SEPTEMBER LUNCH MEETING

Date: Thursday, September 17, 2009
Time: 11:30 AM – Registration
12:00 PM – Lunch
Place: Best Western Columbus North
888 East Dublin Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio 43229
Speaker: H. Wayne Jones, PE – Senior Regional Engineer for the Asphalt Institute

Topic: Warm Mix Asphalt

The asphalt industry has started using a new technology called Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA). WMA started in Europe, but its use is rapidly expanding here in the U.S. There are several processes that allow the manufacture, transporting, and installation of asphalt mixtures from 50°F to 100°F cooler than traditional temperatures. One of the technologies even allows the mixture to be placed below 212°F. When the temperature is lowered that much, a whole host of environmental and construction benefits become a reality, such as lower fuel and energy usage, less greenhouse gases, longer paving seasons, and better performing pavements. PDH certificates will be provided.

Menu: Choices are Roast Prime Rib, Baked Chicken, or Vegetarian Lasagna (please indicate your menu choice when registering).

Cost: $20 – Members and Guests
$15 – Life Members
$10 – Students

Reservations: Please e-mail (or phone in) reservations and menu selection to Julie Pickering at Julie.Pickering@Stantec.com or (614) 486-4383 by 3 PM on Wednesday, September 9, 2009.
Letter From the President

With another summer coming to a close, I am excited about the lineup of meetings we have this coming year. We'll start this month with a presentation on warm mix asphalt, which may be able to provide benefits to the paving industry. We'll also be having pertinent topics that should be of interest to each civil engineering discipline. I hope to see you at these monthly events.

I'd like to thank our outgoing president Emily Wieringa for leading our section this past year. Her example of guidance and direction helped the section continue to be strong in this difficult past year. Also, we had a great range of topics last year at our meetings and I’d like to thank all of those speakers. I’d also like to thank Jim Pajk and the younger member’s group for their efforts with the golf outing this past June.

I really want to encourage each of you to become more involved in our local section of ASCE. There are plenty of opportunities to become more active, from volunteer activities such as judging at the State Science Fair that we cosponsor, to becoming more involved in the student chapters and encouraging recent graduates to join ASCE, to volunteering for one of our subcommittees or becoming more involved in the younger member’s group. Another way is to become more active in speaking with your local representatives to encourage responsible funding for infrastructure programs. If you’re interested, please contact me by email (glynskey@riverconsulting.com) or see me at our next meeting. If each of us can give a little more time, the section will grow and our profession will even more so.

I sincerely hope to see you at the September meeting. See the front cover of the newsletter for details. Don’t forget that attendance to most of our meetings will earn you one hour of Continuing Professional Development toward the Ohio requirements for licensed professional engineers. Also, volunteering can earn you additional CPD hours – get involved!

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6th Annual ASCE Ohio University Student Chapter Golf Outing

What: 6th Annual ASCE Ohio University Student Chapter Golf Outing
This is a fundraising event developed to help finance the Ohio University Chapter’s many projects, competitions, and other activities.

When: Saturday, October 3rd, 2009
Check-in at 11:30 am
Shot-gun start at 12:00 pm

Where: The Ohio University Golf Course in Athens, Ohio

Cost: (Prices include greens fees w/ cart for 18 holes; snacks; beverages (Beer, pop, water); dinner and social afterward.) Alumni & Faculty- $80; Students - $40; Social only - $10

Prizes: Prizes will be awarded for 1st & 2nd place team scores, long drive, closest to the pin, longest putt, and $5 hit the green.

The ASCE fall social will follow the event later that night. The social will start at 6 pm with the location announced at the outing. You are invited to join in the food, fun, and drinks!

RSVP: To RSVP or for sponsorship opportunities, please contact Justin Krantz at 330-447-6717 or jk314006@ohio.edu

Patrick Fox wins Thomas A. Middlebrooks Award from ASCE

Central Ohio Section Member, Patrick J. Fox, has been awarded the 2009 Thomas A. Middlebrooks Award by the American Society of Civil Engineers for the paper “Effect of progressive failure on measured shear strength of geomembrane/GCL interface”, which he authored with Robert H. Kim and published in the Journal of Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering, 134(4).

Congratulations to Dr. Fox.

The Thomas A. Middlebrooks Award is made to the author or authors of a paper published by the Society judged worthy of special commendation for its merit as a contribution to geotechnical engineering. Papers written by young engineers are given preference.

Newsletter Distribution Update
In the growing age of electronic communication, we too are looking at the most cost effective ways to get information to our members. It has been customary for us to send out monthly newsletters via the US Postal Service every month we’ve had meetings, but it takes a lot of resources to do this. We feel that with our website and mass emailing capability we can communicate with most members more efficiently. While this September issue will be mailed via US Postal Service, the Board has decided to send all future newsletters via email and by also posting it to the website. If you don’t have access to email or would otherwise prefer to receive a hardcopy of the newsletter by mail, please let us know (even if you’ve done so before). Contact Brooks Vogel at 614-487-1650.
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