

National News:

**Rich Nolan New President of National Mining Association**

Hal Quinn, President and CEO of the National Mining Association last spring announced his intention to retire before the end of 2019 following 34 years with the NMA. The NMA has announced that Rich Nolan has been elected the Association’s new President and CEO, following a detailed search process led by a Search Committee comprised of members of the Association’s Board of Directors’ Executive Committee. With more than 20 years of experience advocating on many natural resources sector issues, Mr. Nolan most recently served NMA for 13 years as Senior Vice President of Government and Political Affairs. I have worked with Rich over the years and believe that he is a great choice to replace Hal. Our congratulations and gratitude to Hal for his many years of service; and for being so responsive and helpful to our state associations. Hal gave the keynote Address at our 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in 2009.

State News:

**NMMA holds 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention & Trade Show in Socorro**

The NM Mining Association held its’ 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention & Trade Show on the campus at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology. Many very good comments were received about the presentations and of course the beautiful campus and facilities at NM Tech. We heard presentations on the state of mining in New Mexico and Opportunities in Global Mineral Resources, as well as a Regulatory and Market Update. Presenters were Dr. Virginia McLemore; Dr. Jonathon Price; and Michael J. Nasi, Esq.



**NMMA Honored Representative Rebecca Dow**



The NMMA gave a special award to State Representative Rebecca Dow for all her assistance during last year’s Legislative Session to help stop some very bad bills that would have negatively impacted the mining industry, especially the copper industry. Representative Dow is pictured with the folks from Freeport-McMoRan.

## NMMA Inducts three into New Mexico Mining Hall of Fame

The NMMA during their convention inducted three long time Mining Legends into the New Mexico Mining Hall of Fame. The three were Henry McCabe, Sr. aka “Hank”., William (Bill) Lyman and Robert (Bob) Eveleth.

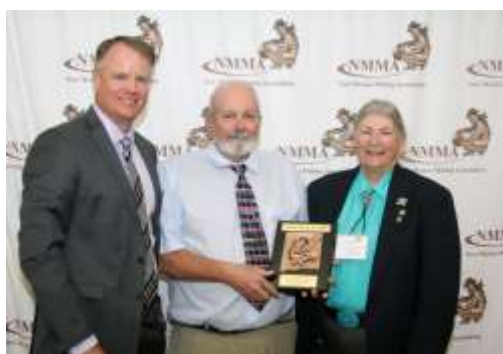
Hank is a retired coal miner who worked 39.5 years at the Chevron Mining McKinley Mine in NW New Mexico. During his long career Hank worked his way from a reclamation Technician to General Mine Manager. Hank served on the NMMA Board of Directors as a Director, Vice-President, and President.

William (Bill) Lyman Chenoweth Bill’s major contribution to New Mexico’s mining industry was his knowledge of the uranium mining history, geology and mineral resources of uranium in northwestern New Mexico. Bill worked for the Atomic Energy Commission and the NM Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources. If anyone needed to know anything about uranium in the western U.S., they asked Bill. Bill, age 89, passed away in Grand Junction, Colorado, on Monday July 23, 2018.

Robert (Bob) Eveleth is a Miner, a 49er, an engineer, a bartender and a historian; and for more than 45 years he has researched and documented New Mexico history related to mining, the city of Socorro, and New Mexico Tech. He has been instrumental in developing the New Mexico Mineral Museum for many years along with the Bureau’s museum curators. His emphasis has been archiving mineral specimens and mining ephemera to preserve our rich mining history.

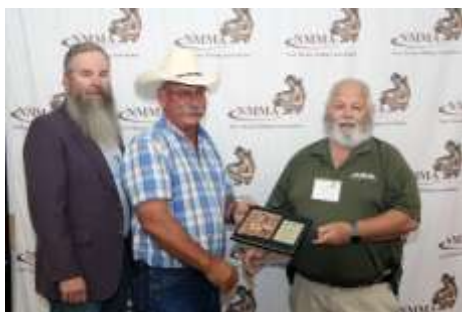


NMMA President Erich Bower & Hank McCabe



NMMA President Erich Bower, Bob Eveleth, Dr. Virginia McLemore

NMMA Safety Awards for 2019:



Operator of the Year

Non-Producing

Peabody Natural Resources  
Lee Ranch Mine



Operator of the Year

Metal/Non-Metal Mills

Intrepid-New Mexico  
North Plant



Operator of the Year

Underground Metal/Non-Metal Mining

Intrepid-New Mexico  
West Mine



Operator of the Year

NM Contractors (NM Work Only)

Dennis McCoy & Sons, Inc.  
Lee Ranch Mine

Reclamation Awards:



Navajo Transitional Energy Company  
North American Coal-Bisti Fuels Company

For their dedication to cultivate interest in mining, reclamation, and STEM –related careers through an education, outreach and community service platform to help students and residents from the Navajo Nation and surrounding communities.

L to R- Tim Fagley, NTEC  
Todd Leahy, Deputy Cabinet Secretary EMNRD  
Andy Hawkins, NA Coal – Bisti Fuels  
Kay Nave, NA Coal – Bisti Fuels



Freeport-McMoRan  
Chino Mines Company

For successful “Agave roundup in Grant County” Project that salvaged 750 Agave Plants for use in mine reclamation areas and non-mining areas for the benefit of improved bat habitat and environmental awareness.

L to R- Sherry Burt-Kested, Freeport-McMoRan  
Todd Leahy, Deputy Cabinet Secretary EMNRD  
Tom Shelley, Freeport-McMoRan

Upcoming Events:

**The 2020 NMMA Convention & Trade Show to be held at the Sandia Resort & Casino August 26, 27, 28.**



**The 2020 NMMA Legislative Reception & Dinner is to be held on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at the Santa Fe Hilton. More information will be forthcoming soon.**

**Oct 4-7 NM Oil & Gas Conference – Santa Fe**

**Oct 7 –Science, Technology & Telecommunications Committee –Albuquerque**

**Oct 17-18 –Water & Natural Resources Committee – Silver City**

**Nov 6-8 – NM Water Research Institute’s 64 Annual NM Water Conference  
Buffalo Thunder Resort – Santa Fe**