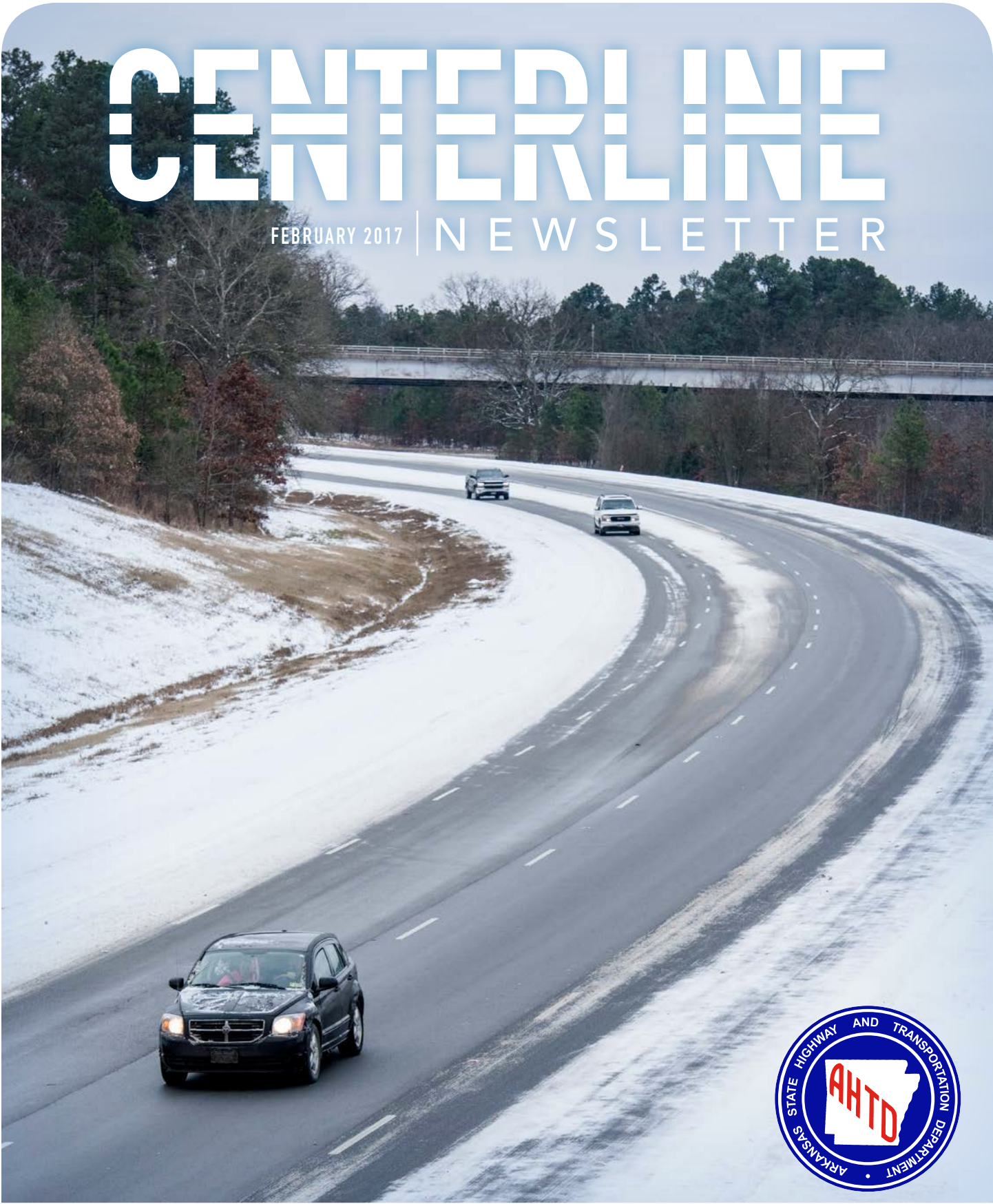


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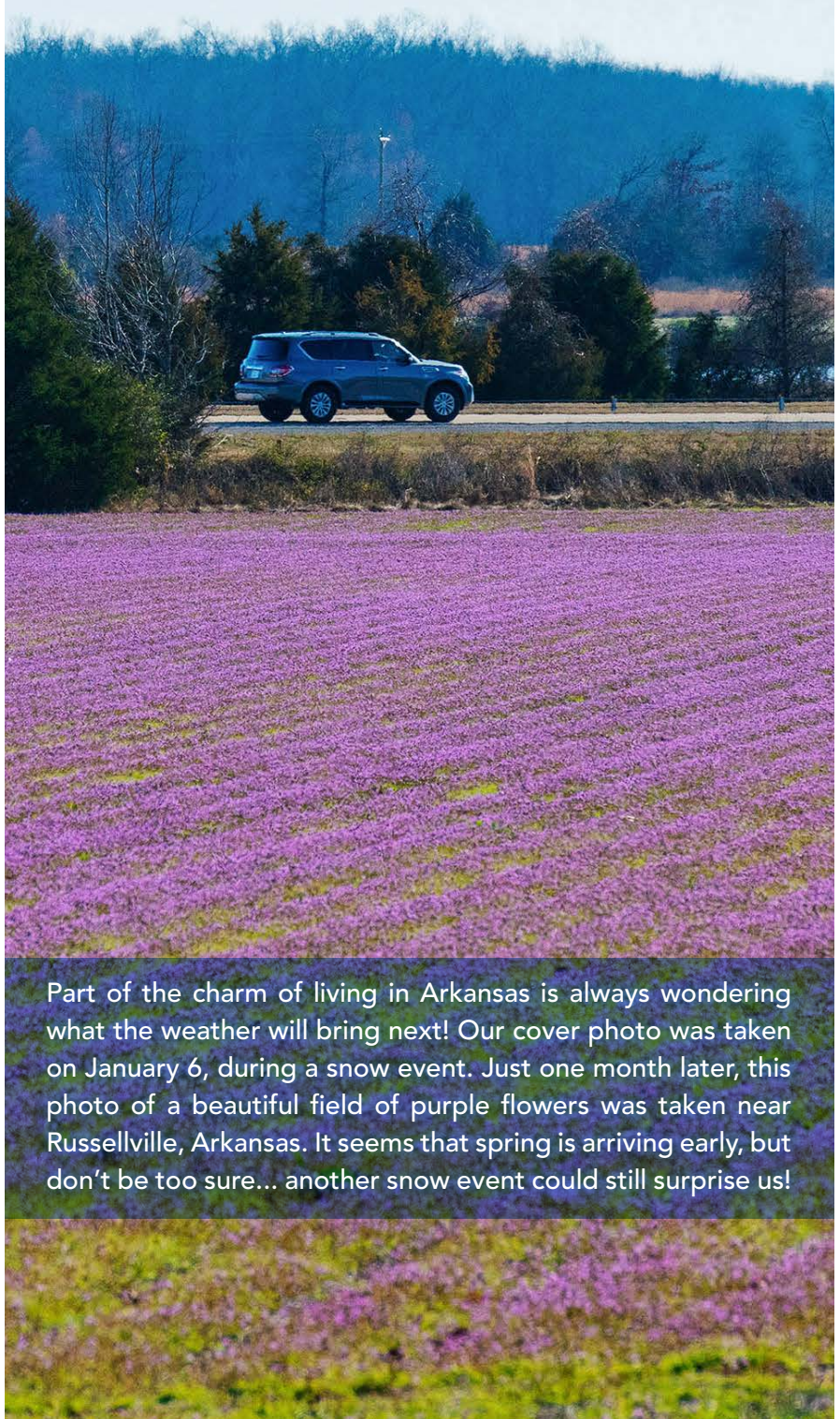
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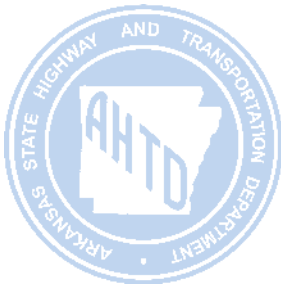
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WINTER MELTS INTO SPRING



Part of the charm of living in Arkansas is always wondering what the weather will bring next! Our cover photo was taken on January 6, during a snow event. Just one month later, this photo of a beautiful field of purple flowers was taken near Russellville, Arkansas. It seems that spring is arriving early, but don't be too sure... another snow event could still surprise us!



Arkansas State Highway Employee RETIREMENT SYSTEM

SUMMARY RETIREMENT DATA for the 2 Years ending June 30, 2016

	<u>JUNE 30, 2016</u>	<u>JUNE 30, 2015</u>
1. Assets		
Market Value	\$1,304.9 million	\$1,443.5 million
Actuarial Value	\$1,447.3 million	\$1,430.5 million
2. Members		
a. Actives not in DROP	3,406	3,338
b. Actives in DROP	364	333
c. Inactive, vested	206	217
d. Retirees and Beneficiaries	3,301	3,244
3. Covered Payroll (excluding DROP participants)	\$141.9 million	\$140.5 million
4. Normal Cost Rate	12.50%	12.44%
5. Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$241.9 million	\$198.7 million
6. Actuarial Assets as % of Actuarial Accrued Liability	85.70%	87.80%
7. Funding Period	Infinite	48.4 years
8. Investment Rate of Return	(3.74)%	2.29%
9. Member Contributions	\$9.4 million	\$9.1 million
10. Member Contribution Rate	6.00%	6.00%
11. State Contributions	\$19.2 million	\$19.1 million
12. State Contribution Rate	12.90%	12.90%
13. Benefit, Refund, and Expense Payments	\$106.9 million	\$102.3 million
14. Net Investment Income	(\$60.3) million	\$25.4 million
15. Employer Contribution Rate Necessary to Produce 30-Year Funding Period	16.57%	14.72%



Emanuel Banks

EMANUEL BANKS NAMED TO AASHTO COMMITTEE

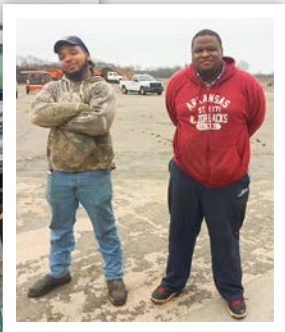
EMANUEL BANKS, DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF ENGINEER, has been named as the Region 2 representative of the Highways Special Committee on U.S. Route Numbering for the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO). The announcement was made in January by AASHTO President David Bernhardt.

The special committee recommends to AASHTO's Standing Committee on Highways actions to take regarding proposed revisions, additions or deletions to U.S. numbered and Interstate highway routes. It also advises the standing committee on matters of policy dealing with the numbered and Interstate systems, and implements the U.S. bicycle route numbering system.

Banks' four-year term will run until the end of AASHTO's 2021 annual meeting. ♦



Below:
(L.) Jonathon Smith
and (R.) Jeremy Liddell



DEPOSIT OR WITHDRAWAL?

District Two Jefferson County Crew members (L.) Jonathon Smith, Maintenance Aide II, and (R.) Jeremy Liddell, Maintenance Aide I, made an unusual discovery while on Interstate 530 on December 28th. The two came upon an automatic teller machine (ATM) lying in the grass on the side of the Interstate.

The crew immediately contacted the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office to report their discovery. Authorities arrived on the scene to take possession of the ATM. They reported that the seal to the money safe had not been broken and the machine likely still contained cash.

No word from authorities on where the atm may have come from. ♦

GRADUATION PHOTOS Due by Monday, April 24

LET EVERYONE KNOW how proud you are of your favorite high school or college graduate! **Submit your photos to the Public Information Office NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M.,**

MONDAY, APRIL 24TH in order to have yours included in our special section to be published in the June issue of the *CenterLine Newsletter*. Photos and information must be submitted according to the following guidelines so that the photos will print clearly and with the proper identification.

Photos should be submitted as color, high-resolution, digital images saved as JPEG or TIFF format. Low-resolution images, or ones taken with a mobile phone, are strongly discouraged as they will not print clearly. Hard copies of photos may also be submitted. Hard copies will be returned after the graduation section has been printed.



WITH YOUR PHOTO, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: Student Name, School Name, Student's Relationship to AHTD Employee, Employee Name and Employee District/Division. ♦

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AHTD Business Cards

NEW LOOK, NEW ORDERING PROCEDURE

THE NEW YEAR BEGAN WITH A NEW LOOK FOR DEPARTMENT BUSINESS CARDS AND A NEW PROCESS FOR PLACING CARD ORDERS.

Designed by the Public Information Office, the new layout is one that brings consistency to the look and promotes identity with the AHTD brand. These new cards are meant to replace the official black and white cards that have been used for several years and are the only authorized business cards for the Department. Employees are no longer able to design and print their own business cards.

With the new cards comes a new ordering process — replacing one that took several weeks and several signatures to complete. All card orders will now be placed through a new web site: www.nationsprint.com/ahtd. A shortcut to this location has been placed on the Administrative Forms page found on the Department's intranet. This is the same location that the old business card request form was found.

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Standard Business Card (Single-Sided)". It includes fields for "Name and Title", "First Name" (with "Mark" entered), "Last Name" (with "Headley, P.E." entered), "Title Line 1" (with "District Engineer" entered), and "Title Line 2". There are also sections for "Division Information" and "Section Other" with dropdown menus. A preview of the business card is shown on the right, featuring the AHTD logo and contact information for Mark Headley, P.E., District Engineer, District 6.

The new procedure is simple. Employees authorized by their supervisor to order business cards must first create an account profile. Once an account is created, an order can be placed. Supervisors will receive a request for approval email for each employee's order of business cards.

Once approved, the card order will be submitted to an outside vendor for printing. The cards will be printed and shipped directly to the recipient. As with the old system, all costs for printing will be incurred by Public Information/Reprographics.

Employees with business cards are asked to use their remaining stock of official black and white cards before placing a new order. Any employee using an unauthorized card should recycle them and order a new set from the website.

Questions regarding the logistics of navigating the web site and placing an order can be directed to Holly Butler in the Public Information Office at extension 2227. ♦

Upcoming Dates to **REMEMBER**

WHAT'S AHEAD

MARCH/APRIL

MARCH 12 // SUNDAY

• DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

Remember to set your clocks forward one hour.



APRIL 12 // WEDNESDAY

- AHTD Bid Letting
Central Office, Little Rock

APRIL 26 // WEDNESDAY

- Highway Commission Meeting
Central Office, Little Rock, 10:30 a.m.

Donating to the **CATASTROPHIC LEAVE BANK?**

THE DEADLINE IS APPROACHING

for employees who want to consider donations to the Department's Catastrophic Leave Bank.

The screenshot shows a "Requests" menu with five items, each with a right-pointing arrow: "My Current Requests", "Donate CatD Annual", "Donate CatD Sick", "Time Off Request-Full Day", and "Time Off Request-Partial Day".

Donations must be submitted in Kronos before the deadline on March 31st to count for the 2016 – 2017 Leave Year. To submit a donation in Kronos, simply click on "My Information," and then click on "My Requests." Be sure to select the appropriate pay code depending on the type of accrued leave you wish to donate. Please keep in mind that Annual and Sick leave are the only types of leave that may be donated.

Employees should donate at least eight hours per leave year to be eligible to receive Catastrophic Leave.

Please refer to the Personnel Manual for details regarding participation in the Catastrophic Leave Program or contact the Personnel Office at 501-569-2458 if you have related questions. ♦





SERVICE AWARDS

THANK YOU to AHTD employees whose dedication and service to the Department has reached 25, 30, 35 and even 40-plus years. And CONGRATULATIONS to those employees that retired from the Department in 2016.

CENTRAL OFFICE



30 YEARS:

(Back Row L. to R.)
Presenter – Director
 Scott E. Bennett, **MARK EVANS, MIKE FUGETT, JOE SARTINI, JAMES STEVENS, HENRY MCCOY, BILL RYAN, DANNY KEENE, RON MITCHELL.**

(Front Row L. to R.)
BOBBY BRADSHAW, JEFF INGRAM, DAVIN WEBB, VIRGINIA PORTA, BRIAN FREYALDENHOVEN, ROSS BATSON, MARGARETT HANCE, RICKEY PRINCE.

SERVICE AWARDS



25 YEARS: (Back Row L. to R.) *Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett, LYNANNE IVY, CARROLL LATHAMN, JON HOLCOMB, JOY SCRIVNER.* (Front Row L. to R.) **PAUL DORSEY, EDDIE TANNER, GENE KUETTEL, PATRICK HOLLEY.**



35 YEARS: (Back Row) *Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.* (Front Row L. to R.) **CHARLIE HOLLAND, MINNIE BETH WHITE, BRYANT TERRELL, JONATHAN ANNABLE.**



40 YEARS: (Back Row) *Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.* (Front Row L. to R.) **CHARLES WINKLER, PAUL SIMMS.**



RETIRING: (Back Row L. to R.) *Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.* (Front Row L. to R.) **RON PRICE, LINDY BRAGG, LYDELL HARRIS, TAMMY CAPLE, SHIRLEY HENRY, RICKY PRINCE.**

DISTRICT ONE



SERVICE AWARDS



25 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenters: Commissioner Alec Farmer, District Engineer Rex Vines, **TONY PALMER, OPAL LUSTER**, Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.



30 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenters: Commissioner Alec Farmer, District Engineer Rex Vines, **GARY FENDLEY, WAYNE HAMILTON**, Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.



RETIRING: (L. to R.) Presenters: Commissioner Alec Farmer, District Engineer Rex Vines, **CHESTER ALLWHITE, RICKEY BRICKEY, WILLIAM KINARD SR., WAYNE HAMILTON**, Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.

DISTRICT TWO



SERVICE AWARDS



25 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenters: Commissioner Robert S. Moore, Jr., Director Scott E. Bennett, **CHRISTOPHER HUNTHROP**, Presenter – District Engineer Deric Wyatt.



RETIRING: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: District Engineer Deric Wyatt, Commissioner Robert S. Moore, Jr., Director Scott E. Bennett. (Front Row L. to R.) **JOHN HAYNES**, **ELVEN MUSTIFUL**, **CHARLES SMITH**, **RAY SPEARS**.

DISTRICT THREE



SERVICE AWARDS



25 YEARS: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: District Engineer Stephen Frisbee, Director Scott E. Bennett. (Front Row L. to R.) DAVID MORTON, TIMOTHY NOLEN, SYDNEY RATCLIFF, BRIAN IMLER, CHARLES BRADLEY.



30 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenter – District Engineer Stephen Frisbee, RANDELL HOWARD, CHARLES TALLMAN JR., Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.



RETIRING: (L. to R.) Presenter – District Engineer Stephen Frisbee, DIANE WILLMON, SUSAN MONROE, MARY GREEN, BILLIE STEWART, Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.

DISTRICT FOUR



SERVICE AWARDS



25 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenter – Commission Chairman Dick Trammel, TINA READING, SHANE REEVES, Presenters: District Engineer Chad Adams, Director Scott E. Bennett.



30 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenter – Commission Chairman Dick Trammel, EDWARD JAMES, KENNETH GENTRY, PAM BRUCE, DAN MOWERY, Presenters: District Engineer Chad Adams, Director Scott E. Bennett.



RETIRING: (L. to R.) Presenter – Commission Chairman Dick Trammel, MARK SIMPSON, Presenters: Director Scott E. Bennett, District Engineer Chad Adams.

DISTRICT FIVE

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SERVICE AWARDS



25 YEARS: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: District Engineer Bruce Street, District Construction Engineer Joe Trantham, District Maintenance Engineer Timothy Dunlap, Director Scott E. Bennett. (Front Row L. to R.) **BRIAN BRATCHER, DAVID BAILEY, STEPHEN BOLIN, JOSHUA GREEN.**



30 YEARS: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: District Engineer Bruce Street, District Construction Engineer Joe Trantham, Director Scott E. Bennett, **BILLY MACK, MACON RAMSEY, RICKEY SIMPSON.** (Front Row L. to R.) **STACEY CAPLENER, SCOTT QUALLS, TIM DUNLAP, KENNY BOWREN, BOBBY WILKERSON.**



40 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenters: District Engineer Bruce Street, District Construction Engineer Joe Trantham, **DONNIE SCHMIDT,** Presenters: Director Scott E. Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer Timothy Dunlap.



RETIRING: (L. to R.) Presenters: District Engineer Bruce Street, Arkansas Highway Police Chief Ron Burks, **RONNIE ANDERSON, LYNDAL WAITS,** Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.

DISTRICT SIX



SERVICE AWARDS



25 YEARS: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: District Maintenance Engineer Johnathon Mormon, Director Scott E. Bennett, District Construction Engineer Tony Evans.
(Front Row L. to R.) **MARK HEADLEY, CHRIS COLE, LEE COLLINS.**



30 YEARS: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: District Construction Engineer Tony Evans, District Engineer Mark Headley, Director Scott E. Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer Johnathon Mormon.
(Front Row L. to R.) **JOHN CALDWELL, CORKY CHAMBERLAIN, HULET JACOBS.**



40 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenters: District Construction Engineer Tony Evans, District Engineer Mark Headley, **DANNY DENNIE**, Presenters: Director Scott E. Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer Johnathon Mormon.



RETIRING: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: District Engineer Mark Headley, District Maintenance Engineer Johnathon Mormon, District Construction Engineer Tony Evans, Director Scott E. Bennett.
(Front Row L. to R.) **JERRY CAMPBELL, MILES CARROLL, HARVEY PETERSON, JR., ANTHONY NIX, TOMMY D. BOWLING.**

DISTRICT SEVEN



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SERVICE AWARDS



30 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenters: District Engineer Jeff Venable, Commissioner Robert S. Moore, Jr., **DENNIS CARPENTER**, Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.



35 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenters: District Engineer Jeff Venable, Commissioner Robert S. Moore, Jr., **BRUCE PEPPER**, Presenter – Director Scott E. Bennett.



RETIRING: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: Commissioner Robert S. Moore, Jr., Director Scott E. Bennett, District Engineer Jeff Venable. (Front Row L. to R.) **JEWELL WILLIAMS, DEBORAH PURIFOY, TOMMIE KITCHENS, JOHN CRAIG, MICHAEL BARNETT.**

DISTRICT EIGHT



SERVICE AWARDS



25 YEARS: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: Commissioner Frank D. Scott, Jr., Director Scott E. Bennett, District Engineer Scott Mullis. (Front Row L. to R.) **JACK BOCKSNICK, THALE KEISLING, TOBY WARD, NICKY SCRIVNER, KYLE GOSS.**



30 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenter – Commissioner Frank D. Scott, Jr., **KEITH CHRONISTER**, Presenters: Director Scott E. Bennett, District Engineer Scott Mullis.



RETIRING: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: Commissioner Frank D. Scott, Jr., Director Scott E. Bennett, District Engineer Scott Mullis. (Front Row L. to R.) **KERRY BLAIR, BRIGETTE ROBERSON, RONNIE BROOKS, DEB TOLBERT, DAVID HOGUE.**

DISTRICT NINE

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SERVICE AWARDS



25 YEARS: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: Commission Chairman Dick Trammel, Director Scott E. Bennett, District Engineer Steve Lawrence. (Front Row L. to R.) **PAUL THORNHILL, JAMES BRANSTETTER, DARREL NICHOLS, TAMMY PHILLIPS.**



35 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenter – Commission Chairman Dick Trammel, **DIANE TOMLINSON**, Presenters: District Engineer Steve Lawrence, Director Scott E. Bennett.



RETIRING: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenters: Commission Chairman Dick Trammel, Director Scott E. Bennett, District Engineer Steve Lawrence. (Front Row L. to R.) **WILLIAM GROZIS, JEFFERY MCFALL, KAREN LEONARD, DIANE TOMLINSON, MICHAEL BRASEL.**

DISTRICT TEN

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25 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenter – District Engineer Brad Smithee, **JERRY REEVES, RICKY MORRIS**, Presenters: Director Scott E. Bennett, Commissioner Alec Farmer.

SERVICE AWARDS



30 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenter – District Engineer Brad Smithee, **DAVID PRINE**, Presenters: Director Scott E. Bennett, Commissioner Alec Farmer.



35 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenter – District Engineer Brad Smithee, **RANDAL COOPER, BENNY DENTON**, Presenters: Director Scott E. Bennett, Commissioner Alec Farmer.



40 YEARS: (L. to R.) Presenter – District Engineer Brad Smithee, **JIMMY ADAMS**, Presenters: Director Scott E. Bennett, Commissioner Alec Farmer.



RETIRING: (Back Row L. to R.) Presenter – District Engineer Brad Smithee, **MICHAEL FARRELL, GREIG LYNN**, Presenters: Director Scott E. Bennett, Commissioner Alec Farmer. (Front Row L. to R.) **WALTER MCMILLAN, ROY CLARK, T. DAVID ELLIS, RICKY MORRIS, BENNY DENTON**.



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1. MAINTENANCE: (L. to R.) Stewart Linz, Staff Heavy Bridge Maintenance Engineer, presents Monty Frazier, Statewide Bridge Inspector, with his 10-Year Service Award.



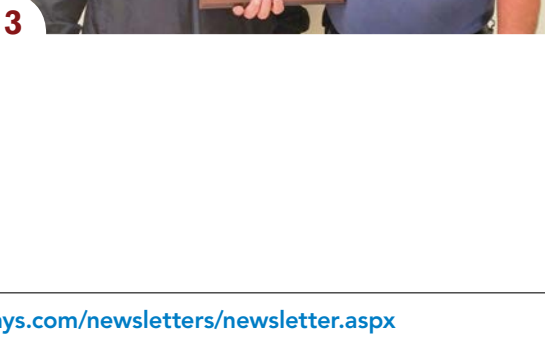
2. MAINTENANCE: (L. to R.) Stewart Linz, Staff Heavy Bridge Maintenance Engineer, presents Anthony Caudel, Crew Leader, with his 5-Year Service Award.



3. MAINTENANCE: (L. to R.) Roger Mahan, Pavement Profiler Job Superintendent, presents Jeffrey Schoff, Maintenance Aide II, with his 5-Year Service Award.



4. PUBLIC INFORMATION: (L. to R.) David Nilles, Internal Communications Coordinator, receives his 15-Year Service Award from Danny Straessle, Public Information Officer.



5. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & POLICY: (L. to R.) Jessie Jones, Division Head, presents Minnie Beth White, Administrative Officer II, with her 35-Year Service Award.



6. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & POLICY: (L. to R.) Jessie Jones, Division Head, presents Virginia Porta, Senior Transportation Planning Engineer, with her 30-Year Service Award.



7. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & POLICY: (CENTER) Bill Ryan, Administrative Officer III, receives his 30-Year Service Award from (L.) Jessie Jones, Division Head, and (R.) Donny McMillen, Public Transportation Administrator (retired).





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8. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & POLICY: (CENTER) Bill Bastress, Administrative Assistant III, receives his 15-Year Service Award from (L.) Jessie Jones, Division Head, and (R.) Donny McMillen, Public Transportation Administrator (retired).

9. DISTRICT 2: (L. to R.) Felecia Kimble, Area Maintenance Supervisor, presents Katina Wright, Maintenance Aide II, with her 5-Year Service Award.

10. DISTRICT 2: (L. to R.) Thomas Ferrell, Maintenance Aide III, receives his 5-Year Service Award from Felecia Kimble, Area Maintenance Supervisor.

11. DISTRICT 2: (L. to R.) Justin Wilson, Mechanic, receives his 5-Year Service Award from Thomas Young, Shop Supervisor.

12. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Cody Tewalt, Maintenance Aide II, receives his 10-Year Service Award from Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer.

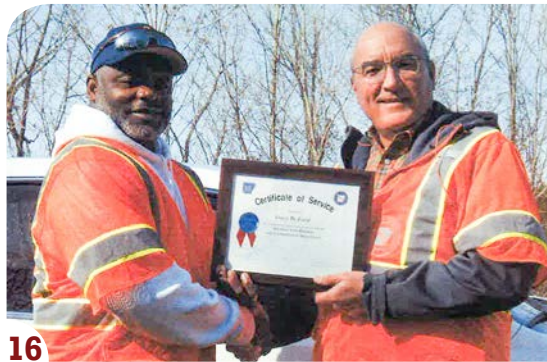
13. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Greg Eddy, Maintenance Aide II, receives his 25-Year Service Award from Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer.

14. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Larry Hovarter, Maintenance Aide III, receives his 20-Year Service Award from Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer.

15. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Terry Lowe, Maintenance Aide II, receives his 5-Year Service Award from Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer.

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16. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Tracy Ford, Maintenance Aide II, receives his 15-Year Service Award from Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer.



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17. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer, presents Detrich Young, Maintenance Aide II, with his 5-Year Service Award.



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18. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Jeff Rose, Maintenance Aide II, receives his 30-Year Service Award from Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer.



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19. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Lyle Ferguson, Maintenance Aide II, receives his 10-Year Service Award from Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer.



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20. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Wayne McCoy, Maintenance Aide II, receives his 20-Year Service Award from Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer.



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21. DISTRICT 3: (L. to R.) Mike Klein, Maintenance Aide II, receives his 5-Year Service Award from Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer.



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22. DISTRICT 4: (L. to R.) Jason Hughey, Construction Engineer, presents Eric West, Bridge Inspector, with his 15-Year Service Award.



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23. DISTRICT 4: (L. to R.) Shane Reeves, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent, presents Randy Pounds, Area Maintenance Supervisor, with his 5-Year Service Award.



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24. DISTRICT 4: (L. to R.) Shane Reeves, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent, presents TJ Brown, Area Maintenance Supervisor, with his 10-Year Service Award.

25. DISTRICT 4: (L. to R.) Nicky Mings, Area Maintenance Supervisor, presents Jeremy Allen Young, Maintenance Aide II, with his 5-Year Service Award.

26. DISTRICT 4: (L. to R.) Kenneth Tucker, Equipment Maintenance Supervisor, presents Kendall Toney, Mechanic, with his 5-Year Service Award.

27. DISTRICT 5: (L. to R.) Jon Annable, Assistant Division Head, presents Terry Standard, Materials Supervisor, with his 15-Year Service Award.

28. DISTRICT 5: (L. to R.) Receiving their Service Awards: Sherman Rucker, Maintenance Aide III – 10 years; Patrick Smith, Inspector – 15 years; Dennis Williams, Area Headquarters Attendant – 15 years; James Moody, Maintenance Aide II – 15 years; Nick Rushing, Motor Patrol Operator/Finish – 15 years; Mona Crisler, Maintenance Aide II – 15 years.

29. DISTRICT 5: (L. to R.) Receiving their Service Awards: Rick Simpson, Crew Leader – 30 years; Brian Bratcher, Inspector – 25 years; Brent Ramsey, Construction Project Coordinator – 30 years; Billy Mack, Construction Project Coordinator – 30 years.

30. DISTRICT 9: (L. to R.) Zane Green, Equipment Maintenance Supervisor, presents Dennis Connors, Shop Foreman, with his 5-Year Service Award.

31. DISTRICT 9: (L. to R.) Jim Hopkins, Maintenance Aide III, receives his 10-Year Service Award from Scott Willis, Sign Crew Supervisor.

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32. DISTRICT 9: (L. to R.) Dennis Drewry, Maintenance Job Superintendent, presents Kelly Jurgena, Maintenance Aide III, with his 15-Year Service Award.



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33. DISTRICT 9: (L. to R.) Brenda Flower, Sealing Job Superintendent, presents Jason Williamson, Crew Leader, with his 20-Year Service Award.



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THE DEPARTMENT

Noteworthy

Hobbies, etc.

1. CENTRAL OFFICE: (L. to R.) Tony Sullivan, Assistant Chief Engineer for Operations, and Joe Sartini, State Maintenance Engineer, had a successful hunt on the last weekend of duck season.



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THE DEPARTMENT

Noteworthy

Family Focus



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- DISTRICT 5:** Breelan Reid Everett was born at 1:24 p.m. on February 8, 2017. She weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces, and measured 20 inches long. Breelan is the granddaughter of Heath Everett, Area Headquarters Attendant for Fulton County.
- DISTRICT 5:** Reese Elizabeth Sandefur was born at 12:01 p.m. on November 9, 2016. She weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces, and measured 20.75 inches long. Reese is the granddaughter of Bruce Street, District Engineer, and his wife Heidi.
- DISTRICT 5:** Anniston Blake Brackett was born on February 5, 2017. She weighed 7 pounds, 4.8 ounces, and measured 20 inches long. Anniston is the first granddaughter of Sondra Grider, Resident Office Technician.
- DISTRICT 5:** Dani Hardaway was named the Ninth Grade Maid for Melbourne Junior High School Homecoming. Dani is the daughter of Kevin Hardaway, Izard County Crew Leader.
- DISTRICT 8:** Annaleigh Raylin Robinson was born at 6:01 a.m. on November 1, 2016. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces, and measured 20.25 inches long. Annaleigh is the daughter of Jacquelyn Yates, Storeroom Assistant I, and her husband Toby.
- DISTRICT 10:** Mason Glenn Mann was born at 8:17 a.m. on November 16, 2016. He weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces. Mason is the son of Michael and Shawna Mann. He is the grandson of Kelly Mann, R.E. 06 Field Clerk.
- COMMUNICATIONS:** Isabelle Margery Bradford was born at 2:05 p.m. on January 9, 2017. She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces, and measured 21 inches long. Isabelle is the daughter of Jessica Bradford, Communication Operator, and her husband David. Isabelle is pictured here with her proud big sister, Trinity.



THE DEPARTMENT

Noteworthy

On the Job

1. ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE: (CENTER) CPL John Clark (AHP District 1) receives his Intermediate Law Enforcement Certificate from the Office of Minimum Standards from (L.) 1stLT Brad Perkins, and (R.) SGT Joy Bean.



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2. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT: To celebrate the joy of the holiday season, employees of Program Management held a festive party.



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3. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & POLICY: Also to honor the holiday spirit, Transportation Planning & Policy Division collected donations for a local Food Bank.



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4. DISTRICT 7: R.E. 74 Celebrates Spirit Day. (Front Row L to R): Jim Bob Branch, Ginger Crain, Therese Purifoy, Jamie Henson, Jake Scrape, Erin Seals, and Keon Collins. (Back Row L to R): Chris Stanfield, Rick Wells, Bill Hockaday, Ralph Hodge, Chad Launius and Jeff Eckhart.



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5. DISTRICT 8: (L.) Frank Russenberger, (CENTER) Scott Mullis, and (R.) Lawrence Fletcher. Past and current District 8 Engineers pose together at the 2016 Awards Banquet.



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6. DISTRICT 9 AND HEAVY BRIDGE: The week of January 9th, Heavy Bridge Maintenance poured concrete foundations underwater that will serve as part of the marine railway system for the Peel Ferry barges. (L.) Eric Lail, Bridge Repairer I, (R.) Andrew Nanneman, Senior Bridge Designer, and (not pictured) Stewart Linz, Staff Heavy Bridge Maintenance Engineer, were the divers for this procedure.



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7. AND 8. DISTRICT 9: What better way for District Engineer Steve Lawrence to get some sun and exercise on a beautiful 62-degree February day than to join one of his District crews on the side of Interstate 49 in Bentonville picking up trash. It goes to show, there is no task too big or small that can't be handled with the right amount of AHTD team work. Joseph Andrysko and the District Sealing Crew thank Mr. Lawrence for the fellowship and for taking time out of his busy schedule to spend the day with them.



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AHTD PEOPLE

NEW EMPLOYEES

BRIDGE • Saipavan Rallbhandhi, Engineer

CONSTRUCTION • Rabindra Pariyar, Engineer; Cody Bennett, Engineer; Kevin Richardson, Construction Aide I

HEAVY BRIDGE • Travis Murphy, Bridge Repairer

MAINTENANCE • Douglas Ford, Striping Helper; Jacob Wallace, Striping Helper

RIGHT OF WAY • Trent Lake, Right of Way Acquisition Agent I

DISTRICT ONE • Kenny Rogers, Maintenance Aide I; Troy Solida, Maintenance Aide I; Steven Belcher Jr., Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT TWO • Phillip Cunningham, Maintenance Aide I; Trevon Miller, Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT THREE • Brandon Gardner, Maintenance Aide I; Jonathan Fuller, Maintenance Aide I; Jonas Neff, Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT FOUR • Harold Smith II, Maintenance Aide II; John Marquez Jr., Maintenance Aide I; Logan Roberson, Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT FIVE • Dustin Blevins, Maintenance Aide I; Billy Warden, Maintenance Aide I; Ramon Hansberry, Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT SIX • Larry Bradbury Jr., Mechanic; Michael Stanley, Mechanic; Carroll Holmes, Maintenance Aide I; Larry Fleming, Maintenance Aide I; Lester Fleming Jr., Maintenance Aide I; Cory Gotherman, Maintenance Aide I; Lorenna Holladay, Maintenance Aide I; Shawn Holloway, Maintenance Aide I; Jacob Hutcherson, Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT SEVEN • Christopher Smith, Maintenance Aide I; Dajuan Hall, Maintenance Aide I; Adrian Castleberry, Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT EIGHT • Charles Whittenburg, District Caretaker; Jarvis Medlock, Maintenance Aide I; Samuel Troxel, Maintenance Aide I; Berry Albey, Maintenance Aide I; Freddie Armstrong, Maintenance Aide I; Jimmy Bryant, Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT NINE • Brian Turner, Station Attendant, John Ernest, Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT TEN • Dustin Leonard, Maintenance Aide I; Corey Harris Sr., Maintenance Aide; Daniel Crawford, Maintenance Aide I

PROMOTIONS

CONSTRUCTION • Stephen Nickell, Assistant Resident Engineer; Brandon Clayborn, Field Clerk; Randall Scrape, Construction Aide I; Jason Marshall, Construction Aide II; Rodney Catlett, Senior Construction Materials Inspector; Ryan Bailey, Inspector

EEO/DBE • Stephanie Martin, Internal EEO Coordinator

FISCAL SERVICES • Necole Settles, Insurance Account Coordinator

MAINTENANCE • Brian Berthiaume, Traffic Services Specialist

ROADWAY DESIGN • Stephen Sichmeller, Staff Design Engineer; George Davison III, Senior Design Engineer

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & POLICY • Mojtaba Mohammadi, Traffic Safety Engineer

DISTRICT ONE • Jimmy Cullen, Bridge Repairer II; Charlie Williams, Maintenance Aide III

DISTRICT TWO • Avery Jones, Maintenance Aide II

DISTRICT THREE • James Owenby, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent; Layton Medlen, Maintenance Aide II

DISTRICT FOUR • Randy Pounds, Area Maintenance Supervisor; Brian Hughes, Maintenance Aide III

DISTRICT FIVE • Gary Grady, Maintenance Aide III; Jonathon Qualls, Maintenance Aide III

DISTRICT SIX • Sarah Freeman, Maintenance Aide III; Kenjuan Washington, Shop Supervisor; Dustin McCool, Maintenance Aide III; Paddy O'Donnell, Maintenance Aide II

DISTRICT SEVEN • Gregory Strange, Crew Leader; Blake Jackson, Maintenance Aide III

DISTRICT EIGHT • Johnny Burroughs, Maintenance Aide II

DISTRICT NINE • Smith Benjamin, District Bridge Inspector; Timothy Anderson, Maintenance Aide II; Morgan Taylor, District Clerk

DISTRICT TEN • Brad Smithmier, Maintenance Aide II; Coty Willingham, Rest Area Attendant; Steven Tarry, Maintenance Aide II; Christy Cambron, Crew Leader

SERVICE

ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE • Joy Scrivner, Arkansas Highway Police Second Lieutenant, 30 yrs

BRIDGE • James Pool Jr., Staff Bridge Design Engineer, 10 yrs

CONSTRUCTION • Tonya Rucker, Inspector, 15 yrs; John Rodgers, Construction Aide I, 15 yrs; Lori Perry, Field Clerk, 10 yrs; Bryan Cuncan, Construction Aide II, 5 yrs

EQUIPMENT & PROCUREMENT • William Roark, Mechanic, 15 yrs

HEAVY BRIDGE • Andrew Nanneman, Senior Bridge Design Engineer, 5 yrs

MAINTENANCE • Jeffrey Schoff, Maintenance Aide II, 5 yrs

PUBLIC INFORMATION • David Nilles, Internal Communication Coordinator, 15 yrs

RIGHT OF WAY • Charles Phillips, Realty Appraiser III, 20 yrs; William Reynolds, Beautification Coordinator II, 5 yrs

ROADWAY DESIGN • Amy Martinous, Advanced Design Engineer, 20 yrs

SURVEYS • William Bastress Jr., Administrative Assistant III, 15 yrs

SYSTEM INFORMATION & RESEARCH • Mark Evans, Staff Asset Management Engineer, 30 yrs

DISTRICT ONE • Gary Fendley, Sign Crew Supervisor, 30 yrs

DISTRICT TWO • Johnnie Tillman, Mechanic, 15 yrs; Stanley Wheeler, Area Headquarters Attendant, 10 yrs; David Holloway, Maintenance Aide II, 5 yrs; Katina Wright, Maintenance Aide II, 5 yrs

DISTRICT FOUR • Jessica Gramlich, Maintenance Aide II, 15 yrs; Heath Reed, Maintenance Aide III, 10 yrs; Sarah Marker, Maintenance Aide III, 5 yrs; Tyler Lincks, Bridge Repairer II, 5 yrs; Jeremy Ganes, Mechanic, 5 yrs

DISTRICT FIVE • Rickey Simpson, Crew Leader, 30 yrs; Mona Crisler, Maintenance Aide II, 15 yrs; Nicholas Rushing, Maintenance Aide III; James Moody, Maintenance Aide II, 15 yrs; Dennis Williams, Area Headquarters Attendant, 15 yrs

DISTRICT SIX • Eddie Webb, Guard, 40 yrs; Chris Cole, Area Maintenance Supervisor, 25 yrs; Joseph Carter Sr., Maintenance Aide II, 10 yrs; Johnny Williams, Maintenance Aide II, 5 yrs

DISTRICT SEVEN • Kenneth Doherty, Equipment Maintenance Supervisor, 20 yrs

DISTRICT EIGHT • Kyle Goss Jr., Area Maintenance Supervisor, 25 yrs; Lisa Lewis, Storeroom Assistant II, 20 yrs; Michael Stovall, Maintenance Aide III, 15 yrs

DISTRICT NINE • Tammy Phillips, District Office Manager, 25 yrs; Darrel Nichols, Maintenance Aide III, 25 yrs; Jason Williamson, Crew Leader, 20 yrs; Jim Hopkins, Maintenance Aide III, 10 yrs; Marilyn Hembry, Area Headquarters Attendant, 5 yrs

DISTRICT TEN • Edward Monette, Maintenance Aide II, 15 yrs; Marsha Vowell, Area Headquarters Attendant, 15 yrs; Randall Burkheart, Maintenance Aide II, 15 yrs; Dallas Thurman, Maintenance Aide III, 15 yrs; Tony Ruhl, Welder, 15 yrs; Frank Russel, Maintenance Aide III, 5 yrs; Chester Jeston, Bridge Repairer I, 5 yrs

RETIREMENT

FISCAL SERVICES • Mary Abels, Insurance Account Coordinator, 17+ yrs

MAINTENANCE • Rickey Prince, Traffic Investigator, 30+ yrs

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT • Mitzi Dunn, Office Administrative Assistant III, 33+ yrs

RIGHT OF WAY • Joel Clark, Property Manager, 37+ yrs

SURVEYS • Charles Boyd, Photogrammetric Specialist, 39+ yrs

DISTRICT TWO • Charles Hopper, Maintenance Aide II, 10+ yrs

DISTRICT THREE • Todd Rucker, Maintenance Aide II, 8+ yrs

DISTRICT FOUR • Ricky Williams, Area Maintenance Supervisor, 34+ yrs

DISTRICT FIVE • Tonia Fick, District Clerk, 17+ yrs; Scott Lawrence, Maintenance Aide II, 32+ yrs

DISTRICT SIX • Eddie Webb, Guard, 40+ yrs

DISTRICT SEVEN • Carrol Bryant, Storeroom Supervisor, 28+ yrs; Larry Thompson, Mechanic, 18+ yrs

DISTRICT EIGHT • Debbie Tolbert, Parts Runner, 15+ yrs

DISTRICT TEN • Larry Ryan, Maintenance Aide II, 15+ yrs

MEMORIALS

COMPUTER SERVICES • Barbara B. Smith, 12/16/16, retired

CONSTRUCTION • Samuel D. Ramey, 12/15/16, retired

DISTRICT ONE • Richard Steven Little, 11/22/16, retired; William C. Irby, 12/15/16, retired; Jim Anderson, 12/22/16, retired

DISTRICT FOUR • Jerry M. Trotter, 12/23/16, retired

DISTRICT SIX • Norris N. Moore, 12/21/16, active

DISTRICT EIGHT • William C. Doughty, 12/28/16, retired





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