

Historic Preservation Awards Banquet; Change of Venue
September 23, 2011 6:00
Scottish Rite Building 406 Capitol Street St. Charleston
Quarrier Diner Tour/refreshments at 5:00

Due to water main breaks and other unexpected issues, The Quarrier Diner will not be fully operable in time for the Sept 23 Historic Preservation Award Banquet. However, thanks to the generous offer by owner, Anna Pollitt, there will be a sneak preview and a sweet treat!

Those registered to attend the banquet are invited at 5:00p.m to the Quarrier Diner located 1022 Quarrier St. The first floor is open where beautifully restored booths await, and root beer floats will be served from the fountain.

The 2011 Historic Preservation Award Banquet will be held at the venerable Scottish Rite Building located at 406 Capitol Street. Appetizers are offered at 6:00, followed by dinner expertly catered by Wellington's, formerly of Scarlet Oaks Country Club.

The Scottish Rite Building was originally a WWI armory and contains a theatre, still in active use, where acrobats, entertainers, lions, and even elephants performed for the Shrine Circus. We hope you will excuse this last minute change and enjoy both historic sites as you join us for a memorable evening. Registration is necessary. For more information, call 304 345 6005 or contact info@pawv.org

Preservation awards will honor the hard work and dedication of those who leave a lasting legacy for us all. Dr. Emory Kemp receives the Lifetime Achievement award for his internationally recognized expertise on historic bridges. Senator Brooks McCabe receives the award for Preservation Achievement.

There are two projects receiving an award for Most Significant Save of an Endangered Site: the Pollitt Family for their save of the Quarrier Diner and the Friends of the Kanawha Trestle Trail for their save of the Kanawha Trestle and Whipple Truss bridges. The award for Best Use of Tax Credits goes to AU Associates for their work on the former Clendenin High School.

Heritage Tourism awards go to the WV Division of Tourism for the Civil War Trail and the WV Division of Culture & History for their work on Independence Hall. Both the West Side Main Street and the East End Main Street will be honored for projects earning them the award for Preservation of Historic Downtown Areas.

Our final award is a new category this year: Historic Landscape Restoration. It will be awarded to the Park Service at the New River Gorge National River for their work on restoration of the Nuttallburg Tipple area, adjacent coke ovens and other innovative projects to save this heritage written on our land.

Nationally recognized preservationist and Charleston native, Greg Coble, is featured as the keynote speaker during the ceremony to honor ten outstanding statewide preservation achievements. Mr. Coble is a proud native of Charleston, WV, where he attended George Washington High School. He has an undergraduate degree in Journalism and a graduate degree in Public Administration from West Virginia University.

In June, Greg Coble finished a 30 year career at the National Trust for Historic Preservation, most recently with the title Sr. Vice President of Business & Finance. Upon his departure, he received the National Trust President's Award, the first time it has been presented to a staff member. Mr. Coble will talk about what he experienced and learned about historic preservation in his 30 years at the National Trust, and how those themes might be applicable to preservation in West Virginia. Mr. Coble will also talk about how his love of Charleston and West Virginia helped guide him to a long career in preservation.

Preservation Alliance of West Virginia (PAWV) is the statewide grassroots organization devoted to preserving West Virginia's history and culture through education, advocacy, heritage tourism development and the revitalization of special places. PAWV has established several programs including the annual Endangered Properties List, preservation trades workshops, and statewide preservation conferences and award banquets, as well as participating in West Virginia History Day. Details at www.pawv.org, [304-345-6005](tel:304-345-6005) or info@pawv.org.

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