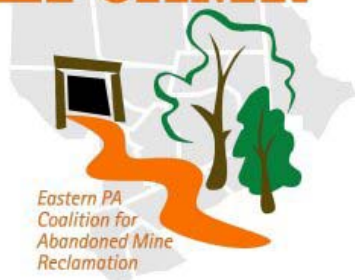


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Education and Outreach

- Iron Oxide Chalk Talk Program at Greater Nanticoke Area Elementary with third graders. Classes of Mrs. Yustat, Mrs. Lach, Mrs. View, Mrs. Albanese, Mrs. Stelma, Mrs. Bartle, and Mr. Koslofsky. Total of approximately **200** students.
- Emailed Tom Voloski-Mine Health Safety Administration (MHSA) to request materials such as book marks, stickers, and brochures for the Stay Out – Stay Alive program.
- Emailed possible vendors and exhibitors for the 2009 Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference in Johnstown, Pa to let them know they could register for the event.
- Prepared Iron Oxide orders for Dallas Elementary School, Pa (5 oz.) and Friends of Decker's Creek, W. Va. (20 oz.).
- Attended Bear Creek Festival and made AMD Tie-Dye T-shirts with approximately **300** children.
- Set up a facebook account for EPCAMR (***EPCAMR_AMD***)
- Continued to dry iron oxide for future orders that might come in from the website
- Went to Applied Planning Seminar at Bloomsburg University to give update about my internship at EPCAMR, including what I have done and am working on.

Technical Assistance

- Made paper bricks that would be sold at the Boy Scout Jamboree to support the fundraising campaign of the Huber Breaker Preservation Society's Huber Breaker Northern Anthracite Coal Field Miner's Memorial in Ashley, PA. Paper bricks were being offered to families for \$2 donations that would represent real bricks made with recovered iron oxide for the project.

Project Coordination

- Began working on the Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts (Scranton Area Foundation) Project Stream draft grant for **\$3000**. Money would be used for the development of an elementary-aged Environmental Skit and a Theatrical Performance based Play related to activities and themes derived from the coloring book.
- Visited the Avondale AML Beautification Garden Site with Shawn Jones-EPCAMR Intern to get a better idea on some future landscaping plans to be developed for the site

- Renovating the soon to be EPCAMR Technical Assistance Center located in Ashley, PA at the Earth Conservancy Office with EPCAMR Staff; Painted the office with iron oxide and continued to refurbish the space

Conferences and Trainings

- Attended a hands-on workshop on Social Marketing at Luzerne County Community College.
- Met with Vinnie Cotrone-PSU Extension, at Nesbitt Park in Wilkes-Barre to discuss plans for Riverfest 2009 (www.wvwc.org). EPCAMR will be conducting an AMD Tie Dye Workshop at the Event on June 20th; **200** T-shirts have been donated by WET PAINT, Wilkes-Barre
- Attended a meeting at DEP BAMR Wilkes-Barre office about the Old Forge Borehole and Mine Pool. Met Michael Korb (Environmental Program Manager, DEP BAMR), Todd Wood (Mining Engineer, DEP BAMR), Tom Kerr (private consultant), Tom Peace (HDR, Inc.), Drew DeHauf (Susquehanna River Basin Commission), Bernie McGurl (Lackawanna River Corridor Association), and Chris Gillis (Solution Mining, Inc.).
- Sat in on a conference call with John Dawes-Program Manager for the Foundation for PA Watersheds, Diane Schrauth and Andrew Johnson-Program Managers for the William Penn Foundation about coordinating a tour of Luzerne County Abandoned Mine sites on June 3rd