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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone and happy end of summer! I hope you are all enjoying your time with family and friends as we prepare for the upcoming season of ASHE starting on September 20. It is a privilege to serve as your incoming President. I hope I bring some excitement and energy to our group and offer an interesting program of events. Please remember one of our goals is to provide educational tools and training opportunities to our membership through dinner meetings and technical sessions. We do our best to offer free PDHs to help with your license requirements. We also provide a forum to unite, share ideas, and celebrate our industry.



I grew up in the Olney section of Philadelphia in a row home. I walked to grade school, walked to high school, and rode the subway to Temple University. I am a true Philly kid! Growing up in the wonderful City of Brotherly Love, I never thought I would end up as a Civil Engineer living, working and designing infrastructure projects for my hometown. It always pleases me to know I can help address the city's infrastructure needs. I am truly lucky to have this opportunity to work and serve in this community.

To kick things off in September, I am happy to announce that Ken McClain, District Executive for PennDOT District 6-0, will provide the latest update on his District's program. Of course, we will have other interesting dinner meeting topics and offer PDH credits. Check out our website (www.delvalley.ashe.pro) and emails for ongoing updates to the program.

As always, we encourage your participation in our society. We are always looking for volunteers for our various committees. I personally would like to invite more young people to attend our dinner meetings, technical sessions, and participate in one or more of our committees. It gives you the opportunity to bolster the growth in your careers.

I would also like to recognize our Past President, Mark Kinnee, along with the rest of the Board members, for their hard work and accomplishments over the last year. Much was accomplished through Mark's leadership and the efforts of the committees. Last September we celebrated our Section's 50th Anniversary with a gala celebration attended by over 300 people. This was the most-attended DelVal event ever in our history.

We have converted to a mostly electronic registration and payment system for our dinner meetings and technical sessions using PayPal, which has simplified registration in advance and at the beginning of our meetings. Please continue to take advantage of this simple way to pay for your ASHE activities.

Our annual Golf Outing was held on June 12 at Chester Valley Golf Course. This was a new venue for us but, as I learned, was a regular stop for the Senior PGA Tour. If you played the course, you now know why it was challenging! Best of all, the event benefitted our scholarship program. We had 113 golfers participate along with many sponsors and we thank all of you and your companies for helping a great cause. The Scholarship Committee awarded 16 scholarships last year for a total of \$15,000 to deserving college students and all from the money raised at our outings! Special thanks to Sarah McInnes for leading our Scholarship Committee. We hope to see you again at our 23rd Annual outing next summer!

The ASHE/PennDOT District 6-0 Workshop was held on May 24 at the District offices. It was another success with more than 120 attendees. The topics included the Delaware River Turnpike Bridge Emergency Repairs, Unique Interchanges, Alternative Delivery Methods, PennDOT Connects and a District 6-0 Update. We greatly appreciate the District's support with this event. We look forward to holding another event in Spring 2018.

We currently have 3 Student Chapters of ASHE at local Universities – Temple, Drexel and Widener. Drexel is the most recent Chapter that came on board in April 2017.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Dinner Meetings

- ◆ September 20
- ◆ October 18
- ◆ November 8 (NOTE - second Wednesday)
- ◆ January 17
- ◆ February 21
- ◆ March 21
- ◆ April 18

Dinner costs are as follows:

\$40 - advance registration (closes end of day Thursday before meeting)

\$50 - after the registration deadline or at the door

\$20 - public agency/student

Technical Sessions (tentative)

- ◆ November 8
- ◆ February 21
- ◆ April 18

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GOLF OUTING A SUCCESS (WE CAME, WE SAW, WE PUTTED...)

It may be hard to believe, but we've been conducting our Annual Golf Outing for 22 years! This year, we introduced a new venue, the Chester Valley Golf Club, and over 100 golfers and wanna-bes turned out on a very hot June 12 to help the cause. Play followed a scramble format with generous "mulligan" packages available for purchase, which all but guaranteed way-below-par scores (assuming everyone reported honestly!). The Outing resulted in over **\$9600** that will go to our **Donna Prentice Memorial Section Scholarship Fund**. We especially appreciate the generosity of our sponsoring firms as well (shown below).

As noted, the scores were incredible, with the winning team from Powell Trachtman finishing with a 13-under-par 57. Second place, also with a 57, was the STV squad.

The event included a 50/50 drawing with two cash prizes and a putting contest, in addition to the "mulligan" packages which enhanced scores to some degree.

Thanks to the Golf Outing Committee and Chair Rob Prophet, as well as the volunteers

for the event, for another successful Outing and a nice-size contribution to the Section Scholarship Fund. And special thanks to Rob for his work at the helm of this Committee (over 10 years doing this!) - this was his last Outing, as Mike Mogan will take the reins for the planning of our 23rd Annual Outing next year.

And, of course, thanks to all who sponsored and participated to make the Outing a success once again.

GOLF OUTING RESULTS

Sponsors

Platinum

AECOM
Powell Trachtman
Urban Engineers

Remington & Vernick
RK & K
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Window Nation Cares

Bag Tag

JMT

Gold

Gannett Fleming
McMahon Associates
Traffic Planning & Design

Individual Contest

Winners

Closest to the Pin
Hole 5 - Kevin Loftus
Hole 7 - Pete Moran
Hole 10 - Ed Engle
Hole 15 - Kevin Dmochowsky
Long Drive - Pete Moran
Straight Drive - Sandi Loy Bell

Silver

J D Eckman
Louis Berger
STV

Hole

Dewberry
Greenman-Pedersen
HDR
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Putting Contest (tie) -
Matt DellaCroce, Tim Gunner

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Continued from Page 1)

Widener is going into its 2nd year and Temple is going into its 3rd year. There will be a Student Chapter Conference at the University of Delaware on September 30 which will include our Section as well as sections from the First State and Chesapeake. We are very excited with our Student Chapters as they develop a foundation for ASHE. Special thanks to John Caperilla who heads up our Student Chapter efforts.

Finally, I encourage all of you to email me directly (JMitchell@mcmahonassociates.com) if you have any comments or suggestions on how we can improve our Section and offer ideas on dinner meeting and technical session presentation topics. We are always seeking ways to make our section the best that it can be. Enjoy the rest of your summer and I look forward to seeing all of you on September 20!

Respectfully,

Jack Mitchell, PE
President, ASHE Delaware Valley Section

2017-18 SECTION OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Our Section Officers and Directors were installed at our April meeting. They are listed here. Please thank these individuals for their volunteer service in the administration and operation of our Section.

Also, we would like to thank **Past President Stephanie Butler** for her service to our Section for many years in several capacities, most recently as a Director. She concluded her term on the Board in April.

PROJECTS OF THE YEAR - 2016

Our Section recognized two efforts as part of our Project of the Year competition last season. As has been done in the past, the process was broken into two categories based on construction cost (under \$10 million and \$10 million and over).

Summaries of our award-winning projects are provided here. For additional information, please see the ASHE Scanner, available on-line at ashe.pro/scanner.html.

The **Holme Avenue Bridge Replacement** project simplified an outdated, structurally deficient, grade-separated traffic circle over the express lanes of Roosevelt Boulevard (US 1) by constructing a new two-span bridge. This project is a fiscally-conscious, complete streets solution that improves pedestrian and vehicle flow. Located in the Rhawnhurst section of Northeast Philadelphia, Pennypack Circle was a traffic circle that connected Holme Avenue and Solly Avenue to the local lanes of Roosevelt Boulevard, utilizing two bridges to span the express lanes of the Boulevard.

As a result of this project, a single two-span bridge was provided to replace the two existing bridges. The new bridge includes six lanes, with wide bicycle-accommodating outside lanes and 10' wide sidewalks. Reconfiguration of adjacent Poquessing Avenue and Fairfield Street helped facilitate improved traffic flow for local streets, emergency access for Nazareth Hospital, and the City of Philadelphia Fire Department Engine Company 18.

Project of the Year 2016
\$10 Million and Over
Holme Avenue Bridges over
Roosevelt Boulevard (US 1)
Express Lanes

Cost - \$16,780,000
 Owner - PennDOT
 Designer - HNTB
 Contractor - Buckley & Co.
 Construction Manager - JMT

The existing stop-controlled entrance to the Hospital, along Fairfield Street, was improved with countdown pedestrian signals and bump-outs to minimize pedestrian crossing lengths and maximize pedestrian safety. The work included the design and construction of water and sanitary sewer facilities for the Philadelphia Water Department, the rehabilitation of nearly a mile of retaining walls along the Boulevard from Rhawn Street to Benson Street, and the resetting of a pedestrian bridge just north of Hoffnagle Street that had been damaged in a collision.

PennDOT sought to address the two existing bridges, dating to 1964, as well as the increased corridor demand. Since the original construction of the Circle, traffic volumes have increased significantly on the Holme Avenue and Solly Avenue approaches, resulting in bottleneck conditions.

HNTB was selected to develop a design with the primary goal of replacement of the existing bridges. Additionally, because the existing geometric layout contributed to traffic congestion, the project stakeholders saw an opportunity to improve the movement of traffic in the neighborhood and emergency access and address the aging water and sanitary sewers along Holme Avenue.

As a result of this project, the Rhawnhurst community, commuters, and visitors have an improved quality of life. Traffic flow was improved with the reconfiguration of a complex signalized traffic circle into a simplified urban street traffic signal. Additional enhancements include improved pedestrian safety by incorporating sidewalk bump-outs, lighting, and the signalized crossings at Fairfield Street. The project is a good example of how the various disciplines involved in the effort - structures, geotechnical, roadway, water resources, utility engineering, lighting, traffic design and construction management - can collaborate to successfully deliver a bridge replacement project over a limited access roadway. Industry professionals can use this project as an example of how to construct a new bridge within the tight confines of existing structures in an urban environment. Future projects can additionally reference this project's "smart" LED street lighting special provisions, which were a first for a PennDOT project located in the City of Philadelphia.



One of the most challenging aspects of the project was the constructability of a structure replacement while maintaining traffic at this intersection.

After a thoughtful analysis of six alternatives, the design team recommended the single bridge in the center of the Circle, which proved to be the most cost-effective and justifiable solution. A traffic control scheme was devised that maintained a minimum of two lanes of traffic along the Boulevard's local and express lanes during peak hours. Early coordination with the Hospital prioritized the maintenance of multiple lanes between the Boulevard and Fairfield Street to minimize impacts to Hospital access. Once the new structure was built and opened to traffic, the existing bridges were removed, with demolition occurring at night using directional closures of the express lanes to remove one span at a time.

The tight urban environment proved to be a challenge when reconfiguring the layout of the roads in the project area. Access for both Nazareth Hospital's emergency room and the Fire Department facility were identified early in the design process and allowed the team to design around critical public safety elements. The wide structure, close proximity of intersections to the bridge abutments, required vertical clearances, and drainage proved to be geometrically challenging. The design team closely collaborated to develop a shallow superstructure depth allowing the "needle to be threaded" with the other geometric constraints.

The major changes to the roadway layout recommended by this project became an opportunity to create a gateway to the community, which was accomplished through aesthetic treatments, specifically the use of brick form liners on the bridge parapets, ornamental fencing and color coordinated signal equipment and street light poles. In addition, the extensive repairs to the retaining walls along Roosevelt Boulevard were incorporated into the project, improving the structure and aesthetic conditions.

The **Old Betzwood Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail Project** (aka Sullivan's Bridge) was designed to improve the connections of the existing trail system in Valley Forge National Historical Park and the regional trail network in Montgomery County. A "temporary" 4' wide trail connection in the eastbound shoulder of the US 422 Expressway bridge has been in use for over 20 years to provide bicycle and pedestrian access across the Schuylkill River. This connection was inadequate as a permanent solution for a regional river crossing as part of the expanding Circuit Trail Network.

Sullivan's Bridge enhances bicycle and pedestrian travel and provides a safe, regional connection between the Schuylkill River Trail and the trail system in the Park. It is a 4-span continuous composite prestressed concrete bulb-T beam structure, 14' wide and 604' long. There is an observation area in the center of the bridge where trail users can stop to view the scenic Schuylkill River and Valley Forge Park.

**Project of the Year 2016
Under \$10 Million
Old Betzwood Bridge Trail
(Sullivan's Bridge)**

*Cost - \$9,570,000
Owner - PennDOT
Designer - Boles, Smyth
Associates
Contractor - J. D. Eckman
Construction Manager -
PennDOT*

As part of this effort, PennDOT replaced the nearby South Trooper Road Bridge over the Schuylkill River Trail with a 60' long reinforced concrete arch structure and rehabilitated the 73' long bridge over the Norfolk Southern Railroad. The pavement in South Trooper Road was replaced with a 14' asphalt trail between Station Lane (on the south side of the river) and the Riverview entrance (on the north side of the river). The Road itself was rehabilitated to accommodate two 14' travel lanes between the Riverview entrance and Susan Lane. The work included landscaping and special railing designs in close coordination with National Park Service (NPS) staff.

The bridge creates a critical link in the Circuit Trail Network, a system of hundreds of miles of interconnected trails, and establishes a new multi-use trail connection between the Schuylkill River Trail and Valley Forge Park as well as between Montgomery and Chester Counties. It improves recreational opportunities, expands bicycle commuter options and improves access for Park visitors. Prior to its opening, non-motorized travelers had to use the temporary narrow "boardwalk" that was established in 1994 following the closure of the Old Betzwood Bridge the year before.

The success of this unique effort can be attributed to stakeholder coordination and collaboration. Through communication and involvement with stakeholders and environmental agencies, design of aesthetics and protection of local animal habitats were incorporated into the work. Close coordination was required with Montgomery County, Upper Merion Township, West Norriton Township, PennDOT, the National Park Service, and the Federal Highway Administration. The bridge was constructed with PennDOT funds but future ownership and maintenance will be the responsibility of the Park Service. This critical agreement allowed the project to move forward, as well as provided the cost savings to PennDOT, consequently helping reconstruction of the adjacent US 422 Bridge to move along a quicker timeline.

Design elements incorporated architectural details such as fencing, railing, and custom materials which preserves the historical aesthetics of the Park. An observation platform at the midspan of the bridge offer sweeping views of the Schuylkill River and park lands. Customized bridge piers provide a basking area for red-belly turtles, which have habitats nearby.

The bridge connects with the Heuser Park Trail in Upper Merion Township and provides new and safer access for bicyclists and pedestrians with Valley Forge Park. It is part of the Schuylkill River Crossing Complex of transportation improvement projects that are designed to enhance multi-modal travel on US 422 between the PA 363 (Trooper Road) and PA 23 (Valley Forge Road) interchanges. These include the \$97 million project currently underway which is rebuilding US 422 in this area and the recently-opened two additional ramps built to complete the US 422/PA 363 Interchange. Another project in this vicinity will relocate North Gulph Road at PA 23 in Valley Forge Park, and this is anticipated to begin construction in 2019.

Driver and trail user safety was addressed throughout the design process and unique project features were introduced to ensure a safe facility for all modes of transportation. The most impactful project feature is the island at the end south of the vehicular roadway (Trooper Road) and the beginning of the trail to the bridge. An extensive safety review was conducted among project sponsors and this considered the transition to the boat launch and Riverview at Valley Forge Entrance in conjunction with the connection to the Schuylkill River Trail, where two-way vehicular traffic on Trooper Road terminates. Additionally, ADA-compliant raised pavement markings were used between the bridge and the island to alert trail users of the upcoming change in trail conditions when coming off the 2.8% downgrade from the bridge.

The trail is a significant safety improvement by providing alternate routes and eliminating the need for pedestrians and bicyclists to traverse the very busy PA 23/US 422 interchange as well as the adjacent PA 23/North Gulph Road intersection in order to access the Valley Forge Park trail system, Visitors Center and Headquarters area.

The health and safety of the traveling public is greatly enhanced with the completion of this trail system. This infrastructure dramatically improves the general health and welfare by promoting exercise and reducing air pollution with alternate non-vehicular modes of transportation.



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The Project of the Year Committee reviewed a total of **nine** submissions this time around. In addition to the two winning entries, other projects considered were the following:

- Adams Avenue Bridge over Tacony Creek, Philadelphia (\$3,5 million)
- Speakman’s Covered Bridge, Chester County (\$2.9 million)
- SR 41 Sections VCB/NPP , Chester County (\$7 million)
- Yellow Springs Road Bridge over Pennsylvania Turnpike, Chester County (\$6.7 million)
- Willow Grove Avenue Bridge over SEPTA, Philadelphia (\$3.2 million)
- Lafayette Street Extension, Phase II, Montgomery County (\$12.3 million)
- SR 202 Section 300, Chester/Montgomery Counties (\$230 million)

Thanks to all firms who submitted for this effort.

2016-17 DVSP PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP - STARTING UP FOR 2017-18 SHORTLY

Our Section started the Delaware Valley Section Patron (DVSP) Program in the 2005-06 season to allow supporting firms to be recognized. We are proud to note that 33 firms participated last season (a new record!), and six additional sponsors have already signed on for 2017-18. Logos of all these firms are provided on page 7.

Many thanks to those of you who made this commitment and helped support our Section. As you may be aware, the proceeds of the DVSP go directly to support our Section’s Scholarship Fund. For a \$200 fee for the season, sponsoring firms are cited for their support with their logos displayed on our website and in THE TRANSPORTATION TIMES. This also provides a “hot link” to access the firm’s website directly from ours.

**DVSP benefits
(\$200 for the season)**

**Logo and Hotlink on
Section Website
(delvalley.ashe.pro)**

**Logo in THE
TRANSPORTATION TIMES**

We are now starting the 2017-18 DVSP program and participating firms will be noted in the next edition of THE TRANSPORTATION TIMES. We will be contacting current participants shortly to determine their interest in continuing. If you are not already a DVSP and would like to join, please contact Bob Wright (information provided on page 8).

SECTION COMMITTEES/CHAIRS

In each edition of THE TRANSPORTATION TIMES we list our Section Committees and chairs. We would like to thank all who participated in these committees last season.

If you have an interest in being part of any Committee, please contact Section President Jack Mitchell (information is provided on page 8).

Please note that some committees have co-chairs to assist in the often-complicated tasks they must handle.

YOUNG MEMBERS COMMITTEE HAPPENINGS

The Committee closed last season with a successful bowling night at Facenda Whitaker Lanes in East Norriton on May 3. Over a dozen younger members joined with two “ringers” (who will remain nameless...) to enjoy an evening of bowling, pizza and drinks, not necessarily in that order. Gift cards were awarded to those who did well in several categories. Thanks to all who came out.

Additional activities are being planned for this season, including a cleanup of our adopted segment of Bethlehem Pike in Ambler/Fort Washington. Please watch for flyers with more information on this and other upcoming events.

**IN MEMORIAM
JAY YANTOSH**

Joseph "Jay" Yantosh, Jr. passed away on June 22 after an extended illness.

Jay graduated from Villanova University where he earned his Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. He worked for Urban Engineers for more than 20 years. He enjoyed Philadelphia sports teams (and his beloved Villanova Wildcats) and his greatest passion was coaching his children in all their sports.

He is survived by his wife of over 35 years, Elizabeth (nee Greenlee) in addition to his three children and one grandson.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Hospice of Philadelphia (Visiting Nurse Association of Greater Philadelphia) at www.donatenow.networkforgood.org/donateVNAGP/, or to Stand Up To Cancer at www.standup2cancer.org.

MEMBERS IN TRANSPORTATION/TRANSITION

Kinnee Appointed to ASHE National Board

Immediate Past Section President **Mark Kinnee** was appointed to a three-year term as Director on the ASHE National Board at the National Conference in New York City in June. Mark has been a member of ASHE since the early 1990's, serving on the Board of the First State Section for several years culminating with his term as Section President for the 2007-08 season. He chaired First State's Scholarship Committee and ran its Golf Outing during his term on the Board. He began service on our Section's Board in 2011, advancing to Secretary in 2013 and to Section President for the 2016-17 season, thus holding the distinction of having served as President for two different Sections of ASHE.

We congratulate Mark and wish him well in his term as Director!

Wintermute Joins Volkert

Volkert, Inc. is pleased to announce that **Michael Wintermute** has joined its Mid-Atlantic Region as Vice President - Pennsylvania Operations. Volkert is a full-service transportation infrastructure firm, offering civil, traffic, and structural engineering; landscape architecture and urban design; bridge safety inspections and construction management and inspection; and transportation planning, right-of-way and environmental services. It recently established a local office in Center City.

Mike has over 24 years of progressive professional engineering and management experience and has a technical background in civil

engineering. His technical experience is entrenched in transportation and infrastructure engineering, spanning multiple transportation modes. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Construction and Engineering Technology from Temple University and has a Masters from Villanova University. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey.

Congratulations to Mike on his new position!

Wright Now at McMahan

Section Past President and Editor of THE TRANSPORTATION TIMES **Bob Wright** has recently started at a position as Project Manager with McMahan Associates at its office in Center City. He has 38 years of experience in highway and transportation facility design, project management and project delivery in both the public and private sectors.

Prior to his move to McMahan, Bob was with two local consulting firms following a long career with the City of Philadelphia Department of Streets.

We wish Bob well in his new endeavor!

**DONNA PRENTICE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION -
OPENING SHORTLY...**

Our Section's Scholarship Program has been benefitting local college students since 1972. We have had one of the largest such efforts among ASHE Sections nationally over the years. Many recipients have gone on to positions in the industry, both locally and out of the area, and a number have become members of ASHE.

Last season, 16 students received awards totaling \$15,000. We are proud to be able to support our local students and help them in their educational pursuits.

This season's competition will open in October, with information and applications to be provided on our website shortly. We strongly encourage students to apply (and ask parents to let their college-age children know about this opportunity!).

**SEE OUR NEW AND
IMPROVED WEBSITE!**

Please visit delvalley.ashe.pro and see our revamped site, with all the Section's information you'll need to keep up-to-date on things.

**REMINDER - PAYPAL
OPTION AVAILABLE**

You can sign up for our Dinner Meetings and pay electronically with PayPal. Details are provided in each Dinner Meeting notice/flyer.



2016-17 DELAWARE VALLEY SECTION PATRONS (DVSP)
Thanks for your support last season! Don't see your logo here? Want to? See page 5 for more information on our DVSP program.



CONTACT Us

THE TRANSPORTATION TIMES, the newsletter of the Delaware Valley Section, is published and distributed to our members several times each season to advise and update all on current events and happenings in our Section.

If you have news items for future editions of THE TRANSPORTATION TIMES, please feel free to contact us.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS UPDATE

As you may be aware, professional engineers, land surveyors and geologists in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, as well as most other states, are required to obtain continued professional development (CPD) credit to renew their licenses. As a reminder, the renewal process for license holders in Pennsylvania has already begun and current licenses will expire at the end of September.

Planning ahead, this may be a good time to assess what your PDH needs are and how you can plan to have them without having to scurry around at the last minute. Our Section's meeting program and Technical Sessions typically offer a collective 10-12 PDH's each season which can be counted toward the needs for license renewal in most states.

We emphasize that it remains an individual's responsibility to document PDH's and have such documentation ready in case of audit. We do provide certificates of meeting attendance/completion that you can keep in your record files, and we retain all meeting sign-in sheets in our files for backup and verification of your participation, should this be needed.

ASHE's requirements for PDH's include submission of a short review of information presented at the meeting, which must be completed by the attendee before he/she can receive the PDH certificate. This process was started last season.

Now You Can Join Electronically!

If you know someone who is considering becoming an ASHE member, our Membership Application can now be downloaded and completed, then submitted via e-mail, with payment available via PayPal. Please visit our website (delvalley.ashe.pro) and click on the **Membership** tab for more information and details on this.

We hope this will make the process of becoming a member of our Section quicker, easier, and more efficient. Please share this information with anyone you know who may be interested in joining our Section.

AND DON'T FORGET YOUR DUES - INVOICE IN YOUR HANDS!

Your invoice for ASHE dues for the 2017-18 season was mailed/e-mailed back in May and payment was due by **June 15** to be consistent with National's billing cycle. Our PayPal option for payment was also available for this for your convenience. We appreciate your prompt payment so you can remain in good

standing with ASHE and our Section (but we hope you've paid by now...!). **We thank you for your continued support.**

Also, please take time to provide your up-to-date contact information on the sheet that accompanies the invoice so that our files may have your current address and e-mail. We appreciate your assistance in this effort.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF HIGHWAY ENGINEERS — MISSION STATEMENT

Provide a forum for members and partners of the highway industry to promote a safe, efficient and sustainable transportation system through education, innovation and fellowship