



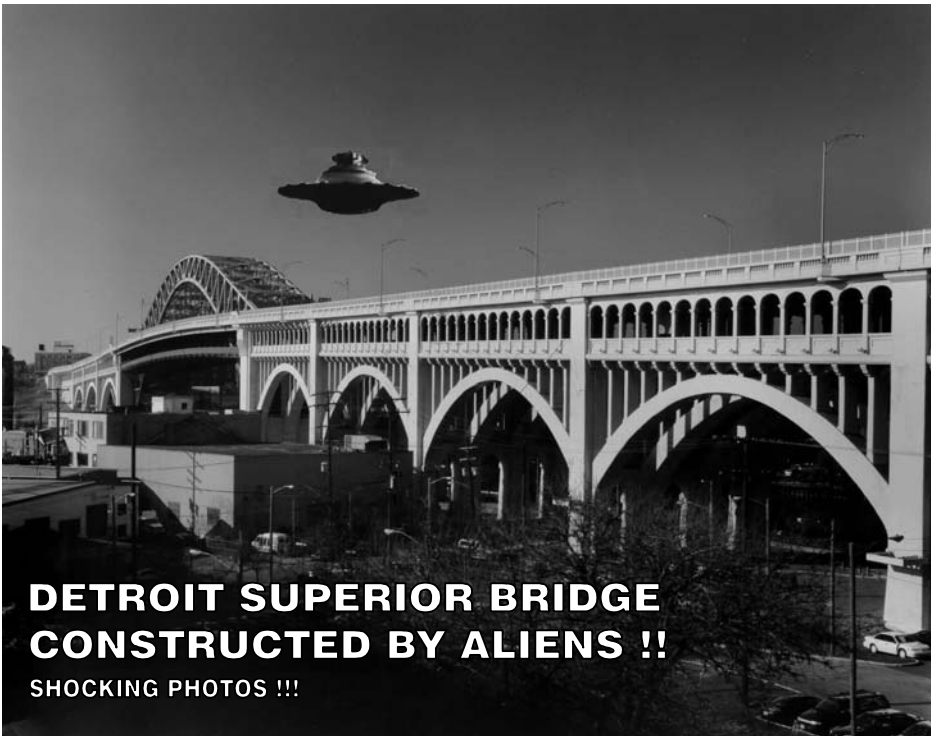
EXCLUSIVE:

# ELVIS SPOTTED AT ABCD MEETING !!

**ABCD**

APRIL FOOLS ISSUE

# **ENQUIRER**



**DETROIT SUPERIOR BRIDGE  
CONSTRUCTED BY ALIENS !!**  
SHOCKING PHOTOS !!!



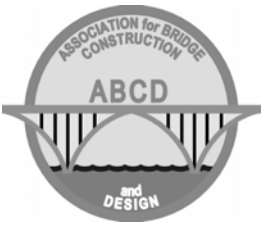
## **HNTB HIRES BIZARRE CHICKEN-MAN**

EMPLOYEES  
FRIGHTENED !!

**ELECTION CONTROVERSY !!**

**TOMICH CHALLENGES PARKER'S ELECTION -  
CLAIMS HANGING CHADS NOT COUNTED**

**FLA. SEC. OF STATE KATHERINE HARRIS STEPS IN,  
DECLARES GEORGE W. BUSH PRESIDENT OF ABCD**



## **OTEC 2001 to Highlight Transportation Management**

The 2001 Ohio Transportation Engineering Conference (OTEC) will feature sessions addressing the latest trend in transportation: Asset Management. To be held October 22-23 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center, the theme of the two-day conference is "Managing Our Transportation System for the Future."

Cosponsored by ODOT and The Ohio State University, OTEC 2001 will offer a sampling of technical sessions, group sessions, and a transportation expo where commercial and university exhibitors will display transportation products and research. Technical session topics this year will include intelligent transportation systems, asset management, freight and traffic management, pavement preservation, the "truck of the 21st century," and more.

One of the largest transportation conferences in the nation, OTEC 2001 will draw together contractors, engineers, government officials, consultants, industry representatives, professors and students to discuss the latest in transportation technology and trends. Large group sessions will feature nationally-recognized transportation officials who will discuss asset management and the future of transportation.

Registration will be announced soon. Updates on the conference, sessions and speakers are available on the OTEC Web site, at [www.otecohio.org](http://www.otecohio.org).

## **Bridge Building Contests**

As part of an effort to educate and recruit students to our profession, ABCD members recently participated in student bridge building contests held at Case Western Reserve University and the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center. These contests are held annually at various sponsoring organizations. The contest consists of constructing a balsa wood bridge glued together. The bridges are judged for aesthetics, sound design and innovation and then load tested. The ABCD volunteers participated as judges. The volunteers at the CWRU contest were: Paul Gluck of Baker and Associates, Bonnie Teeuwen of Wade-Trim, and Bruce MacMillian

of HNTB. The volunteers at the CVCC contest were: Bonnie Teeuwen of Wade-Trim and Chris Cummings of Burgess and Niple.

ABCD would also like to thank Richland Engineering and Burgess and Niple for making donations to the competitions.

## **Officer Nominations for '01-'02**

The association officers have nominated the following individuals for next year's open officer positions:

Vice-President - Dave Rinehart  
Secretary - Nabil Farah  
Treasurer - Steve Tomsic  
3 Year Director - Kathe Sopenski  
3 Year Director - Chuck Fisher

The secretary will mail a ballot to all voting members containing the names of the official nominees with provisions for additional write-in votes by membership. Office nominees shall be restricted to voting members in good standing.

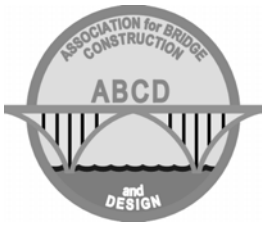
## **7<sup>th</sup> Historic Bridge Conference to be held in Cleveland**

The seventh in a series of conferences focusing on historic bridges, begun in 1985 and held in the Ohio Valley, will be held in Cleveland on September 19-22, 2001, at the Sheraton City Centre Hotel. Issues of safety and durability will be discussed along with the history and special techniques necessary to preserve historic engineering structures.

Attendees can register for the full conference or only the day(s) they are interested in. Student registration will also be offered.

For more information, contact William Barrow at the Cleveland State University Library, 1860 E. 22nd St., Cleveland, OH, 44114, (216) 687-6998 or visit the conference website at:

<http://web.ulib.csuohio.edu/7hbc/>



### **Awards Program Deadline Extended**

The deadline for submitting nominations for the 2001 ABCD Awards Program has been extended to May 31, 2001. The Awards Committee, chaired by Matt Lawler of HNTB Ohio, Inc., is encouraging anyone who has worked on a bridge project, be it as a project manager, project engineer, designer, detailer, ODOT project engineer, or contractor, to submit their bridge or bridges for awards in 2001. The awards categories are as follows:

- Outstanding New Bridge
  - New superstructure.
  - New or substantially reconstructed substructure.
- Outstanding Rehabilitated Bridge
  - Main load carrying members retained. They can be modified, strengthened, or made redundant, but should not be new.
  - Substructure units retained, but can be modified.
- ABCD Achievement Award
  - An individual or group who has contributed the most to the chapter or local bridge community over the last year.

Please include a written narrative of the project (or person/group) and identify reasons why the project (or person/group) should be considered. In addition, please include the following for each bridge nomination:

- Two or more 3 ½" x 5" color photographs
- One or more significant 11"x17" drawings or sketches
- Listing of significant project features

The construction for the nominations must have been completed, open to traffic, during the 2000 calendar year. There is no need to specify the category for which the project is nominated, the awards committee will determine which category is most appropriate for all nominations.

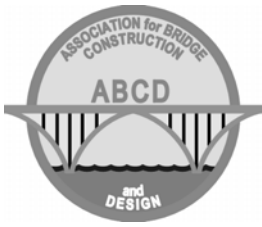
Please send nominations to:

Mr. Matthew J. Lawler, P.E.  
c/o HNTB Ohio, Inc.  
55 Erieview Plaza, Suite 500  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114-1816

Or email any questions to [mlawler@hntb.com](mailto:mlawler@hntb.com).

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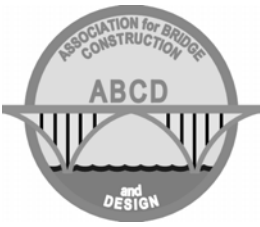
## April Meeting – Joint Meeting with ASHE

Thursday April 26, 2001

- SPEAKER:** Jerry A. DiMaggio, P.E.  
Federal Highway Administration
- PROGRAM:** Mechanically Stabilized Earth walls (MSE)- Jerry is a Senior Geotechnical Engineer with F.H.A. and has over 25 years of experience in geotechnical engineering. He will be in town as one of the presenters of a three day seminar on MSE walls and Reinforced Soil Slopes at the University of Akron. For our meeting, Jerry will present a general overview of MSE wall principals and uses for earth retention and bridge applications. Mr. Dimaggio is an informative speaker and may confirm the rumors that he is related to a “DiMaggio” that played for the New York Yankees!
- PLACE:** Holiday Inn at Richfield  
4742 Brecksville Rd. (Route 21-Near Exit 11 Ohio Turnpike)  
Richfield, Ohio
- AGENDA:**
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| 5:30 | Social Hour and Registration   |
| 6:30 | Dinner – Buffet- choice of:<br>Roast Sirloin of Beef, Chicken Cordon Bleu<br>With Oven Browned Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables<br>Garden or Pasta Salad, Cheesecake or Tiramisu sponge cake |
| 7:30 | Speaker  |
- COST:** \$25.00 Members and Guests
- RSVP:** Contact Alysia Lorincz with RSVP and dinner selection at 216-522-0920, ext. 148, Fax 216-522-0554 or email [alorincz@hntb.com](mailto:alorincz@hntb.com) by **Friday, April 20, 2001.**

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## YEAR END MEETING - INDIANS GAME

Wednesday, June 13, 2001

Come help celebrate 100 years of Cleveland baseball. We have reserved 50 tickets for the June 13, 2001 baseball game against the Milwaukee Brewers. The seats are located in section 546, upper deck on the first base side of home plate. The cost per ticket is \$20. Tickets are limited!!! Reservations only held with full payment of ticket cost. To reserve a ticket for the game, send \$20 per ticket to:

Joanne Gamble  
55 Erieview Plaza, Suite 500  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Please send checks made payable to ABCD.

ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME!!

Information about a possible tailgate party before the game will follow at a later date.

If you have any questions, contact Joanne Gamble at 216-522-1140 or email to [jgamble@hntb.com](mailto:jgamble@hntb.com).

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