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Hey ##Salutation##,

Do you know a Mines alum who deserves recognition for their contributions? [Nominate them by Aug. 15](#) for a 2024 Alumni Award:

- **Outstanding Alum Award** (outstanding contribution to bettering the greater Mines alumni community)
- **Young Alum Award** (notable contributions that advance the greater Mines alumni community, graduated since 2009)
- **Alum of the Future Award** (a current student who embodies Mines' spirit of excellence, integrity, tradition, service, and connection)
- **Alumni Academic Involvement Award** (goes above and beyond to support the rigor of a Mines education)
- **Melville F. Coolbaugh Award** (long-lasting contribution toward enhancing Mines in the world)
- **M Club Leader of the Year** (enthusiastic volunteer contributor to the M Club program)

We're sharing great stories about your fellow alums on our social media. Follow [@minesalumni](#) on **Instagram**, **Facebook** and join the **Mines Alumni Group** on **LinkedIn**!

### MINES@150 Anniversary Highlights



**A need for speed**



**The upholders of Mines traditions**

Blake Nicholas '17 loves to go fast. While at Mines, the mechanical engineer joined the Baja SAE team to race and design Formula-style cars when he wasn't practicing his defensive corner moves on the football field. Today, he's an engine designer who still calls Mines "home."

[Read more about Blake](#)

The Mines chapter of Blue Key Honor Society started almost 100 years ago as a group that worked to boost school pride through a litany of pranks. Today, the chapter upholds some of Mines' beloved traditions, including taking care of the M and organizing the M-Climb.

[History behind Blue Key](#)

## Volunteer at Helluva Welcome Week in August



### Have a blast connecting with students and fellow alumni

Giving your time and talent back to Mines during Helluva Welcome Week Aug. 10-16 will be, well, a helluva good time. Volunteer spots are filling up fast!

**Campus Move-In on Aug. 10 and 11.** Welcome first-year and transfer students to campus and help them find their way on move in day. No heavy lifting required. Morning and afternoon shifts available both days (3.5 hours).

**Convocation on Aug. 10 and 11.** Help organize the student line-up and processional into the official student welcome event. Stay for the event and enjoy the Welcome BBQ afterwards. Volunteer from 4 to 5:30 pm on either or both days.

**Oredigger Camp on Aug. 12 and 14 at YMCA Camp of the Rockies–Estes Park.** Lead incoming students in engineering challenges and reflection activities during this Signature Student Experience. Volunteer from 8 am to 5 pm on either or both days.

[Sign up for Helluva Welcome Week](#)

## HOMECOMING@150: Registration is open!



Global Energy Leaders Summit, Edgar Mine Tours, Blaster's Bash, 5K and more

It's Mines' 150th anniversary year, and we're doing Homecoming in style with three days of free events (unless otherwise noted).

**Looking for a 150th Anniversary Hat?** Details are coming soon about how alumni can order their own Anniversary Hat (then have it branded at Blaster's Bash on Sept. 27).

### *Special Events*

**Global Energy Leaders Summit Sept. 26 and 27.** Hear from the country's leaders in the energy sector on the latest research, issues and projections plus the pivotal role that Mines is playing in it all.

**Class of 1974 and Golden Miners Reunion Sept. 26, 27 and 28.** Enjoy special activities from campus tours by current Mines students to a VIP luncheon to a special reception with Mines President Paul Johnson. Cost varies by event. [Full details and registration here.](#)

### *Sept. 27 Homecoming Events*

**Edgar Mine Tours at 9, 9:30 and 10 am.** See renovations at the iconic experimental and teaching mine that's been an institutional treasure for more than 100 years.

**Department Open Houses from 1 to 3 pm.** Learn what's new in your department and catch up with faculty and classmates.

**150th Mines Blowout Blaster's Bash from 4:30 to 8 pm.** Join us at the most spirited campus-wide party of the weekend, with food, drinks, Blaster, Anniversary Hat branding and more! \$15 per person.

**Bonfire and Lighting of the M at 8 pm.** Don't miss this beloved Homecoming event!

*Sept. 28 Homecoming Events*

**6th Annual Homecoming 5K Run at 8 am.** Run or walk our beautiful campus route, and finish up at the Pancake Truck. Packet pickup and registration starts at 7 am. \$25 per person.

**Virtual 5K.** If you can't make it to campus, we have a virtual 5K, too! Run or walk where you live and tag @minesalumni when you share it on social media. \$10 per person.

**Homecoming Street Fair from 9 to 10 am.** Celebrate all that is Mines!

**MINES@150 Homecoming Tailgate from 10 am to 1 pm.** Come to the biggest alumni tailgate throwdown in 150 years with food, libations, music, games and plenty of Oredigger SPIRIT to get ready for the big game.

**Mines Football vs. Black Hills State at 1 pm.** Cheer on your top-10-ranked Orediggers at Marv Kay Stadium! Tickets start at \$10. [Buy your tickets here.](#)

Register for Homecoming Events

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## Other Upcoming Events

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### Welcome Parties 2024

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Let's gather the gang from now through Aug. 6 to welcome the Class of 2028 to the Oredigger family! Find your local party or plan your own.

Register today!

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### Coaches Panel and Season Previews

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Join us for an exciting evening with Mines coaches in Fort Collins and Centennial to get a first-hand preview of the upcoming athletic season!

Register today!

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## Campus News & Professional Development



### [Alumni are engineering campus transformation](#)

Mines alumni have worked behind the scenes on campus development projects led by companies like Fortis Structural, Kimley Horn, McKinstry, Martin/Martin and GH Phipps. Read about how they're using their Mines education on the \$151 million Mines Park redevelopment and renovation project, which is adding student housing and collaborative spaces.

[Mines Newsroom](#)



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