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None	None	

*Currently MMSA has 341 members with 7 applications in process.
 The membership includes 194 QP members.*

MMSA News

Annual Meeting, Dinner, and Events at SME, Minneapolis, Feb 26 2018

The Annual Meeting and Dinner will be held in Minneapolis on Monday February 26, 2018. The Annual Meeting will start at 5:15 p.m. in Marquette 8 at the Hilton Minneapolis. If you cannot attend the meeting in person, return the proxy that will be sent to you within a week.

Three Councilor positions require a vote. Members will also be asked to vote on two major new issues related to QP membership. Two new categories have been proposed: "Mineral Valuation, Finance" and "Minerals Project Costing, Infrastructure, and Management". Documents describing the categories are available on the MMSA Web site in the Members Only page.

The Senior QP proposal has been approved by the Council and is also on the ballot. The statement of the reasoning and details of SQP requirements are also on the Members Only page of the Web site.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

Annual Meeting and Annual Dinner will be on Monday February 26, 2018.

Sign up for the dinner now! Contact the MMSA office or order/pay on the shopping cart: <http://www.mmsa.net/payments>

The Annual Dinner will be in Marquette 9 at the Hilton Minneapolis. The reception starts at 6:30. To reserve your spot at the Dinner, contact the MMSA office by phone or email. You can also make a reservation by paying for the dinner on the shopping cart at: <http://www.mmsa.net/payments>. The cost is \$90

MMSA will be presenting a Gold Medal to Thomas V Falkie at the Dinner. Tom is being honored “In recognition of a lifetime of contributions to the mining industry through education, industry management, and government service.”

MMSA will have a booth (2710) at the SME exhibit hall during the Annual Meeting in Minneapolis, Feb 25-28, 2018. As always, booth helpers are desired! If you would like to hang out at the booth for a couple of hours, contact the MMSA office. We also have several Exhibits Only passes available for the three days of the meeting. The passes admit you to the exhibits, but not to any of the talks .

See you in Minneapolis!

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Critical Minerals Report available from USGS.

United States Geological Survey’s (USGS) Report 1802, is titled: *Critical mineral resources of the United States—Economic and environmental geology and prospects for future supply* (available at <https://pubs.er.usgs.gov/publication/pp1802>).

President Trump issued Executive Order (E.O.) 13817, “A Federal Strategy to Ensure Secure and Reliable Supplies of Critical Minerals.” The E.O. calls for the United States to promote exploration and development of critical minerals in order to reduce reliance on imports of mineral commodities that are vital to the Nation’s security and economic prosperity. The order sets out various broad policies, including improving mapping data to identify new sources of minerals and the streamlining of permitting processes. *From American Exploration & Mining Association.*

The complete Executive order can be seen at:

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/presidential-executive-order-federal-strategy-ensure-secure-reliable-supplies-critical-minerals/>

AML Committee

Plans are progressing for the Good Samaritan Protection to Enhance Abandoned Mine Land Cleanup Conference to be held at the Colorado School of Mines on April 26, 2018.

Most of the speakers have accepted and the program will be finalized within a couple of weeks. For a brochure about the conference, go to <http://mmsa.net/pdfs/GoodSamConferenceBrochure042618.pdf>.

Registrations will be available soon. A notice will be sent to members.

J. David Lowell

David has been honored by the University of Arizona and inducted into the UA College of Engineering Hall of Fame. He received a BS Mining Engineering, 1949. His accomplishments noted are:

- World’s best mine finder
- Consultant for 110 companies in 26 countries
- Winner of numerous legacy awards
- Benefactor of the Lowell Institute for Mineral Resources

<http://www.engineering.arizona.edu/alumni/hall-of-fame/index.php#2017>

David has been an MMSA member since 1974.

Current Trends in Mining Finance

April 29 to May 2, 2018.

The focus of the CTMF Conference is about the outlook, trends and issues that affect capital raising in the global mining industry. Speakers at the conference and workshops present case studies about how management and investors can employ best practices and technology to anticipate, track, manage and reduce technical and non-technical risks associated with mining projects. Register early to attend the conference, any of four workshops and receptions.

To speak and or join the sponsors contact Tim Alch timalch@gmail.com Space is limited. Visit <http://conta.cc/2zWfiQQ> and <http://conta.cc/2wLKrEo>