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Columbia County's Covered Bridges Signs Dedicated

The Susquehanna Greenway Partnership (SGP) dedicated three new covered bridge signs on **Wed. August 24**, which started at the Rupert Bridge in Bloomsburg and continued on to the Twin Bridges in Fishing Creek Township and Fowlersville Bridge at Briar Creek Park. Special guests and speakers included Chris Young, Columbia County Commissioner; David Kovach, Columbia County Commissioner; David "Otto" Kurecian, Executive Director of the Columbia Montour Visitors Bureau; George Conn, 3rd Vice President of the Theodore Burr Covered Bridge Society of PA; and volunteers Bob and Judy Kuether, Jim Smedley and Jim Clark.

The signs were created as part of SGP's *Signs Up* initiative, which began in 2008 to help visitors identify, enjoy, and learn about the recreational and heritage assets of the Susquehanna Greenway. Thanks to volunteer assistance from the Theodore Burr Covered Bridge Society of PA, and a grant from the Columbia County Commissioners Tourism Fund, the signs reveal the unique story of each bridge. The interpretive signs will bring local history to life, promote heritage tourism, and encourage the public to explore the Susquehanna Greenway.

The Susquehanna Greenway is a corridor of interconnected parks, trails, river access points, and conserved areas, linking people to the natural and cultural treasures of the Susquehanna River and its West Branch. Nearly 500 miles in the length, the Greenway is one of our state's greatest resources, balancing the need of generations today and tomorrow, conserving the environment for all living things, and creating recreational opportunities for healthy and sustainable communities.

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