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## From our President . . .

Jim Jurgensen II

I am hopeful that everyone had a joyous holiday season and is now settling down into their routines. Without the National Conference on the agenda this year for our section, we will be focusing on strengthening our membership and additional fellowship opportunities.



Future Meetings January 25, 2011 March 22, 2011 May 24, 2011 The positive momentum gained from the National Conference can be funneled with many opportunities for continuous improvement. On behalf of the board, we welcome any suggestions for improvements regarding the section functions. One area the board has recognized as an area for opportunity is outreach programs. Jennifer Kunz has committed to establishing a student chapter modeled off the successes of other sections. We are also updating our Web page and working on establishing an online membership page for events and payments that should streamline functions within the organization. The success of the National Conference has allowed this section to grow together and provided funding for such improvements. Additionally, there are some exciting proposed programs for the season that will surely "rise" to everyone's attention!

Our January general meeting is scheduled for January 25 at the Montgomery Inn Boathouse with the 2010 Schramm presentations. This year's improved participation will certainly make your decision a tough choice. Best of luck to all participants in the selection process. It is obvious that this section takes extraordinary pride in their workmanship. At this meeting, we will also be taking nominations for open board positions. Please have a safe and productive few weeks before we see you at the January meeting.

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#### ASHE PIN (Political Information Network) REPORT Jan. 2011

One last act the lame duck session of Congress performed on December 22, 2010 before adjourning was to yet again pass an extension of the Transportation Bill, SAFETEA-LU, which originally expired Sept. 30, 2009. The new extension is good until March 4, 2011.

In addition, Representative John Mica, who chairs the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, is starting to craft the new multi-year surface transportation bill. To start the process, he intends to conduct 'listening sessions' outside of Washington DC to help his panel craft the new multi-year surface transportation bill starting February 18th. Mica said that "rather than me scribble out my ideas ... we're going to be listening; we're going to be soliciting good ideas. So we're going to take the effort on the road. I hope to have a whole list of new financing ideas and how we can cut some of the red tape, learning from people first-hand and also educating members." Once the new multi-year transportation passes the House, then the Democratic Senate will need to approve and pass the bill before the President will sign it. The President is also expected to release his surface transportation proposal as well this spring. The ASHE PIN expects that any bill that would get through the House, Senate and be signed by the President will need to be a bi-partisan compromise. Let's do our part to contact our Congressional representative and encourage him/her to make the necessary compromises so the bill will be passed by this summer. If the bill is not passed by this summer, many believe it will not get passed until after the 2012 Presidential election.



#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

#### Tuesday November 30, 2010 Great American Ballpark

President Jurgensen called the holiday meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance and introduction of guests. He noted that the ASHE 2010 National Conference was a great success and that highlights were covered in the Scanner. The Great Lakes Region made a profit of \$24,000 and we now hold the record for the most ASHE members in attendance of a National Conference. We started the process of planning the conference a number of

years ago and made the collective decision to invest in Cincinnati. We recently received a confirmation from the Cincinnati Convention and Visitors Bureau that the estimated Cincinnati sales exceeded one million dollars during the weekend of our conference. President Jurgensen noted that ASHE was a part of that and congratulated us on our achievement and investment in our hometown.

Jim announced that Jerry Wray was named State of Ohio Transportation Director today.

President Jurgensen indicated that we are now accepting applications for the Schramm Project Awards and that the entry deadline is January 3rd, 2011. The last Triko Valley Section Board of Directors meeting was October 26, 2010 and the next Board meeting will be January 4, 2011. The next General Membership meeting will be January 25, 2011.

Paul Schoelwer introduced Tom Browning, Cincinnati Reds, as the speaker for the evening.

After the presentation, President Jurgensen thanked the speaker and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted: David M. Emerick, Secretary



Holiday Party: From left to right, Tom Browning (speaker) and Joe Vogel

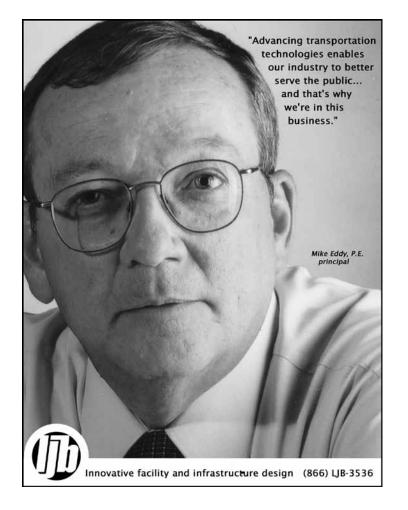


Holiday Party: From left to right, John Kerr, Tom Browning, and Cindy Taylor











## **General Membership**

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## ASHE TRIKO VALLEY MEETING

**General Membership Meeting** 

Tuesday, January 25th

The Montgomery Inn Boathouse, 11:30 a.m.

**Schramm Award Finalists Presentations** 

Lunch Cost: \$20.00

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