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We're on the web! www.mininghalloffame.org

The High-Grade

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The iconic headframe looms above the last remaining open mine shaft at the site and was used to raise and lower miners and materials. The 125-year-old wooden structure has weathered many Leadville winters, but is in danger of collapse. The NMHFM must raise another $13,500 by December 1 to match Freeport’s generous grant. We encourage supporters of the NMHFM’s mission and anyone passionate about preserving vestiges of mining history to make a donation through ColoradoGives.org (http://coloradogives.org/save-the-matchless-headframe).

Alternatively, receive a tee-shirt with an image of the Matchless Mine and the message “I Helped Save the Matchless Mine” by making a donation of at least $30 at www.booster.com/save-the-matchless-mine.

Silver King Horace Tabor’s Matchless Mine, owned by the NMHFM, is on the National Register of Historic Places. His second wife, “Baby Doc,” lived in the superintendent’s cabin on the claim from 1899 until her death in 1933. The Tabors were significant figures in the history of mining in Leadville, in Colorado, and in the nation.

A 2010 Historic Structure Assessment funded by the State Historical Fund rated the headframe’s condition as “Fair to Poor.” The powder magazine, whose condition the report rated “Fair,” by 2014 faced imminent collapse. We successfully restored that structure with support from the State Historical Fund and private donations. The powder magazine’s decline suggests local conditions may cause the headframe to deteriorate quickly if it is not stabilized. If it collapses, the site will lose much of its tourist appeal and historic value.

HistoriCorps personnel will rehabilitate the headframe. HistoriCorps is a non-profit organization dedicated to engaging volunteers in preserving and sustaining historic structures on public lands (including on private lands accessible to the public) for future generations. Since its founding in 2007, HistoriCorps has preserved more than 180 historic structures in 23 states and engaged more than 1,500 volunteers in more than 80,000 hours of service and training. All work will comply with The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings.
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In a career spanning six decades, Falkie’s contributions to the mineral industry span the disciplines of science, engineering, technology, management, education, and policymaking. He was a pioneer in the utilization of computers for planning, designing, and managing mineral industry operations. As a forceful spokesman for the mineral interests of the nation before Congress, Falkie has made substantial contributions to national mineral and energy policy, mineral research and development, and environmental planning. He held major leadership roles in many professional associations and societies and has been the recipient of numerous awards including election to the U.S. National Academy of Engineering.

While a highly respected metallurgist and executive, it is Harris’ humanitarian efforts that have forged his legacy in the industry. Deeply affected by the extreme poverty, malnourishment, and illness he saw in the children of communities surrounding mine development, he vowed local communities where he developed mines would directly benefit from the operation of the mine. During his tenure as President and General Manager of Newmont Peru, he advocated for and implemented successful social programs giving local peoples a “hand up” during the development and operations the Yanacocha gold mine, and in the process set a new business standard, “corporate social responsibility,” by which the global mining industry now operates.

Over the span of 40 years (9 of which he served as Director), McKelvey’s leadership and vision within the United States Geological Survey (USGS) provided the scientific basis for advancing the exploration capacity of the mining industry on a global scale. He ushered in a new era of geologic data collection via the use of the first Earth Resources Technology Satellite and other remote sensing equipment. He developed the McKelvey diagram, a visual representation of how to classify a mineral resource based on its production value and level of geologic certainty that is still in use today. Considered among the preeminent authorities on deep sea mineral deposits, McKelvey expanded our understanding of the mineral potential of the ocean floor.

The National Mining Hall of Fame & Museum Calendar of Events

**June 15: New Permanent Exhibit Opening and Happy Hour**

Be the first to see the remodeled coal room and enjoy beer, wine, and light refreshments. 5:30-7:00PM

Members: Free  Non-Members: $5.00

**July 2: A Day with the Tabors Community Appreciation Day**

Be prepared for a day filled with activities at the Matchless Mine that includes a cookout and a beer tent. Enjoy a mule demonstration, live music by 40 Degrees North and author readings from novelists Ann Parker and Donna Baier Stein.

11:00 AM - 1:30PM

Lake County Residents eat for free!

Non-Residents $6.00 /meal.

Beer not included, all pay $4.00

After the cookout, head to the Tabor Opera House for a 2:00PM Performance by the 1st Army Band!

**July 16: Molly Brown 150th Birthday Celebration at the Molly Brown House in Denver**

Enjoy a lively Q & A between Margaret “Molly” Brown and Elizabeth “Baby Doe” Tabor and learn about the Browns’ connections to mining in Leadville.

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Meet a real rocket scientist! Come learn about the evolution of mining technology as we explore space and its resources.

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Obituaries

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Thomas Earl Cherrier, 78, of Leadville since 1965, passed away on Thursday, March 2, at Evergreen Life Care Center in Evergreen. He was born on May 23, 1938 in Lancaster, Wis., to Earl Bernard and Irene Mary (Saeigling) Cherrier. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in mineral engineering from the Wisconsin Institute of Technology in Lancaster in 1960. He enlisted in the United States Air Force from 1963 to 1965 and was stationed at Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico. After his honorable discharge, he enlisted in the Reserves, from 1965 to 1967. In 1968, he received his Master of Science degree in mineral engineering from the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. He worked for the Climax Molybdenum Company for 12 years, AMAX in Golden for 14 years and retired in 1992. After retirement, he worked for ASARCO on the EPA project. Cherrier was a member of Leadville Elks Lodge #236; the Leadville Lions Club, where he was a regular fixture at the beer tent and career fair; the Knights of Columbus; and Holy Family Parish, where he would help usher Masses; a member of the Board of Directors at the National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum; and a member of the Society of Mining Engineering. He was active in the community, assisted the Kids First program and helped in the creation of the Mineral Belt Trail one could find him sweeping off the trail, just to keep it safe. He was always walking around town, to and fro, visiting with his many friends. In earlier years, he played on the local softball team, played many a golf game with his buddies at the Mt. Massive Golf Course and made trips to Alice Arm, B.C. He enjoyed hiking, cross-country skiing and cribbage and was a constant learner. He always had a genuine curiosity about the world which never dimmed. Cherrier was said to be a person who was filled with integrity. He was said to be loyal, steadfast, kind and genuine to all he met. Cherrier is survived by two children from his maternal and paternal sides of the family and a sister in law. He was preceded in death by his mother and father; two brothers, Lynn Flavion Cherrier and Timothy Bernard Cherrier; and an aunt, Catherine Cherrier Blaney. A memorial of Cherrier’s life will be held in Leadville July 8, 2017, 4-30 p.m. at Annunciation Church. Burial will take place in South Lancaster Township in Wisconsin. Visit Cherrier’s online memorial at www.kentfuneralhomes.com to leave a condolence or remembrance for his family.

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**Our VSRs Go Above and Beyond:**

It was Jasmine Dolcescu’s lucky day when she came to the museum in order to research Augusta Tabor for her Colorado History project. Brenda Miller, the NMHM’s resident expert on the Tabors was on hand to help her out. Brenda shared her knowledge of Augusta with Jasmine and lent the young scholar one of her personal books on the Tabors.
The High-Grade

Obituaries

Ralph E. Bailey, 92, passed away peacefully on February 1, 2017 in Greenwich, Connecticut surrounded by his loving family and friends. Born on March 23, 1924 in Pike County, Indiana and the son of Enos M. and Gertie L. Bailey, Ralph became a distinguished veteran of the coal and petroleum industries. The former Chairman and CEO of Conoco Inc., he helped mastermind the largest corporate merger of its day when Conoco was acquired by DuPont in 1981, after which he additionally served as Vice Chairman of DuPont. He is regarded not only for his impressive accomplishments as an executive, but also for his early staunch commitment to safety, engineering and improving operations. Ralph was raised in Lynnville, Indiana where his father and many relatives worked in the coal mines. A World War II veteran, Ralph completed his Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering in 1949 from Purdue University. After graduation, Mr. Bailey joined Peabody Coal Company and rose from Master Mechanic to Executive Vice President in 1964. In 1965, he joined Consolidated Coal Company (Consol) as Vice President, and became its President and CEO in 1975. Mr. Bailey is credited with many innovations, including the first longwall system to operate in eastern bituminous coal, now the standard for efficient underground mining. He was known for treating all, from miners to executives, with the same dignity and respect. The “Ralph E. Bailey Safety Trophy,” awarded to operations that worked a million man-hours without a lost time accident, was a reminder of his commitment to the safety of miners and his principled and compassionate leadership. He retired from Conoco and DuPont in 1987. During his career, he served as President of the American Mining Congress, Chairman of the National Petroleum Council, Chairman of the Environmental Task Force of the Business Roundtable, and Director of the American Petroleum Institute. He is survived by his wife of 71 years, Bettye J. Bailey; son Douglas G. Bailey and his wife Sara; daughter Cindy Bailey Joyce and her husband Stephen; daughter Lisa Bailey Cassidy and her husband Kevin; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was inducted into the National Mining Hall of Fame in 2015.

Thomas Earl Cherrier, 78, of Leadville since 1965, passed away on Thursday, March 2, at Evergreen Life Care Center in Evergreen. He was born on May 23, 1938 in Lancaster, Wis., to Earl Bernard and Irene Mary (Szepling) Cherrier. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from the Wisconsin Institute of Technology in Lancaster in 1960. He enlisted in the United States Air Force from 1961 to 1963 and was stationed at Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico. After his honorable discharge, he enlisted in the Reserves, from 1965 to 1967. In 1968, he received his Master of Science degree in mineral engineering from the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. He worked for the Climax Molybdenum Company for 12 years, AMAX in Golden for 14 years and retired in 1992. After retirement, he worked for ASARCO on the EPA project. Cherrier was a member of Leadville Elks Lodge #236; the Leadville Lions Club, where he was a regular fixture at the beer tent and career fair; the Knights of Columbus; and Holy Family Parish, where he would help usher Masses; a member of the Board of Directors at the National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum and a member of the Society of Mining Engineering. He was active in the community, assisted with the Kids First program and helped in the creation of the Mineral Belt Trail so one could find him sweeping off the trail, just to keep it safe. He was always walking around town, to and fro, visiting with his many friends. In earlier years, he played on the local softball team, played many a golf game with his buddies at the Mt. Massive Golf Course and made trips to Alice Arm, B.C. He enjoyed hiking, cross-country skiing and cribbage and was a constant learner. He always had a genuine curiosity about the world which never dimmed. Cherrier was survived by two cousins from his maternal and paternal sides of the family and a sister-in-law. He was pre-deceded in death by his mother and father; two brothers, Lynn Flavian Cherrier and Timothy Bernard Cherrier; and an aunt, Catherine Cherrier Blaney. A memorial of Cherrier’s life will be held in Leadville July 8, 2017, 4:30 p.m. at Annunciation Church. Burial will take place in South Lancaster Township in Wisconsin. Visit Cherrier’s online memorial at www.kentfuneralhomes.com to leave a condolence or remembrance for his family.

The NMHFM’s Prazen Committee has selected the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) as the 2017 recipient of the Prazen Living Legend of Mining Award. The BSA was selected for the award based on its ongoing, innovative work educating youth and their families about the importance of the mineral and mining industry to our everyday lives through its Mining in Society merit badge.

As Chairman and CEO of Newmont Mining Corporation, Parker maneuvered the company through multiple hostile takeover events of the 1980’s. His commitment to the protection of corporate assets and preserving shareholders’ interests was unmatched in the turmoil of that period’s “finance capitalism” assault on American mining companies; his leadership propelled Newmont’s emergence as one of the world’s major gold producers. Parker was instrumental in the development of the World Gold Council, the Mineral Alliance, and in the revitalization of the American Mining Congress, now known as the National Mining Association.

Inductions and the Prazen Award will be presented at the 30th Annual National Mining Hall of Fame Induction Banquet, September 23, 2017, in Denver, CO. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit https://www.mininghallsffame.org/page/30th-annual-national-mining-hall-of-fame-induction-banquet.

The NMHFM staff modeling their shirts.

Here is another great way to help fund the restoration and preservation of the headframe at the Matchless Mine and let everyone know that you are helping to save this Colorado historic site. Donate to help refurbish the iconic headframe at the Matchless Mine and receive a T-shirt that shows how much you care about preserving this historic site for future generations! All details can be found at: https://www.booster.com/help-save-matchlessmine.
2017 National Mining Hall of Fame Inductees Announced

The National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum’s (NMHFM) Board of Directors have announced the 2017 National Mining Hall of Fame inductees. This year’s inductees, selected by the National Mining Hall of Fame’s Board of Governors, represent exploration and extraction of new frontiers, environmental stewardship, leadership in formulating U.S. mineral policy, education, and research and development. The contributions of these individuals have undoubtedly had a significant and lasting impact on the mineral and mining industry; these visionary leaders have been selected for being innovators, authors, pioneers in corporate social responsibility, and longstanding advocates for the U.S. mining industry.

In a career spanning six decades, Falkie’s contributions to the mineral industry span the disciplines of science, engineering, technology, management, education, and policymaking. He was a pioneer in the utilization of computers for planning, designing, and managing mineral industry operations. As a forceful spokesman for the mineral interests of the nation before Congress, Falkie has made substantial contributions to national mineral and energy policy, mineral research and development, and environmental planning. He held major leadership roles in many professional associations and societies and has been the recipient of numerous awards including election to the U.S. National Academy of Engineering.

While a highly respected metallurgist and executive, it is Harris’ humanitarian efforts that have forged his legacy in the industry. Deeply affected by the extreme poverty, malnourishment, and illness he saw in the children of communities surrounding mine development, he vowed local communities where he developed mines would directly benefit from the operation of the mine. During his tenure as President and General Manager of Newmont Peru, he advocated for and implemented successful social programs giving local peoples a “hand up” during the development and operations the Yanacocha gold mine, and in the process set a new business standard, “corporate social responsibility,” by which the global mining industry now operates.

Over the span of 40 years (9 of which he served as Director), McKelvey’s leadership and vision within the United States Geological Survey (USGS) provided the scientific basis for advancing the exploration capacity of the mining industry on a global scale. He ushered in a new era of geologic data collection via the use of the first Earth Resources Technology Satellite and other remote sensing equipment. He developed the McKelvey diagram, a visual representation of how to classify a mineral resource based on its production value and level of geologic certainty that is still in use today. Considered among the preeminent authorities on deep sea mineral deposits, McKelvey expanded our understanding of the mineral potential of the ocean floor.

The National Mining Hall of Fame & Museum Calendar of Events

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<td>Be the first to see the remodeled coal room and enjoy beer, wine, and light refreshments. 5:30-7:00PM</td>
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<td>Members: Free Non-Members: $5.00</td>
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<td>July 2: A Day with the Tabors Community Appreciation Day</td>
<td>Be prepared for a day filled with activities at the Matchless Mine that includes a cookout and a beer tent. Enjoy a mule demonstration, live music by 40 Degrees North and author readings from novelists Ann Parker and Donna Baier Stein. 11:00 AM - 1:30PM Lakes County Residents eat for free! Non-Residents $6.00 /meal. Beer not included, all pay $4.00. After the cookout, head to the Tabor Opera House for a 2:00PM Performance by the 1st Army Band!</td>
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<td>July 16: Molly Brown 150th Birthday Celebration at the Molly Brown House in Denver</td>
<td>Enjoy a lively Q &amp; A between Margaret &quot;Molly&quot; Brown and Elizabeth “Baby Doe” Tabor and learn about the Browns’ connections to mining in Leadville.</td>
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<td>August 5: Boom Days Family Activities</td>
<td>Come to the NMHFM from 3:00-5:00PM to enjoy gold panning, Museum scavenger hunts, Rockhounding 101 and other fun and family friendly activities. Children 12 and under receive free admission to the NMHFM with a paid accompanying adult admission.</td>
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<td>Join us in Denver as we honor this year’s inductees, the winner of the Praire Living Legend of Mining Award, and pay tribute to Gary Prazen. See our website for ticket information: <a href="http://www.mininghalloffame.org">www.mininghalloffame.org</a></td>
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<td>Meet a real rocket scientist! Come learn about the evolution of mining technology as we explore space and its resources.</td>
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<td>February 9, 2018: Annual Wine at the Mine Evening</td>
<td>Join us for our annual winter fundraiser. Enjoy great food and beverages. Details to follow.</td>
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A federally chartered nonprofit, located in the famous 1880s silver boomtown of Leadville, Colorado at the top of the Rocky Mountains, The National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum is a monument to the memory of the men and women who pioneered the discovery, development and processing of our nation’s natural resources.

Known as the “Smithsonian of the Rockies” and the “Premier Showcase of American Mining,” the National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum was established in 1987. Our building was built in 1899 and was formerly the Leadville High School. Our museum houses 25,000 square feet of interactive and informative exhibits showcasing our collection of mining’s colorful history.

We’re on the web!

www.mininghalloffame.org

“Tell the story about mining, its people & its importance to the American public”

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Freeport-McMoRan Foundation recently awarded the NMHFM a $13,500 challenge grant through the Community Investment Fund to help rehabilitate the historic Matchless Mine’s headframe.

The iconic headframe looms above the last remaining open mine shaft at the site and was used to raise and lower miners and materials. The 125-year-old wooden structure has weathered many Leadville winters, but is in danger of collapse. The NMHFM must raise another $13,500 by December 1 to match Freeport’s generous grant. We encourage supporters of the NMHFM’s mission and anyone passionate about preserving vestiges of mining history to make a donation through ColoradoGives.org (http://coloradogives.org/Sage/Save_the_Matchless_Headframe) or through a check payable to “The National Mining Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc.” and mail to: National Mining Hall of Fame Foundation, 120 W. 9th Street, Leadville, CO 80461.

Alternatively, receive a tee-shirt with an image of the Matchless Mine and the message “I Helped Save the Matchless Mine” by making a donation of at least $30 at www.booster.com/save-the-matchless-mine.

Silver King Horace Tabor’s Matchless Mine, owned by the NMHFM, is on the National Register of Historic Places. His second wife, “Baby Doc,” lived in the superintendent’s cabin on the claim from 1899 until her death in 1933. The Tabors were significant figures in the history of mining in Leadville, in Colorado, and in the nation.

A 2010 Historic Structure Assessment funded by the State Historical Fund rated the headframe’s condition as “Fair to Poor.” The powder magazine’s decline suggests local conditions may cause the headframe to deteriorate quickly if it is not stabilized. If it collapses, the site will lose much of its tourist appeal and historic value.

HistoriCorps personnel will rehabilitate the headframe. HistoriCorps is a non-profit organization dedicated to engaging volunteers in preserving and sustaining historic structures on public lands (including on private lands accessible to the public) for future generations. Since its founding in 2007, HistoriCorps has preserved more than 180 historic structures in 23 states and engaged more than 1,500 volunteers in more than 80,000 hours of service and training. All work will comply with The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings.