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From our President . . . Paul Schoelwer

As I end my tenure I wish to keep this short and simple. It has been a great year but there is a steady decline in the industry. Early indications are that the industry is back on an upswing with or without the federal funding. Yes, as predicted the Transportation Bill has been delayed. Please make an effort to make your voice heard.

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I really enjoyed myself this year and wish to give some thank yous. Matt Loeffler and Eric Kistner have done a great job in getting Wild Apricot and the web site working and I hope that this continues. Of course none of this is possible without the long hours both Dave Emerick and Chris Nyberg put into ASHE.

I want to salute Nathan Moore for growing the student chapter and plug a request for help with the students if anyone is interested. Carol Callahan-Rambler is really driving the masses and despite some initial losses with our Chapter she is setting the bar high for additional enrollment. Hopefully everyone took advantage of the membership drive to get some great Reds tickets. Stan Harris and Jim Whelan have continued their great tradition of keeping the newsletter together.

Mr. Steve Proffitt will be the incoming President but has put together all of the programs this year. He is also working with Brad Ackel for the golf committee. If you have not signed up please think about sponsoring a hole and possibly a 4-some.

If I miss you at the May 22nd meeting, have a great summer and I will see you all in the Fall.

Federal Transportation Bill in in Conference Committee

On May 7, 2012, the members of the House and the Senate conference committee for the transportation bill met to start on the path to resolve the numerous differences between the House version and the Senate version of the transportation bill, and hopefully, will adjourn with a transportation bill acceptable to all! The House version is a 5-year bill focused on streamlining processes and links future energy production to fund the Highway Trust Fund. The Senate version is a 2-year bill that renews many of the existing programs in SAFE-TEA-LU without naming a funding source for the Highway Trust Fund. Transportation Conference Committee members have until June 30, 2012 to resolve the differences in the bill. Both sides of the aisle have voiced optimism that there will be a transportation bill by the end of 2012. Representative Nick Rahall (D-WV) went so far as to say that "we cannot let hard heads get in the way of hard hats". Representative Bill Shuster (R-PA), Chair of the House Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, & Hazardous Materials, went on the record to say he thinks there will be another extension and that President Barack Obama will sign a transportation bill — with a provision to build the Keystone Pipeline included — in September or October due to the impending election in November. However, the fact that he predicted the early fall for the signing of the bill mean it will take 3-4 months for the major issues in the bill to be worked out. This also means this is time for **ASHE TO ACT!**

ASHE urges each of you to contact the members of the House and Senate that are on this conference list to encourage them to pass a long-term transportation bill prior. Below is a list of those Transportation Conference Bill members. Please pass this information on to members in your company that may be in the district of the Transportation Conference Committee members.

House Republicans Reps. John Mica (Fla.), Don Young (Alaska), John Duncan (Tenn.), Bill Shuster (Pa.), Shelley Moore Capito (W-Va.), Rick Crawford (Ark.), Jaime Herrera Beutler (Wash.), Larry Buschon (Ind.), Richard Hanna (N.Y.), Steve Southerland (Fla.), James Lankford (Okla.), Reid Ribble (Wis.), Fred Upton (Mich.), Ed Whitfield (Ky.), Doc Hastings (Wash.), Rob Bishop (Utah), Ralph Hall (Texas), Chip Cravaack (Minn.), Dave Camp (Mich.) and Patrick Tiberi (Ohio).

<u>Senate Republicans</u> Inhofe (Okla.) Vitter (Lousiana) Hatch (Utah) Shelby (Al) Hutchison (Tx) Hoeven (N. Dakota)

House Democrats Nick Rahall (W.Va.), Peter DeFazio (Ore.), Jerry Costello (III.), Jerrold Nadler (N.Y.), Corrine Brown (Fla.), Elijah Cummings (Md.), Leonard Boswell (Iowa), Tim Bishop (N.Y.), Henry Waxman (Calif.), Ed Markey (Mass.), Eddie Bernice Johnson (Texas), Earl Blumenauer (Ore.) and Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D.C.).

Senate Democrats Boxer (Calif.) Baucus (Mont.) Rockefeller (WV) Durbin (III.) Johnson (SD) Schumer (NY) Nelson (FL) Menendez (NJ)



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 27, 2012 Montgomery Inn Boathouse

President Schoelwer called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 11:50 am and recognized four guests. He announced Reds tickets prizes for the persons who recruit the most members by the May meeting.

Secretary Emerick announced that the January meeting minutes are published in the newsletter, on line and copies can also be picked up at the table in the hall. President Schoelwer announced that scholarship applications can be found on our website. We have started a student chapter.

Treasurer Nyberg gave the treasurer's report. There was a starting balance of \$23,044.72 deposits of \$1,623.46, and expenses of \$2,193.26 resulting in \$22,474.92 in the operating fund. Caroline Duffy presented the PIN report noting that House Transportation Chairman Mica got his transportation bill through committee but Speaker Boehner was not able to gather enough votes to pass it. The Senate meanwhile passed the two-year Boxer/Inhofe authored transportation bill. The House is asking for a three-month extension of the bill to avoid its expiration. Members are urged to call their Congressional Representatives to urge them to pass an extension.

Stan Harris announced that there will be a regional board conference call this Thursday to discuss exposure funds.

The annual golf outing will be on June 12th at Walden Pond.

The May meeting will be a presentation on 3- D surveying by Kleingers & Associates and Berding Surveying.

Carol Callan-Ramler indicated that she has three membership applications and reiterated that four Reds tickets will be presented to the people that bring in the most new members.

Stan asked persons not receiving section e-mail to contact him and noted that there is room for more advertisers in the newsletter.

Paul announced the Schramm project award winners as follows:

- Under three million construction cost: Trenton Busenbark – Plaques were presented to Butler County, Kliengers and W.G. Stang.
- Over three million dollars: SR 4 Bypass Plaques were presented to Butler County, ME Companies, John R. Jurgensen Co. and Barrett Paving Materials.





GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES (Continued)

President Schoelwer then announced the presenters for the CIP as follows:

- Ted Hubbard Hamilton Co.
- Greg Wilkens Butler County
- Neal Tunison Warren County
- Doug Royer Clermont County
- Stephan Spinosa ODOT District 8
- Paul Gruner Montgomery County
- Rob Hans KTC District 6 (Rob indicated that he will send out a handout)
- Bob Vickrey City of Cincinnati

Ted Hubbard indicated that there have not been any new developments regarding Model Law. If enacted, it will require an additional 30 hours of schooling to obtain professional registration. Qualification has not been an issue in Ohio in the past. Ted urges that we need to look at processes to provide for dual registration for a pool of candidates for County Engineers.

President Schoelwer asked for nominations for officers for the 2012-2013 year and noted that Vanessa Fritsch has expressed interest in a director's position. No other nominations were received.

Bill Lawall indicated that receipts are on the table and the next meeting will be May 22nd. Paul Gruner raised a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Chris Nyberg. President Schoelwer adjourned the meeting at 1:00 pm.

> Respectfully Submitted: David M. Emerick Section Secretary



2012 ASHE TRIKO Valley Section Lloyd Wallace Memorial Golf Outing

The TRIKO Valley Section of ASHE will have its annual golf outing on **Tuesday June 12th, 2012,** at **Walden Ponds Golf Course.** Our annual outing is named after Lloyd Wallace (former ODOT District 8 Deputy Director) in tribute to his contributions to the highway engineering field. The outing will be a Scramble format with registration between 10:00 am and 11:00 am, **Shotgun Start at 11:30 am.**

We would like to extend an invitation to you and your firm to join us at the golf outing. The registration fee per golfer is \$90. This fee includes golf at an excellent golf course, box lunch with soft drinks, Steak and Chicken dinner following golf, door prizes, and the chance to win the major door prize.

This outing is our sole means of raising money for the **ASHE TRIKO Valley Section Annual Scholarship Program** which provides yearly scholarships to Juniors in college entering their final year in transportation or construction programs. A donation of \$125 would give your firm a sponsorship at the golf outing with your firm's logo or name placed on a sign at the tee box as well as being recognized in the outing handouts. Another method of advertising for you firm is to provide a "Door Prize" (e.g. box of golf balls, golf glove, divot repair tools, etc). This is a great opportunity to market your firm as approximately 100 transportation and construction industry personnel will be participating, from consultants and contractors to clients and owners.

Please see registration and sponsorship information on the next page. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 513-864-8617 or at <u>brad.ackel@kzf.com</u>.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Sincerely,

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Brad Ackel Golf Committee Chairman

2012 LLOYD WALLACE MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

Tuesday June 12th, 2012 Walden Ponds Golf Course 6090 Golf Club Lane Hamilton, Ohio 45011

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10:00 am to 11:15 am 11:15 am 11:30 am 5:30 pm (or following golf) Registration and Lunch Announcements Shotgun Start Dinner and Prize Presentation

Cost per Golfer: \$90 Dinner Only: \$30

- A Box Lunch will be provided on your cart at registration. Lunch will include lunch meat hoagie, potato chips, piece of fruit, dessert and soft drink. During golf a cash beer & snack cart will be on the course. Dinner will be served immediately after golf. Dinner will include steak, grilled chicken, salad, mixed vegetables, baked potato, dinner rolls, brownies and soft drinks.
- Please consider a hole sponsorship for \$125. This donation will go toward the ASHE TRIKO Valley Section Annual Scholarship Program. A sign with your firm's logo or name will be placed at one of the 18 tee boxes, and your firm will be recognized in the outing handouts.
- Prizes will be awarded to 1st and 2nd place teams as well as a "prize" for the last place team. Prizes will include long drive, closest to the pin, and long putt. There will be chances to win door prizes and everyone registering for the outing will have a chance to win the major door prize.

• Registration Deadline is Friday June 8.

Any questions please contact Brad Ackel at 513-864-8617 or brad.ackel@kzf.com

Send a copy of this form and check, payable to ASHE TRIKO Valley, to: KZF Design 700 Broadway St. Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Attn: Brad Ackel

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Tuesday, May 22, 2012

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

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