed by a short business meeting, then four hours of training from noon till 4 PM. A Board of Directors meeting will immediately follow from 4 to 5 PM. Buckley Powder offered to BBQ onsite and the chapter will furnish food and drinks. Lengthy discussion took place regarding the program and speakers for the October 2015 training meeting. The meeting will include the usual door prizes and 50/50.

Other topics covered:

The Board voted to change the Chapter dues and meeting fee structure. Currently, the dues are \$20/year, plus a fee of \$8 for each meeting attended. Starting in 2016, this will change to \$40/year for dues, and no meeting fees. In addition, it was agreed that no meeting fee would be charged for the October 2015 training meeting, however attendees must be paid Chapter members.

In adherence of Chapter bylaws, there can be no "sales pitch" at any MVSEE gathering, training or meeting.

At the **August 21 meeting**, plans were finalized for the October 2015 membership training meeting. The program was set, and final decisions were made regarding lunch and the meeting venue.

Other topics covered were primarily financial:

Chapter Treasurer, Lee Frea, recommended changing banks to one that a) has more branches thus is more accessible to Chapter officers and, b) does not charge us fees to hold our checking account. This motion was passed by the Board.

Lee Frea also reported that the Chapter neglected to make the allotted annual \$500 contribution to the Allan Hale Scholarship Foundation in 2014, and he would be sure that the 2015 donation was made.

Regarding the newsletter, Lee Frea reported that he found a document in Chapter archives which indicates that we charge \$50 for a business card ad, \$100 for a 1/2 page ad, and \$200 for a full page ad in our newsletter. These options will be added to the Chapter's membership payment webpage.



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Missouri S&T blasting students thank the MVSEE chapter for helping to sponsor their trip to the Best In The West Drilling & Blasting Conference in Spearfish, SD last April.



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***NOTE THAT THE FORM SHOWN BELOW IS FOR 2015 ONLY.
THE DUES STRUCTURE WILL CHANGE IN 2016.***

Sign up or renew your membership for 2015 in the
Mississippi Valley Chapter of the S.E.E.

You can also sign up for newsletter **Business Card Ads**

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mvsee.org

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*Mississippi Valley Chapter of S.E.E.
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BUSINESS CARD AD \$50/YEAR:

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