SEE YOU IN MARYLAND / WASHINGTON DC!

The 6th Biennial Meeting of the Construction History Society of America will feature research and scholarship from a diverse range of academics and practitioners, focusing generally on the history of building design, fabrication, and construction throughout the Americas over the last five hundred years. Presenters will include scholars, engineers, architects, preservationists, and contractors, who will present on topics ranging from historic building materials to postwar engineering and building science.

REGISTER NOW for the 6th Biennial Conference at the University of Maryland
May 24 - 26, 2018
www.constructionhistorysociety.org
look for the REGISTER button
6th BIENNIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

SESSION TOPICS
- Prefabrication in Mid-Twentieth Century America
- Materials and Methods in the United States: 19th /20th c Fabrication and Use of Materials
- Management of Institutional Construction
- Vernacular Construction Techniques in the Americas
- Bridge and Vault Construction
- Construction Education and Theory
- Construction of American Landscape Environments and Infrastructure
- Houses and Housing in the United States

KEYNOTES
- Carl Lounsbury, College of William and Mary
- Thomas E. Boothby, Pennsylvania State University
- Kenneth D. Durr, History Associates

On the evening of Thursday, May 24th, a special program celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Associated General Contractors will be presented with Kenneth D. Durr of History Associates giving the keynote address. More information on this event follows at a later date and will be posted on our website.

TOURS - one free tour included in your registration fee

Registration is currently open at https://chsamembership.wildapricot.org/

Registration Fees: (Early Registration ends April 1, 2018)
- Standard CHSA member - $155 (early), $185 (late)
- Non-CHSA member - $210 (early), $240 (late)

Non-CHSA - includes $20 discounted one-year individual membership, valued at $75
- Student - $35 (early, late)

KEEP IT WEIRD D.C.!

Washington National Cathedral Gargoyles
Bring binoculars to seek out hundreds of grotesque and often whimsical gargoyles. Darth Vader is near the top of the northwest tower between two arches E side of Wisconsin Ave NW just north of Mass Ave NW.
M-F 10a-5:30p, S 10a-4:30p, Su 8a-6:30p (free)
202-537-6200
visit on a 6th Biennial TOUR!

Discover your State Tree at the National Arboretum
Visit the State Tree Grove
3501 New York Avenue, NE
http://www.usna.usda.gov

The Brewmaster Castle (the Christian Heurich House)
One of the grandest places to grab a beer in the whole country. Built in 1890’s, the gothic edifice was the brewer’s grand palace, whose company employed nearly as many people as the national government.
1307 New Hampshire Avenue NW near Dupont Circle
http://www.heurichhouse.org

Oldest Elevator
Behind a sheet of plexiglass at this unassuming Potbelly Sandwich Shop in Washington, D.C. sits a very very old open cage elevator. Local lore has it that it is an Otis elevator, installed in 1853, which would make it one of the oldest in the world but it’s actually a Bates elevator, most likely dating to the 1870s or 1880s.
637 Indiana Avenue NW
https://www.atlasobscura.com/places/potbelly-elevator
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All events held at the Architecture Building – 3835 Campus Drive, College Park MD (at Campus Drive and Mowatt Lane)
Abstract presentations: 20 minutes in length with 10 minutes Q&A following

Thursday, May 24

10:30a  Registration Open
11:30 – 12:30  Welcome Coffee
12:30 – 1:00  Welcome / Introduction
1:00 – 2:00  Keynote #1: Carl Lounsbury; Adjunct Associate Professor, William and Mary College
2:00 – 4:00  Track 1: Construction Education and Theory
2:00 – 4:00  Track 2: Fabrication and Use of Materials
4:00 – 4:30  Coffee Break
4:30 – 6:30  PROGRAM: AGC 100 Year Anniversary
   Introduction: TBA (AGC)
   Keynote #2: Kenneth D. Durr, History Associates
   Panel: TBA
6:30 – 7:30  RECEPTION / Sponsored by AGC

Friday, May 25

8:00 – 10:00  Track 3: Materials and Methods in the United States: Nineteenth Century
8:00 – 10:00  Track 4: Bridge and Vault Construction
8:00 – 10:00  Track 5: Construction of American Landscape Environments and Infrastructure
10:00 – 10:30  Coffee Break
10:30 – 12:30  Track 6: Materials and Methods in the United States: Twentieth Century
10:30 – 12:30  Track 7: Management of Institutional Construction
10:30 – 12:30  Track 8: Vernacular Construction Techniques in America
1:30 – 7:00  TOURS

Saturday, May 26

8:00 – 9:00  CHSA Members Meeting (all are invited!)
9:00 – 10:00  Keynote #3: Thomas E. Boothby; Professor, Architectural Engineering, Pennsylvania State University
10:00 – 10:30  Coffee Break
10:30 – 12:30  Track 9: Prefabrication in Mid-Twentieth Century America
10:30 – 12:30  Track 10: Houses and Housing in the United States
12:30 – 1:00  Closing Comments
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HOTELS ON THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND CAMPUS

College Park Marriott Hotel and Conference Center
1-301-985-7300
3501 University Blvd E, Hyattsville, MD 20783.
(on campus / within walking distance of Arch Building)
$239 first night, $169 second night plus tax (standard king)

The Hotel at the University of Maryland
1-301-277-7777
7777 Baltimore Ave, College Park MD 20740
(on campus)
$244 per night plus tax (standard)

ADDITIONAL HOTEL OPTIONS

Days Inn
9113 Baltimore Ave. (I95 and Route 1 South)
College Park, MD 20740
1.800.328.7466
301.345.5000
$106 per night

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$160 per night

For More Information on AGC’s 100th Anniversary please visit their website
http://centennial.agc.org
OPPORTUNITIES

CHSA MEMBERS!
The Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association invites our members to submit a panel (or two) for inclusion in their 111th Annual Meeting

August 2-4, 2018 at Santa Clara University / Theme: The Historians Scholarly and Public Roles

The PCB-AHA is the branch for everybody west of the Mississippi, in 22 states and four Canadian provinces—if you have members who live out this way and belong to the AHA, they are also members of the PCB, so, just as you’re an affiliated society with the AHA, we’re part of the same family. We wanted to reach out to you to say hello, let you know we’re here, and offer an opportunity for collaboration. They especially welcome involvement by junior and non-tenure-track faculty, and graduate students. Anyone can participate as long as s/he is an AHA member at the time of our conference, regardless of affiliation or location.

If you are interested - contact Executive Director Michael Green cell 702-538-6687 or home 702-453-6652 (AssocProf UNLV)

More information: https://www.pcb-aha.org/annual-meetings/111th-annual-meeting-2018

The call for papers deadline has passed, but that’s all right—this is an invitation to you all. We have a “soft” deadline of February 15 for these, though we have a bit of wiggle room.

6ICCH UPDATE

The 5-day congress will take place from Monday July 9 until Friday July 13, 2018 in the Palace of the Academies in the centre of Brussels. On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, numerous paper presentations and 4 keynote presentations are scheduled. The keynotes will be given by construction historians Thomas Coomans, Tullia Iori, Werner Lorenz and Robert Thorne. On Wednesday July 11, we step outside the walls of the marvellous congress venue and offer you the opportunity to discover the construction history of Brussels and Belgium, by means of guided tours and site visits to remarkable buildings, construction sites, institutions and archives. Other opportunities to discover Brussels are the Welcome reception (Monday evening) and congress dinner (Thursday evening), which will also take place in inspiring venues. http://www.6icch.org

Vernacular Architecture Forum 2018: The Potomac

Registration is now open for the 2018 Annual Meeting, A Shared Heritage: Urban and Rural Experience on the Banks of the Potomac (May 2-5). The Potomac Conference will focus on the connections and distinctions between the rural landscapes of the Maryland countryside and the urban setting of Alexandria, Virginia, which face each other across the Potomac River. Over the centuries, these two areas have developed on independent courses, all the while maintaining strong links across the river. Agriculture, including the exploitation of enslaved labor, was the basis for life on both shores. While Maryland’s economy relied overwhelmingly on tobacco, Alexandria’s rise was tied to a diversification of crops, pursued by the early planters of northern Virginia. Tours will focus on evolving pre- and post- emancipation heritage, highlighting resources ranging over four centuries. They will also shine a spotlight on the distinct character of life on both sides of the river, while underscoring the architectural, economic, cultural, and religious connections that span it. Conference headquarters is the Crowne Plaza Old Town Hotel in Alexandria and for the keynote event we will travel by boat to George Washington’s Mount Vernon.

Conference Hotel Rate of $145 is available until April 10. Use the code RM2

Important Dates:
April 1: Early Registration ends, last day for full refund
April 10: Hotel conference rate ends.
April 15: Registration ends, last day for refund
ARCHITECTURAL ALUMINUM IN THE 21st CENTURY: Design & Preservation of Contemporary & Historic Architecture
MIT Campus in Cambridge, Massachusetts
Saturday, March 24 - Sunday, March 25, 2018 (with an optional program on Mon., March 26)

Conference will explore technical and practical issues involved in keeping new and existing aluminum facades, windows/other building components, structural elements, and artistic works in good condition and will probe the cost-benefits of procedures for preserving and protecting these building envelopes, components, bridges, ornamentation, and sculpture. The conference also will look at several innovative uses of aluminum/aluminum alloys in the design of new structures.

Organized by Technology & Conservation, the MIT Museum, and the Boston Society of Architects’ Historic Resources Committee, this important symposium will feature informative, stimulation presentations by over 35 renowned architects, engineers, conservators, designers, scientists, and aluminum industry leaders on the use of aluminum in the construction and care of structures in the built environment and in the fabrication and conservation of works of art.

Topics will include: • structural, mechanical, corrosion-resistance, fire-resistance, and other properties of aluminum and its alloys and how these affect performance and durability • new developments in fabrication and finishes • case histories on the restoration/preservation of iconic aluminum buildings, including Alcoa’s headquarters building and the USAF Academy’s Cadet Chapel • case histories detailing innovative design of several modern aluminum structures - in Europe, the UK, Asia, the Middle East, and America. . . and much more. Continuing education credits will be available.

The conference schedule, registration form, and other information is available on the website of the Boston Society of Architects’ Historic Resources Committee  
For additional information, contact Susan E. Schur, Hon. AIA, FAPT, Conference Chair, e-mail ses_tec_con@msn.com