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From Our President...



Steve Proffitt
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I hope that everyone had a enjoyable Holiday Season and is moving forward towards an optimistic and successful 2013. The ASHE Holiday Party at Star Lanes at Newport on the Levee turned out to be a big success! Thanks to all members and their spouses who attended the exciting social event which was filled with great food, appetizers, drinks and bowling.

Last year the organization made the switch to Wild Apricot as our new system for electronic billing and scheduling our programs. Hopefully this transition has been easier to all members to RSVP for programs and online billing. We will likely have 1 or 2 open positions available on the ASHE Board of Directors next year, so if any members have any interest please contact myself or Matt Loeffler. We also will be having another membership drive coming up to enhance more new member to get involved with the organization and are considering having a Summer Social Event at either a Cincinnati Reds game or the Christian Morelein Lager House.

As we all know Politics, Government and Federal Spending will likely dictate how much new design and construction projects here locally throughout Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana become a reality in 2013. I'm very hopeful and optimistic that our leaders in Washington and here on the local level will provide the right leadership and needed funding to move several key projects forward over the next few years such as the Brent Spence bridge, Cincinnati Street Car, etc. National experts are predicting that we'll continue to see the cost of materials go up, projects on the rise will include more tunnels, bridges and light rail whereas new highway and pavement construction will stay the same or slightly slow down in 2013-2014. Some terms we'll be hearing more and more of over the next few years is "private public partnerships (P3s) and "tolling". These two terms will help move local projects forward in the upcoming years.

Our next ASHE program is on Tuesday, January 22nd at the Montgomery Inn Boathouse for the annual Schramm Awards. We had a great turn out this year receiving eight (8) applications which made it difficult for the Board of Directors to narrow it down to only six (6) projects. Thanks again to all companies who took the time and effort to submit their applications and the winners will be announced at the March 19th meeting. I look forward to seeing you all next Tuesday for the Schramm Awards.



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Tuesday, March 19 - Public Projects Program

Tuesday, May 21 - Program TBD

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Ronald Reagan Way

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The Ronald Reagan Way project is a \$2.3 million new roadway project on a challenging site designed to serve a 400,000 square foot office building, the new FBI Regional Headquarters, and a 400 room hotel in Sycamore Township. BCI began work on this project in 2007 with a Traffic Impact Study and then partnered with URS on the Design Phase. Although the project was led by Sycamore Township, the project stakeholders included the following entities: Sycamore Township, City of Madeira, Hamilton County Engineer Office, Duke Realty, Neyer Properties, Skanska, and the FBI.

As is evident from the photos, the new roadway needed to compliment the existing Towers of Kenwood office towers, while minimizing impacts to the residential area to the South. The use of a Redi-Rock gravity modular retaining wall enabled the excavation limits to be reduced in an effort to save mature trees which provided a buffer for local residents.

Early discussion with Duke Realty afforded them an opportunity to improve their access in and out of their building at the conclusion of the project. The access point for their delivery and service vehicles was modified which also enabled them to relocate refuse locations to a more aesthetically applicable location on their site.

The project was constructed by the Fred A. Nemann Company and was substantially completed in 2011, with the final surface course being applied in the Spring of 2012. Work was able to continue during the winter months of 2010/2011 due to the scale of earthwork and the type of retaining walls which were installed. Winter construction was critical to the overall success of the project because the roadway had to be completed prior to the opening of the FBI Regional Headquarters. Skanska was the Construction Manager for the new building and all of their construction equipment, materials, and labor still needed to access their site during all phases of construction. Close coordination and communication between all parties was important to ensure that construction could continue on both the roadway and the building.

The project was funded through a Township Tax Increment Financing (TIF) program specifically generated from the incremental taxes generated by the proposed development.

The project included an underground detention system for stormwater control, underground utilities, new decorative lighting, water main, and sidewalks on the south side of the road for pedestrian access. The new traffic signal serves the intersection at Hosbrook Road and provides an efficient means of egress for the hotel and office users in the development.

A second phase of this project is in the design phase of work and will continue the roadway improvements on Hosbrook Road up to Montgomery Road. This phase of the project will require coordination with the proposed development at the southwest corner of Hosbrook Road and Montgomery Road. It is also scheduled to include a utility relocation phase for Montgomery Road from I-71 to just east of Hosbrook Road.

Member Project Spotlight



Holiday Party Recap

Event at Star Lanes a Success

The ASHE Holiday Party was held on Tuesday evening December 4th at Star Lanes at Newport on the Levee from 6:00 to 9:30 pm. The social event ended up drawing a nice size crowd of approximately 45 members including their spouses. The evening consisted of drinks and appetizers along with bowling on four (4) private lanes. The food and service was exceptional throughout the evening and the large private spacious rooms enabled guests to socialize, play pool/billiards and bowl without much noise.

Based upon the positive feedback and discussions with many ASHE members, there's a good chance that the Holiday Party will happen again next year at Star Lanes at Newport on the Levee. Please feel free to contact any of the Board Members with new ideas for future Holiday Parties.

ASHE TRIKO VALLEY MEETING

General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, January 22, 2013

The Montgomery Inn Boathouse, 11:30 am

Schramm Award Finalists Presentation

Cost per person: \$25.00

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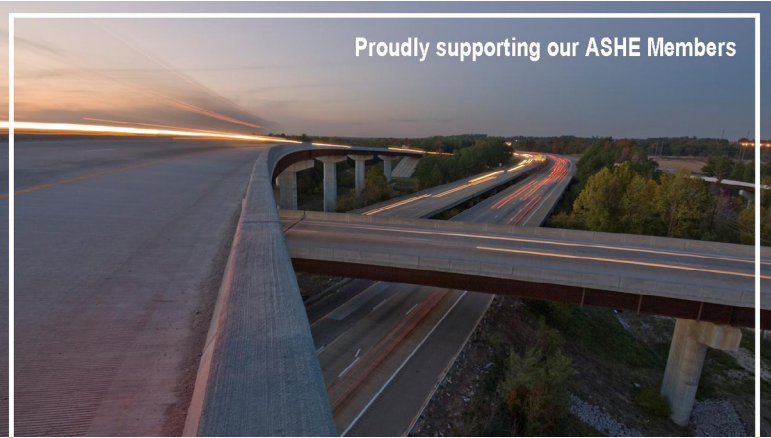
Between now and May 10th TRIKO Valley ASHE is seeking new members.

For one new member the sponsor receives a complimentary lunch (\$25) at the upcoming General Meeting. Sponsor three or four new members and you will have your renewal fee waived (\$40).

Also for every member sponsored your name will be put into a raffle for both Reds tickets and the Golf Outing. There will then be two winners in the raffle. One for the Reds tickets and one for the golf outing.

The distribution for the winner of the Reds tickets will be two tickets (\$40-50/pair) for the sponsor and two tickets (\$40-50/pair) for the new member. The golf outing award (\$75-80) is to the sponsor for one individual round of golf (not a foursome).

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