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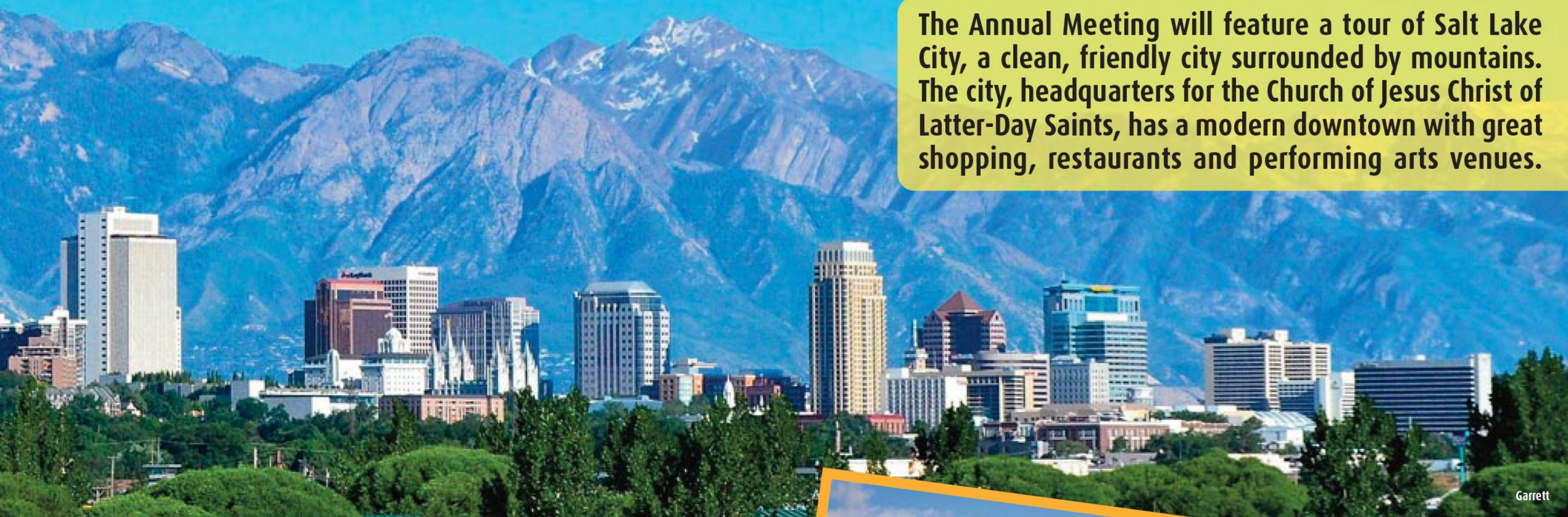
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Mark Your Calendars for the Perlite Institute Annual Meeting

Join fellow Institute members Sept. 7-10, 2014, in Park City, Utah, USA

The Annual Meeting will feature a tour of Salt Lake City, a clean, friendly city surrounded by mountains. The city, headquarters for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, has a modern downtown with great shopping, restaurants and performing arts venues.



Garrett

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING:

- Hess Perlite has invited Perlite Institute members to tour its perlite and pumice mines and processing facilities located north of Salt Lake City.
- Geologist Skylar Burdette will speak on the characteristics of perlite deposits.
- Michael Waite of Bone Frog Creative Group, the Perlite Institute's own graphic designer, will discuss better utilization of your company's website.
- The history of Harborlite Corporation from 1951 to the present will be explored.
- The effect of perlite and biological systems on organically enhanced growing medium will be discussed.
- Members of the Dryland Research Farm at Utah State University will discuss growing in scarce water conditions.
- The conference will feature a tour of Salt Lake City with a side trip to Kennecott Mine (see photo at right).



Shannon Lucas

Perlite Institute members will be able to take a side trip to Kennecott Mine, one of the largest open-pit copper mines in the world.

All this and MUCH MORE...
Join us in Park City, Sept. 7-10!
Watch your email for more details to come.

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This commercial port is also connected to the Lazaro Cardenas-Kansas City Corridor, a trade route linking Kansas City to key Asian-Pacific markets via ships-to-rail terminal.

Source: www.prweb.com/releases/2014/03/prweb11693678.htm

Perlite to Post Stable Growth Through 2017

Perlite and vermiculite production is expected to post stable growth through 2017, according to the new topical research study “Perlite and Vermiculite: 2014 Market Review and Forecast” elaborated by Merchant Research & Consulting and recently published by Market Publishers Ltd. The report provides a close look at the actual situation and historical background of the perlite and vermiculite market; offers industry future outlook; presents accurate data showing perlite and vermiculite capacities, production, demand, foreign trade statistics; and reviews regional price fluctuations.

In 2012, the global perlite production registered a 3.4 percent year-over-year increase and amounted to 2.66 million tonnes. China accounted for just over 27 percent of the world’s total perlite production volume and was the dominant perlite manufacturer, followed by Greece, the United States and Turkey. Robust growth in overall perlite and vermiculite consumption was led by Asia during the past five years given the downturn registered in the construction sector in most mature economies of North America and Europe.

The global perlite and vermiculite production are expected to post stable growth in the years ahead, and to exceed 3.05 million tonnes and 679 million tonnes, respectively, in 2016. This growth is predicted to be stimulated by the constantly increasing demand worldwide along with new capacity introductions.

Source: www.digitaljournal.com/pr/1765887#ixzz2yL7wiFAj

World Perlite Bibliography Lists Comprehensive Resources

Sivaper, through Tasper Perlite Company of Istanbul, Turkey, has produced the World Perlite Bibliography, a 410-page document providing an extensive outline of perlite resources, including books, e-books, articles, microforms, periodicals, maps, videos, articles and theses. The bibliography leads with links to Perlite Institute’s product guides. Check it out [here](#).

Perlite Touted as Growing Market in Horticulture

In an article in *Industrial Minerals* magazine, two reporters take a look at the uses of vermiculite and perlite in the horticultural industry. With their specific mineral properties, both perlite and vermiculite lend themselves to a variety of commercial applications, such as in construction and packaging. One niche use is the application of perlite and vermiculite in horticulture, owing to the structure of both minerals, which allows them to control soil moisture. For more, go to www.indmin.com/Article/3321834/Vermiculite/A-growing-market-vermiculite-and-perlite-in-horticulture.html

Perlite and Hydroponics Tied to Horticulture Development in Southeast Asia

Horticultural entrepreneur Luuk Runia, director of Asian Perlite Industries Sdn. Bhd., Greenhouse Solutions Asia, was recently featured in an article focusing on southeast Asia as a thriving and important place for horticulture development in the coming years. In 1996, Runia set up a sales office in Perlite substrate for Pull BV Rhenen, and in 2001 he acquired this asset of the business. Operating from Malaysia, he expanded this business in to an all-round supplying and service company in horticulture. Perlite substrate was one of the first introductions of hydroponics in Asia by that time.

Source: www.freshplaza.com/article/118410/Southeast-Asia-to-become-key-location-for-horticultural-development#SlideFrame_1