

A FOND FAREWELL, AND BEST WISHES

A message from the Outgoing President:

By Scot May, Pennsylvania

As I bid farewell, I want to take a moment to reflect on the strides we have made together over the past three years. It's been an incredible journey, first as PRE member, then Vice President, and finally President and I'm proud of the accomplishments we've achieved as a united force.

Firstly, we revamped our website, transforming it into a dynamic hub of information and engagement. The goal was to make it more user-friendly and accessible, ensuring that everyone— from seasoned experts to newcomers— could easily find the resources they need to contribute to our mission. It's not just a website; it's a digital home for our community.

In the age of social media, we recognized the need to stay connected and share our stories. Updating our social media accounts was a priority, and through these platforms, we've been able to showcase the impactful work of our members. It's not just about likes and shares; it's about spreading the message of land reclamation far and wide.

To adapt to the changing times, we integrated a virtual component into our conferences. This move allowed us to connect with even more passionate individuals who might not have been able to attend in person. It's not just about embracing technology; it's about expanding our reach and fostering collaboration in new and exciting ways.

I'm thrilled to share that we welcomed three new members into our organization. Each new addition brings fresh perspectives, skills, and enthusiasm, enriching the diversity of our community. It's not just about numbers; it's about building a stronger, more

inclusive family dedicated to the cause of land reclamation.

These accomplishments are not just checkboxes; they represent the collective effort and dedication of each member. Together, we've embraced change, adapted to new challenges, and strengthened our bonds as a community of environmental champions.

As I step aside, I'm confident that the National Association of State Land Reclamationists will continue to thrive and make an even greater impact. Thank you all for your support, collaboration, and unwavering commitment to the vital work of land reclamation.

Best wishes for the future, Scot May

