



50th Anniversary of the Second Narrows Bridge collapse

On June 17, 1958, a temporary arm supporting an anchor span of the Second Narrows Bridge broke causing the bridge to collapse. Eighteen ironworkers were fatally injured on that day and a diver later drowned while searching for bodies bringing the number of fatalities to 19. In total 79 workers suffered injury from the collapse.

Today, this remains the largest number of workers fatally injured in one industrial accident in British Columbia's history. In memory of the workers who lost their lives you are invited to attend an outdoor commemorative event to be held:

- Date:** Tuesday, June 17, 2008
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Follow Boundary Road North from Hastings Street in Vancouver to the end and turn left on Fellowes Street
Parking: Available along the street by Bates Park

Cecil Damery, President/Business Agent, Ironworkers Local 97, will host the event that will include:

- James Leland, Business Manager, Ironworkers Local 97
- Dave Anderson, President and CEO, WorkSafeBC
- Dr. Phil Nuytten, President, Nuytco Research Ltd., and diver at accident scene
- Lou Lessard, survivor
- Archival news footage and accident artifacts

***Please confirm your attendance by contacting Belinda at 604 207-1433
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