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## The President's Message



As I approach the end of my year as president of Central Ohio ASHE it seems appropriate to reflect back on the year. While I will be leaving behind several items that I had planned to change or initiate, I am excited about what we were able to accomplish:

• Established a scholarship fund and wrote our first check for \$2,500

• Continued our successful Golf Outing tradition when

other organizations had difficulties

- Increased attendance at luncheons and events
- Adopted the I-670/Grandview Interchange under ODOT's

Adopt-A-Highway Program

- Overhauled and improved the Project of the Year Award Program
- Restructured the Spring Seminar
- Initiative to bring Contractors into ASHE

Overall Central Ohio ASHE has gotten stronger and achieved our mission of using education, innovation and fellowship to make improvements in our highway industry. All that we have achieved is directly attributable to the individuals in the organization. The people that care enough to volunteer and participate in the activities and events that make our industry stronger.

To start with, I am very grateful for this year's Board Members and Directors who have volunteered considerable time and effort to make all the above achievements come to be. All of the above achievements came to be because one or more of the Board Members or Directors have taken on the challenge to make it happen. And amazingly they made it look easy and kept smiling through it all. You would think they actually enjoyed it, I 2012-2013 Board of Directors

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## **Mission Statement**

Provide a forum for members and partners of the highway industry to promote a safe, efficient and sustainable highway system through education, innovation and fellowship. know I did. Credit for just some of the achievements goes to:

- Patrick Herl Scholarship
- Angela Fedak and Mike Raubenolt Project of the Year
- Joe Rikk Luncheon programs
- Aaron Call Newsletter
- Scott Seaman Everything to keep our section running smoothly and efficiently
- Robert Ballard Treasurer
- Josh Epperson Technical Seminar

This has been an exceptionally creative and thoughtful Board with a "can do" attitude. My thanks go out to each. What is awesome is that all the Board members are coming back this next year to step up into new positions. They will be joined by new members that sought us out to be on the board and are eager to help. In addition to current Board members we have called upon past members to help achieve our mission. Their experience, knowledge and skills are invaluable. This year Tom Bolte, Jim Prosch, Scott Roe, Ted Beidler, Valerie Klingman and Dave Jones gave their time and energy to help us make the section better. I am also grateful for their help. It should be noted that several of our Board members have gone on to positions at the regional and national level including Dave Jones our National Treasurer and Frank O'Hare our National President.

The Central Ohio Section of ASHE does not exist without you and all our members that participate in the events and activities. Many members regularly volunteer their time to help at an event such as Adopt-A-Highway or registration at a luncheon. These efforts are greatly appreciated. When you attend a luncheon, a social event, the technical seminar, or participate in the golf outing you are helping ASHE achieve our mission. Whenever we gather together we share thoughts and experiences. Sometimes it is more formal as in a seminar setting or in a more casual setting like when sitting in a golf cart. Either way we are using education, innovation and fellowship to make improvements in our highway industry. We are all in some way involved in the highway industry and when we get together the topic of discussion invariably goes here. Just ask the significant others around you. Thank you for your participation in ASHE this past year and I encourage you to get even more involved this coming year.

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Saturday, April 20** Interchange Clean Up: I-670 / Grandview Ave.

**Tuesday, May 14** Happy Hour: 101 Beer Kitchen

**Tuesday, May 21** Annual Luncheon Project of the Year Presentation: LaScala Restaurant

**Friday, July 19** Golf Outing: Fox Fire Golf Club

### ANNUAL DUES

You will be receiving your annual dues invoice via e-mail later this month. Fees will remain \$35 and can be submitted through PayPal. Prompt payment is greatly appreciated. For more information contact:

Secretary@CentralOhioASHE.org







## INTERCHANGE CLEAN UP ASHE's Fourth Interchange Clean Up Event

Spring is just around the corner – REALLY and we are halfway through our initial two year commitment for Adopt-A-Highway!

That means it's time to go find out what interesting stuff has been thrown out of, or fallen off of passing vehicles at our adopted interchange.

Come out and join us on Saturday, April 20th at 10:00 A.M., for a quarterly cleanup of our adopted I-670/ Grandview Ave. interchange!

Our ASHE section will be cleaning up the I-670/Grandview Ave. interchange on Saturday, April 20th. We will be meeting at the Woodlands Backyard located in the northeast quadrant of our interchange. At 10:00 A.M., we will get together for a safety briefing after which we walk to the interchange for an about an hour of cleanup. The following will be provided: • Leather gloves

- Bright, stylish safety vests
- Pickers
- Trash Bags
- Bottled Water
- Men Working Signage

Suggest you wear sturdy boots, long pants, light weight long sleeve shirt and hat. All are welcome! After the cleanup we will gather at the Woodlands Backyard for lunch and vote for the most unusual item collected. Gift cards will be awarded for the most unusual item and the most trash collected. If you plan to participate, please contact Ron Mattox, rmattox@jobeshenderson. com or (740) 344-5451 [266], so that we can ensure we can have plenty of stylish equipment.



Our November clean-up crew in their pre-collection photo shoot.





## Happy Hour

ASHE hosted it's winter Happy Hour Event at the Winking Lizard Tavern on Bethel Road on February 12th. The event was held to encourage and allow ASHE members and non members to network with other professionals in the community, enjoy good food, and have some fun. It was a successful event with over 20 attendees, including the ASHE National President, Frank O'Hare. Please consider joining us for the next happy hour event that will take place on May 14th. Details to follow with event location and time. This event is open to all and everyone is encouraged to attend.



## Luncheon

The next ASHE Luncheon will take place on May 21, at La Scala and is located at 4199 W. Dublin Granville Rd. The May Luncheon will focus on the projects that were submitted for the 2012 ASHE Central Ohio Section Project of the Year Award. The Project of the Year Awards will be presented to the winners of the two construction cost categories. Those who have submitted for the Award will have the opportunity to give a short presentation about their project. After the presentations the luncheon attendees will vote on their favorite project for a Peer's Choice Project Award that will be presented to the winner at the luncheon. Also, the new 2013 ASHE board member positions will be introduced at the luncheon. Everyone is invited to the luncheon and more information regarding the menu and time will be provided on our website: http://www.centralohioashe.org

# Attention ASHE Members and Friends of ASHE



Crowne Plaza Resort & Golf Club, Lake Placid -Great Room & Adirondack Wing at Night



## Countdown to our National ASHE Conference less than 3 month away.

Excitement is building for the 2013 National ASHE Conference to be held in Lake Placid June 5-9, 2013. This is a National Conference where individuals from around the country will be in attendance. Besides being held in one of New York State's premier locations, the Conference will be an excellent opportunity to:

- » Network with other transportation industry professionals
- » Attend educational sessions
- » Enter a bob sled competition against your piers
- » Golf on a world-class course
- » Eat a world-class meal
- » Skate on the rink made famous during the 1980 Winter Olympics – "Miracle on Ice"
- » And so much more.....!

Please stay tuned to our ever-expanding website for more information: www. ASHE2013.org

# RONALD L. ZOOK MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

It's time once again to put your golfing skills to the test at the Players Club! Put together a foursome or we'll put you on a team. The format is a four-person scramble. Prizes will include: door prizes, closest to the pin, longest drive, longest putt and foursome with the lowest score. All prize recipients will be announced during the awards ceremony following dinner. Also, there will be special skill contests to raise scholarship money. Registration forms will be sent out shortly.

#### <u>SCHEDULE</u>

Registration and Driving Range: 11:30 to Noon Lunch (snack bar paid for individually): 11:30 a.m. Shotgun Start: 12:30 p.m. (Sharp!) Reception (Cash Bar): 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. Dinner (Cookout Buffet): 6:00 p.m. Friday, July 19, 2013 Fox Fire Golf Club • Players Club Course 10799 State Route 104, Lockbourne, Oh 614-224-3634

#### ARRANGEMENTS

- Snack bar, halfway house and beverage carts paid by individual golfers
- 2 Drink Tickets for Beverages paid by ASHE

<u>COST</u> Golf, Cart and Dinner (Cookout Buffet): \$70.00 per person

#### QUESTIONS

Contact: Aaron Call/ OHM Advisors/ 614-474-1118 / Aaron.Call@ohm-advisors.com

### NEW MEMBERSHIP

To receive ASHE updates via email, or inquire about new membership

please contact Scott Seaman:

Secretary@CentralOhioASHE.org

\* Email addresses will not be released.

# TECHNICAL SEMINAR

This year's Spring Technical Seminar, Design Build / P3 Contracts: Maintaining Momentum for Ohio's Infrastructure, was recently held on April 9th at the Crowne Plaza North in Columbus.

Over 60 attendees showed up early on a Tuesday morning, some coming in from Cincinnati and Cleveland to hear from professionals at the forefront of alternative financing options in our industry. Jim Riley, ODOT Deputy Director of Innovative Delivery, gave the opening presentation with updates to ODOT P3 and design-build policies and projects. Designer and contractor perspectives for the Columbus Crossroads I-71/670 design build project were delivered by Shawn Thompson (CH2M Hill) and Greg Hamilton (Kokosing Construction). Rounding out the Columbus Crossroads perspectives, David Rinehart (Richland Engineering Limited) gave an overview of what it meant to be involved as an independent quality review firm. The final presentation of the morning was given by Brad Miller (HNTB) and Courtney Norris (Walsh Construction) on the first Cleveland Innerbelt Bridge design build project. Vendors and firms displayed exhibits around our conference room and a substantial continental breakfast was provided to everyone. With the new half day seminar format, we dismissed before lunch time



and still were able to provide the attendees with 3 hours of riveting professional development credits. Much positive feedback has been received on the presentations and the new format. Look for future invitations as ASHE Central Ohio organizes future opportunities for learning and networking with area transportation professionals.







## ASHE Central Ohio 2013-2014 Officers & Directors

*Officers and Directors, as nominated by the nominating committee, for the 2013-2014 year are:* 

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#### DIRECTORS

Membership/Legislative Program Technical Public Relations Regional Website Josh Epperson Ammar Salameh / Kathy Vogt David Fishel Joe Rikk Tom Bolte Charlie Wagner

The Section By-Laws allow that:

"Additional nominations may be submitted in writing to the Secretary at any time prior to the election, provided they have been signed by at least three members and the nominee has agreed to serve if elected."

An election will be held at the annual luncheon should an additional nomination be received for any office.

Our annual luncheon will be held at La Scala in Dublin on Tuesday, May 21st. We will be presenting our ASHE Project of the Year awards. Look for additional details to be posted on our website: www.centralohioashe.org.



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