



Leonard Harris

2000 Medal of Merit Recipient

Leonard Harris was born in Yeppoon, Queensland, Australia, and received a Diploma in Metallurgy in 1949 from Mount Morgan Technical College, Australia. His professional career has taken him throughout the world. He has made significant contributions to operations in Australia, Ghana, Peru and, for about twenty years, Newmont Mining Corporation operations throughout the world. His most recent managerial role as President/General Manager, Newmont Peru Limited has resulted in international recognition for the startup and operation of Yanacocha, the largest gold mine in Peru. With his wife Rosa, he has provided international leadership in recognizing and implementing a far reaching social program in and around the Yanacocha area.

Presently, he is a consultant in several mining and mining related companies. He is President of B & H Mine Services, Director of Corriente Resources Inc., Sociedad Minera Berenguela, Solitario Resources, Alamos Minerals Ltd., Glamis Gold Ltd., Resources Development Inc., and Cardero Resource Corp.

In addition to his numerous technical accomplishments, he continues to contribute to the betterment of the profession as recent past chairman of the Denver Section of the Mining and Metallurgical Society of America and as recent past Chairman of the Mineral Processing Division of the Colorado Mining Association. He has been recognized by the Society for Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration as a “Henry Krumb Lecturer”, “Distinguished Member”, and received the “Sanders Gold Medal Award”.