



# Spark UPDATE

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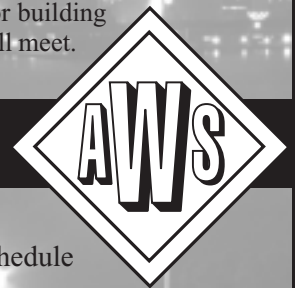
## A TOUR OF AMERICAN BRIDGE HOSTED BY JOHN YOUNG

American Bridge is a vertically integrated construction, engineering, and manufacturing firm with operations throughout the USA and abroad. The company is specialized in the manufacture, erection, and rehabilitation of complex bridges and other structures. Some of the company's most notable projects include The Narrows Bridge in New York, The Mackinac Bridge in Michigan, The San Francisco Bay Bridge, The Tagus River Bridge in Lisbon, Portugal, The Orinoco Bridge in Venezuela, The Empire State Building, The Sears Tower, The Alaska Pipeline, The Vehicle Assembly Building at Kennedy Space Center, Yankee Stadium, The Louisiana Superdome, and many others. In recent years, American Bridge has re-emerged as a world leader in the manufacture of high quality, high man-hour per ton, detail intensive fabricator for bridge and industrial markets in a nationwide network of modern, well-equipped shops.

**When:** Tuesday, September 27, 2005  
6:00 pm-tour begins;  
dinner-pizza/sodas

**Where:** 2000 American Bridge Way, Coraopolis, PA: From Route 79 at Neville Island, take Route 51 west to Coraopolis. As you are going through Coraopolis you will be on 4th Ave going west. Stay on 4th Ave through town, look for American Bridge Way (also called Thorn St.). Turn right on American Bridge Way, it will take you across the railroad tracks and toward the river. Look for building #2 on your right, it has a brick entrance. This is where we will meet.

## CHAIRMAN'S CORNER



The AWS Pittsburgh Section is once again bringing together its resources to provide a schedule of technical meetings and section events for the coming 2005-2006 year.

I will be counting on our dedicated board and committee members to pull together resources which will open up opportunities for a variety of section technical meetings and hands-on programming. Hopefully you will find something of interest.

I was fortunate to be able to represent the Pittsburgh Section at the AWS District # 7 Meeting in June at Edison Welding Institute in Columbus, Ohio. Andrew Cullison represented the AWS and reported on the many new programs the AWS has to offer. Many new Certification programs are now being offered in a wide variety of areas. Check out the AWS website at [www.aws.org](http://www.aws.org) to see what new programming may be of interest to you or your company.

If you have any special topics or programming you would like to see in the future contact us and let us know. We can always use enthusiastic members who would like to help with technical meetings or other special programs, so if you feel you have a technical topic or a plant tour you would like to show case contact myself or a board member. We are always in need of new material and any help would be welcome.

Hope to see you at our Plant Tour for September or at another section meeting or event this year.

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## M E E T I N G   N O T I C E

**WHAT:** A TOUR OF AMERICAN BRIDGE - HOSTED BY JOHN YOUNG  
**WHEN:** TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2005  
6:00 P.M. - TOUR BEGINS  
- DINNER - PIZZA/SODAS  
**WHERE:** 2000 AMERICAN BRIDGE WAY, CORAOPOLIS, PA  
**RSVP:** PLEASE RSVP TO PETER KINNEY - 412-921-8833(PH) - 412-921-8836(FAX)

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