Preservation Engineering Technical Committee

Committee Structure and Membership

Co-Chairs
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Membership
The Preservation Engineering Technical Committee (PETC) is comprised of engineers, architects, contractors, conservators, and trades people. As of the last conference in New York City that took place in October of 2013, committee attendance included 40 architects, engineers and trades people in addition to the committee chairs.

Committee Mission and Initiatives
To provide support from a preservation engineering perspective for APTI in their mission to advance the application of traditional technology appropriate to conservation of the built environment and the cultural resources that contribute to its significance.

PETC Task Groups are focusing on the following three objectives for this year.

1. Create a working list of preservation engineering curricula and education programs that area available at Universities, Colleges and similar institutions. The intent is to establish a data base of educational opportunities that can be referenced on the APTI-PETC website. As of the October 2013 conference, there is a task group of approximately 14 individuals that are working toward this effort.

2. Identify topics and authors for Practice Point articles for the APT Bulletin, assisting the efforts of Publications Committee. Practice Points are a compiled listing of subject specific articles published in the APT Bulletin that are intended to serve as a reference for preservation practices. This task group is endeavoring to develop articles preservation engineering issues that can supplement those which are in the current listings (See www.apti.org for additional information). As of the October 2013 conference, there is a task group of approximately 6 individuals that are working toward this effort.
3. Coordinate efforts with the APTI Conference Committee to create workshops that will be presented at future APTI annual conferences. As of the October 2013 conference, there is a task group of approximately 11 individuals that are working toward this effort. Presently efforts are being focused on the following conference destinations:

   2014 Conference to be held in Quebec City, Quebec
   2015 Conference to be held in Kansas City, MO

Future conference destination proposals include San Antonio, TX; Scottsdale, AZ; New Orleans, LA; Ottawa, Canada; and Buffalo/Niagara (anticipated in 2018)

If you are interested in joining the PETC and participating in any of these initiatives, please contact any of the Co-Chairs listed above.