



SPECIAL ARMA EVENT
At the 44th U.S. Rock Mechanics Symposium

THE GEOMECHANICS WORKSHOP

The main purpose of the workshop is to provide an attractive opportunity for people to come and hear things they haven't heard before from people they respect and want to listen to. Attendees will be able to learn from the best! We expect this workshop will attract new faces to the symposium.

The registration is being held at \$35 to defray the bus costs to and from Park City. The panelists and organizers have graciously donated their time and efforts for which ARMA offers its appreciation.

Saturday, June 26, 2010
Treasure Mountain Inn
Park City, Utah

Agenda and Workshop Outline (Draft)

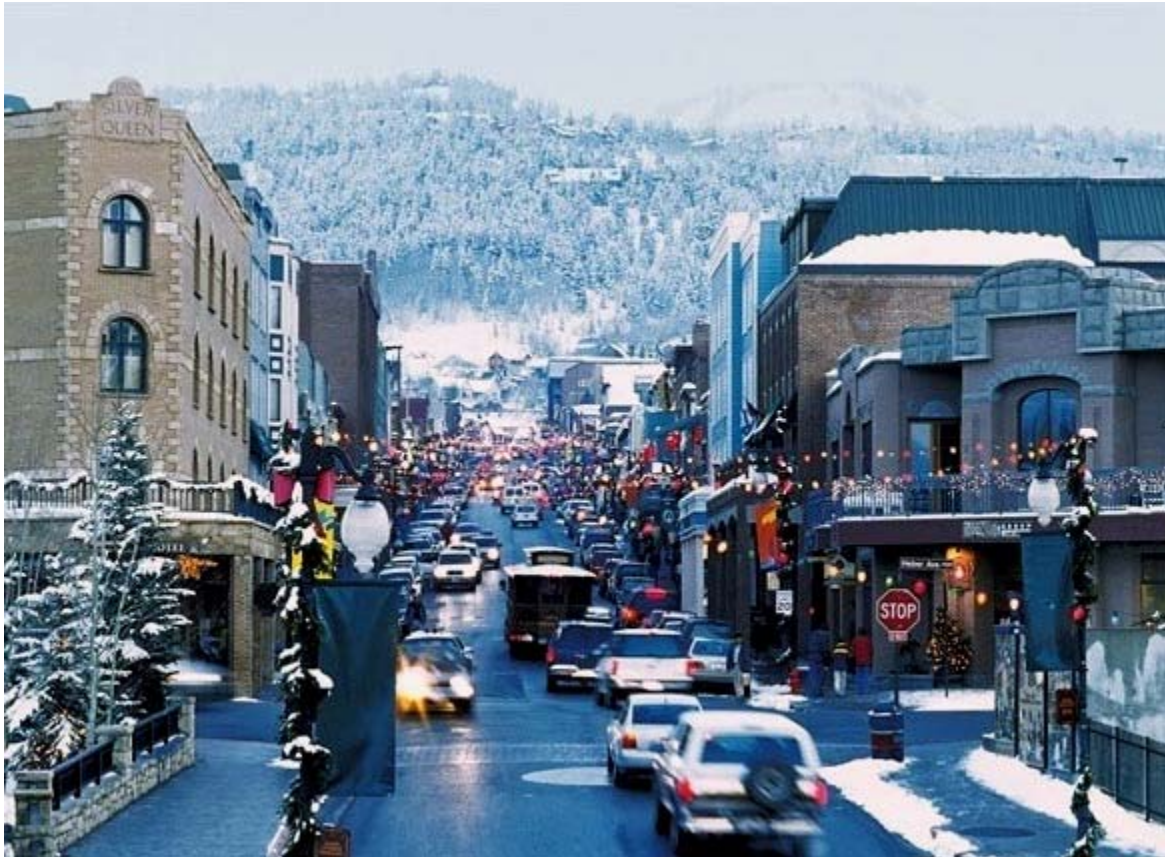
- 8:30 am Depart Little America Hotel, Salt Lake City
- 9:15 Arrive at Park City
- 9:15–9:30 Coffee and snacks
- 9:30–9:40 Panel Introduction, *Priscilla Nelson*
- 9:40–12:15 pm Morning Session – What Have We Accomplished?

Panel: *Don Banks*, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Ret.)
John Curran, Founder and Director, Rocscience
Maurice Dusseault, Professor, University of Waterloo
Richard Goodman, Professor Emeritus, Univ.of Cal, Berkeley
William Pariseau, Professor, University of Utah

The morning session is focused on panelists' perspectives concerning what has been important for rock mechanics and engineering to achieve in the past 50 years, and to identify what we did and did not achieve (i.e., what has been hard to achieve, what do we still have to accomplish).

Each panelist will identify the greatest breakthrough/development/achievement of the period. This is a real opportunity for the audience to learn from some of the most prominent rock mechanics educators and practitioners in North America.

12:15–2:00 Lunch—*Registrants will be able to shop and dine on the historic Main Street of Park City, known as a world resort and home of the 2002 Winter Olympics and the annual Sundance Film Festival.*



Main Street Park City in Winter.

Photo: Park City Lodging

2:00–4:45 Afternoon Session – What Will We Do?

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The afternoon session is focused on the future. Panelists are invited to frame what they see as the issues of the future (the scope for this future vision should be taken as on the order of 10 years) that require and warrant attention and resolution (if not solution) by the rock mechanics and engineering community. Issues may include new roles for rock mechanics and engineering in the economy of the future, demands/needs for new methodologies and technologies, likely opportunities to accomplish something we have not been able to accomplish to date, or concerns regarding the profession of rock mechanics and

engineering, including educational aspects and leadership succession. What should/must the rock mechanics and engineering community be doing now to be successful regarding the issues of the future (e.g., we don't want to be having this same conversation 10 years from now)?

4:45–5:00 Walk to the nearby [Park City Museum](#)

5:00–7:00 Sponsored reception at the Museum's 19th Century Saloon Room



Park City Museum

Courtesy of Park City Museum

7:00 Load onto buses for return trip

8:00 Arrive back to the Little America Hotel, Salt Lake City

Final comment: We expect such a session to be planned to occur every 10 years into the future. We hope annual workshops on topical advances will also be planned by ARMA, with panels assembled in different areas and expected to produce a similar short document along the lines of the "Advances in Rock Mechanics" series from the days of the U.S. National Committee for Rock Mechanics.