



Mining Matters e-News

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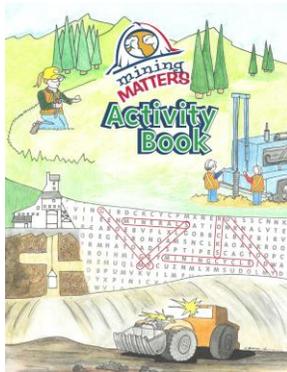
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Now hiring AEOP Program Assistants

Each year, **Mining Matters** hires university students from teaching, geology and engineering programs to work as Aboriginal Education and Outreach Programs Assistants. These new hires deliver Mining Rocks Earth Science Programs to Aboriginal communities across Canada gaining valuable work experience, making contacts within the minerals industry and traveling to interesting locations. Hiring for these incredible opportunities is taking place now. For more information, contact Barbara Green Parker, Manager of Aboriginal Education and Outreach Programs, at bgparker@miningmatters.ca.

New! Mining Matters Activity Book sponsored by Kinross



The new **Mining Matters Activity Book** for youth ages 9 to 13 years is now available. Packed with puzzles, the **Activity Book** includes codes to crack, things to spot, word searches, crosswords, Sudoku and more! These activities encourage kids to learn about rocks, minerals, metals, mining and careers in the minerals industry. **Mining Matters** thanks Kinross Gold for their publication sponsorship. For copies email lanonen@miningmatters.ca or download from our website.

Golf and cycle for something meaningful!

Mining Matters annual *Diamond in the Rough Golf Classic* and *Rock Cycle Ride for Minerals Education* takes place Thursday, June 4, 2015 at Woodington Lake Golf Club in Tottenham, Ontario. Cyclists enjoy an 80 km ride through the rolling countryside while golfers enjoy 18 holes of camaraderie and golfing challenge. The tournament and ride are annual signature events for **Mining Matters**, raising funds that support innovative educational programming for students, teachers and the public about Earth science, mining and the importance of mineral resources. We look forward to seeing you! For information, registration and sponsorship opportunities contact tournamentofdreams@rogers.com.

Mining Matters Rocks and Fossils of Ontario visit London, England!



Dr. Robin Armstrong of the Department of Earth Science Natural History Museum in London, England, visited **Mining Matters** during the PDAC Convention and was so impressed with our Fossil and Rocks of Ontario publications; he took 40 copies back to England to use when teaching his students! If you have not had the chance to view the earth and fossils beneath our feet in Ontario yet, check www.miningmatters.ca and see these wonderful educational resource materials, created in collaboration with the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines! **Mining Matters** far and wide!

Mining Matters Drill Bits

Donated art for Earth science education raises funds for minerals education.

Mining Matters thanks the Silver Birch Centre, Elliot Lake for the beautiful pieces of Canadian art placed in our silent auction during the PDAC Convention. Congratulations to all the successful bidders.

Now Available: The Fossils of Ontario Publication. The Fossils of Ontario, published in collaboration with the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines is now available for download. Discover fossils from Ontario, mainly found in sedimentary rock that underlies the Hudson and James Bay Lowlands. The publication creates interest through fascinating facts and the connection between extinct animals and their modern relatives.

Save the dates:

- June 4, 2015 – Diamond in the Rough Golf Classic
- June 4, 2015 – Rock Cycle Ride for Minerals Education

Support Mining Matters

Mining Matters is a charitable organization committed to educating young Canadians about mining's importance to our quality of life. Your personal or corporate contribution supports the development and delivery of leading edge educational programs that meet all Earth science curriculum expectations for the grades in which they're offered. To find out ways to support **Mining Matters** please visit www.miningmatters.ca.

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Hatch scores a hat trick!

Hatch had a "Hat Trick" this year at the **Mining Matters** Hockey Tournament, presented by Irwin Lowy. Hatch players had fun, supported a great cause and used their hockey team sponsorship to bring together clients, industry partners and employees for a day of sport, networking and camaraderie. A winning strategy! **Mining Matters** thanks Hatch and all our many sponsors and donors for making this year's tournament another success.

Noront Resources: Winner of the 2015 Mining Matters Hockey Tournament

Congratulations to Noront Resources, winner of the 2015 **Mining Matters** Hockey Tournament presented by Irwin Lowy. A total of 192 players on 12 teams enjoyed an exhilarating day of competitive hockey at the Buckingham Arena, raising \$12,000 in support of **Mining Matters**.

Canadian Securities Exchange supports student field trips

Thank you to Canadian Securities Exchange, our 2015 Field Trip Sponsor. Each September **Mining Matters** provides Field Trip Subsidies to teachers who have completed an in-service workshop and use our resource kits in their classrooms. These trips bring classroom material to life with hands-on location experience. The subsidies, up to \$500, help offset the cost of transportation and entrance fees to mining, geoscience and aggregates sites. In 2014, more than 550 students and teachers benefited from this exciting program. **Know a teacher? Spread the news!**

Mining Matters Education Event at the 2015 PDAC Convention Sponsored by IBK Capital Corp.

One of the 16 habits of minds touted in educational circles served as the anchoring theme for the annual special education event March 1-3, at the PDAC convention, sponsored by IBK Capital Corp. Habits of Mind are the characteristics of what intelligent people do when they are confronted with problems. These Habits of Mind are used daily in industry and education. They are the skills that we want young people to use and embody as they work on becoming productive members of society. This year, by anchoring all the hands-on activities to this central theme, "Use What You Learn" over 200 teachers, chaperones and school children aged 10 through 17, were treated to a mineral resources educational experience like no other!

During the Teachers' Day, our first ever BYOT (Bring Your Own Technology) event, teachers were given the opportunity to map their experience using ArcGIS online with the support of esri Education Canada using comparable technology that supports exploration and mining operations for the industry. **Mining Matters** was also able to connect teachers with the Canadian Geographic Education giant floor map resource by allowing teachers to take a "walk" across Canada's Arctic and challenge their perceptions of the North. On hand were real specimens of Arctic plants, animals, fossils and minerals representing the Arctic. The floor map is produced by Canadian Geographic Education and the Canadian Museum of Nature.

During the two days of school programs, March 2nd and 3rd, hands-on, minds-on learning continued with activities including "Why WHERE Matters," aimed at showcasing the richness, resources, culture and diversity of Canada's lands as well as fascinating "Optical Properties of Earth Materials," through which students uncovered the unique physical properties of rocks and minerals cloaked in the darkness of the North building "bat cave."

Next year's theme is "Mining our business: Making connections through mineral resources education," will shine a light on topics that are relevant to both education and industry sectors, safety and skills development

For those teachers wishing to participate in the 2016 education event taking place March 6 to March 8, 2016 please contact: schoolprograms@miningmatters.ca.