



Save The Date For The 2nd Annual

Historic Bridge Weekend

August 20-22, 2010



Join fellow engineers, public servants, historians, photographers, and hobbyists for the premier Pittsburgh historic bridge event of the year. The official hotel for the event is the Fairfield Inn Pittsburgh Neville Island: www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/pitnv-fairfield-inn-and-suites-pittsburgh-neville-island/



Friday, August 20th

Dinner at Rock Bottom Restaurant

6:00 PM - 10:00 PM



Cost \$35

- Dinner includes salad, bread, entree (choice of grilled sirloin steak, grilled salmon, or vegetable pasta primavera), and dessert (choice of carrot cake or chocolate stout cheesecake).
- **Please RSVP** to Mary Lu Denny of Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation at marylu@phlf.org, 412-471-5808 ext 527. Payment is due in advance. You may pay by cash, check, or credit card.
- Proceeds from the dinner benefit Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation.
- A map and information about the restaurant is available at www.rockbottom.com/pittsburgh

Friday Dinner Speakers

Speaker Name	Topic
<p>John F. Graham Jr. P.E. Dist. M. ASCE</p> <p>Distinguished Member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Principal, Mid-Atlantic Region, Osmos, USA, Former Chief Engineer of Allegheny County Department of Engineering and Construction, and Retired Pennsylvania Turnpike Deputy Executive Director and Chief Engineer.</p>	<p>"Monitoring Bridges with Sensors"</p> <p>Using sensors to monitor bridges allows engineers to understand what is going on with a bridge, providing more accurate data than with visual inspections. Sensors give real data, letting engineers know if a deficiency is actually causing a problem. They can also alert the owner as a problem is beginning to occur, so it can be repaired before it leads to other problems.</p>
<p>Nathan Holth</p> <p>Creator, author, and photographer of Historicbridges.org</p>	<p>"Historic Bridge Solutions Through Compromise"</p> <p>Discussion and case studies regarding methods for arriving at a successful historic bridge preservation project. The audience will be encouraged to participate and offer comments and questions throughout the presentation.</p>
<p>Luke Gordon</p> <p>Project Manager, Ajax Paving Industries</p>	<p>"Troubleshooting a Historic Structure Rehabilitation Project"</p> <p>A focused discussion on the project scoping, design, materials, and construction practices that lead a contractor and owner to a successful project. At certain points during the presentation the audience will be able to ask questions on the topics discussed.</p>



Saturday, August 21st



Historic Bridge Tour: All Day
Site Visit To Quaker Bridge: 5:00 PM
Dinner At Hilltop Tavern: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

1. Self-guided driving tour of historic bridges in Mercer and Crawford counties, Pennsylvania. **Download the guided tour at Historicbridges.org/saturday.pdf**. View the tour bridges on Historicbridges.org/b_a_tour.php, Bridgehunter.com/category/tour/historic-bridge-weekend-2010/, and Bridgemapper.com.
2. Visit to the in-process development Historic Quaker Bridge Park in Greenville, PA. Meet at the bridge at 5:00 PM. Quaker Bridge is located on [Williamson Road 2000 feet east of Conneaut Lake Road \(SR-18\)](#). **Printable driving directions are available at Historicbridges.org/quaker.pdf**.
3. Dinner at the Hilltop Tavern in Greenville, PA at 6:00 PM. Hilltop Tavern Restaurant and Bar is located at [25 Conneaut Lake Rd Greenville, PA 16125](#). This nice and affordable restaurant is less than a four-minute drive from The Historic Quaker Bridge, and involves just one, easy left turn off westbound Williamson Road (which used to cross Historic Quaker Bridge) onto southbound PA Route 18 / Conneaut Lake Road. If there were no trees in between them, you likely could have at one time looked 2/3 mile right up the Little Shenango River Valley from the Hilltop and clearly have seen the truss! The Hilltop is adjacent to the northeast corner of the campus of Thiel College. A full menu will be available to all attendees.

Saturday Dinner Speakers

Speaker Name

Topic

Nathan Clark

"Experiences in Creating Pennsylvania's First Historic Bridge Park"

Founder and President of The Historic Quaker Bridge Foundation and creator of the Historic Quaker Bridge Park
Founder and President of The Historic Quaker Bridge Foundation, Nathan Clark, will discuss his group's experiences in taking ownership of a historic bridge once slated for demolition, and developing a park around it.

Jason Smith

"Comparing and Contrasting European and American Perceptions of Historic Preservation"

Historian, bridge photographer, and lecturer of English at the University of Applied Sciences in Erfurt, Germany
This presentation focuses on the attitudes of Europeans and Americans towards places of historic interest, using historic bridges as a case study and providing data through empirical research that was conducted by the author. A discussion forum will follow the presentation.



Sunday, August 22nd



Historic Bridge Tour

Free day to explore bridges of the Pittsburgh area. Please use the following websites for information about bridges in the area:

Bridgemapper.com
Historicbridges.org
Bridgehunter.com
Pghbridges.com

PDF Version of this Document: Historicbridges.org/weekend.pdf

Bridgemapper.com also has information on the event: Bridgemapper.com/events/2010_historic_bridge_weekend/schedule.htm