

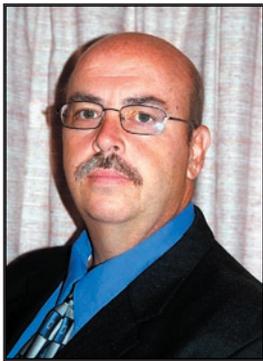
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Our President's Message



As I am writing this article, I would like to say that I am reflecting on the results of the 2010 midterm elections and what the next two years will bring us. I would like to say that, but I can't. What I am thinking is that I'm glad that all the advertising has come to an end. That was my lead in attempt at humor (maybe not a funny one) so now on to the article for this month. We're into the month of November now, which means that we are getting ready for our first lunch meeting of the year. That's right! Our December meeting and presentation will be held over lunch for a change of pace. If that's not enough good news, the program committee is actively seeking approval to provide PDH credits for the presentation as well. There is additional information on the presentation and the speakers within the Profile. I don't want to ruin the surprise, but I'm really looking forward to the December meeting. So I encourage everyone to come out and join us for a lunch time presentation that is informative, interesting and you may get some PDH credit for it as well.

We had a great speaker for the November Meeting, Mr. Kirk Stoner the Director of Planning for Cumberland County. Mr. Stoner provided a very interesting presentation on how infrastructure projects are developed at the county level as well as the hardships currently being felt due to the economic downturn and subsequent lack of funding. Mr. Stoner touched on the reasons behind the fund-

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ing crisis including the decline in state and federal revenues as well as the increased cost of projects and discussed several possible solutions that could be evaluated. It was nice to hear that the County is still able to move some

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(Detach and return by Wednesday, December 1st, 2010, at 4:00pm)

**Speakers: Eric Kinard, PennDOT District 8-0, Signals and Congestion Management Supervisor
 Todd Trautz, Pennoni Associates, Traffic Engineer
 Program: ADA Accommodations at PA Signalized intersections**

I will be attending the December 6th meeting of the American Society of Highway Engineers-Harrisburg Section.

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Guest Name _____ Guest Firm _____

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Guests are Welcome!

Location: Holiday Inn Harrisburg East, 4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg, PA, 17111

Attire: **Business Casual**

Times: **11:15 Registration • 11:45 Lunch • 12:30 Program**

Price: **\$20 for ASHE Members/ASHE Member Guests \$25 for Non-ASHE Member**

Entree: (Choose One): Sliced Ham Croissant Italian Marinated Grilled Chicken Breast on Focaccia Roll Chef's Choice Vegetarian Meal

Note: ASHE is charged for all dinner reservations. If you make a reservation and wish to cancel it, the deadline for cancellations is noon on the Friday before the meeting. If you fail to cancel by the deadline, you will be charged for the meal, regardless of whether or not you attend.

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projects along, but also hard to hear that many others were delayed or removed entirely from the program due to funding issues. As we are all aware, this is a much too common problem in our industry and it is my sincere hope that with the elections over, our elected officials can learn to work together and develop a plan for moving the county, the state and the country forward in a positive manner.

And that reminds me that our legislative committee is constantly seeking ways to get our message to our elected officials, so if any of you have an opportunity to meet with your elected official (I would encourage you to actively seek an opportunity), it would be in all of our best interest for you to visit the ASHE Harrisburg website and look at the information that the Legislative Committee has assembled. This committee has dedicated a significant amount of time generating that material, talking with elected officials, and generally getting the message out. I believe that our membership has the potential and the ability to make a difference when it comes to promoting our profession, strengthening our community and enriching our personal lives, but we must get involved to do that. We know that everyone says they think that transportation funding is important, but we all need to work on making sure that they understand it is vital to our way of life and cannot be pushed to the back burner any longer. There must be actions to resolve the current problems and they must be now. We can't wait. So again I would encourage every single one of our members to talk to as many people as you can about getting the appropriate funding passed for infrastructure improvements.

At our November meeting, we raised \$ 211.00 for our Charity of the Month – The Jared Box Project, which provides boxes of toys to critically ill children at the Hershey medical center. It's always nice to see how generous our membership is with the various charities that we support during the year. I think that as we move into the Holiday season it is even more rewarding to know that as an organization we can help a deserving group or an individual even in some small way. Thank you to everyone that regularly contributes to the charities during our meetings.

I would like to remind everyone that our Scholarship Sub-Committee is still hard at work this year. The mailings of the scholarship information to various schools within the area have been completed and we are hopeful that we will receive plenty of well qualified individuals again this year. If any of our membership has children in High School that are college bound for an engineering degree, or if they are presently enrolled in an engineering curriculum at a college, let them know about our scholarship program. They can find information about the scholarships on the ASHE Harrisburg website. I will also remind everyone that as we get into next year, the scholarship sub-committee will again be looking for volunteers to review the applications and help to rank them such that we can pick the winning candidates. So if you are interested in helping out with the review and/or judging, please feel free to contact the Scholarship Sub-Committee for additional information.

Also as a reminder from last month, Central Pennsylvania Engineers Week Council is requesting nominations for Young Engineer of the Year and Techni-



Happy Thanksgiving

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cal Achievement Awards again this year as part of the Engineers Week Awards. This is a great way to recognize someone in the engineering world for holding the values and integrity of engineering to a very high standard. If you know someone that you think may qualify, please feel free to contact Mark Gaines to discuss this.

And remember that our very own former President, John Becker is currently working to fill the various board positions for the next year. There are a lot of very different committee's and functions that we take on each year. All of them are very fulfilling and a great way to meet new people in the business. So give that some thought and if you think you might want to get involved, let John (or one of the board members) know and he can add you to the list.

We want to especially let everyone know that we are currently searching for one of our members to volunteer to take over the work of Profile Editor. This is a very important role in our organization, and we would ask that if you have an interest in this that you should contact Will Sobieray at wsobieray@mbakercorp.com for additional details or questions. Also if you are interested please contact John Becker jbecker.213@comcast.net and let him know that you are interested in this very important position.

Well I hope to see everyone at our upcoming lunch program and with that thank you and have a great month.



Speakers and Presentation

Eric Kinard has been employed by PennDOT for 6 years, the last 4 and half years with the District 8-0 Traffic Unit. He is currently the Signals and Congestion Management Supervisor, responsible for Traffic Impact Study and Signal Design Reviews in the District.

Todd Trautz is currently a Traffic Engineer for Pennoni Associates (Mechanicsburg, PA office) and has been an engineer on a number of design projects and engineering studies that focused on assessing and addressing pedestrian accommodations. Todd assists in the ongoing efforts to provide technical assistance to train and conduct walking route assessments at participating schools throughout Pennsylvania. He leads and conducts efforts related to the Local Safe Roads Communities Program and has assisted with the fabrication of a pedestrian way-finding handbook.



Presentation Topic: ADA Accommodations at PA Signalized Intersections

Objectives:

- Understand the current regulations for pedestrian accessibility at signalized intersections
- Know the triggers for ADA compliance at signalized intersections
- Learn to recognize and understand the needs of pedestrians and their accommodations at signalized intersections
- Acquire a working knowledge of ADA design considerations at signalized intersections

November's Dinner Meeting Photo Gallery



President Todd Morris, P.E., Guest Speaker Kirk Stoner and First Vice President Mark Gaines, P.E.

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Lunch Meeting <i>PDH Event, See Page 1 of this Month's Profile</i>	Dec 6, 2010
Lunch Meeting	TBD
2010 Annual Photo Contest Deadline <i>See Page 7 of this Month's Profile</i>	Jan 24, 2011
Lunch Meeting <i>PDH Event</i>	Feb 11, 2011
Dinner Meeting <i>PDH Event</i>	Mar 7, 2011
2011 ASHE National Conference <i>Orlando, FL</i>	Jun 22-26, 2011

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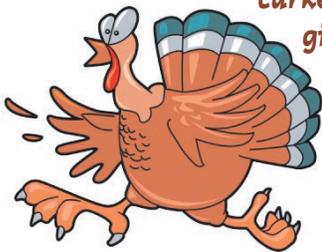
District 8-0 Anticipated Lettings November - December 2010

County	SR	SEC	Project Title	MPMS	Cost Range	Let Date
Cumberland	34	015	Holly Pike Turn Lane	18581	500,000-1,000,000	12/16/2010
Dauphin			Lighting Maintenance 2010	91243	1,000,000-5,000,000	12/16/2010
Dauphin		RDW	7th St Corr Widening	47524	5,000,000-10,000,000	12/16/2010
Lancaster	230	027	E-Town Signal Synchro	87048	500,000-1,000,000	11/19/2010
Lancaster		BRC	Eby Chiques Rd Bridge	19997	1,000,000-5,000,000	12/17/2010
Lancaster		BRC	Garfield Road Bridge	20137	1,000,000-5,000,000	12/17/2010
Lancaster			College Ave. Ext. Ph. 2	80158	1,000,000-5,000,000	12/17/2010

FuN Facts

(To Share at Thanksgiving)

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, more than 45 million turkeys are cooked and eaten in the U.S. at Thanksgiving – that's one sixth of all turkeys sold in the U.S. each year!



A turkey under sixteen weeks of age is called a Fryer, while a young Roaster is five to seven months old. - Ironic, don't you think?

Domesticated turkeys cannot fly. Wild turkeys, however, can fly for at speeds up to 55 miles per hour. They can also reach speeds of 25 miles per hour on the ground.

Courtesy: www.infoplease.com/spot/tgturkeyfacts.html

December's Charity of the Month:

Toys-for-Tots

Please bring Toys-for-Tots donations to the December 6th dinner meeting.

Thank You for Your Support.

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2011 Annual Photo Contest

INTRODUCTION

- Contest eligibility is open to members and friends of the American Society of Highway Engineers (ASHE) Harrisburg Section.
- There is no entry fee required and there are no geographical limits to this contest. By submitting a photograph for this contest, you are granting permission for the ASHE Harrisburg Section to use, duplicate, and distribute a copy of this photograph in any form (electronic or otherwise) as deemed appropriate.
- Roadways, bridges and tunnels are considered parts of highways. We encourage contestants to submit photos of interesting highway features from sites in Pennsylvania; although entries from anywhere in the world are welcome, extra points will be given to photos from Pennsylvania.

JUDGING

- Entries will be judged at the Monday, February 7, 2011 dinner meeting. First, second, and third place awards will be given. The winning entries will be displayed at the American Society of Highway Engineers mall display during Engineers Week. Awards will be presented to the winners at our dinner meeting on Monday, March 7, 2011.

RULES

- Contestants should mail or deliver entries to: Bea Walters
c/o VE Engineering, Inc.
503 Bridge Street, Suite 112
New Cumberland, PA 17070
- All entries must be received no later than January 24, 2011 to be eligible for judging.
- Each contestant may submit only **ONE** (1) photograph, which must have been taken by the contestant. All entries must be 8" X 10" prints. Original slides or negatives will not be accepted. Black and white or color photographs are acceptable in this competition. The contestant's name, address, daytime telephone number and photograph title must be written clearly in ink on the back of the photograph.
- All entries must be accompanied with a brief title (7 words or less) and description (50 words or less) of the highway, bridge or tunnel in the photograph; this description must include the name and location of the highway facility and a brief explanation of any construction or maintenance activity. This write-up must also be e-mailed to the address listed above.
- Entries will be available for pickup at the March 7, 2011 dinner meeting. Late or mutilated photographs are not eligible and will not be considered. The Chairperson's determination regarding late or mutilated photographs shall be final.

QUESTIONS?

- Please contact our Photo Contest Chairperson:
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