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From Our President...



Welcome to the holiday season! It seems too early but I guess it is November.

As we head into the next couple of months, there are some ASHE Triko Valley events planned. Up first, we have our General Membership meeting, which is set for Tuesday, November 15th at the Original Montgomery Inn in Mongomery. Then, we will hold our Holiday Party on December 9th at deSha's. Please join us!

I hope you will also join me during this time of reflection and giving thanks to express gratitude to our Board of Directors. They continue to lead and serve us. Most recently, on October $14^{\rm th}$, we hosted our first sporting clay shoot. What a fun time!

Look further in this newsletter for some photos of the afternoon and plan to participate next time as we intend to make this an annual event. Please reach out to Terry Dull for more information on the original outing and on future shoots that are to come. Thanks, Terry, for creating such a great event! And more thanks to Todd Gadbury for heading up the Schramm Awards committee. I hope you saw the Scanner article featuring last year's winner in the over \$5 million category, the Montgomery Road (US 22) and Ronald Reagan Highway (SR 126) roundabout project. We submitted this project and the under \$5 million Schramm Award winner, Wayne Madison Road and Hamilton Trenton Road roundabout project, for the Great Lakes Region Project of the Year award. As announced at the All-Ohio ASHE Luncheon at OTEC, the Wayne Madison Road and Hamilton Trenton Road roundabout project won. Congratulations to the Butler County Engineer's Office, Burgess & Niple, and RB Jergens on a job well done! Details and deadlines for next year's Schramm Awards are quickly approaching as you'll find in this newsletter. With such an impressive membership, we know that the next round of submissions will not disappoint. Speaking of extraordinary members, at our September meeting, we congratulated Dan Ficker with an ASHE Lifetime Membership. Thank you, Dan, for your service to our Section and to the transportation industry. We truly are a remarkable group!

While we are closing out 2022 and looking forward to 2023, I am excited to see what our next series of programs will bring. We will continue to serve our members with our typical meeting line-up, but we also hope to bring back some tour opportunities and more social events. Please reach out to any Board member or committee chair with any ideas that you may have or to offer your assistance. We appreciate all of you and we need all of you to ensure a successful ASHE Triko Valley Section!

Wishing you all a happy, healthy, and safe holiday season,

Katie Dillenburger Bayer Becker



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Board of Directors & Committee Chairs

General Membership

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.

ASHE-TRIKO VALLEY SECTION GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 | THE ORIGINAL MONTGOMERY INN, MONTGOMERY, OH / VIRTUAL MEETING

On September 20, 2022, the ASHE Triko Valley Section held the fourth general membership meeting of 2022. The meeting was also available virtually to membership that could not attend the meeting. President Katie Dillenburger called the meeting to order at 11:51 am, welcoming attendees, and leading the Pledge of Allegiance. She welcomed First Year Director, Samantha Barnes to the Board of Directors and thanked Brian Rhodes for being President the past year. Katie then asked for a motion to approve the May General Membership Meeting minutes. The motion was raised by Brian Rhodes and seconded by Eric Kistner.

For the Secretary's report, Dan Springer mentioned that the following projects were submitted on August 31st for the ASHE Triko Valley projects to the ASHE Great Lakes Region for the regional project of the year award. Wayne Madison Road at Hamilton Trenton Road Roundabout and the Montgomery Road / Ronald Reagan Highway Interchange.

Eric Kistner presented the treasurer's report (see below). Katie then asked for a motion to approve the treasurer's report. The motion was raised by Brian Rhodes and seconded by Joe Vogel.

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Caroline Duffy presented the PIN report. Rising inflation was discussed and several states have suspended their state gas tax collections this year and the federal government has suspended the gasoline tax over the summer break to ease inflation and to lower prices. Please contact your state and federal representatives and express your concern that the gas tax holiday needs to expire and not be renewed.

In addition, over the summer many programs that were developed as part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill are now being rolled out for applications. With over 50 grant programs, there is more than \$29B in new funding available in FY22. Go to this website for a full list of new grants Notice of Funding Opportunities and the submittal deadline dates.

http://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity

One of the new grants is setting up a network of University Transportation Centers which will partner with colleges and universities on research. The ASHE PIN is excited to learn of these new opportunities for transportation in Ohio (OSU working in partnership with UC Irvine, UT at Austin and UC).

For the Regional Representative Report, Brian Rhodes announced that Circle City Chapter in Indiana will hold its first chapter meeting on October 12th. He also announced that the Great Lakes Region Secretary position is open with Jim Shea stepping down.

For Triko Valley Membership, Brian Rhodes announced that there was one new member added and one guest at the meeting.

Brian Rhodes announced that Dan Ficker has received the Lifetime Membership Award and presented the award to Dan.

Brian Rhodes announced that he will begin planning the 2023 golf outing in the coming months and asked if anyone would be interested in helping.

Katie Dillenburger mentioned that the Newsletter went out on September 19th.

Katie Dillenburger announced that Shawn Mason has taken over the Student Chapter. Shawn had nothing to report.

Steve Mary presented the Program Report and mentioned that the November 2022 General Membership Meeting topic will be on ethics.

Katie Dillenburger announced that Terry's committee is finalizing the selections and should be announcing the recipients shortly.

Katie Dillenburger announced that our first annual clay shooting event is scheduled for Friday afternoon, October 14th. We will be sending out details and registration soon. Terry's committee is also reviewing venues for our Holiday party. Please let Terry know if you have any suggestions or if you are interested in helping to plan either of these events.

Dan Ficker announced that adopt a highway cleanup was held on September 17th. The next event will be in either March or April 2023.

Katie Dillenburger announced that Paul Durham notified her that the website is currently down and he is continuing to work to resolve the issues.

Todd Gadbury was not in attendance, but Katie Dillenburger announced that applications for the Schramm Awards will be in December 2022.

Brian Rhodes announced that he has started a LinkenIn page for ASHE Triko Valley and encouraged members to link into the page.

Katie Dillenburger introduced Dr. Richard Li to present UC's CEAS Transportation Center – Emerging Transportation Technologies Applied Research. After the presentation, Dr. Li answered questions from the members.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:56 pm.





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ASHE PIN Report - November 2022

Over the last forty years, the midterm elections have typically seen control of Congress turn away from the party of the elected President. While the Democrats had control of both of the Congressional houses before this year's midterm election, this year, the Republicans failed to make as many gains as predicted. The actual makeup of the House and Senate has yet to be revealed, as key races remain too close to call in two Senate contests and thirty-three House races as of this writing. It is projected that whichever party is the majority in both the House and Senate will be so by a very narrow margin. So what does this mean for our transportation industry? The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law was passed just over a year ago to provide monumental funding to fix our nation's infrastructure. However, each of the next four years will need an accompanying appropriations bill to implement the funding set out in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. This yearly passage of the total \$110 billion for roads, bridges, and major projects must be authorized yearly or the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law has no standing. Please continue to contact your representative, especially the newly elected ones, and become an advocate expert for them to rely on when these authorizations come up. Let's do our part to keep the funding for our industry on track.]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROGRAM

Please contact program chair, Steve Mary with ideas for future meeting presentations.

SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to Ryan Shoab and Lucia Egula, recipients of the 2022 ASHE Triko Vally scholarships. We will be accepting applications for next year soon. Please see our website for more information.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Again, thanks to those who volunteered back in September for cleaning up the ASHE Adopt-a-Highway site at the I-71SB entrance ramp to Ronald Reagan Highway (Route 126). Be on the lookout for a spring cleanup date in March 2023!

GOLF OUTING

The golf committee will soon start planning the 2023 ASHE Triko Valley Section LlyodWallace Golf Outing. Please reach out to our new committee chair, Brian Rhodes, to offer assistance or to provide feedback so that we can make continue to support and make successful this very important event that supports our scholarship fund.



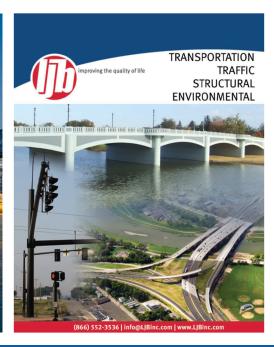
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ASHE TRIKO VALLEY MEETING

General Membership Meeting

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2022, 11:30 AM | THE ORIGINAL MONTGOMERY INN

Please join us for our next General Membership meeting where our topic will be ethics presented by Susan Willeke, Education & Communications Administrator, Ohio Ethics Commission.

Please note that this meeting will be in-person only. We hope to see you there!

SPORTING CLAY SHOOT

On October 14th, ASHE members and guests participated in the first Sporting Clay Shoot at the Middletown Sportsmen's Club.

Thank you to all attendees and thank you to Terry Dull for organizing a great event!





HOLIDAY PARTY

Up next for the social committee is the Holiday Party, which is set for Friday, December 9th, from 4 pm to 7 pm.

deSha's

11320 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH 45249

Members from WTS and ACEC will also be joining us. Please register online. Your \$35 ticket includes 2 drink tickets plus hot appetizers.

And with the spirit of the season, as part of our community service and outreach program, we will also be running a canned food drive. Please pbring a donation.



SCHRAMM AWARDS GREAT LAKES PROJECT OF THE YEAR

Our winners of the Schramm Awards, the Wayne Madison Road/Hamilton Trenton Road project and the Montgomery Road/Ronald Reagan project, were submitted to the ASHE Great Lakes Region for consideration of the regional Project of the Year award.

On October 25th, at the All-Ohio ASHE luncheon at OTEC, the Wayne Madison Road/Hamilton Trenton Road project received the award for the under \$5 million category.

Congratulations to the Butler County Engineer's Office, Burgess & Niple, and RB Jergens!





Some important dates for the 2023 Schramm Awards are coming up. Please see the next page for details.

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES!

\$50/year for newsletter ad \$150/year for newsletter ad and corporate link on the TRIKO website

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Donald C. Schramm Transportation Improvement Award

The membership established the Donald C. Schramm Transportation Improvement Award to recognize completed transportation projects that truly improve efficiency, safety, and quality of life. The awards were named after the late Donald C. Schramm, P.E.-P.S., who was a leader in the transportation engineering field and in Hamilton County government. He served as the Hamilton County Engineer in the Cincinnati area from 1973 to 1992. Mr. Schramm and his administration made every attempt to hasten the completion of the Ronald Reagan Cross County Highway project through the very complex federal aid development process. The personal and professional attributes displayed by Mr. Schramm during his tenure inspired the ASHE Triko Valley Section to name the Transportation Improvement Awards in his honor.

Two awards are given each year to qualifying local transportation projects. One award is given to projects valued over \$5 million construction cost and one award to projects valued less than \$5 million.

SCHEDULE

December 16, 2022 Entry Deadline

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January 3, 2023	Review and Rating of Entries by the Board of Directors
January 10, 2023	Top Three (3) Rated Entries in Each Category will be Notified
January 24, 2023	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 28, 2023	Winners in Each Category will be Notified
May 23, 2023	General Membership Meeting – Awards Presentation

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.
- Construction of the project must have been substantially completed and ready for use between January and December of the competition's current year.
- Entries must be sponsored by a member of the ASHE Triko Valley Section.

JUDGING OF ENTRIES

- All entries will be judged by the nine (9) members of the ASHE Triko Valley Section Board of Directors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

Download the Award Application at trikovalley.ashe.pro/schramm-awards for a complete listing of rules and submission requirements.

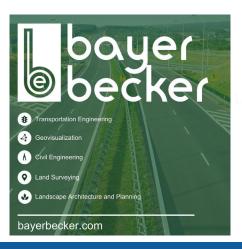
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The ASHE TRIKO Valley Board of Directors has several committees to help promote our organization in a variety of ways. Listed below, you can find the contact information of the chair person for each committee. If you would like to share an idea or 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.

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