

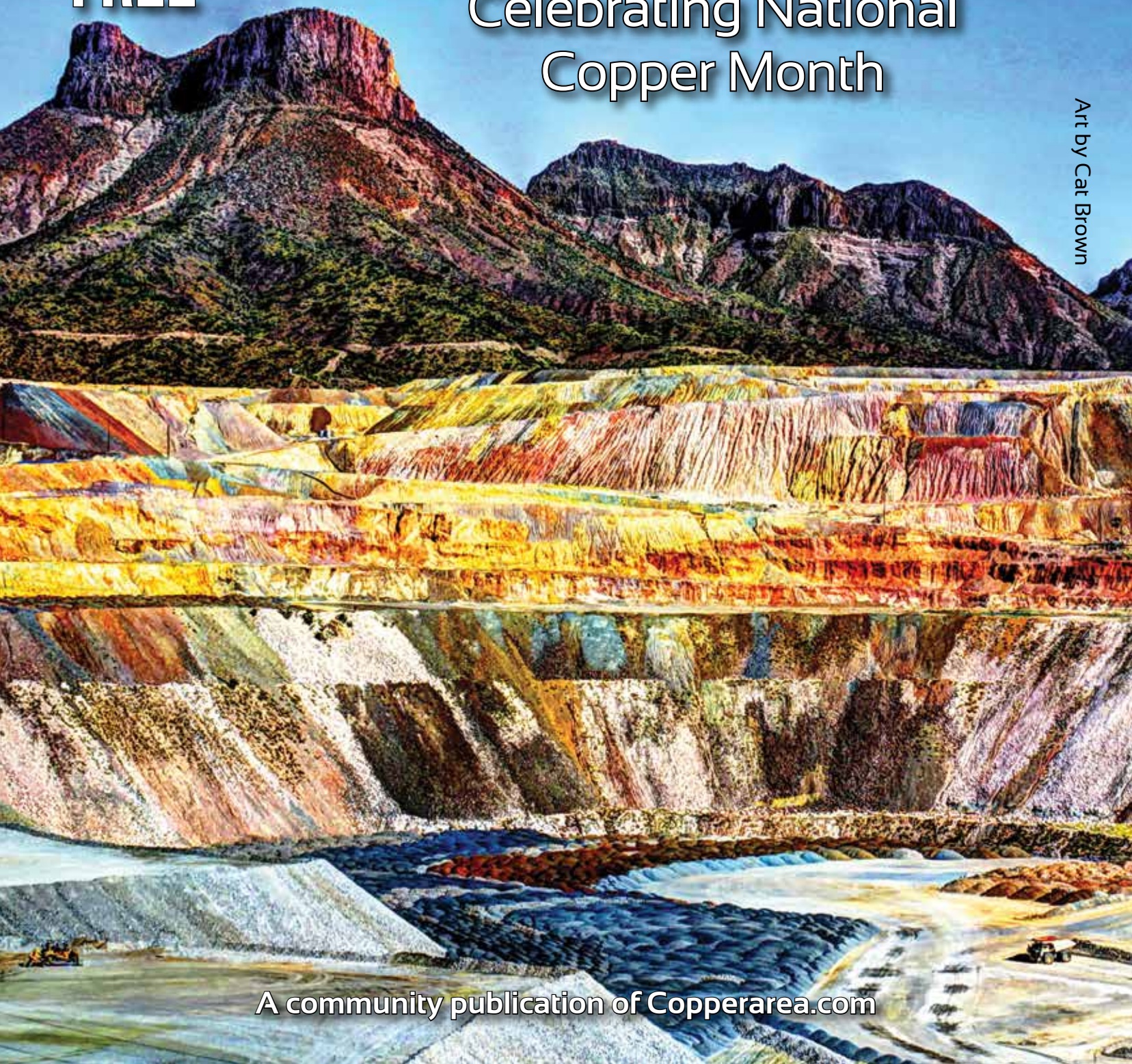
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SASO welcomes the return of violinist Chloe Trevor to play Khachaturian's Violin Concerto and Vivaldi's Summer from the Four Seasons. She is known for her "dazzling technique," "huge tone" and "natural musicality." Born into a musical family, she began playing the violin at age two. In addition to performances throughout Europe and the United States, she recently completed her first tours of Australia, Singapore, Spain and Mexico. She previously

soloed with SASO in May, 2015.

Khachaturian's only violin concerto was an immediate and enduring success. He wrote it in the summer of 1940 in his native Armenia. Khachaturian once said, "I wrote the music as though on a wave of happiness. My whole being was in a state of joy, for I was awaiting the birth of my son. And this feeling, this love of life, was transmitted to the music," according to *The Amati*

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VIOLINIST

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Vivaldi wrote his Four Seasons violin concerti around 1721 based on poems specific to each season of the year. Some speculate that he wrote the sonnets himself – because they so precisely fit the music, given that each is broken down into three sections, neatly corresponding to a movement in the concerto.

In 1878 Dvořák was commissioned to write a set of eight pieces in the spirit of Brahms’ Hungarian Dances. The resulting Slavonic Dances proved immensely popular. The composer has said he incorporated characteristic rhythms of the folk dances of his native Bohemia, yet the melodies were his own creation. SASO will play Slavonic Dances 5, 6, 7 and 8.

The program opens with Enescu’s Romanian Rhapsody No. 1, which premiered in Bucharest in 1903 with the composer conducting.

This SASO season opener also features Solis by contemporary American composer Amanda Harberg. Fellow composer John Corigliano (who won as Oscar for score of The Red Violin performed by Joshua Bell) has said, “Amanda Harberg writes truly beautiful music. This is rare in our time – in fact, in any time. She touches the soul and invigorates the brain at the same time. I love her work.”

SASO musicians previously performed Harberg’s Viola Concerto in 2015, which was commissioned and played by her friend Brett Deubner,

a champion of new works for the viola. SASO’s CD on the Naxos label includes the premiere recordings of Harberg’s concerto and Max Wolpert’s Viola Concerto No. 1, both played by Deubner.

Philanthropist and musician Dorothy Vanek underwrote this CD as well as SASO’s previous recording – Celebration! – featuring the compositions of six Tucson composers. She remains SASO’s season sponsor for the 11th consecutive year. SASO’s music acquisition is sponsored by the Arizona Lottery.

With SASO you can expect the unexpected. Music Director Lerner challenged himself to not repeat any major work in his first decade of programming for SASO. This season explores new works, welcomes eight guest artists and invites audiences to savor both familiar and esoteric selections. Lerner has conducted SASO musicians both here and abroad, including two tours of China, one in Brazil and several opera festivals in Mexico – three in Oaxaca and two in San Luis Potosí.

The Oct. 14 and 15 performances will be on Saturday evening at 7:30 p.m. in SaddleBrooke at the DesertView Performing Arts Center, 39900 S. Clubhouse Dr., and on Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. at St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church at 7575 N. Paseo del Norte in northwest Tucson.

SaddleBrooke tickets are \$24 in advance or \$25 at the door. They can be purchased

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The 2017-2018 season includes four more concerts:

- **Nov. 18-19** – Paraguay's globe-trotting Diego Sánchez Haase guests conducts Beethoven's evocative Pastoral Symphony and Rachmaninov's third piano concerto featuring Tbilisi-born Yelena Beriyeveva in her second appearance with SASO. The program opens with Rossini's Overture to William Tell.
- **Jan. 27-28** – SASO's Chinese New Year celebration features soloists on the guzheng, also known as the Chinese zither, and the erhu, or two-stringed Chinese violin. University of Arizona faculty member Jing Xia plays the guzheng in Zhou's Robe of the Clouds. Xiaoyin Zheng solos on the erhu in Lui's Great Wall Fantasy. Other selections are Lu's Ode to the Red Flag and Wang's Dream of the Red Chamber, arranged by Lang.
- **March 10-11** – Don't miss Electric Guitar Concerto No. 2 written and performed by Tucsonan Pete Fine. His first concerto premiered in 1999. This concert also features SASO's favorite soprano Christi Amonson, performing Barber's Knoxville: Summer of 1915 and Poulenc's Gloria with the SASO Chorus, plus winners of SASO's annual Dorothy Vanek Youth Concerto Competition.
- **April 14-15** – TSO concertmaster Lauren Roth joins SASO to perform Wieniawski's Violin Concerto No. 2. Also on the program are Theofanides' Rainbow Body and Rachmaninov's Symphonic Dances.

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Copper Corridor mining companies show significant changes over last year

Copper has been an important factor in humanity's development. The metal is soft and easy to shape, though it is too soft to be useful to make tools.



A VIEW WITH ROOM

A stylized view of Teapot Mountain and the Asarco Ray Mine north of Kearny, AZ. Photo/art by Cat Brown.

The discovery five millennia ago that combining copper with tin will create bronze, a much sturdier metal, launched the Bronze Age. Copper was the first strategic metal, and it became one of the first global trade goods.

The Gold Rush colonized California and Silver was the founding drive behind migration to Nevada, but for Arizona that building block was Copper. Many early Arizona towns were built by companies staking copper mining claims like Phelps Dodge. Places like Bisbee, Superior, Miami and Jerome exist only because of copper mining. Arizona has been the largest producer of copper in America since

the early 1900's, producing almost 2/3 of the copper produced in the US. According to the Arizona Mining Association, the combined direct and indirect impact of copper mining was worth up to \$34.2 billion in the U.S. economy and 12.1 billion in Arizona. Copper is, in fact, one of the "Five C's of Arizona": Copper, Citrus, Cotton, Climate and Cattle.

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↑ CONSTRUCTION

Retrofitting the Smelter at Hayden has begun.

FENCING →

A view of the wind fencing being installed on the Asarco property in Hayden.



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conductivity and malleability make it vital to today's electricity driven world.

The mines of the Copper Corridor continue to produce a significant amount of the state's total copper and the area still has vast untapped reserves. At press time, copper was being sold at \$2.937 a pound.

ASARCO

The United Steelworkers announced in late September that a collective bargaining agreement was ratified covering ASARCO copper mine operations in Arizona and Texas, including the Ray Mine and the Hayden Smelter. The agreement covers about 2,000 workers.

The agreement has been a long time coming. The original contract ended

in June of 2013 but was extended until it was terminated in June, 2015. The workers stayed on the job without a contract while negotiations continued. The new agreement will expire on Nov. 30, 2018.

There was some give and take. The miners will pay more of their insurance themselves, but the mine is restoring some of the bonuses. The short period of the agreement seems to bring a "breathing period" for both ASARCO and the unions to focus on a longer term agreement in the future.

Grupo Mexico, which owns ASARCO and several copper mines in Mexico and South America, controls 70 percent of the railroads in Mexico. Last August it reported consolidated sales for the

first six months of the year at \$4.51 billion (up 13% over the same time last year) and a net profit of \$801 million.

ASARCO Land Exchange

In 1993, ASARCO filed an application to exchange lands with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The application would allow for ASARCO to obtain 10,975 BLM acres within the Copper Corridor and in exchange ASARCO would offer 7,304 acres of environmentally sensitive areas that are adjacent to Wilderness Areas. The approval of the land exchange will allow for ASARCO to continue to grow their operations.

In 2000, the BLM issued a Record of Decision which approved the

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land exchange. The process involved a lengthy permitting and public participation process prior to the issuing of a Record of Decision. In 2000, the Center for Biological Diversity challenged the approval by the BLM, but the challenge was denied.

In 2010, the Centers for Biological Diversity appealed the decision to the Ninth Circuit Court and they were issued a judgment in their favor regarding one narrow issue. The Ninth Circuit Court contended that “BLM failed to compare the environmental consequences of ASARCO’s potential future mining operations on Selected Lands ‘with’ and ‘without’ BLM oversight under BLM’s surface management regulations 43 CFR.” BLM then determined that it would

prepare a supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that would include the with and without analysis. This supplemental EIS was completed in 2015.

The outreach and education process is part of the required permitting process. Currently ASARCO is waiting for the application to be allowed to be published in the Federal Register. Once the application is listed in the Federal Register, it can be opened up to public comments. There will be a 90-day public comment period on the land exchange once it has been approved for publishing in the Federal Register.

ASARCO continues to work with the BLM to have this application approved for the Federal Register.

ASARCO Smelter Refit
ASARCO Hayden Smelter



RETROFIT

New 15’ diameter x 35’ long, #4 and #5 Pierce Smith Converters installed with new #3 to be installed in February-March 2018. New #4 and #5 is set to start up in April 2018 and the new #3 in fall 2018. Photo courtesy ASARCO.

Operations continues the major improvements and repairs to the facilities and equipment in Hayden. The upgrades and improvements come after the 2015 Consent Decree signed by ASARCO and the Environmental Protection Agency. The Consent Decree lined out many improvements needed to protect the environment in the area surrounding the Hayden Smelter Operations.

Included in the \$40 million dollar repairs is the installation of wind fencing throughout the property to keep harmful dust particles from leaving the property. The major smelter upgrades will ensure that the smelter emissions remain 99.5% pollutant free. Some of

the other upgrades include improvements to the crusher and paving roads.

ASARCO is also required to install 38 environmental monitors on their property and in the area. Data from the monitors must be tabulated and reported to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality on a regular basis. Prior to the Consent Decree, ASARCO only had to monitor and maintain 15 environmental monitors.

Florence Copper

On Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2017, Florence Copper (owned by Taseko Mines Ltd.) announced that the project would move forward with construction

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FLORENCE COPPER

An aerial view of Florence Copper Project's mine site in Florence. Photo courtesy of Florence Copper.

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of the Production Test Facility. This comes after the Environmental Appeals Board of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) upheld and confirmed Florence Copper's Underground Injection Control permit, denying any further appeal.

Coinciding with this permitting decision, Taseko's Board of Directors has given management approval to move forward with the construction of a Production Test Facility (PTF). Estimated remaining costs to construct the PTF are US\$25 million.

"We are very pleased with the Environmental Appeals Board decision, which is another significant milestone for our Florence Copper Project. We now have all necessary state and federal permits in place to build and operate the PTF," commented Russell Hallbauer, President and CEO of Taseko in a press release on the company's website.

"Our Board of Directors, after a thorough review of current market conditions, the Company's financial position and the status of permitting in Arizona, have endorsed management's view that the best course of action is to accelerate the construction of the PTF," continued Hallbauer. "Over the past year, Florence personnel have been advancing on-the-ground activities and have spent roughly US\$4 million specific to the PTF. With major components already on site, the timeline to having the test facility operational is in the latter half of 2018 and involves the construction of an SX/EW facility and the drilling of observation, injection and recovery wells."

This has been one of the longest, most thorough and detailed examinations of a mining project in the history of Arizona. Water protection is of the highest priority for Florence Copper - as it should be, a spokesperson stated.

Resolution Copper

Resolution Copper launched its Employee Volunteer program on Sept. 21, 2017, a partnership focused

on benefitting area schools and local cleanup efforts.

As part of the program inauguration, Resolution Copper teamed up with Stantec Tempe to visit local schools, including Miami Unified School District, San Carlos Unified School District, and Superior Unified School District schools. Employees from both companies shared their path to working in mining and covered career areas including safety, environmental science, mechanics, and mine engineering. The career talks complement existing partnerships between Resolution Copper and area schools to encourage a strong

foundation in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) and inspire regional youth to consider a career within that space.

Late last month, Resolution Copper and Stantec employees again partnered to have a combined volunteer force of 60 employees working in close collaboration with the Town of Superior and the Superior Chamber of Commerce to beautify the US 60 Caboose Park and Visitor Center as part of the larger community development and blight mitigation efforts.

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VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers from Stantec, Resolution Copper, Superior Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Superior joined together to bring the US 60 "Caboose" Park back to life.

Fresh paint, new benches and tables, clean and shiny playground equipment and a renovated horseshoe pit make this a great place for a family outing! Thanks to all for the great job. A special thanks to Oddonetto Construction for donating the sand for the pits. Coming in the future ... Basketball and Volleyball courts!

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“Resolution Copper is a solid and active neighbor in Superior, and the park cleanup shows they are willing to roll their sleeves up and work with us to help beautify Superior for residents and visitors,” said Superior Chamber of Commerce President Sue Anderson.

“We are very proud of our employees and encourage them to give back to the community as much as possible,” said Resolution Project Director Andrew Lye. “This program is an extension of our already existing relationships with local organizations such Boyce Thompson Arboretum, the Superior Optimist Club, Superior and Globe Rotaries, and local robotics clubs where our employees currently volunteer their time.”

Resolution Copper employees recorded 124 hours of volunteerism last year.



Freeport-McMoRan

For the fifth consecutive year, Freeport-McMoRan has been named to the Civic 50 list of most community-minded companies in the U.S., and for the second consecutive year was named the top company in the materials sector. This marks the company as one of 15 U.S. companies who have been named to this list for five years in a row.

The Civic 50 is conducted by the Points of Light Corporate Institute, a resource for companies looking to build and expand effective community engagement programs. The national survey and ranking initiative, developed through partnership with researchers and community as well as industry thought leaders, sets the standard for corporate civic engagement and recognizes companies for their commitment to improving the quality of life in the communities where they do business. The initiative reflects leading insight about how corporations can connect with communities in a twenty-first century economy.

Numerous community programs and efforts implemented by the company



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were evaluated as part of the process and overall ranking. As the No. 1 ranked company in its sector, Freeport-McMoRan was featured as a leader for programs focused on community and stakeholder engagement and its unique mining education initiative.

The Freeport-McMoRan Community Engagement Program, Transforming Tomorrow Together, develops deep partnerships with communities to cultivate sustainable programs and projects that address their unique challenges and priorities, and contribute to their enduring success. One of the cornerstone initiatives involves stakeholder engagement through Community Partnership Panels (CPPs). Panels in each community are comprised of local leaders and citizens representing a broad range of stakeholder groups who meet with company representatives to discuss issues important to the community with the goal of creating community collaboration that leads to success. A recent survey of CPP members from 11 communities across the southwest found that 77% of respondents believe the company truly listens to and considers their concerns, interests and questions; 73% believe the CPP forum has played a role in planning for long-term community sustainability; and 71% feel the CPP engagement has contributed to positive community change.

Bill Cobb, Vice President, Environmental

Services and Sustainable Development, Freeport-McMoRan, said, “The two critical elements of our overall approach to corporate citizenship are our deep engagement and dialogue with stakeholders in the communities in which we operate, and our focus on building community capacity that aids communities in strengthening their resiliency, skills and abilities needed to adapt, develop and thrive. Not only does the community become deeply and mindfully involved as the architects of both specific projects as well as their own broader success, those positive outcomes around shared values improves our social license to operate within those communities.”

Freeport-McMoRan has also partnered with Discovery Education to create and implement “Dig Into Mining,” an online, interactive program for grades 6-8 that explores the use of metals such as copper in our everyday life, provides students with a deeper understanding of mining, inspires career interests, and facilitates STEM learning and concepts in the classroom. The initiative includes an annual, interactive virtual field trip, interactive digital learning tools, and school-to-home connections with career exploration activities intended to inspire further exploration of the world and improved STEM learning and performance. To date, there have been over 500,000

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Virtual Lab Views, 42,000 widget plays, 100,000 website visits, and more than 80,000 students and teachers have participated each year through virtual field trips to a mining operation. The program also engages technical and STEM-skilled employees in content development and interactive, online experiences directly with students.

“Dig Into Mining brings the mining process to life for students and allows them to engage with the employees who make it happen,” said Josh Olmsted, Senior Vice President of North American Copper. “It’s an excellent way for students to gain a greater understanding of how STEM knowledge is used in various careers on a daily basis, making the content they learn in math and science classes more relevant. It also provides a great opportunity to recognize our employees for their hard work.”

To find out more about Freeport-McMoRan’s community engagement visit fcx.com/sd/sustain/index.htm.

Redhawk Copper – Copper Creek

In late October 2016, Redhawk Copper announced that it was terminating a partnership agreement with Anglo American in the Copper Creek Arizona Project near Mammoth, AZ. With the termination, Redhawk became the sole interested party in the venture.

Joe Sandberg, President and CEO of Redhawk commented: “The joint venture with Anglo American enabled the Company to retain the entire Copper Creek Project and advance our knowledge of the

project through approximately US\$7m in expenditures during a challenging period for the base metals mining sector. The main focus during the past two years has been regional exploration primarily in portions of the expansive property that had not previously been reviewed. Our focus will now turn back to advancing the development of the existing large resource and considering alternative strategies.”

Copper Creek is a large “Early Halo” Porphyry Copper Deposit, close to current producing large mines. It has district size potential as it covers nearly 29 square miles of contiguous property with less than 5% explored. The current resource area is ~4km in length and open in all directions. Ongoing work programs have resulted in an extensive geological, geochemical and geophysical mapping and surveys. Over 650,000 feet of drilling has been completed and is ongoing. A Preliminary Economic Assessment (PEA) was completed in July 2013.

KGHM – Carlota Copper

KGHM’s Carlota mine is located in the Miami-Globe mining region.

The mine operated for most its life at approximately 40,000 tons per day producing on average 11.2 thousand tons of copper cathodes per year. In 2013, the Carlota mine began concurrent reclamation and revegetation activities throughout the property and initiated detailed studies on the more complex facilities in preparation for mine closure. During 2013 sub-surface leach test work was undertaken

to explore ways to extract additional economic copper from the heap leach pad. In 2014 mining operations from the open pit ceased. However, residual copper production continues at present utilizing surface and sub-surface leaching via injection wells. Development of injection wells continues to extract economic copper from the solution inventory within heap leach pad.

Mining of the copper ore from the Carlota site was by conventional open pit methods.

Currently, the Carlota Mine runs the process of post-mine area reclamation along with underground leaching of the

remaining heaps. This model of operation assumes stable production of copper since 2020, to the moment of final closure of the Carlota Mine.

Capstone Mining Corp. – Pinto Valley

No significant news has come out of the Pinto Valley Mine in the Globe-Miami area. Pinto Valley is owned by Capstone Mining Corp., a Canadian-based mine company. In early 2016, the company announced the results of a pre-feasibility study shows that the life of the mine has been extended to 2039. The company is working on the acquisition of more land so that it can expand its pit operations.

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A labor leader dies in an Arizona Mining Camp

John Hernandez
Pinal Nugget

John J. McBride was one of the founders of American Federation of Labor (AFL) in 1886. He was asked to become its first President but declined. Samuel Gompers was then chosen and would hold the position for all but one year until his death in 1924. McBride was elected President of the AFL in 1894. Shortly after being elected, he had the union affiliate itself with the Populist Party as he believed the union should become a political force. This upset many union leaders including Samuel Gompers who would defeat McBride in the election of 1895. The AFL is now part of the AFL-CIO, the largest labor union in the country.

John McBride was born in Ohio in 1854. At the age of nine he followed his father's footsteps and went to work in the coal mines. He was a miner, union man/leader fighting for worker's rights throughout most of his life. In the late 1800s, mineworkers were paid \$1 per day for a 12 to 14-hour work day. They received no health benefits, worker's compensation or vacation. Mining was

dangerous with little or no safety regulations in place to protect the workers. To protest these working conditions, the workers formed unions. McBride would be instrumental in the formations of unions in Ohio and the United States.

McBride would serve as President of the Ohio Miners' Amalgamated Association from 1882 to 1889. He organized the National Federation of

Miners and Mine Laborers and would serve as their first President. In 1890, he helped organize the United Mine Workers. He would be elected their President in 1892. McBride was also involved in politics during this period, He was elected to the Ohio Legislature as a Democrat and served from 1884 to 1888. Following his defeat in the AFL election of 1895, McBride retired from union activities.

He pursued other occupations including saloon owner and newspaper editor. In 1911, he traveled to Arizona for health reasons but returned to Ohio. He then moved with his family in 1912 to Arizona, settling in Phoenix. He was owner in partnership of McBride & Beaver, a cigar manufacturing company. In 1914, he became a City Magistrate and picked up

the nickname Judge.

In April 1917, the United States declared war on Germany and entered World War I. Labor unions saw that industrialists had been making large profits selling armaments and steel to Great Britain and France during the early years of the war. Now they would be selling to the U.S. government. They saw it as an opportunity for labor to organize in the western mines and push for better pay and working conditions. President Wilson realizing that raw materials were badly needed for the war effort did not want to see a conflict between management and labor interrupt or halt the production of raw materials.

Labor problems soon arose out west including Arizona. Strikes were being called for and the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW), a radical union was trying to gain influence in the mining camps. The IWW was against America's entry into the war. Thanks to government propaganda and the mine owners' rhetoric and behavior towards unions, the IWW was seen as being pro-German and anti-American. The IWW members were commonly referred to as "Wobblies". By summer there were 20 strikes in Arizona and over 4,000 strikes or walkouts nationwide.

President Woodrow Wilson ordered the Secretary of Labor, William Bauchop Wilson, to appoint a mediating commission to look into the labor problems out west. On May 25, 1917 the International Union

of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers initiated a strike in Jerome. Walkouts followed at mines in Morenci, Bisbee and Globe. Secretary Wilson asked John McBride to mediate the trouble in Jerome. Wilson was a former miner and union labor leader and was friends with McBride. McBride accepted the offer.

McBride along with Arizona Governor Thomas E. Campbell and Colonel James J. Hornbrook arrived in Jerome on May 28. Colonel Hornbrook was there to assess the need for federal troops to keep order should the strike turn violent. On May 29, two men were shot and killed and two were wounded during a shootout between company guards and strikers after a fire broke out and destroyed a train depot in Jerome. McBride requested written proposals for concessions from management and the Mine Mill leaders.

On June 3, newspapers announced that the Jerome strike had ended. The mine operators agreed to pay the Miami wage scale for underground workers of \$5.25 per day; recognition of grievance committees made up of employees; reinstatement of all employees without discrimination or their affiliation with the strike; and cooperation with merchants to reduce the cost of living and lower rent charged to employees. In accepting management's offer with a vote of 467 for ending the strike and 431 to continue, the workers agreed to waive their demand for recognition

of the union. Although the strike was settled, members of the IWW were in disagreement with the settlement.

McBride left for Salt Lake City, Utah on June 19th to act as a conciliator for the Department of Labor at a strike at the Tooele Smelting & Refining Company. As negotiations dragged on, McBride commented to the newspapers on the labor problems in the west. He said, "Strikes are becoming so frequent that I would not be surprised if the federal government took over the metal mining properties and the smelters of the west and fixed a maximum selling price which would automatically fix the wages."

On July 2, McBride was told to go to Globe, Arizona to act as a conciliator in the labor troubles there. The Globe – Miami mining district was the second largest mining district in the world. There were 7,000 miners working there. The three largest mines were the

Miami Mine, Inspiration and Old Dominion. McBride arrived on July 5th and, with former governor G.W. P. Hunt, set up headquarters in the Old Dominion Hotel. Hunt was the personal representative for President Wilson.

Back in Jerome, the IWW had called for a strike on July 8. It was voted down. On July 10, armed citizens of Jerome loaded 67 suspected IWW members referred to as "undesirables" onto railroad cattle cars and shipped them out of town. It was a trial run for the Bisbee deportation which would involve over 1,000 union men most of them with IWW affiliations being loaded onto railroad cars and deported at gunpoint to New Mexico on July 12. These actions raised the tension level at the mines in the Globe-Miami District. In Globe, a citizen's Loyalty League of 500 men had been organized and federal troops were

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⬇️ **DEPORTATION**

A historical photo of the deportation of union members in Bisbee.



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now in town. McBride and Hunt sent a cable to the Department of Labor asking President Wilson to take action in stopping further deportations of strikers from Bisbee and other strike centers.

On July 11, it was reported that negotiations with the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers was going well but the Industrial Workers of the World were attempting to make the strike a national movement. To complicate matters the management of the Inspiration mine said they would not negotiate with the IWW and they would not hire any of their members. Walter Douglas, President of Phelps Dodge and Director of the Old Dominion mine said they would not compromise with the strikers. He called the unions “rattlesnakes” and said it would be shown that there is German influence in this movement. Douglas had been at the center of both the Jerome and Bisbee deportations. It was feared that if Mine Mill workers went back to work that the IWW would not let them cross the picket lines and would use violence to prevent them from doing so.

On August 1, the *Weekly Journal-Miner* newspaper reported that former governor Hunt announced that the strike had ended. Mine operators did not agree and McBride did not make any comment. On August 15, the Mine Mill union voted to continue the strike. Two

newspapers wrote articles about Hunt and used the name G. “Wobbly” P. Hunt in reference to the IWW. They voiced an opinion that the mine operators had no confidence in Hunt and that he was too friendly towards the unions including the IWW. Hunt was known as a friend of labor and was popular with the working man. He was also contesting the results of the election in court which had ousted him from office. Some newspapers said he would use the strike for political means. McBride would handle most of the negotiations with Mine Mill and the mine operators.

The strike dragged on through September. During this time, 68 union leaders were on trial for rioting. Some workers were still at the Old Dominion mine manning the pumps. The IWW picket lines were not allowing men to cross. They even threatened to shoot Sheriff Armer if he tried to force his way through the line. There were some acts of violence including a few shootings and fistfights. Broad Street was cleared of some 100 striking workers by a civilian force armed with rifles fixed with bayonets. IWW offices were being raided nationwide including one in Miami. There was the potential for more violence as October rolled around.

In early October, it was announced that Globe would be the first mining town in the United States visited by a special federal

commission led by Felix Frankfurter. Frankfurter would later become a Supreme Court Justice and was a founding member of the ACLU. The commission was investigating the mining troubles in the west and southwest. On October 5, McBride and Hunt attended a luncheon with the Governor and the commission at the Adams Hotel in Phoenix. They were to leave the following day by train for Globe.

On the morning of October 9, 1917, while walking with some members of the labor commission on the corner of Broad and Oak streets in Globe, McBride was kicked by a runaway horse through

a plate glass window of the Hansen Clothing Shop. The *Arizona Republic* reported:

“Judge John McBride, federal mediator in the Globe-Miami copper strike troubles and the only ex-president of the American Federation of Labor, sustained fatal injuries today when a runaway bronco kicked him through a plate glass front of a downtown store. A number of arteries were cut and he bled to death a short time after being taken to the hospital.

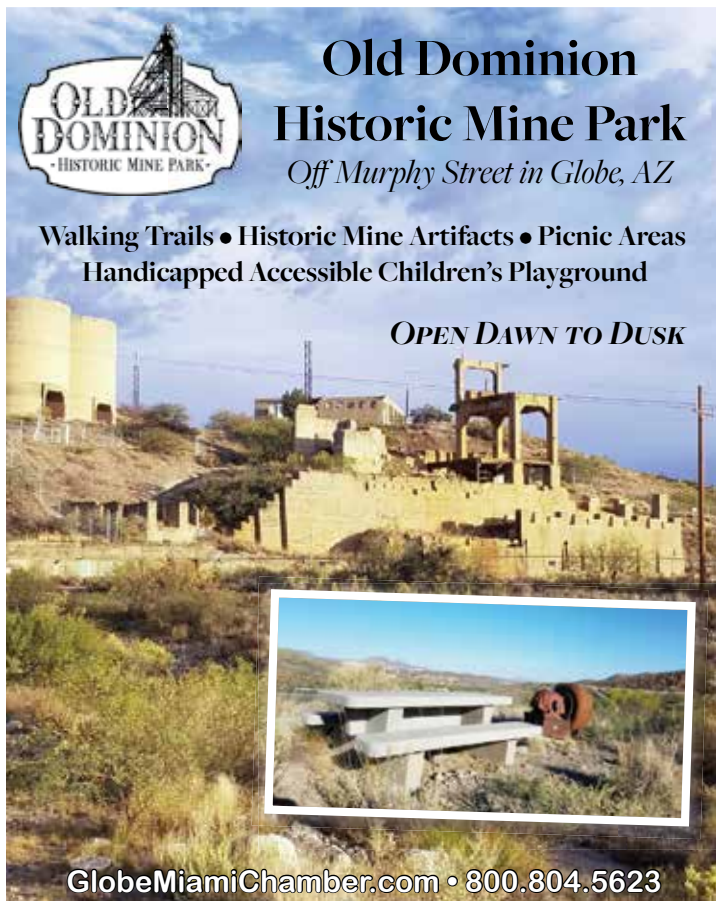
“The horse belonged to a grocery solicitor and when the latter mounted him he became frightened and threw him. He then tore

up Broad Street at a wild gallop. Judge McBride was standing on a street corner with a small group. As the horse approached it stumbled, fell and rolled near the Judge and it was in the animal’s mad scramble to get to its feet that it kicked McBride in the pit of the stomach, hurling him through the glass front. A number of citizens who witnessed the accident administered first aid and Judge McBride was rushed to the county hospital where he died at 12:50 p.m. less than three hours after the accident.”

Following the news of McBride’s death, flags in the mining district and the

state capitol were at half-mast. McBride was buried at Greenlawn Cemetery in Columbus, Ohio. The United Mineworkers of America handled the arrangements. John J. McBride was a friend of labor and fought for the workingman throughout his life. He died trying to bring labor and management together during one of the roughest periods in labor history. His legacy with labor unions lives on.

The Globe – Miami mining district strike ended on October 23, 1917. In December, G.W.P. Hunt would be reinstated as Governor by the Arizona Supreme Court.

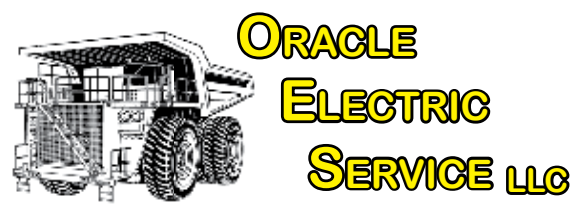


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