

# Mining

# Matters

## Dig Deep for PDAC Mining Matters

It has been a tough year for the mining industry. In tough times, companies look for ways to trim costs, such as cutting donations to charitable organizations like **Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada Mining Matters (PDAC Mining Matters)**. But while our funding declines, the demand for our programs increases, as educators recognize the integral role that the mining industry plays in our society.

“The gap is really stretching the organization,” says **PDAC Mining Matters** president Patricia Dillon. “It is essential that we connect with more people who can lend their support by giving.”

Over the past decade, **PDAC Mining Matters** has brought geoscience and the importance of mineral resources to life for educators and students by offering scientifically accurate classroom resources that integrate with established provincial curricula. We began by offering two school programs, *Deeper and Deeper* and *Mining Matters II – The Earth’s Crust*, to Ontario elementary schools, then expanded nationally to the high school curriculum with *Discovering Diamonds*. We started teaching workshops in Ontario and have delivered workshops in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia, and have plans for Québec as well as Newfoundland and Labrador. We showcase the mining world for students and teachers at the *2009 PDAC International Convention, Tradeshow and Investors Exchange* and the *Mining in Society Show* and have successfully promoted mineral exploration and mining as career options for young people, reaching out in particular to Aboriginal youth in their own communities.

As we educate our youth and the public about the mining industry, we promote understanding and interest in its future, your future. Please support **PDAC Mining Matters’** educational efforts with a generous contribution. Particular initiatives in need of your support include the following:

- Outreach to Aboriginal youth and teachers in the north
- Expansion to Québec and increased implementation in Saskatchewan
- French translation of our educational resources
- Development of a new intermediate-level classroom module focusing on mineral exploration and mining in support of natural resources curriculum
- Development of a Web-based **PDAC Mining Matters** Kid’s Club
- Increased public outreach at gem and mineral shows, mining week celebrations, career fairs, national and provincial parks, and industry conferences

You can make a difference in the following ways:

- Making a charitable donation
- Donating shares
- Making a bequest in your will
- Donating a life insurance policy
- Sponsoring our annual Diamond in the Rough Golf Classic
- Donating an item for our annual silent auction



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## Donor Spotlight

Despite financial challenges faced this past year by the mining industry, many corporations and individuals continued to support **PDAC Mining Matters'** mandate to raise young people's awareness of the Canadian mining industry and the role it plays in their lives.

Our ability to implement programs effectively would be significantly impacted without support such as that provided by Goldcorp Inc., IBK Capital Corp., Mr. William White, Dr. William Pearson, and Dr. Gerald Harper. The board and staff of **PDAC Mining Matters** are grateful for their significant commitment and for the confidence they have placed in our mission. Thank you all.



### Goldcorp Inc.

Goldcorp Inc., one of Canada's leading gold producers, has grown, over a short time, from a strong intermediate player to one of the top senior gold producing firms in the world. With properties in Canada, Mexico, Argentina, Guatemala, and the United States, Goldcorp continues to pursue business in low political risk NAFTA countries.

In March 2009, Goldcorp was awarded the PDAC Viola R. MacMillan Award for company or mine development for building one of the world's lowest-cost and fastest-growing multi-million ounce gold producers.

Goldcorp supports a wide variety of initiatives and organizations through charitable donations and sponsorships. It actively contributes in areas of education, healthcare, arts, and community development. **PDAC Mining Matters** and students across Canada benefit from its generous donation.



### Mr. William White and IBK Capital Corp.

Mr. William White is President of IBK Capital Corp., an independent, privately owned investment banking firm that

offers clients a full range of financial advisory services. Prior to founding IBK Capital, Mr. White was Senior Vice President and Director of Corporate and Government Finance at Merrill Lynch Canada Inc. His service to the community involves governance roles with several non-profit organizations, including The Empire Club of Canada, the Greater Europe Mission Canada Counsel, and Barry Moore Ministries Inc. Mr. White also provides guidance to **PDAC Mining Matters** as a member of the Board of Directors.

This past year, Mr. White supported **PDAC Mining Matters** with a significant personal share donation, and IBK Capital Corp. again became the Diamond Sponsor of our annual Diamond in the Rough Golf Classic.



### Dr. William Pearson and the Pearson Family Fund

Dr. William Pearson has been an unfailing supporter of **PDAC Mining Matters** since its inception in 1998. "**PDAC Mining Matters** is committed to promoting awareness of the importance of mineral resources in society and dispelling myths and misconceptions about our industry,"

says Dr. Pearson. "I am proud to be a supporter of this very important educational initiative."

Dr. Pearson has had a broad and varied 35-year professional career as a geoscientist, largely in the minerals exploration and mining sector, culminating in his roles as Vice President Exploration for Desert Sun Mining Ltd. until its acquisition in 2006, then as Executive Vice President Exploration of Central Sun Mining until its acquisition in 2009. He continues his professional geoscience career as President and CEO of Tucano Exploration Inc., a private exploration company recently acquired by Castillian Resources, a TSX Venture listed junior mining company. Dr. Pearson is also active as a director of several junior mining exploration companies.

We're very grateful for Dr. Pearson's longstanding support and congratulate him for being the recipient of the 2009 Canadian Professional Geoscientist Award.



### Dr. Gerald Harper

Year after year, Dr. Gerald Harper has been a strong supporter of **PDAC Mining Matters**. He says, "In spite of some ups and downs, the mining industry has been generally good to me, and when the opportunity presents itself, it is satisfying to be able to give something back to the industry. There is no better way to do that

than to encourage young people to participate in this timeless industry, which has been vital to society since the Stone Age."

Until June 2009, Dr. Harper was Senior Vice President, Mongolian Operations of Western Prospector Group Ltd. and kept busy commuting between Toronto, Vancouver, and Mongolia. A subsidiary of China National Nuclear Corporation made a successful takeover bid for control of the company, and now, he's enjoying some spare time and vacation travelling to geologically interesting places that he hadn't previously had time to explore. Dr. Harper is also President of Gamah International Ltd., a mineral industry consulting firm well known for its research and databases on industry financings. He was President of the PDAC from 1998 to 2000 and still represents the Association on several committees.





## The Big Picture

The staff at PDAC Mining Matters has been busy over the last year. While maintaining existing partnerships and programming, we've cultivated new partnerships, further expanded our programming, and offered our resources across Canada. Project funding from the Mining Industry Attraction, Recruitment, and Retention Strategy administered by the Mining Industry Human Resources Council has made recent curriculum expansion activities and resource production possible.



## Diamond in the Rough Golf Classic

The third annual Diamond in the Rough Golf Classic was a great success! With a fantastic new venue, beautiful golfing weather, and so many PDAC Mining Matters supporters in attendance, how could it have been otherwise?

We appreciated seeing so many returning sponsors, as well as some new ones, particularly in this challenging year for fundraising. Thanks to them all, this year's Classic raised \$38,000 for PDAC Mining Matters' education initiatives. Special thanks go to our Diamond Sponsor, IBK Capital Corp., for its significant contribution to the event.



At Woodington Lake, our golfers enjoyed the challenge of a championship-style golf course. The club house and dining facilities, overlooking a beautiful pond and outdoor patio, provided the perfect setting for a delicious rib and chicken dinner as well as our silent and live auctions.

The Classic has become an industry favourite for networking and fun on the green! We're pleased to say that, each year, the limited number of sponsorships sell out quickly. If your company would like to join us for the fourth annual event, please contact Denise or Martin Harding at 905-853-7283 or tournamentofdreams@rogers.com.

We look forward to seeing you at Woodington Lake on Thursday, June 3, 2010!

## Ontario and Manitoba

In Ontario, the updated PDAC Mining Matters Grade 4 *Deeper and Deeper* resource debuted in September 2008. Since then, we've delivered several pre- and in-service teacher workshops.

In Manitoba, for the second year running, we presented teacher workshops at the Education, Citizenship and Youth Summer Institute. Thirty-seven educators participated in workshops for three PDAC Mining Matters resources. The participants were impressed by the alignment of our resources to the Manitoba education curriculum and by the contents of our kits. We are now working on identifying and training Manitoba-based facilitators for future PDAC Mining Matters workshops.

This year, we doubled our Aboriginal Youth Outreach Program efforts, participating in two camps. At the 2009 First Nations Natural Resources Youth Employment Program (FNNRYEP) in Upsala, Ontario, we repeated our successful 2008 program and in Manitoba, we participated in the inaugural five-week Manitoba Rangers Program.

We partnered with ESRI, a geographic information system software company, to develop digital activities for our senior high school resource, *Discovering Diamonds*. These activities will be showcased as part of a PDAC Mining Matters/ESRI joint workshop at the Ontario Association of Geographic and Environmental Educators Conference in October. We also worked with Science North, developing resources to accompany their travelling exhibit, *Diamonds*.

## British Columbia

In British Columbia, we have partnered with the Mineral Resources Education Program of British Columbia in an effort to build workshop-training capacity in the province. Two teachers were identified and trained to deliver our senior curriculum resource, *Discovering Diamonds*.

## Newfoundland and Labrador

In Newfoundland and Labrador, we are cultivating interest in PDAC Mining Matters' education programming and resources. In November, we will deliver educator workshops and participate in the *Mining in Society Show* planned in conjunction with the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Mining Week.

## Onward and Upward

Future work involves translating resources into French, expanding programming to Québec, increasing workshop delivery and student reach, producing new resources, and cultivating further education, industry, and government partnerships. By focusing on these areas, we hope to increase student interest in Earth science and mineral exploration, as well as mining industry careers.





## Reaching out to Aboriginal Youth

For a second year, **PDAC Mining Matters**, in partnership with Outland Inc., delivered Earth science and mineral industry educational programming for Aboriginal youth aged 16–19 at the First Nations Natural Resource Youth Employment Program (FNNRYEP) in Upsala, Ontario. Celebrating its tenth anniversary this year, FNNRYEP welcomed thirty Aboriginal youth from eighteen different communities, from Kenora to Kirkland Lake. And, building on the success of last year's FNNRYEP, **PDAC Mining Matters** also presented programming at the Manitoba



Rangers Program—an expansion, first-year, pilot camp program based on the FNNRYEP model. Fourteen youth attended from ten different communities, from Shamattawa to Opaskwayak Cree Nation.

**PDAC Mining Matters** provided six days of thematic educational programming in Ontario and eight days in Manitoba. The themes included introduction to rocks, minerals, mining, and geology; mineral exploration; environmental science; careers in the mining industry; and land reclamation and rehabilitation. The Ontario session included a tour of North American Palladium's Lac Des Iles Mine operation, and in Manitoba, HudBay Minerals provided a tour of their mining and smelting operations in Flin Flon.

Success at the outreach camps is due to the efforts of our Aboriginal Education Specialist, Barbara Green Parker, and Coordinator, Administration and Communications, Amanda Dillon, as well as all the mentors, and government and corporate partners who have supported these important initiatives. We greatly appreciate their time and dedication.

Funding from the Ministry of Research and Innovation's *Youth Science and Technology Outreach Program* supported **PDAC Mining Matters'** participation in FNNRYEP for the past two years. This support has ended, and we are currently looking for new funding for our Aboriginal outreach efforts.

## Donating Shares

Donating shares to a charitable non-profit organization such as **PDAC Mining Matters** may be of particular interest to those in the mining industry, due to the considerable tax benefits that can be realized.

The elimination of capital gains on stocks, bonds, and mutual funds means that your contribution to **PDAC Mining Matters** will result in a tax receipt equal to the fair market value of your gift. Rather than being subject to the 50 per cent capital gains tax payable on shares sold during your lifetime, accrued capital gains on donated shares are exempt from taxes. In effect, the tax benefit arising from your gift is the same as if the donated securities were cash.

The donation of flow through shares can produce even greater benefit, as a deduction is offered at the time of purchase and a tax credit is generated when the shares are gifted.

To learn more about donating securities, including flow through shares, please contact Edward Thompson at 416-366-6083 or egt@interlog.com, or Durham Sims, **PDAC Mining Matters'** Investment Advisor at RBC Dominion Securities at 416-842-3086, 800-561-4468 or durham.sims@rbc.com. Both Mr. Thompson and Mr. Sims serve the organization in a volunteer capacity.

## BHP Billiton Diamonds Inc. Donates Kimberlite

Including kimberlite samples in the **PDAC Mining Matters Discovering Diamonds** senior resource kits seems like a logical thing to do, but until now, kimberlite has been very difficult for us to obtain. So, we are grateful to BHP Billiton Diamonds Inc. for their generous contribution of 30 core boxes of kimberlite and two 20-litre pails of indicator minerals. We will use the samples to complete over 500 *Discovering Diamonds* kits.

Donations of rock and mineral samples are critical to achieving **PDAC Mining Matters'** goal to provide meaningful hands-on experiences for students learning about the Earth sciences, mineral exploration, and mining. We appreciate all contributions of rock and mineral samples that will complement our learning resources.



## Spotlight on the 2009 PDAC Convention

At the 2009 PDAC International Convention, Trade Show and Investors Exchange, bright red Mining Matters T-shirts announced that PDAC Mining Matters was there, introducing teachers and over 150 students to the world of mineral exploration, enhancing their knowledge of both Earth science and the modern resource industry. Encouraged by our 2008 convention success, we again delivered three days of educational programming—one for teachers and two for students—incorporating guest speakers, hands-on learning activities, and visits to the Trade Show floor.

The PDAC Mining Matters education program would not take place without the continued logistical and financial support from the PDAC and IBK Capital Corp. We extend our sincere gratitude to both. Also, essential to program delivery was the team of Education Ambassadors, recruited from the University of Toronto, Department of Geology. They worked extremely hard as group leaders, chaperones, movers, cleaners, and inspiration for all program participants. We thank them for their diligent efforts! We'd also like to thank all our speakers and session leaders for sharing their invaluable time, expertise, and enthusiasm.

For many students and teachers, the Scavenger Hunt was the highlight of the day. During their tour on the Trade Show floor, students visited select booths to learn the answers to questions in their Scavenger Hunt booklets. The Hunt was expanded to eleven booths this year, and we are extremely grateful to all the volunteers who kindly agreed to participate.



### Spreading the Word: Maclean's In-Class Program

Last fall, through *Maclean's* In-Class Program (MICP), PDAC Mining Matters distributed nearly 1,200 CDs containing curriculum-based learning activities about Canada's world-class diamond bearing deposits, diamond formation, the modern technology being applied to the discovery of diamonds, and careers in mineral exploration and mining.

The MICP is an educational program based on the editorial content of *Maclean's* magazine. With a class subscription to *Maclean's*, teachers receive free teaching materials—including a weekly copy of the magazine with an accompanying Teacher's Guide, and other resources.

The MICP is written and designed by teachers for teachers of Social Studies, English, Media, and ESL, but is used in a cross-curriculum fashion in many schools.

PDAC Mining Matters participated in this program as part of our commitment to the Mining Industry Attraction, Recruitment, and Retention Strategy administered by the Mining Industry Human Resources Council.

### Special thanks to 2009 Scavenger Hunt participants

Abitibi Geophysics	Government of Uganda
Alaska Structures	Ontario Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
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## Setting Records at the 2009 Mining in Society Show

**PDAC Mining Matters** has set a new record. During the 2009 *Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (CIM) Mining in Society Show*, **PDAC Mining Matters** educated over 7,000 students, teachers, and members of the public about the importance of mineral resources. The *Mining in Society Show* is an educational and interactive show themed around the mineral exploration and mining industries.

With the assistance of 40 educational helpers, **PDAC Mining Matters** delivered hands-on learning activities that complemented the show's pavilion themes, which included exploration, mining, processing, sustainability, products and fabrication, education, and new frontiers.

Students were also encouraged to do the **Amazing Mine Challenge**, an information scavenger hunt. **PDAC Mining Matters**

worked with show exhibitors to prepare a Challenge booklet containing questions themed around the pavilions. Students were to seek the answers from the exhibitors.

Anyone who completed the Challenge was entered in a draw for prizes, including bikes, MP3 players, and a Nintendo DS system.

Despite our stretched resources, **PDAC Mining Matters'** participation in the 2009 *Mining in Society Show* was hugely successful. We hope to repeat that success at the *Mining in Society Shows* in St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, in November 2009, and Vancouver, British Columbia, in May 2010.



*"Thank you very much for inviting Loretto College to the Mining in Society program. It allowed the students to see an overview of mining as well as the importance of mining in our lives."*

Linda Gollick, Loretto College, Toronto, ON



### Student Internship: A Golden Opportunity

My name is Ramona Dasrath, and I'm a fourth-year, University of Toronto, Bachelor of Science student, specializing in geology. I am working towards becoming a professional geoscientist and had the privilege of working with **PDAC Mining Matters** as a summer student.

**PDAC Mining Matters** introduced me to the mining industry and afforded me opportunities to expand my knowledge beyond what is taught in

the classroom. Through **PDAC Mining Matters**, I was able to obtain hands-on experience and participate in such events as the *Mining in Society Show*, the FNNRYEP and the *PDAC Convention*. These experiences allowed me to demonstrate my passion for geology and to learn the value of educating students, teachers, and the general public about the importance of geoscience.

I will always be grateful to **PDAC Mining Matters** for the experiences I had, the people I met, and the knowledge I will take with me moving forward. As well, working for **PDAC Mining Matters** allowed me to make connections in the mining industry, aiding my career substantially. I am currently employed by the top gold producing company, Barrick Gold Corporation.

### Canadian Geological Foundation Grant

Dr. Stephen T. Johnston, Secretary of the Canadian Geological Foundation and Professor at the School of Earth and Ocean Sciences, University of Victoria, recently announced that the Foundation's Jérôme H. Remick III Endowment Trust Fund will give two grants, totalling \$11,000, to **PDAC Mining Matters**.



The funding will provide a second year of support for **PDAC Mining Matters'** two *groundWORK* newsletters and enable us to publish a poster designed to communicate the pillars of the organization and its program.

The Canadian Geological Foundation is dedicated to furthering geoscience in Canada and plays a key role in sustaining geoscience education, outreach, and awareness across the country.

## Cutting Edge Material

PDAC Mining Matters has a new poster rolling off the press this fall, the second in our series illustrating the mining industry's relationship to familiar products in our lives. *Cutting Edge* translates the speed, power, and grace of one of Canada's most popular sports, skating, into some of the metals and minerals that make it possible. The poster features prominent Canadian athletes and explores the equipment and venues that help them pursue glory, and even Olympic medals, in hockey, sledge hockey, figure skating, and speed skating. We expect a great response to this poster, since we've timed its release just before the 2010 Olympics in Vancouver, British Columbia.



## Joint Assembly 2009

PDAC Mining Matters and partners from the University of Toronto, Department of Geology, and Danforth Collegiate Technical Institute joined forces to participate in the 2009 Joint Assembly, a conference organized by several Earth science associations, including the Geological Association of Canada and the Canadian Geophysical Union. Together, we chaired oral and poster sessions on effective education and outreach and also delivered an Earth Science Issues and Practices workshop to 30 international delegates, including educators.

## Legacy Giving: An Investment in the Future

Have you ever considered leaving a legacy of support for **PDAC Mining Matters**? By planning a gift, such as a bequest or the donation of a life insurance policy, you can achieve your financial, philanthropic, and estate planning goals. You can give substance to your values and make a grand gesture of generosity that lasts beyond your lifetime.

A gift to **PDAC Mining Matters** would provide lasting benefits through our programs to educate students, teachers, and the general public about Canada's geology and mineral resource endowment, and promote awareness of the importance of rocks, metals, minerals, and mining.

A planned gift may enable you to make a more significant gift than you thought possible. Through legacy giving, you can

- Reduce your taxable estate by the value of your bequest
- Distribute your assets according to your wishes
- Leave a legacy for tomorrow without giving up assets today

Please remember **PDAC Mining Matters** and the important work that we do. To inquire further about leaving a legacy of support, contact Laura Clinton at [lclinton@pdac.ca](mailto:lclinton@pdac.ca).

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