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President's Message

I ended last month's message noting that now is the time to think about what comes after TEA-21. The new Secretary of Transportation and Administrator of FHWA will bring a different perspective to the Federal role in transportation and will be important in crafting the next highway authorization bill. Mary Peters, former head of Arizona DOT was confirmed last month as FHWA Administrator. She has outlined her agenda as follows:



John A. Derr

- Safety & Security
- Streamlining the Environmental Approval Process
- Reauthorization of TEA-21
- Stewardship & Accountability (of taxpayer's money by FHWA)
- Leveraging Federal Funds

You might also be interested in FHWA's Performance Plans for 2002:

- Safety: Continually improve highway safety
- Mobility: Continually improve the public's access to activities, goods, and services through preservation, improvement, and expansion of the highway transportation system and enhancement of its operations, efficiency, and intermodal connections
- Productivity: Continuously improve the economic efficiency of the Nation's transportation system to enhance America's position in the global economy
- Human and Natural Environment: Protect and enhance the natural environment and communities affected by highway transportation
- National Security: Improve the Nation's national defense mobility
- Organizational Excellence: Advance FHWA's ability to manage for results and innovation

This plan was established before September 11th. I expect their priorities may have changed since then.

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(Detach and return by Wednesday, November 28, 2001)

Speaker: Van Singer

Program: **Subsurface Utility Engineering**

I will attend the December 3rd meeting at Harding's Restaurant, Camp Hill, PA.

Name _____ Firm _____

Guest Name _____ Guest Firm _____

Contact: Carol Dunwoody, Urban Engineers, Inc. • Phone - 717-796-0624 • Fax - 717-796-0812
by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 28, 2001.

**Guests are welcome!!*

Time: 5:30 Social Hour • Cash Bar • 6:30 Dinner • 7:30 Program • Price: \$15.00 per person

Dinner Reservations: The entree for the evening will be Baked Ham. If you require a vegetarian meal, Linguine Marinara will be available if you request a vegetarian meal ahead of time. Please note that ASHE is charged for all reservations. It is possible to cancel your reservations up to 9:00 a.m., Monday, December 3, 2001 by calling Carol Dunwoody at Urban Engineering, Inc.

***Note - All members who have made reservations for dinner but don't show up will be charged for dinner.**

The Profile

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Speaker & Program

Subsurface Utility Engineering.

Van A Singer, P.E.

Mr. Van A. Singer is a graduate of Beaver Area Senior High School in western Pa and the Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering curriculum of Penn State. He worked with So-Deep, Inc. in the eighties as a Project Manager on utility mapping projects, with Rummel, Klepper & Kahl Engineers in the early nineties as a utility design engineer, and with Accurate Locating, Inc. since 1993 as Vice President on utility mapping and test hole projects. He is currently responsible for acquisition of subsurface utility engineering contracts, manages operations, and performs final quality assurance reviews. Throughout his 16-year career, Mr. Singer has advanced the subsurface utility engineering process by developing procedures to identify, electronically locate, and map underground utilities. His influence with governmental agencies and the consultant community throughout the east coast states has resulted in numerous new users of the services. ☺

ASHE 2001-2002 NEW MEMBERS

NAME	SPONSOR	CLASSIFICATION
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Please welcome as new members the following people.

John Daly	Chuck Allwein	Associate Member
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Recruiting new members for our section of ASHE is a win-win situation for everyone. The new members will benefit from the excellent technical and social events that are held throughout the year, as well as receive multiple opportunities to meet and socialize with their fellow highway engineers. Help to support our section and make a concerted effort to recruit at least one new member this year. ☺

ASHE Ad Hoc Committees 2001-2002

Section By-Laws

JoLynn Siaton/Kathy Weiser

Archiving Files

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E-mail Directory

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Officer's Duties By Month

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Involvement

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President's Message (cont.)

I would like to thank all participants who helped with Adopt-A-Highway clean up on October 13th. We had 14 people attend the early morning pick-up. We were able to collect 34 bags of trash in under one hour. The participation was a significant improvement over the last event, and we hope that the interest continues.

If you have not visited the site, please do so at www.asheharrisburg.org. You may want to save this site as a favorite. We are placing "The Profile" on the website monthly, so if you want to revisit a previous monthly publication or you have misplaced this month's newsletter, you can find it on our website.

As a reminder from last month, we hope to increase communication to our members by obtaining email addresses from as many members as possible. Our Committee Chair, Jill Thompson, is initiating programs to collect member's email addresses. If possible, please contact Jill and provide her with your address to complete our database. Contact information for Jill can be found on our website, or she can be reached at 717-691-7700 or at her email address, jthompson@orth-rodders.com. This will enable us to communicate more efficiently as an organization. We hope to be able to send the *Profile* by email thereby saving printing and mailing costs to the chapter.

I want to wish all members a happy and safe holiday season. Thank you for your support of the ASHE Harrisburg Chapter. Our chapter continues to strive to improve on the programs and events/outings that we offer in the hope it will inspire all of you to get more involved in the industry or chapter and to get a coworker or colleague involved in the organization. If you have any ideas or would like to get involved in any of these efforts, please give me a call at 717-763-7212 ext. 2894 or email me at jderr@gfnet.com.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the next dinner meeting on Monday, December 3, 2001. ☺

Membership Goal

One of the Harrisburg Section's goals this year is to maintain the 137 members who have joined our Section during the past two years and to encourage 35 new members to join this year. As you can see by our Membership Thermometer, we are off to a good start in achieving our new member goal but we need your help. Spread the word on the benefits of being an ASHE member and encourage your peers, friends and co-workers to join. As an incentive to recruit new members we will continue to hold a drawing at each monthly Dinner Meeting for all members who have sponsored a new member that month.

This year, we will again hold a special "Membership Night" at one of the monthly Dinner Meetings. Details on which monthly meeting will be published in a future issue of the "Profile". That evening, any potential member who brings with them a signed application and dues check will receive a free dinner. Also any member who has sponsored a new member since June 2001 will receive a free dinner at that meeting. In addition, at the Past President's Banquet, there will be a drawing for any member who has sponsored a new member since June 2001. If you sponsor eight new members, your name goes in the drawing eight times. We will be awarding three cash prizes that evening (first prize-\$250, second prize-\$100, and third prize- \$50). Hopefully these incentives will motivate all of us to recruit as many new, quality members into the Harrisburg Section of ASHE as possible this year. The Membership Application has been placed on our new website and can be downloaded in .pdf format. ☺



November's Charity

Thank you to everyone who contributed to November's charity, The Ecumenical Food Pantry. We collected \$142.00 and two boxes of canned goods. ☺

ASHE Photo Contest

Its time to start thinking about your entry for the 2002 Annual Photo Contest. Entries may include a photograph of a roadway, bridge, or tunnel located anywhere in the world. Photographs must be one color or black and white 8"x10" print. Entries will be judged by Section members at the February 2002 dinner meeting. The winning entries will be displayed at the ASHE mall display during Engineers Week. Awards will be presented to the First, Second and Third place winners at the March dinner meeting. More information will be forthcoming in the next Profile, or contact Kathy Weiser, 590-6040. ☺

December's Charity Of The Month

Toys-For-Tots

Please Bring
Toys-For-Tots Donations
to the December 3rd Dinner Meeting.
Thank You For Your Support.

Contact Kathy Weiser
For More Information
540-6040

kmweiser@mccormicktaylor.com

November Meeting



Jim Tetkoskie, Drew Dillam, Ken Yerges, and Jeremy Bowlby



Frank Huttel and Peter DeBarger



John Derr, Leonard Bellanca, John Bucheit, Dave Zangrilli

**American Society of Highway Engineers
Harrisburg Section
Annual Calendar of Events**

2001

December

3rd – Monthly Meeting – Harding’s Restaurant

2002

January

7th – Monthly Meeting – Harding’s Restaurant

February

4th – Monthly Meeting – Harding’s Restaurant

March

4th – Monthly Meeting – Harding’s Restaurant
Charity Event – Date to be determined
Spring Trash Pick-Up – Date to be determined

April

Harrisburg Senator’s Night – Date to be determined

May

3rd - Past President’s Banquet – West Shore Country Club

August

2nd - 4th Annual Golf Outing – Honey Run Golf Course/Hawk Valley Golf Course

September

13th – Annual ASHE/PSPE/ASCE Picnic/Monte Carlo Night

October

7th – Monthly Meeting – Speaker to be determined

November

4th – Monthly Meeting – Speaker to be determined

PENNDOT annual bus tours with industry groups

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PENNDOT) holds two annual bus tours with the two industry groups representing concrete and asphalt pavement construction. The American Concrete Pavement Association tour is held each spring and the Pennsylvania Asphalt Pavement Association tour is held each fall. Each year a volunteer District hosts one of the bus tours. The District will usually have several projects under construction that relate to the type of paving for the group. Approximately 100 people attend each tour with 50% from PENNDOT and 50% from Industry.

The tours are held over a two day period. The first day is the actual bus tour where charter buses take the attendees to each project site. On the bus and at each site a brief background about the project is provided by a PENNDOT and project Contractor representative. Time is provided to observe the operations, ask questions, and briefly discuss any construction, design, or maintenance issues that exist on the project.

The second day is held at a conference room in the host District. Unresolved issues from the previous tour and new issues from the current year are discussed. The party assigned to each issue provides a resolution for each topic or suggests options available to reach a possible solution. New issues are then discussed and recorded. Tasks are assigned to either PENNDOT or to the industry group for resolution. Throughout the year a log is maintained of all the issues, and tracked as they are completed.

These tours have helped to fill the gaps that historically existed between the industry and the Department. By addressing concerns and partnering with industry, these annual tours have enabled PENNDOT to serve its customers better, by providing safer, swifter and smoother roads.☺

Fall Trash Pickup

On October 13, 2001 members of ASHE gathered at the 2nd Street Interchange of I-83 to support the Harrisburg chapter for the fall trash pickup. This time there was an increase in turnout with a total of 15 people in attendance. Everyone who participated had his or her name placed in a drawing for a chance to win one of three ASHE dinners at the December meeting. The winners of the drawing were Dave Zangrilli, Brian Hoover, and Dale Mellott. Thanks to all who participated.☺



ASHE - Altoona Section Calendar of Events

November 28, 2001 Dinner at Park Hills Country Club
Location: Altoona
Topic: "Masonry Arch Bridge Soundness"
Presented By: Professor from The Pennsylvania State University

January 16, 2002 Dinner at Anthony's
Location: Johnstown
Topic: "Lewistown By-Pass Project"
Presented By: EADS Group

ASCE Calendar of Events

December 7, 2001 Past President Lunch
Time: 11:45 A.M., Location: To be determined

January 17, 2002 Regular Meeting

The Century Club

The ASHE Harrisburg Section wishes to thank the following Century Club members for their support during 2001-2002:

- Alfred Benesch and Company
- American Concrete Pavement Association
- Ammann & Whitney
- Associated Pennsylvania Constructors
- Benatec Associates
- Capuano Engineers, Inc.
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- Mackin Engineering Company
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- Michael Baker, Jr. Inc.
- Midstate Consultants, Inc.
- Modjeski and Masters, Inc.
- Pennoni Associates Inc.
- Pennsylvania Asphalt Pavement Association
- The RBA Group
- Rettew Associates, Inc.
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- Site - Blauvelt Engineers, Inc.
- Skelly and Loy, Inc.
- Susquehanna Valley Construction Corporation
- Traffic Planning and Design Inc.
- T.W. Consultants, Inc.
- Urban Engineers, Inc.
- Whitney, Bailey Cox and Magnani, LLC

The Century Club is comprised of ASHE members who have made a \$100 pledge to support the ASHE Harrisburg Sector's activities. Century Club Members are prominently displayed on the back page of *The Profile* up to ten times a year. *The Profile* is mailed monthly to more than 400 Section members in South Central Pennsylvania. *The Profile* is also distributed to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's Central Office.

The Century Club is an excellent opportunity to gain recognition among your colleagues, while actively supporting ASHE. Call Lisa Evans of Evans Engineering, Inc. at 717-541-1580 to make your pledge!

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