President’s Message

It was great to see everyone in Steamboat Springs this year. We enjoyed a great meeting with good attendance. The program provided excellent speakers with a wealth of important information. I also want to extend a big thank you to Judy, Chelsey, Richard, and Trent for all the hard work in presenting a great conference.

I am excited for the association’s future as we transition to RMMI. We strive to be more inclusive to all types of mining, and our focus on safety and education will continue to be important to the Institute. I feel we are in good hands with Judy as our Executive Director, and both RMMI and Friends of Coal West have very talented boards to lead the way. We encourage mining companies to remember how important your participation and support is to the association and to the industry.

It was exciting to see the great scholarship group this year. It’s refreshing to meet and listen to them as they begin their paths. I am also proud we were able to award 4 technical scholarships this year, in addition to the eight engineering/geo scholarships.

As a reminder, we will be holding our 4th annual Friends of Coal golf tournament in Gillette on Friday, July 30. Gather your colleagues and register a team to join us! Sponsorship opportunities are available, please check the website for additional information. We will also hold our Tri-State Regional meeting in Billings, Montana September 29-30 at the Northern Hotel, with golf at Pryor Creek.

It was a life honor to serve as President, I look forward to continuing to work and support Rocky Mountain Mining Institute and Friends of Coal West.

A Message from the Executive Director

We were very excited and grateful to see attendance back to a normal level for our annual meeting. I think everyone enjoyed being able to get together again and network with colleagues, get important updates on industry, meet new friends, and be in the beautiful mountains of Colorado.

I want to extend a big thank you to all speakers who took the time to put forth interesting presentations and connect with our group during events. These professionals take time out of their busy schedules to bring you the most up to date information, and it is greatly appreciated. David and Cheryl Evans, and all the evaluators who put together the Mine Rescue training, provided intensive training to eight teams this year, and their expertise in safety is very impressive.

Our silent and live auctions continue to be a highlight of our meeting, and we are extremely appreciative of the donations and purchases. Please see the page in this newsletter that acknowledges those who participated. With patron donations down from previous years, these auctions help provide the necessary funds to keep our program moving forward. This is an important mission of the Institute.

We will update you as we move forward with the name change to Rocky Mountain Mining Institute. The membership in attendance, and the board of directors, voted unanimously to move forward with this name change. Coal will always be part of our focus, as mining, safety and education will remain our priorities. Look for a notice in the near future with information on the new website.

Thank you again for your continued support of our efforts to advocate for the mining industry, and to present interesting and informative meetings.
Golf

60 players enjoyed a beautiful morning at the picturesque Rollingstone Ranch Golf Club in Steamboat for our annual golf tournament. The winners were:

We would also like to thank our hole sponsors, and those who provided prize donations.

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We sincerely thank John Gefferth, Barr Engineering, who provided goodie bags to each golfer.

**1st place:**
Vivie Melendez
Felipe Melendez
Bernadine Beyale
Harlan Begay

**2nd place:**
David Terry
Davina Terry
Dragan Bogunovic
Joshua Johns

**3rd place:**
Joe Micheletti
Braden Lusk
Robert Richens
Matt Estes

**Men’s closest to the pin** – Frank Pagura
**Men’s longest drive** – Felipe Melendez
**Women’s closest to the pin** – Bernadine Beyale
**Women’s longest drive** – Bernadine Beyale
Welcome Reception
Sponsored by Komatsu

Sunday evening’s Welcome Reception provides a way for colleagues to reconnect and enjoy an evening of networking, appetizers, and cocktails as the meeting gets underway.
Technical Sessions
Sponsored by: Bisti Fuels, Butler Machinery, CDG Engineers, and Dyno Nobel

We sincerely appreciate the time and efforts of the excellent speakers who participated in the RMCMI meeting this year. One of the comments we heard often was how impressed our attendees were with the speakers and information presented. If you attended the conference this year, a link to the presentations is available.

Mike Nasi
Jackson Walker, LLP
“Houston, We Have a Problem: What Triggered the Texas Power Outages and its Potential Impact on the National Energy Policy Debate”

Rebecca McGrew
North American Coal
“Mining in An ESG (Environment, Social, Governance) World – Responsibility, Transparency and Story Telling”

Ryan Jackson
National Mining Association
“A View From Washington”

Michael Murphy
MineStar Solutions, Caterpillar Inc.
“State of Autonomy in Mining”

Mandy Gunasekara
Former Chief of Staff of US EPA
“Navigating the Biden Administration’s Approach to Environmentalism”

Denton Knapp
Republican Candidate (WY), US House of Representatives

Clark Moseley
Navajo Transitional Energy Company
“Round Top—Possibly the World’s Largest Rare Earth Mine”

Braden Lusk, PhD
Dyno Nobel Americas
“Committed to Coal- Positive Progress Focused”

Glenn Murrell
Wyoming Energy Authority
“Wyoming Energy Strategy”

Randy Eminger
Energy Policy Network
“Rush to ‘Clean’ Energy, Not so Fast!”

Mark Chalmers
Energy Fuels Resources USA,
“ Bringing Back the Critical Minerals Supply Chain to the USA”

Paul Badeau
Applied Fiber
“Mining Innovation for Rope Shovels and Draglines”
One of the premier events of the RMCMII conference, is the scholarship luncheon where we were proud to host all eight engineering/geo scholars this year. A big thank you to Morgan Malkowski, Manager, Mining Technology and Support, Thunder Basin Coal Company, for his time and efforts to review the scholarship applications, interview the students and make recommendations for the awards. We would also like to thank Thunder Basin Coal Company for hosting the students and their guests at a dinner on Sunday evening.

Since 1984, the patron program has provided 371 scholarships in the amount of $967,000 to date. We appreciate the efforts of Clark Moseley, Patron Chair, for his efforts in promoting the patron program and encouraging all members to participate.
Thank You to our Generous Patron Program Donors!

Thank you to the individuals and sponsors who continue to support the RMCMI Scholarship Program. The selected students not only received a $5,500 tuition credit over two years, but also received a free trip to the 117th Annual Meeting and Conference in Steamboat Springs this summer. Technical scholars receive $1,000 for those hoping to work in the industry in a technical field. Since the awards were first given in 1985, we have presented scholarships totaling almost $967,000 to college students pursuing careers in the industry. A special thank you to Clark Moseley, Patron Chair. Please help RMCMI continue this important program. Please don’t forget to ask your companies to match your personal donations!

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Safety Awards
Sponsored by Big Horn Tire, Dakota Coal Company, Mountain Coal Company

The Rocky Mountain Coal Mining Institute is proud to present annual safety awards to large and small surface and underground mines who have exhibited exemplary safety practices in 2020. We sincerely thank Wendell Koontz, RMCMI Board Member and head of the Safety Committee, for obtaining the information from MSHA and evaluating the data. Mr. Koontz presented the awards to the following mines:

- **Small Underground Mine**
  - Twentymile Mine, Peabody Energy

- **Large Surface Mine**
  - San Miguel Mine

- **Large Underground Mine**
  - West Elk Mine, Mountain Coal Company, LLC

- **Small Surface Mine**
  - Rawhide Mine, Peabody Energy
Monday Night BBQ

The Monday night event provided perfect weather, and having an outdoor location provided an opportunity for all to enjoy the fun and fellowship.
The Institute wishes to express our sincere gratitude for the silent and live auction donors and buyers. These dollars help to provide the additional funds needed to provide the scholarships, the travel for the scholars to attend the annual conference, and for outreach efforts. Thank you to Scott Sturm, Westmoreland Mining, LLC, for stepping in as our auctioneer this year and making this a fun event during our Monday night party.

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Mine Rescue
Sponsored by The North American Coal Corporation

The Rocky Mountain Coal Mining Institute was proud to present the 30th Annual Mine Rescue Safety Training & Evaluation during the 117th Conference and Annual Meeting. David and Cheryl Evans completed their 23rd year of involvement with our program and continue to do an excellent job of coordinating this event. We also thank the following evaluators: Todd Olmstead, Robert Paslay, Charles Pankonien, Gerald Polacca, Racheal Ellison, Danny Graham, and Kevin Ray. We also welcomed The Kern Education Group back for an amazing class of medical training. The effort required for an event like this takes months of prior planning, and we appreciate their dedication to provide great training scenarios.
Annual Gun Raffle

With the help of Wendell Koontz, RMCM Board Member, we held another successful gun raffle this year. Wendell is instrumental in securing the gun, selling tickets and making sure the transfer is done correctly and legally. We sincerely appreciate his help. He enlisted students this year to pull the winning ticket at our Monday night BBQ. The lucky winner was Brandon Garcia.

Many thanks to all who participated in this fundraiser.

Thank You to Our Staff

Chelsey Voglewede, Trent Colgan and Richard Orf once again worked hard to make the conference run smoothly. We sincerely appreciate their efforts year after year as they are instrumental in making sure to keep things moving during our annual meeting.
Floyd W. Parsons Award

We wish to congratulate Clark Moseley, who was awarded the Floyd W. Parsons Award during the annual scholarship luncheon. This award has only been given a few times during the history of the RMCMI, you can find the details here. The award is given based on the following criteria, which all fit Clark perfectly.

1. Outstanding and meritorious service to the Institute.
2. Unselfish devotion to the Institute over a period of years in a loyal and dedicated manner.
3. Upholding the purposes and objectives of the Institute.

Clark joined the Institute in 1988, and was President from 1998-1999. He received the Life Member Award in 2006 and has been Patron Chair and annual donor to the Patron program for several years. He was presented the award by Randy Johnson, RMCMI Board Member and General Manager of NTEC’s Antelope Mine.

Additionally, NTEC’s Mine Rescue team presented Clark their Safety Award and a special hard hat.

Passing of the Gavel

We extend our sincere thanks to Matthew Palmer, President of Rimpull Corporation, as he passes the gavel to Frank Pagura, Director of Major Accounts with WPI. We appreciate the years of service Matt has provided and look forward to Frank’s leadership in the upcoming year.
Thank You to Our 2021 Conference Sponsors!

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