



Mining Matters e-News

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Mining Matters inspires students as far away as Germany

Dr. Gerhard C. Pariser, an attendee at the 2013 PDAC Convention, wrote about the impact of the teaching materials picked up at the Teacher's Days session. Dr. Pariser used the exercise "Physical Separation of a Mixture of Materials" in a special interest lecture series for children aged 9 to 12, named "(Ein-)Blick in die Welt der Metalle" - A view at the world of metals. Gerard wrote... "thank you for your valuable inspiration and hope that you and the mining matters program continue to inspire many more kids in Canada - and a few in Germany." With recent program inquiries from as far away as the Philippines and South America, we agree, Mining Matters far and wide!

Mining Matters in Ouje-Bougoumou First Nation and Chibougamau, Quebec

In February 2014, for the first time, **Mining Matters** partnered with BlackRock Metals Inc., Cree Human Resources Development Department, Ouje-Bougoumou Cree Nation and Waapihtiwewan School, to inform youth about the mining industry, the local opportunities provided by the new BlackRock projects and other natural resource opportunities. **Mining Matters** traveled to Ouje-Bougoumou First Nation and MacLean Memorial School in Chibougamau, Quebec, reaching 212 students, teachers and community members over the four-day period. The program featured smaller group sessions at the school, an evening adult program and a community night event, to accommodate the high level of interest expressed by the community.



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Building excitement about Rocks in Stonehammer Geopark

In March, **Mining Matters** Teacher Training and School Programs and [Stonehammer Geopark](#) embarked on an epic adventure! Over a two-week period we reached out to Earth curious teachers to provide Professional Development, while treating their students to an exciting visit chock full of hands-on learning about the Earth beneath their feet! From Saint John, to Grand Bay-Westfield, Kingston to Springfield, and onto Rothesay, New Brunswick the goal of the Stonehammer-**Matters Matters** partnership got more than 450 students and educators excited about rocks, minerals and the many exciting places in [Stonehammer Geopark](#).





Join us June 5, 2014 - 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 5, 2014 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 more information about registration and sponsorship opportunities contact tournamentofdreams@rogers.com.

Two-year partnership with Vale kicks off in 2014

Mining Matters is in year one of a two-year partnership, to deliver programming to Canadian locations where Vale operates, presenting youth with information about the mining industry and the many local and other natural resource opportunities that exist. As of February, **Mining Matters** has traveled to: Nelson House First Nation and Thompson, Manitoba; Sagamok, Wahnapiatae and Whitefish Lake First Nations located in the Sudbury, Ontario area; and Voisey's Bay Region, Labrador to visit Nain, Mushuau Innu First Nation in Natuashish and Happy Valley-Goose Bay. This program touched more than 650 participants. Thank you Vale for supporting Earth science education!

"All that Glitters..." at the 2014 PDAC Convention

Mining Matters education program, "All that Glitters ..." at the 2014 PDAC International Convention, Trade Show and Investors Exchange had teachers and students beaming with pleasure at the glitz of the plenary talks and hands-on learning activities, the pageantry of the trade show exhibitors and the radiance of the **Mining Matters** educational and industry partners while they worked with the participants to shine a light on why **Mining Matters** to everyone! Over 150 elementary and secondary students from the Greater Toronto area attended the 7th annual **Mining Matters** School Program sponsored by IBK Capital Corporation. [Take a look at what each cohort group took away from the experience in a graphic Wordle representation which summarizes the students' evaluation forms!](#)

Mining Matters Drill Bits

Special thanks to Tetra Tech Inc. for hosting its fifth annual Mineral Specimen Auction during the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada Convention, March 2, 2014. The popular auction generated over \$17,000 for **Mining Matters**, in an innovative and exciting fashion. Over the past five years, the Mineral Specimen Auction has raised more than \$100,000.00 for **Mining Matters**. Thank you Tetra Tech!

Mining Matters was invited to the TSX, March 5, 2014 to close the market; in recognition of our 20th anniversary and officially mark the close of the 2014 PDAC Convention. [Watch the video.](#)

The 7th Annual Caracle Cup Hockey Tournament in support of **Mining Matters** took place Saturday, March 8, 2014 at the new Buckingham Arena, at Downsview Park. This year, 16 teams participated in an improved round-robin format that guaranteed three games each. Thanks to our generous teams and sponsors, we raised over \$20,000 in support of **Mining Matters** programming. Congratulations to this year's champions, the Kerr Mines Mantle Kings!



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. Charitable Registration Number: 88775 6435 RR0001.