

Volume 17, Issue 2 - November 2016

From Our President...



THE VOTES ARE IN! Since our last newsletter, we have seen the conclusion of another Presidential election cycle. According to both main-stream media and my Facebook Newsfeed, this election has been the dirtiest, most scandalous, and most embarrassing election in the history of the United States. Keep in mind, though, that supporters of Thomas Jefferson accused his opponent in the 1800 election, sitting POTUS John Adams, of being – among other less-than-pleasant terms – "a repulsive pedant" and a hermaphrodite. Yes. Seriously. Adam's supporters had equally vile things to say about Jefferson, who won the election only after the tied electoral vote was resolved in the House of Representatives. Do you remember when Vice-President Dick Cheney accidentally shot someone while out hunting? Jefferson's Vice-President, Aaron Burr, shot and killed Alexander Hamilton on purpose – like, in a

pistol duel. The duel was the result of their extended personal conflict and served as the exclamation point to a long rivalry between the Democratic-Republican Party and the Federalist Party. So maybe things aren't so bad in modern times after all.

Having said that, there is still no positive movement toward a long-term resolution to the deficit in the Highway Trust Fund. Now that we have all made our voices heard at the polls, please continue voicing your opinion on the importance of highway infrastructure funding to your elected officials. As a reminder, ASHE is generally in support of measures that reduce the federal government's involvement in managing transportation spending, thereby allowing state and local governments – who can better assess needs and impacts – the ability to get more accomplished, do so more efficiently, and hopefully avoid gun battles.

We would like to thank Ron Ebelhar for his educational technical presentation at our September meeting and show appreciation for our guests from Seton High School and the Greater Cincinnati Stem Collaborative, who shared some information about the importance of STEM initiatives in our region. Work is continuing behind the scenes to establish our STEM program so stay tuned for

inside

Holiday Party Information

September
Meeting Minutes

ASHE PIN Report

Schramm Awards 2016 Information

Project Highlight: Hosbrook Road/ Ronald Reagan Drive



ASHE - TRIKO Valley Section P.O. Box 257 Mason, OH 45040 www.trikovalley.ashe.pro The mission of the American Society of Highway Engineers is to provide a forum for members and partners of the highway industry that supports education, innovation, and fellowship; promoting a safe and efficient highway system for mobility now and in the future.

more details in future months. Please look for more information in this newsletter about our jointly-hosted holiday event with WTS and details about the upcoming Schramm Award submissions.

This letter comes with best wishes to all of you, your families, and your "work families" for a happy, healthy, and safe holiday season. May you continue to be blessed in all aspects of life!

Nathan Moore The Kleingers Group

ASHE PIN Report - November 2016

Not since the Dewey vs. Truman Presidential election has there been a bigger upset in the nation's Presidential election. While President Obama struggled with getting his legislation through Congress the last six years, the fact that the Republicans won not only the White House, but also the Senate and House, may help legislation focused on transportation to get passed under the new administration.

President-elect Trump promised over \$1 trillion in infrastructure improvements that are fully funded by selling bonds, giving tax relief for private businesses that invest in infrastructure projects, and repatriation monies. As the Trump infrastructure plan is revealed, specifics on the issue that has held up a meaningful transportation bill for more than a decade, a sustainable source of funding, may be resolved with new and creative ideas. And with the support from the Senate and the House, the Trump infrastructure plan may actually get passed. While we are waiting on the Trump infrastructure plan to be revealed, a matter closer in hand is the appropriations for the FAST act that was delayed from September to December, 2017.

Please contact your Congressional representatives and urge them to pass the appropriations bill that includes the appropriations for the FAST act before their holiday recess in December.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

January 24, 2017 March 14, 2017 May 16, 2017

General Membership Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2016 - Montgomery Inn

President Moore called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 11:48 AM, welcomed Joe Schmeltzer to the board and recognized six guests.

Secretary Dave Emerick noted that the minutes of the May meeting were published in the section newsletter and were available on the back table. A motion was raised by Stan Harris to accept the minutes which was seconded by Caroline Duffy and passed.

Eric Kistner presented the Treasurer's report, noting a starting operating capital of \$30,187.19. Expenses totaled \$14,270.85 and income totaled \$14,690.00 for a new operating capital of \$30,606.34. There are currently 188 members including three student members. A motion to approve the report was made by Caroline Duffy, seconded by Stan Harris and passed.

Caroline Duffy presented the PIN report, noting that both presidential candidates do not want to raise the gas tax. The test will be to see if Congress will be able to reach a compromise for the next transportation bill. State DOT's cannot tap into 2017 funding yet; therefore, projects are being delayed. She urged us to consider who we are voting for, as the future of our industry depends on it.

Stan Harris reported that there would be a National Board meeting in Canton in a few weeks, where they will discuss the website and the cloud. Stan announced that we are trying to start a Bluegrass Section in Lexington, Ky. We are also looking for sponsorships for the newsletter.

David Orr announced that the annual golf outing was the most highly attended golf event, raising enough money to pay for the event and scholarships. The committee will look for a new venue for next year.

Brian Rhodes presented the membership report, noting that we have 188 members in the section. He welcomed the guests and encouraged them to pick up membership applications from the table outside or on line.

Aaron Muck said that he sat in on a call with National regarding student chapters. Delaware has the most active student chapter; however, others are developing. We are looking for others with similar passions.

Steve Mary presented the program report and announced that we are looking for speakers for future meetings if your firm has projects. He took a hand count to gage interest in a tour of the Portsmouth Bypass.

Members were asked to get ready to submit projects for the Schramm Awards. Applications are due by the end of the year.

Nathan Moore gave the scholarship report, noting that we had applications from very talented students last year and were able to fund two scholarships from the golf outing.

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Vanessa Nghiem announced that we will have the holiday party at the Yard House on the first Friday in December.

President Moore reminded members that renewals are due and introduced Ted Hubbard to present on the upcoming National Association of County Engineers conference which will be held in Cincinnati from April 9, 2017 to April 13, 2017. Conference hosts are looking for sponsors and exhibitors. Ted also is urging representatives to vote for House Bill 528, which will allow counties to enact additional license fees that can be used for infrastructure only.

Nathan Moore then introduced Mary Adams, Sean Kelly and Louis Childers who presented information on the STEM initiative which was started in Cincinnati by P & G.

President Moore announced the program on the Land between the Lakes presented by Ron Ebelhar.

After the program, Nick Voisard raised a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Matt Loeffler and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

> Respectfully submitted, Dave Emerick TRIKO Valley Section Secretary

ASHE TRIKO VALLEY MEETING Holiday Party

Location: Yard House (Downtown)

Date: Friday, December 2, 2016 | 3 PM - 6 PM

We are very excited to partner with WTS for our annual holiday party. Our joint Holiday Party event will be on December 2nd from 3:00-6:00 at Yard House in downtown Cincinnati. The event includes heavy appetizers and two drink tickets. Come out to help celebrate the holiday season and mingle with old friends and meet new ones.

Cost: \$25 online or \$30 at the door

Please register whether paying online or at the door.
RSVP by phone to Eric Kistner at 513-842-8213
or RSVP online at www.trikovalley.ashe.pro
and click on Meeting Link to register and pay online

2015 - 2016 Board of Directors

Title	Member	Company	Phone	Email
President	Nathan Moore	The Kleingers Group	513-779-7851	nathan.moore@kleingers.com
1st Vice President	Vanessa Nghiem	AECOM	513-419-3451	vanessa.nghiem@aecom.com
2nd Vice President	Steve Mary	Stantec	513-842-8200	steve.mary@stantec.com
Treasurer	Eric Kistner	Stantec	513-842-8200	eric.kistner@stantec.com
Secretary	David Emerick	Duke Energy	513-287-1001	david.emerick@duke-energy.com
Regional Rep.	Stan Harris	Stantec	513-842-8200	stan.harris@stantec.com
3rd Year Director	Tom Nicholson	PRETEK Group	937-641-8267	tnicholson@pretekgroup.com
3rd Year Director	Aaron Muck	Terracon	513-612-9051	ajmuck@terracon.com
2nd Year Director	Brian Rhodes	JMT	513-699-8579	brhodes@jmt.com
1st Year Director	Joe Schmeltzer	American Structurepoint	513-407-8317	jschmeltzer@structurepoint.com
Past President	Eric Beck	Hamitlon County Engineer's Office	513-946-8432	eric.beck@hamilton-co.org

Donald C. Schramm Transportation Improvement Award 2016

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF HIGHWAY ENGINEERS TRIKO VALLEY SECTION

DONALD C. SCHRAMM TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT AWARD 2016

CATEGORIES

- Construction Cost \$5,000,000 and under.
- Construction Cost over \$5,000,000.

ENTRY SUBMISSION

- Completed entry form (Original).
- Two (2) copies of project description and related materials (see entry requirements).

CALENDAR FOR 2016 AWARD

- December 21, 2016 Entry Deadline
- January 10, 2017 Review and rating of entries by the Board of Directors
- By January 17, 2017 Top three (3) rated entries in each category will be notified
- January 24, 2017 General Membership Meeting Presentation to general membership by top three (3) rated entrants from each category. (Final selection to be determined by the general membership by closed ballot.)
- March 14, 2017 General Membership Meeting Awards presentation

AWARD REQUIREMENTS AND ENTRY FORM ATTACHED

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF HIGHWAY ENGINEERS TRIKO VALLEY SECTION

DONALD C. SCHRAMM TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT AWARD REQUIREMENTS

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible projects for the "Donald C. Schramm Transportation Improvement Award" shall be directly related to one or more of the following areas of the field of transportation:

- Highways
- Bridges
- Railroads
- Public Transit
- Bikeways
- Other Related Projects

GENERAL CRITERIA

- Projects entered in the competition must be located within the geographic area of the ASHE - TRIKO Valley Section.
- 2. Construction of the project must have been substantially completed and ready for use between January and December of the competitions current year.
- 3. Entries must be sponsored by a member of the ASHE TRIKO Valley Section.
- 4. Each submitted entry must be accompanied by the materials outlined in the Submission Requirements.
- ASHE TRIKO Valley Section will not be responsible for any damage or loss to entrant's submission materials.
- 6. The ASHE TRIKO Valley Section Board of Directors reserves the right to determine the eligibility of all entries.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Entries must include:

- 1. The original and two (2) copies of the Official Entry Form.
- The signature of the sponsoring member on the entry form will be considered verification that the project is substantially completed and ready for use between January and December of the competitions current year.
- 3. Two (2) copies of a project description, not to exceed two (2) pages (8.5" x 11" with 1" side margins, minimum 11 point font) excluding any pages containing photos, graphs, charts, etc., within the two (2) page limit. (Some suggestions of content in the submission are original or innovative application of new or existing design, and/or construction techniques or materials, technical value to the engineering or construction profession, social, economic, and environmental value to the region, complexity, and rating of the expectations of the owner or the regional needs.)

DONALD C. SCHRAMM TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT AWARD

Rev: SEPTEMBER 6, 2007 PAGE 1 OF 2

JUDGING OF ENTRIES

- 1. All entries will be judged by the nine (9) members of the ASHE TRIKO Valley Section Board of Directors.
- 2. The Board of Directors will rate each entry to determine the top three (3) rated entries (competition finalists) in each of the categories specified for the award.
- 3. The sponsors of the competition finalists in each category shall give a presentation at the January General Membership Meeting. The format of each presentation will be at the discretion of the presenter. The time allotted for each presentation will be determined by the Board of Directors. The general membership in attendance at this meeting will vote by ballot for the projects receiving the award. All ballots will be submitted at the end of the meeting. Results of the voting will be tallied by the Chairperson of the Transportation Improvement Award and presented to the ASHE TRIKO Valley Section Board of Directors at the March Board Meeting. There is only one (1) award for each category.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

4. Awards will be presented to the owner, design firm, and general construction contractor of the winning entries at the annual ASHE - TRIKO Valley Section Capital Improvement Program meeting in March.

Full guidelines and Schramm Award application can be downloaded from http://www.trikovalley.ashe.pro/PDF/Schramm_Award_Guidelines.pdf.
Applications are due Wednesday, December 21 to Eric Beck (eric.beck@hamiltonco.org).

Project Highlight:

Hosbrook Road/Ronald Reagan Drive

In 2007 Sycamore Township began planning for the mixed use redevelopment of the former Harley Hotel site located adjacent to I-71 south of Montgomery Road. Sycamore Township retained AECOM (formerly URS) to provide preliminary and final design for improvements to Hosbrook Road and a new access road to the site. The alignment of the roadway was based on the recommendations from a traffic impact study undertaken by AECOM partner on the project Brandsetter Carroll Inc. (BCI) in 2008.

Direct access to the site from Montgomery Road was not operationally feasible because of the close proximity to the I-71 Interchange. Therefore, access to the site was planned from a new signalized intersection from Hosbrook Road utilizing Township acquired parcels located immediately south of the Towers of Kenwood Office complex. This roadway alignment was constrained between the service drive and garage entrance to the north and wooded single family residential properties to the south. The site also included an elevation change of 40 feet.

AECOM worked extensively with the Township and adjacent property owners to plan the new roadway geometrics. It was important to maintain vehicular and utility access to the Towers of Kenwood while at the same time minimizing impacts to the adjacent residential properties and development sites. As plans were proceeding, the FBI selected the site for a new 110,000 SF Cincinnati Field Office. Additionally, Neyer Properties began development of the Greens at Kenwood, including 200,000 SF of office and hotel space.

The completed access road (Ronald Reagan Drive) is approximately 1800 ft. long, including sidewalks underground utilities, lighting and aesthetic treatments consistent with other streetscape projects in the Kenwood Area. AECOM designed a large block precast segmental retaining wall as a gravity wall to minimize the required cut and preserve the vegetated buffer between the development and the adjacent residential properties. The wall is over 900 ft. long and reaches heights up to 20 feet tall. Due to the constrained site and adjacent development, the project included 11,000 cubic ft. of subsurface stormwater detention under the roadway using a series of shallow linked precast concrete vaults. The design was competed in 2010 and construction was completed in 2012 at a total cost of \$2.1M. In addition to the FBI field office, hotel and office developments have subsequently been completed on Ronald Reagan Drive

The second phase of the project included the widening and geometric improvements of Hosbrook Road from Ronald Reagan Drive to Montgomery Road. Similarly, the project included new sidewalk, subsurface utilities and lighting. The Hosbrook Road project was closely coordinated with the Kenwood City Place development on the Southwest Corner of Hosbrook and Montgomery Roads. The design of Hosbrook Road was coordinated to minimize disruption to adjacent property owners and included a new separate storm sewer system and in line detention. The design was completed in spring 2014 and construction completed in 2015 at a cost of \$3.2M. BCI provided construction administration for both projects with assistance from AECOM.

The projects were funded with tax increment funding through Sycamore Township and are located in the Kenwood East Joint Economic Development District within the City of Madera. The completion of Ronald Reagan Drive and Hosbrook Road improvements accommodate the traffic generated by several mixed use developments in the Township while providing a walkable and visually appealing setting for residents, employees and visitors in the community.

Committee Chair Person Contact Information

The ASHE TRIKO Valley Board of Directors has several committees to help promote our organization in a variety of ways. Listed below, you can find the contact information of the chair person for each committee. If you would like to share an idea or would like to volunteer to serve on a committee, please contact the appropriate chair person. The Board thanks you for your continued support and dedication to the transportation industry.

Committee	Chair Person	Contact Information
Schramm Award	Eric Beck	Eric.Beck@hamilton-co.org
Scholarship	Nathan Moore	Nathan.moore@kleingers.com
Program	Steve Mary	Steve.Mary@stantec.com
Social	Vanessa Fritsch	Vanessa.Fritsch@aecom.com
Membership	Steve Proffitt	sproffitt@thelenassoc.com
Student Chapter	Aaron Muck	ajmuck@terracon.com
Golf Outing	David Orr	dorr@dynotecinc.com
Newsletter	Stan Harris	stan.harris@stantec.com
Website	Matt Loeffler	loefflerm@bceo.org
Legislative Review (PIN)	Caroline Duffy	cduffy@Barreng.com
Online Payments/PayPal	Eric Kistner	eric.kistner@stantec.com
Community Service	Tom Nicholson	tnicholson@pretekgroup.com





With four Ohio locations. Cardno is equipped to meet your specific needs.

- Geotechnical
- Environmental
- > Subsurface
- > Laboratory
- > Drilling
- > Document Preparation
- Stream and Wetland
- Archaeological
- > Ecological
- Roadway

Offices in:

Cincinnati, Dayton, Columbus, and Cleveland

For more information:

Cindy Taylor P: (503) 771-2112 E: cindy.taylor@cardno.com www.cardno.com





Presents:

Kickoff Dinner & Meeting

'Status of the 'Pause-50' Program' with Keynote Speaker Paul Looney

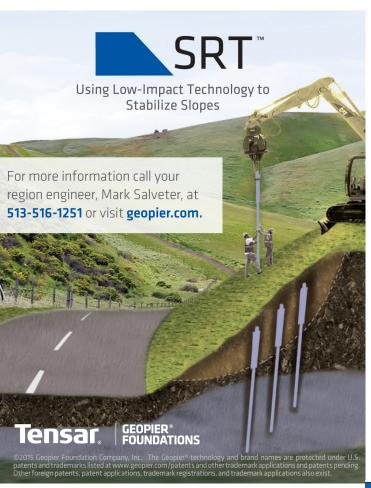
January 12, 2017 6:30 P.M. Griffin Gate Hotel, Lexington, KY \$15 pay at the door or invoiced.

Join us for our official kickoff dinner and meeting featuring keynote speaker Paul Looney!

Short on cash, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is delaying the start of new state-funded road projects. Under its Pause-50 plan, the cabinet has slowed or delayed the starts of new projects to pay current expenditures, recoup lost revenue and rebuild a funding base. Come learn the latest status!

RSVP by January 5th, 2017 to Tim Robinson at TRobinson@grwinc.com or at 502-489-8484 or 502-716-0555

> *Interested in becoming a member of the section?* Stop in at this event and see all of the great benefits ASHE has for you! Membership forms will be available!









Advertising Opportunities!

\$50/year for small ads, \$150/year for large ad and corporate link on the TRIKO website. If interested, contact Stan Harris at stan.harris@stantec.com.

Send website logos to Matt Loeffler at loefflerm@bceo.org.



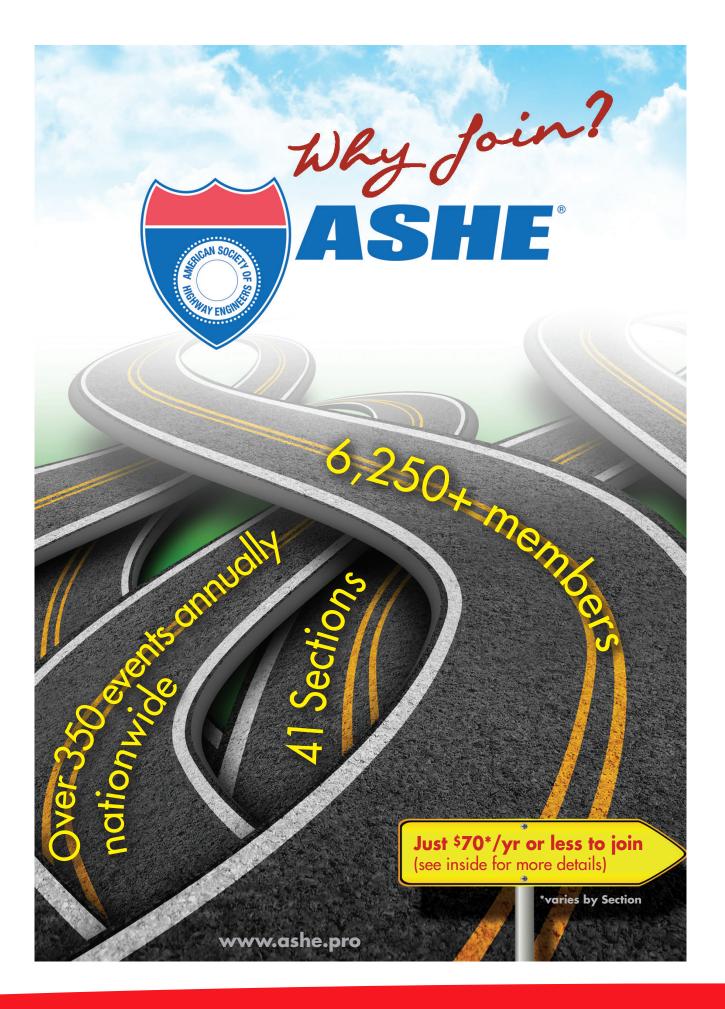
We act quickly to deliver practical solutions on time to avoid delays, surprises, and costly mistakes down the road. We are here whenever you need us.

llerracon

Cincinnati, OH (513) 321 5816

terracon.com/cincinnati

Environmental - Facilities - Geotechnical - Materials





Why Join ASHE?

- To help promote the highway industry on a Local, Regional, and National level
- To become a member of a group that provides extraordinary value, with National dues of only \$20/year and Section dues ranging from just \$5 to \$50/year
- To expand your knowledge of all things related to highways
- To participate in a highly diverse community, ranging from government employees and contractors to consultants, suppliers, and utility owners
- To stay up to date on technical, political, and project issues with the quarterly scanner newsletter, weekly emails, educational events and more!
- -To be part of an organization that recognizes the future of the highway industry, fostering Student Chapters and offering educational scholarships (over \$1.4 million in scholarships awarded!)
- To enjoy networking opportunities with clients and partners, discussing projects, exchanging insights, and fostering positive working relationships
- To enjoy fellowship with people throughout the highway industry

Become a part of the highway industry's premier networking organization.

It's easy to join, just complete the brief membership form below and give it to a local **ASHE** representative or apply online at http://www.ashe.pro/newmember.html

Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Phone:	
E-mail: (Mandatory)	
Company:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip:	1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -
How did you hear about us?tradeshowscanner	
ASHE friendpresentationother:	
Please contact me about starting an	
ASHE Section in my Region.	come!



General Membership

Brad Ackel Jamal Adhami Eric Adkins **Bob Adleta** Amanda Baer Travis Baker Eric Beck* Brvan Bender **Gerard Berding** Steven Bergman Gabriel Bitar **Douglas Brand** Ben Brandstetter **Bruce Brandstetter*** Jim Brannon William Brayshaw Tom Brayshaw John Brazina Wayne Breitenstein Jon Brunot **Dennis Brunton*** Michael Bryson Stephen Butler Carol Callan Ramler Shawn Campbell Tammy Campbell **Kathy Carsey** Josh Carter Donald Cash **Timothy Casto Christopher Clemons** James Collins* Will Conkin Scott Connor John Davidson Shawn Davy Lori Dearnell Scott Dearnell Katie Dillenburger Mark Dole Caroline Duffv* Terry Dull Robert Dunn Paul Durham Ben Dusina Michael Eddy Mary Elfers* Nicholas Elliot

John Elliot David Emerick Richard Engle Joe Espelage Jeremy Evans William Fair Dan Ficker Nathan Fischer Andy Fluegemann Vanessa Fritsch **Bronson Funke** Dan Furgason Todd Gadbury Javson Gardner Matthew Gerken Timothy Gilday Jonathan Girdler Jeff Glowka Paul Goodhue **Paul Gruner** Corrin Gulick **Stan Harris** Steven Hartke John Heilman Jeff Heimann Mark Henderson Christine Hilbert Kelly Hollatz Theodore Hubbard **Brad Hyre** Ahmad Ishtewi **Dennis Jennings** Tracy Jones James Jurgensen* James Jurgensen, II* Michael Keller Ross Kendall John Kerr Eric Kistner Scott Knebel Jefferv Koehn Steven Korte Wess Kroll Chris Kunz William Lawall Michael Lenett Aaron Littman

Matthew Loeffler*

Austin Long Michael Lorenz William Luttmer **Daniel Mahaney** Steven Main Patrick Manger Benjamin Mann Steve Mary Shawn Mason Daniel McAdams Jared McFaddin Joe Mellman Matthew Menche Stephen Miles Richard Miller **Douglas Miller** Cindy Minter Nathan Moore Aaron Muck Michael Murry Jeff Newby **Tommy Nicholson** Ralph Norman Christian Nyberg Norman Obert Frank O'Hare David Orr Darren Owens John Pflum **Duane Phelps Daniel Prevost** Steven Proffitt* Dale Proffitt Joseph Prus Michael Prus William Prus **David Quimby** Arudi Rajagopal Jason Ramler Etta Reed **Brian Rhodes** Mark Richardson Penny Rike **Donald Roberts** Art Rometo Dave Rotella **Edward Roth** Stephanie Roth

Doug Royer Ali Saleh Mark Salveter Joseph Schmeltzer Paul Schoelwer* Dale Schweiterman Timothy Schwoeppe Steven Shadix William Shefcik Richard Shelley Kar Singh **Casey Smith** Stefan Spinosa David Spisak **Daniel Springer** Phillip Stegman Craig Stephenson Jacob Stremmel Michael Sturdevant Luke Stutler **Dwight Stutz** Cindy Taylor Michelle Terrell Michael Thompson* David Tomley Robert Trenkamp Daniel Unger Greg Urasek Joseph Vogel* Jeffrey Wallace Cynthia Wallace George Webb, II David Westendorf Jon Wiley Gregory Wilkens* **Edward Williams** Nick Yeretzian Steven Young Heinrich Zehetmaier* Mike Zwick

* Past Presidents