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Induction Ceremony

~ 1998 ~

Fairbanks, Alaska

*Thursday, March 5th
Alaskaland Civic Center*

6:30 Cocktails

Lower Lobby
View Alaska Mining Hall of Fame
Display of Photos and Biographies

7:30 Program

Theatre

Earl Beistline - Welcome

Steve Arthur - Poetry Recitation

Spell of the Yukon
Men Who Don't Fit In

William R. Wood

Welcoming Comments and Introduction to
Alaska Mining Hall of Fame
Induction Ceremony

Earl Beistline

Introduction and Statement of Purpose

Charles C. Hawley

Recognition of the Charter Members

John Treadwell
Frederick Bradley
Stephen Birch
Clarence Berry
Ernest Newton Patty
Alfred Hulse Brooks

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Introduction of Interior Inductees

Alfred Mayo
Arthur Harper
Jack McQuesten
Howard Franklin
John Minook
Felix Pedro

Jane Haigh

Introduction of Family Members of AMHF
Inductees - Audience Members Share Stories
and Memories of AMHF Inductees

John Sims

Importance of AMHF Inductees to the Growth
and Culture of Interior Alaska



Alfred Mayo

Working as a circus acrobat in Maine, he became a fur trader and traveled to Alaska in 1873 with Jack McQuesten. After establishing trading posts near present day Tanana and in the Yukon Territory he made the first gold discovery on the Tanana River with Arthur Harper in 1878.

Arthur Harper

A native of Ireland, he partnered with Jack McQuesten and Alfred Mayo. The best prospector of the three, he was the first white explorer in many areas. He married a Koyukon woman and his son Walter was the first Native to climb Mt. McKinley. His granddaughter, Jane Harper Petri, was the first Native graduate of the University of Alaska.



Jack McQuesten

Called the "Father of the Yukon", he along with his partners, grubstaked and banked many early prospectors including Pitka Pavaloff and Sergei Cheosky, the discoverers of the Circle District. The first right limit tributary of the Stewart above the Yukon was named for him. An honest man, he was among the founding members of the Yukon Order of Pioneers.



Howard Franklin

A pioneer miner in Juneau and the Yukon, Franklin was instrumental in creating the plat for the City of Juneau. One of the earliest prospectors in the Yukon, he made the first major discovery of gold in the region, on the Fortymile in 1886. A tributary of the Fortymile was named for him. A street is named for him in Juneau.

John Minook

Minook (also known as Ivan Pavaloff, Jr.) discovered and mined gold at Rampart, in the Koyukuk and near Tanana. In later years, he was a storekeeper and outfitter at Rampart. The brother of Pitka Pavaloff and Jack McQuesten's wife, he was the first to break the barrier for mines to be owned and operated by Natives.



Felix Pedro

Born Felice Pedroni to a poor family in Italy, he emigrated to the U.S. and gradually worked his way toward Alaska. He began prospecting near modern day Fairbanks in the late 1890s, with his first discovery in 1898, and his major discovery of gold in 1902. Honest and well-liked, he died at a fairly early age, his body weakened by tough years.

