

**Mining History Association
Conference Schedule
Socorro, NM, 8-11 June 2023**

THURSDAY:

7:30-9:00: Registration Table in the lobby of the Holiday Inn Express

8:30-10:30: Walking Tour of Socorro (\$ and registration required)

1:00-7:00: Registration Table at the Mineral Museum

2:00-4:00: MHA Council Meeting, Copper Room, Macey Center – all MHA members may attend

6:00-8:00 Reception at the Bureau of Geology Mineral Museum (included in registration)

FRIDAY:

7:30 – 1:00: Registration Upper Lobby of the Macey Center.

7:30-8:30: Breakfast Tacos! (and pastries) included in the registration fee.

8:00-8:45: Opening Session (Chris Huggard, chair): Opening Remarks and Announcements. Welcome by Mike Bowen, Executive Director, New Mexico Mining Association. Keynote Speaker, Dr. Virginia McLemore, **Principal Senior Economic Geologist** New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources, Socorro: “The Influence of Mining on a Small Town: Socorro, New Mexico”.

8:45-9:00: Break.

9:00-10:15: Session 1 (Eric Clements, chair): Modern Mining:

Carol R. Sullivan, “Boom Town Life in Grants, New Mexico”

Clark Niewendorp, “Lakeview, Oregon, in the Atomic Age”

Jennifer Dunn, “The EPA Comes to Libby: Anti-government Anger and the Superfund Program in a Montana Town”

10:15-10:30: Break.

10:30-11:45: Session 2 (Ginny Kilander, chair): Coal:

Stephen Hart, “Thurber, Texas: Geologic Anomaly, Mineral Riches, Ghost Town”

David Ware, “Mining the Tax Code: ‘Clean Coal’'s Collapse in Arkansas”

Devlon Shaver, “A History of Coal Mining in New Mexico”

11:45-1:15: Lunch on your own. Box lunches available for pre-order with registration.

1:15-2:05: Session 3 (Silvia Pettem, chair): Women in Mining:

Jane Bardal, “Mrs. Captain Jack, Mining Queen of the Rockies”

Robert Spude “Best Analyst in the United States”: Women Assayers in the American Mining West, 1880-1920

2:05-2:15: Break.

2:15-3:30: Session 4 (Jane Bardal, chair): Mining and the Arts:

Ginny Kilander, “Excerpts from *Solo Safari to South Africa*, featuring 1950s Gold and Diamond Mining Travelogues, by Mildred Stead Capron”

Brian Leech, “Like a Canary in a Coal Mine: How a Mine Safety Technique Became a Popular Metaphor”

Richard Francaviglia, “*Green Fire: The Cinematic Depiction of Early 20th Century Colombian Emerald Mining*.”

3:30-3:45: Break.

3:45-5:00: Session 5 (Catherine Spude, chair): Cemeteries:

Mike Kaas and Mark Connor, "The Colesville Cemetery in the Friedensville, Pennsylvania Mining District"

Silvia Pettem, "Gone but Not Forgotten: The Caribou Cemetery Restoration Project"

Eric Clements, "Looking for Laura: A Mining Camp Mystery"

6:00-6:30: Social Time at the Fidel Center

6:30-9:00: Fidel Center: Awards Banquet. Speaker: Rick Hendricks, Director of the New Mexico Archives Department and former State Historian, Santa Fe: "A Glimpse of Mining History in Spanish and Mexican New Mexico: No, Really."

SATURDAY:

8:30-1:00: Registration, upper lobby of the Macey Center

9:00-10:15: Session 6 (Mike Kaas, chair): The Eclectic Session:

William Culver, "The First Electrolytic Copper Refinery in the U.S.A.: Nomination for the Pennsylvania Historical Marker Program"

Virginia McLemore, "Mining History of the Steeple Rock District, Grant County, New Mexico"

Ed Raines, "Scamming Their Way from the Comstock to Lake Valley, New Mexico, by way of Leadville"

10:15-10:30: Break.

10:30-11:45: Session 7 (William Culver, chair): The Magdalena Mining District:

Jack Waldron, "A Short History and Geological and Mining Review of the Magdalena Mining District, New Mexico"

Harley Kozushko, "Working at the Waldo Mine, Magdalena, NM, 1999-2004"

Catherine Holder Spude, "Introduction to the Mine and Townsite at Kelly, New Mexico"

11:45-12:00: Break.

12:00-1:30: Upper Lobby of the Macey Center: Presidential Luncheon: Dr. Dana Bennett, "The Constant Battle of the Mine Operators for Protection of the Industry' in the 20th Century: The Case of the Nevada Mining Association"

1:30-1:45: Break.

1:45-2:45: Business Meeting.

2:00-5:00: Local Museum and Mine Tour, with busses departing at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

SUNDAY:

8:00-5:00: Car Tour to Magdalena, Kelly, Very Large Array. Leaves from Macey Center parking lot.