



THE BRIDGE-BUILDER PIN

NOMINATION FORM

Date of Nomination:

Name of Nominee:

Nominated by:

School/Work Site:

Reason(s):

Suggestions Regarding Presentation: Time, Location,
Format:

The Bridge-Builder

An old man going a lone highway
Came at the evening cold and gray,
To a chasm, vast and deep and wide,
Through which was flowing a sullen tide.
The old man crossed in the twilight dim--
That sullen stream had no fears for him;
But he turned when he reached
the other side,
And build a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,
"You are wasting strength
in building here.
Your journey will end
with the ending day;
You never again must pass this way.
You have crossed the chasm,
deep and wide,
Why build you this bridge at eventide?"

The builder listed his old gray head.
"Good friend,
in the path I have come," he said.
"There followeth after me today
A youth whose feet must pass this way.
The chasm that was naught to me
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be.
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim;
Good friend, I am building
this bride for *him*."

Will Allen Dromgoole

Please Return Completed Nomination Form to the Superintendent's Office

The Bridge-Builder Pin is a special award given to those who help further the mission and goals of the Riverview School District. The award consists of a lapel pin and poem, presented by the Superintendent, in loving memory of Donna Polacek, the District Personnel Director from 1992-1996, who went the extra mile to give much more than was expected to the staff and students of the district. Each recipient's award is numbered and recorded with the reason for its being given in a special book kept by the Superintendent. The award was initiated in 1997 and, as of September 26, 2017, 214 people have been honored.