

The Mid-Allegheny Minutes



November 2, 2022 Dinner Meeting

The second meeting of the ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section 2022-2023 program was held at Chestnut Ridge Golf Resort and Conference Center. Following dinner **Darin Hettich, PE, CBSI**, and **Haris Fetahagic, PE**, both with GPI, gave a presentation on AASHTO Bridge Preservation Guidelines and applications of bridge preservation work in Pennsylvania. Topics included bridge condition assessment specifics and preservation repair strategies such as re-decking, spot and full painting, bearing replacements, heat straightening and soil nails. QR Codes to several bridge preservation pocket guides were also shown and discussed as part of the presentation.



Haris Fetahagic (left) and Darin Hettich (right)

Darin's and Haris's presentation, including all of the QR codes and references, is available on the ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section website. The Mid-Allegheny Section thanks Darin and Haris for their insight and presentation on this current and relative transportation improvement topic.

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Summer 2019 Sporting Clay Shoot

After a two-year hiatus, the ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section resumed their Sporting Clay Shoot Outing at Promise Land Sporting Clays in Freeport, PA on October 6, 2022. The event drew approximately 50 shooters who once again enjoyed this event, which closed with another excellent barbeque and BYOB dinner. With the continued enjoyment and success of this event, another sporting clay shoot outing is planned for the Summer of 2023. We thank all our sponsors and supporting members for their attendance and support of the event. Some pictures from the October Clay shoot are below on page 3 of this newsletter.

2022 ASHE Mid-Allegheny Outstanding Highway Engineering Awards

The ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section is again sponsoring Outstanding Highway Engineering Awards for projects in which construction was completed in 2022. The application and additional information is available on the ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section website. The applications are due by February 28, 2023.

Fall 2023 Scholarships

The ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section will again be sponsoring a scholarship program for the Fall 2023 semester. Scholarships will be provided for students seeking both two-year and four-year degrees related to CADD, engineering technology, engineering design, and civil engineering. Applicants must be residents of the state of Pennsylvania. The applications and additional information are available on the ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section website. The applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2023.

ASHE Mid-Allegheny Website

The ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section's website has been updated with a new look and is now live. The website address will remain the same (www.midallegheny.ashe.pro) and provides information similar to that in the past.

Thank You and Farewell to the Rustic Lodge

After being one of Indiana County's premier banquet facilities for over 75 years, the Rustic Lodge permanently closed its doors on October 31, 2022. The Rustic Lodge



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hosted the ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section's dinner meetings for over 20 years.



The last ASHE Mid-Allegheny Section dinner meeting at the Rustic Lodge was held on September 14, 2022. At that meeting, our Section presented the Rustic Lodge and owner Joe Lubold with a plaque as an expression of gratitude and commemorating our association with the Rustic Lodge over the many years.



Rustic Lodge Owner Joe Lubold

The Mid-Allegheny Section thanks Joe and all of his staff for the tremendous service, accommodations, and food that was made for the Section over the years, and wishes Joe and his family the best for the future.

Upcoming events include:

- Dinner meeting on Wednesday January 11, 2023. Alicia Kavulic, PE, District Geotechnical Engineer - District 10-0, will be giving a presentation on Geosynthetic Reinforced Slopes. **Please note: This dinner meeting will be held at the Indiana Country Club in Indiana, PA**
- **Save The Date:** Joint dinner meeting with the ASHE Altoona Section on February 15, 2023 at the University of Pittsburgh Johnstown. More information will be made available as the date approaches
- ASHE National Conference from June 7-11, 2023 in Atlanta, GA

Additional information on the events above can be found on our website.

We sincerely thank all of our Members and Sponsoring Firms for your continued support of the Section.

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If you have comments or suggestions related to presentations, meetings, or this newsletter, please forward a brief e-mail to the effect. Our board welcomes feedback so we can better serve our membership and industry.

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Fall 2022 Clay Shoot



Thank you for all that attended and sponsored the Fall 2022 Clay Shoot!