

## DOE RUN PERU SUPPORTS COBRIZA LOOM PROJECT

Doe Run Peru's Cobriza copper mine is located in one of South America's poorest areas. Like all mines, the Cobriza mine has a finite lifespan; and the question of the area's post-mine future is a serious matter for the largely indigenous population. However, with help and support from Doe Run Peru, a local group of women have taken steps to make the Cobriza story one of hope and opportunity.

The group of women received training, seed money and a start-up facility from Doe Run Peru to establish a co-operative to weave blankets, tablecloths, throw rugs and many other items to sell. Proceeds benefit the 22 communities involved in the initiative.

According to Bob Roscoe, former co-general manager of Cobriza, this successful endeavor will provide an income-generating opportunity for the community. "Doe Run embraces sustainable development as a core value," he explained. "That means reaching out, encouraging and helping our local communities – whether it's through assisting with skill development, providing seed money to help them make and market their products or providing a central warehousing site."

In 2004, Golder Associates, Ltd., a Vancouver, B.C.-based engineering consultant for Doe Run Peru, learned about the program and began providing support. They commissioned the Cobriza-area artisans to produce unique, hand-woven articles with the Golder brand. They were so pleased with the items, they ordered hundreds more.

"We want to make this an ongoing program," said Don Roberts, professional engineer for Golder. "It's a win-win opportunity – we are purchasing beautiful, handmade products – the proceeds from which provide wages, continuity and expansion opportunities for the looming industry in the region."

## FIVE FACILITIES RECOGNIZED AT STATE SAFETY CEREMONY

The Doe Run Company's Buick Resource Recycling Division (BRRD) and four Southeast Missouri Mining and Milling Division (SEMO) facilities recently received accolades at the annual Southeast Missouri Mine Safety Association (SEMMSA) safety awards banquet.

Mitchell Adams, MSHA assistant district manager from Dallas, Texas, served as the keynote speaker during the March 30 event.

Doe Run facilities receiving mine safety and health excellence awards included:

- Buick Mine – Most Improved Underground Mine;
- Viburnum Mine No. 29 – Small Underground Mine;
- Buick Mine & Mill – Large Surface at an Underground Mine;
- Brushy Creek Mine – Small Surface at an Underground Mine; and
- BRRD – Safest Smelter.

Congratulations also go out to Casteel Mine, Fletcher Mine/Mill and Sweetwater Mine/Mill for working all year in 2005 without having a single lost-time injury. Each of these facilities are eligible to win the coveted Sentinels of Safety trophy for underground metal mines, a national safety award co-sponsored by the National Mining Association (NMA) and U.S. Dept. of Labor's Mine Safety & Health Administration (MSHA). This honor has been bestowed upon Doe Run's Viburnum Trend mines 23 times in the last 32 years.

## HISTORY CHANNEL'S "HEAVY METALS" FEATURES DOE RUN IN JUNE

Footage filmed at Doe Run's Brushy Creek Mine and Mill and Buick Resource Recycling Division (BRRD) will be used for The History Channel's "Modern Marvels" series in an upcoming episode entitled "Heavy Metals."

According to Corrie Kaufman, researcher for The History Channel's "Modern Marvels" series, the "Heavy Metals" segment will air Wednesday, June 14. Check your local listings for time and station, and tune in!

## DISCOVERY CHANNEL FILM AIRS EARLIER THAN EXPECTED

Editing and production for a recent Discovery Channel *Daily Planet* episode featuring underground footage at Doe Run aired at the end of March instead of mid-April as originally planned. According to Agatha Kowalski, Researcher for the *Daily Planet*, because it was completed earlier than episodes scheduled to run in March, it aired in March.

The piece was about mining methods and focused on technological research being done by the University of Missouri – Rolla (UMR). Part of their research includes on-site testing which is being done underground at Doe Run mines.

The segment, entitled “*Getting the Lead Out*”, can be viewed via the Internet at <http://www.exn.ca/dailyplanet/view.asp?date=4/6/2006>.



Doe Run miner Tom Holland (center, back row) of Centerville, Mo., recently visited with eighth graders at Parkway Central as part of the nationwide "Provider Pals" program.

## DOE RUN PARTICIPATES IN NATIONAL “PROVIDER PALS” PROGRAM

What do a logger, deep-sea diver, rancher and miner have in common? First, they all provide products essential to the American way of life. Second, the nature of their work was the incentive for the national “Provider Pals” program, founded by Montana logger Bruce Vincent.

For eighth-grade students at Parkway Central in St. Louis, Mo., the program featured Tom Holland, a Doe Run Company miner from Centerville, Mo., in addition to a logger from West Virginia and a diver from California.

“Provider Pals brings the stories of the land, and those who work it – felling trees in forests in the West to mining for lead in the Midwest – to urban America,” he explained. “The program also gives children a foundation for the issues around land use and environmental debates, and reminds them that there are always at least two sides to those debates.”

Vincent launched Provider Pals after recognizing that children benefit from “pals” they can identify with. He used the popular animal adoption model and

enlisted natural resource “providers” (workers) who were interested in being adopted for a year. Urban classrooms across the country now annually “adopt” a Provider Pal from the mining, farming, ranching, logging, fishing and/or other resource-providing professions. Through letters, photos, e-mails and videos, students learn about their adopted Pal’s culture and the natural resources they provide. The finale? Students meet their Pals at year-end.

For more information about Provider Pals, visit [www.providerpals.com](http://www.providerpals.com) or e-mail [ppals@libby.org](mailto:ppals@libby.org).

## COLLEGE STUDENTS TOUR BRRD

If last month’s tour numbers are any indicator, Doe Run’s Buick Resource Recycling Division (BRRD) has recently become a spring break hot spot for local student groups. In March, the division hosted two top Missouri colleges – the University of Missouri – Rolla (UMR) and Washington University.

On Monday, March 20, Dr. David G. C. Robertson from UMR took 20 of his extractive metallurgy students to the secondary smelter.

“Dr. Robertson was my professor when I attended UMR, so it’s a pleasure to see him giving students the opportunity to learn about the lead life cycle here at BRRD,” said Steve Arnold, general manager of the division. “Recycling non-serviceable lead products is an important part of Doe Run’s operations. The process serves two needs – one, protecting the environment, and two, providing essential recycling for life-enhancing minerals.”

Jill Dill Pasteris, earth and planetary sciences professor at Washington University, and seven undergraduate students visited BRRD on Thursday, March 30. Pasteris teaches a “Resources of the Earth” class and said she believes it’s important for students to tour an industry that stewards a Missouri resource from the beginning of its service life, through distribution, recycling and back to its service life.

“The students enjoyed the opportunity to get a closer look at Doe Run’s recycling operation,” Pasteris added. “Doe Run’s support of education allows students to hear a wealth of important information and see the entire process firsthand. I’m grateful for the company’s commitment to educating the public about earth sciences and natural resources.”



Reminder: Sunday, May 14, is Mother’s Day!