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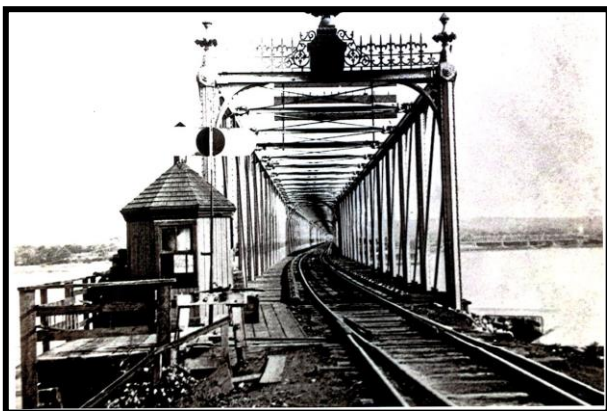
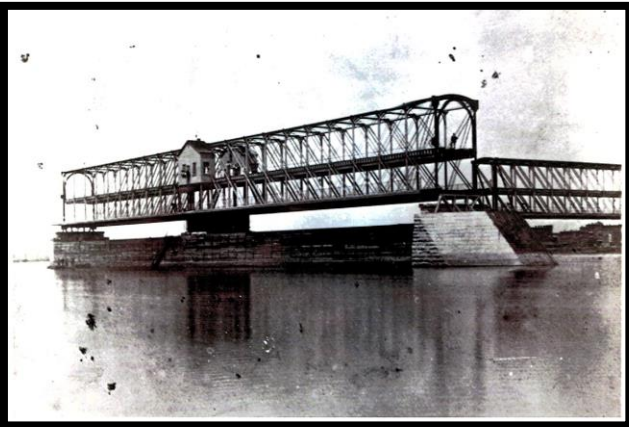


**October 13, 2016
6:30 PM - Meeting**

Bill Ashton – Local Bridges

**Meeting at Genesis East Building 2
to the west of the Cardiac Care
Building**

**Take the elevator to the basement.
Conference room is straight ahead.
Refreshments will be served.**



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HISTORIC LOCAL BRIDGES

Bill Ashton – Professional Engineer

A slide presentation and discussion of the construction details and the people involved in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and present Government bridges, the Crescent Bridge, and the bridges over Sylvan Slough. The presentation will include construction methodology and recent improvements.

Bill Ashton is Registered Professional Engineer in 18 states.

He is involved in many community activities including:

- Rotary International Team Leader to India and Guatemala
- Father Conroy's Vineyard of Hope, Director 2005-present
- Davenport Levee Improvement Commission, 2009-present
- Vera French Housing Board, 2010-present

He has been recognized as:

- National Iowa Varsity Club-- Letterman of the Year – 1995
- Distinguished Service Award 2004
- Distinguished Engineering Alumni Academy
- University of Iowa College of Engineering, Inducted-June 2008
- William D. Ashton Professionship in Civil Engineering - Univ. of Iowa Created 2014

Currently he is an Independent Consulting Engineer-Ashton Engineering

SCHPS Events

October 13 – Mary Costello will have Bill Ashton's program as a noted architect on bridges. Mary has published 3 books on the bridges spanning the Mississippi River and is currently working on her fourth.

November 10 –The Outing Club, Davenport. 6 P.M. Ernie, the events coordinator and his assistant Brittany, will be our guide and give the tour. This has been arranged by Sheri Musick.

December 8 - Annual Holiday Party/Meeting – Kelly Lao: German/American settlement in QCA. Watch for details.

We will need support to keep the RI Arsenal Museum artifacts at the museum. More on this at our meeting.



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Other historical contacts we recommend you call for tours/lectures:

Butterworth Center/Deere Wiman House: 309-743-2700

Figge Art Museum: 563-326-7804

German American Heritage Center: 563-322-8844

Karpeles Manuscript Museum: 309-788-0806

Moline Preservation Society: 309-762-3058

Putnam Museum: 563-324-1933

RI Arsenal Historical Society: 563-355-2823

RI County Historical Society: 309-764-8590

Schuetzen Park (700 Waverly Road) in West Davenport: 563-322-5489

Thank you to Deb Williams for the great tour of Oakdale Memorial Gardens in September: A wonderful talk on the history of the cemetery and a chance to see inside two mausoleums.

Thank you to Jim Horner of BSI for the tour of the M L Parker building. We had 36 members and guests and picked up a new member from across the river.

Preserve Iowa Summit was a huge success. Thank you to all the members of SCHPS who volunteered their time.

Please remember our members who have businesses:

Duane Timm who makes hand screened antique wall papers, longtime resident of the Gold Coast.

Jackie Niles who has an antique jewelry store, DARJAC Rock Island on 14 Ave & 31 St.

Dr. Anne Taylor, Veterinary Clinic at 2167-53 St Davenport. She is making her home in the Gold Coast area.