

President's Message



President Stephanie Butler

The changing of the seasons brings with it a harvest moon, falling leaves, the end of Daylight Savings Time (an additional hour of sleep), plenty of ASHE section activities, as well as other events and programs that thrive in large part due to the participation of our ASHE members. An important program in our section is the **Delaware Valley Sponsorship Program (DVSP)** now beginning its eighth year. Many area firms have been long time participants and we **THANK YOU** for your ongoing support. Bob Wright leads this charge so if you have not yet responded to Bob's invitation this season, please reach out to him. The DVSP proceeds go directly to our Scholarship program, as do the proceeds of our yearly golf outing.

This month we are spotlighting the **Scholarship Committee/Program** for our ASHE DelVal Section. The Scholarship Committee is chaired by **Sarah McInnes** for the second year. Last year, Sarah's committee received 28 applications from students across the Delaware Valley. As the District 6-o Geotechnical Engineer, Sarah has had interaction with scholarship applicants through PennDOT and consultant co-op and internship programs. We feel strongly that this familiarity allowed her to grow the pool of interested students. This was the highest number of applications received in a very long time for the section (possibly even the highest ever)! Once the applications are reviewed and evaluated, the Committee selects the best candidates and a recommendation is made to the Board. Following acceptance and approval by the Board, the applicants are notified. The Section celebrates and recognizes the winners' accomplishments at our February dinner meeting where they are presented with their scholarship award.

The Scholarship program is just one of the ways that our engineering community and ASHE organization supports and promotes future engineers in our region. Over the life of the ASHE Del Val Scholarship program, now proudly named the **Donna Prentice Memorial Scholarship** to honor our own Rich Prentice's late wife, we have been able to award over \$105,350 of scholarship money to very well deserving students. We are looking forward to another successful scholarship season in 2013-2014. Hopefully you

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2013-2014 Meeting Dates

- November 13th (2nd Wednesday)
- January 15th (ASCE Joint Meeting)
- February 19th
- March 19th
- April 16th

Costs will continue to remain the same!

- \$35 - Advance Registration
- \$45 - After Deadline/At the Door
- \$20 - Public Employees / Students

Technical Sessions

- November 13th
- February 19th
- April 16th

Costs will continue to remain the same!

- FREE! - Members
- \$40 - Non-Members



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have been able to encourage deserving students to apply for our Section's scholarship this time around, and we are hoping to beat last year's record for the number of applicants. (Applications were due on October 25.)

Our dinner meetings continue this month on November 13th including a technical session starting at 4:15 PM. Come join us and take advantage of just one of the many ways to keep on earning those PDH's. We look forward to seeing you there.

Respectfully,
Stephanie L. Butler, P.E.
ASHE – Del Val Section, President

**SAVE
THE DATE!**

Technical Sessions

The first Technical Session of the season will be conducted prior to the November 13 Section Meeting. The topic will be "Bridge Automated Design and Drafting (BRADD)". The Session will be conducted by Jay Fitzgerald, PE, SECB, BRADD Manager of PennDOT Central Office, Bureau of Design.

The Session will start at 4:15 PM. Participants will be able to earn 2 professional development hours (PDH's).

A separate flyer will be distributed with additional information.

Additional Technical Sessions are being scheduled for February and April. More information will be provided in future editions of THE TRANSPORTATION TIMES.

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We are also accepting volunteers who would like to participate in Section committees at a non-Board member level. (See page 3 for a list of current Section committees and committee chairs.) Please let us know if you have interest and we will put you to work.

2013 ASHE National Lifetime Achievement Awards



As noted in Edition #1 of THE TRANSPORTATION

TIMES, our own Dick Prentice was presented with this award at the National Conference in Lake Placid, NY in June.

To cite Dick locally, we invited National

President Tom Morisi to

our September Section Meeting to recognize Dick accordingly.

Professional Development Requirements



Professional engineers, land surveyors and geologists in Pennsylvania are required to obtain continued professional development (CPD) credit to renew their licenses.

- PE license renewal period started October 1, 2013
- Each licensee will need to verify they have met the 24 PDH requirement during the two year licensure period
- A similar requirement was effected for New Jersey PE's in 2011, and those licenses will be due for renewal in April 2014

Many of our Section's Meetings and Technical Sessions will be able to count toward your PDH requirement and a verification program is in place to help you obtain and track your PDH's.

PA PDH's are able to be counted for requirements in other states. Many states also allow a certain number of PDH's to be carried over. PA permits carryover of 12 PDH's to the following license period.

Section Committees

Our Section Committees and Committee chairs are listed below. If you have an interest in being part of any Committee, please contact Section President Stephanie Butler or First Vice President/Editor Bob Wright (contact information is provided on page 6).

Please note that some committees have co-chairs to assist in the often-complicated tasks they must handle. Additionally, the Auditing Committee is being restructured based on the revised Section By-laws recently passed by the Section and National Boards.

ASHE/PennDOT Breakfast Meeting.....	Curt Shugars
Dinner Meetings.....	Alexa Harper, Don Stark
50/50	Dick Prentice
Golf.....	Rob Prophet
Hotel.....	Phil Mandato
Membership.....	John Caperilla
Newsletter	Bob Wright
Nominating.....	Bob Wright
Program.....	Jeff Given, Rob Prophet
Project of the Year	Bill Laird
Public Relations.....	Don Steele
Scholarships.....	Sarah McInnes
Social/Society Relations	Elaine Elbich
Student Chapters	John Caperilla
Technical Papers	Bruce Masi
Technical Sessions.....	Jack Mitchell
Website.....	Pete Berthold
Young Members.....	Alexa Harper



Delaware Valley **Engineers Week**

Awards and Proclamation Luncheon | Doubletree Hotel, Center City Philadelphia

**FEB
14**

This event is both the kickoff event of Engineers Week and the main event of the Delaware Valley celebrations.

A display and poster session of student paper winners will be conducted prior to the Luncheon, starting at 11 AM.

All Delaware Valley Awards and Scholarships will be presented.

Project and individual awards of all participating engineering societies in the Delaware Valley will be recognized.

Engineers Week proclamations received from federal, state and local representatives will be on display.

The newly-elected Engineer of the Year and Young Engineer of the Year will make brief remarks.

Young Engineers Social | Manayunk Brewery, Manayunk, Philadelphia

**FEB
18**

This will be a happy hour/social networking event geared to younger engineers.

The Young Engineer of the Year will make brief remarks.

Celebration of Engineering Reception | Villanova Conference Center, Radnor

**FEB
20**

The culminating event of Engineers Week will be a social/networking gala event to celebrate engineering. There will be cocktails, appetizer stations, and dessert stations.

Award recipients will be honored with posters, exhibits, and a running PowerPoint presentation in the networking area.

Future City Competition Regional winners will display their first-place model.

The Engineer of the Year and Young Engineer of the year will provide brief remarks.

Currently, the Delaware Valley Engineers Week Committee is in need of volunteers to assist in the many activities surrounding Engineers Week. If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions on the various volunteer opportunities, please contact the Committee at www.dvewc.org.

The Committee will offer these events related to Engineers Week. Please note the dates in your calendar. More information will be provided as details are finalized. Please check the website (www.dvewc.org) for updates.

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- Logo and Hotlink on Website
- Logo in The Transportation Times

The Section started the D.V.S.P. Program in the 2005-06 season to allow supporting firms to be recognized. We are proud to note that 13 firms are participating in this season's offering of the Program thus far (listed above). Many thanks to those of you who have signed up and helped support the Section's many activities. The proceeds of the D.V.S.P. go directly to support the Section's Scholarship Fund.

Last season's sponsors were contacted in September to determine their interest in continuing as D.V.S.P.'s for 2013-14. If you are not in this Program and would like to join, please contact Section President Stephanie Butler or First Vice President/Editor of THE TRANSPORTATION TIMES Bob Wright (contact information is given on page 6).

This season, the previously-available two levels of support were combined into a single commitment that will have the sponsor logos shown on both our website and in THE TRANSPORTATION TIMES for a \$200 fee.

Donna Prentice Memorial Section Scholarship Competition

- The Program was started by the Section in 1972.
- It has benefited numerous local college students.
- It was renamed in honor of the late Donna Prentice, wife of longtime Section member Dick Prentice, in 2003.
- Successful candidates will be notified in February and invited to attend our February Section Meeting to be honored.

For Scholarship information,
requirements, and the application
form, please visit our website
www.ashedv.org

or

Scholarship Committee Chair
Sarah McInnes smcinnes@padot.gov

Young Members Committee

Following the Committee's first successful community service event at Valley Forge Park in April, a second Park clean-up was conducted on September 28. Thanks to those who participated and helped spruce up the Park once again.



The Committee will join forces with the Philadelphia Section ASCE Younger Members Forum, as was done last year, for a social/happy hour at the Rock Bottom Restaurant and Brewery at the King of Prussia Plaza on Thursday, December 12, starting at 5 PM. A reminder will be sent out closer to the date. We hope all young members (both young in age and young at heart) will be there to share some food, drink and camaraderie (and the camaraderie is free!)

From the Editor

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

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

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