



# Center Line

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## Three in a Row for Arkansas at Regional Roadeo

The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) recently captured the title of "Regional Equipment Operators Roadeo Champions" for a third year in a row.

The annual event is held for states in the Southeastern Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials and is in its third year. This year's event was held October 26th and 27th in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

Teams from Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina and South Carolina competed in what can best be described as an obstacle course for road equipment.

Roadeo events featured the top two finishers in each field from each state competition held earlier in the year. Participants showed their skills in categories for Tractor/Lowboy, Tandem Axle Dump Truck, Single

Axle Dump Truck, Tractor Mower, Backhoe and Motor Patrol.

After a day of intense competition, Arkansas' team had come out on top and was named Regional Roadeo Champions for a third year running. Coming in second was Mississippi, followed by South Carolina in third place.

"This event has become bigger and better each year with a growing number of states participating," stated Department Chief Engineer Bob Walters, who attended with the team.

"It is a great opportunity for transportation departments in the southern region of the country to come together and enjoy camaraderie and friendly competition and to show their skills at the job that they do every day. We're excited to win the trophy again."

Competing on this year's AHTD team were (below, l. to r.) Lance Baker, District 9; Darrell Barnes, District 8; Bobby Dean, District 4; Dennis Langston, District 8; Wesley Hall, District 5; Kenny Howard, District 8; Ronald Hughes, District 3; Chief Engineer Bob Walters (attending); Joey Ragland, District 9; Fred Ridenhour, District 4; Kenny Riley, District 9; Joe Villalobos, District 8; and Randy White, District 8. Dennis Townsend, (far right) of SCDOT, was the emcee for the Roadeo.

Next year's event will be hosted by the Georgia Department of Transportation.

**"As always, we enjoyed the Regional Roadeo and we're excited to win the trophy again!"**

**- Bob Walters, Chief Engineer**

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## Regional Roadeo Winners

### TRACTOR/LOWBOY

- 1st Place: Darrell Barnes, Arkansas
- 2nd Place: Willie Butler, Mississippi
- 3rd Place: Bobby Chambers, Georgia

### TANDEM AXLE DUMP TRUCK

- 1st Place: Richard Sutton, Mississippi
- 2nd Place: Robert Caines, Mississippi
- 3rd Place: Kenny Howard, Arkansas

### SINGLE AXLE DUMP TRUCK

- 1st Place: Kevin Ellis, Mississippi
- 2nd Place: Joe Villalobos, Arkansas
- 3rd Place: Allen Moore, South Carolina

### TRACTOR/MOWER

- 1st Place: Fred Ridenhour, Arkansas
- 2nd Place: Vincent Necaïsse, Mississippi
- 3rd Place: Charles Whitten, South Carolina

### BACKHOE

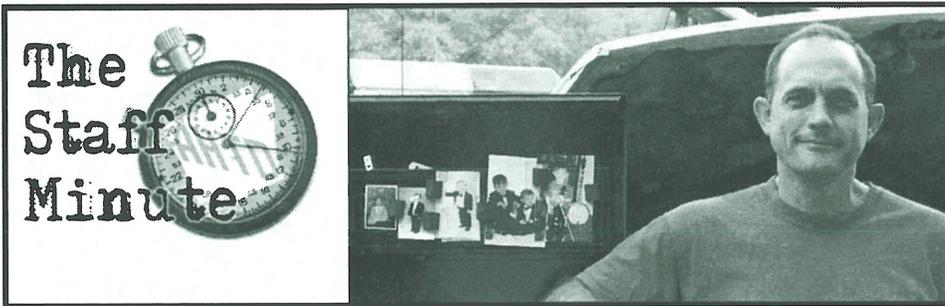
- 1st Place: Michael Murphy, South Carolina
- 2nd Place: Randy White, Arkansas
- 3rd Place: Jimmie Black, South Carolina

### MOTOR GRADER

- 1st Place: Jerry Ellet, Mississippi
- 2nd Place: Dennis Langston, Arkansas
- 3rd Place: James Catoe, South Carolina

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**Employee:** Tim McCool

**Position:** Senior Mechanic,  
District 8

**Length of service:** I have worked for the  
AHTD since June of 1989.

**Job Duties:** As a Senior Mechanic, my  
duties are primarily to repair and maintain  
any of the vehicles and equipment used  
in the District. I work on everything from  
weedtrimmers to bulldozers.

**Favorite part of the job:** My favorite part  
of the job is that I have the opportunity  
to learn something new on almost a daily  
basis. Occasionally, I get to fill in for one  
of the field mechanics. This assignment

allows me to travel the District, see a lot of  
"country" and meet the District and County  
crew members. I find that most of these folks  
actually know as much about repairing their  
particular piece of machinery as I do.

**Background:** I worked on the District Sign  
Crew, in the District stockroom and on the  
District Bridge Crew before joining the Shop  
in 2000.

**Family:** I have one sister who lives close by,  
as do my parents. My wife Jetta and I have  
no children of our own, but between our two  
families we have 44 nephews and nieces that  
range from newborn to 41 years old. So, we  
have always had "young'uns to borrow" ap-  
propriate for any planned activity.

**Hobbies/Interests:** Jetta and I enjoy a lot  
of different hobbies such as boating, scuba  
diving, snow skiing, traveling, gardening  
and squirrel hunting (I hunt 'em; Jetta  
cooks 'em). I also enjoy crappie fishing and  
catfishing with my Dad and nephews, and  
even some of my nieces.

My two main interests are my involve-  
ment with Falling Water Church (located  
between Witt Springs and Ben Hur) and  
bluegrass gospel music. I have been  
playing music since I was 6 years old. I've  
played at church and with the Chisum  
Family Band since 1977. Jetta's father,  
Lester Chisum, not only plays banjo and  
sings, but is also the pastor at Falling Water  
Church, so our involvement with the church  
and music runs deep.

I have also had the opportunity to play  
with various groups such as "Eversong",  
"Heaven Bound", "The Morris Brothers",  
"The Greasy Monkeys" (our AHTD band)  
and a band that I helped form, "Looking  
Up". Jetta and I are currently privileged to  
play and sing with a group called "Living  
Grace".

## Changes Seen In Medical Spending Account

The Internal Revenue Service has recently amended its position on the Medical Spending Account "use it or lose it" forfeiture rule. Effective for the current 2005 Plan Year, participating employees will now have a two and one-half month "grace period" (ending March 15, 2006) to incur medical expenses that will be applied to any unspent balance in your 2005 medical spending account.

For example, assume that \$200 remains in your medical spending account at the end of the current 2005 Plan Year (December 31, 2005) and further assume that you have elected to allocate \$2,500 to your medical spending account for the next Plan Year (beginning January 1, 2006). If you incur medical expenses in the amount of \$500 on January 15, 2006, and submit a reimbursement claim to AFLAC, \$200 of your

claim will automatically be paid out of the unused amount remaining in your account from the 2005 Plan Year and the remaining \$300 will be paid out of your account for the 2006 Plan Year.

Any remaining balance after the "grace period" ends (March 15, 2006) will be forfeited. This change applies to the medical spending account only, it does not apply to Dependent Care Spending accounts.

You should not confuse this new grace period with the existing three month "run-out" period for submitting claims. The run-out period allows you three months (March 31, 2006) to submit claims from the previous 2005 Plan Year.

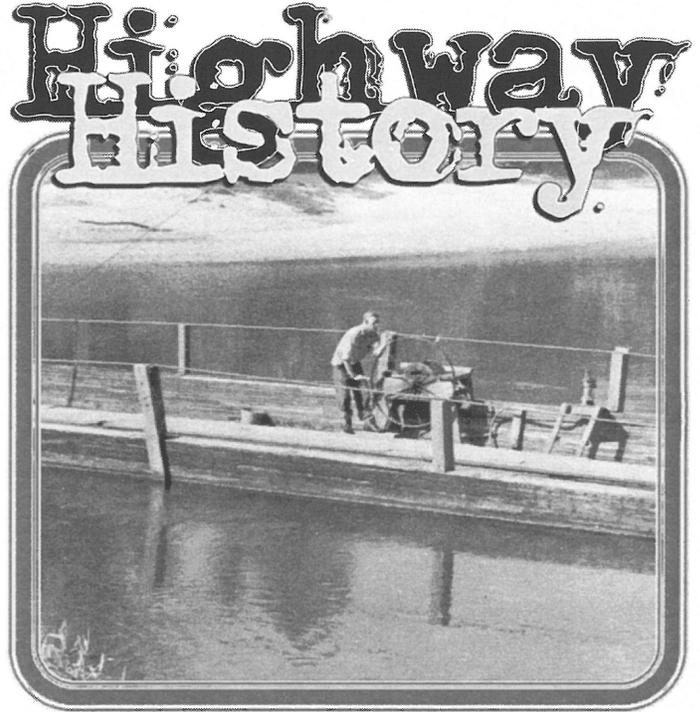
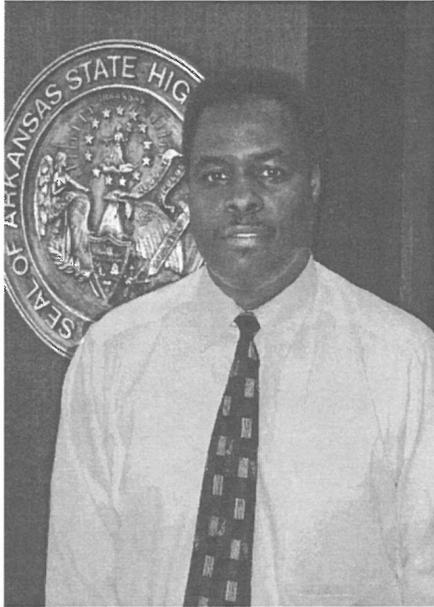
If you have any questions concerning this change, call Fiscal Services at 501-569-2510 or 501-569-2512.

# Banks Promoted To District 6 Engineer

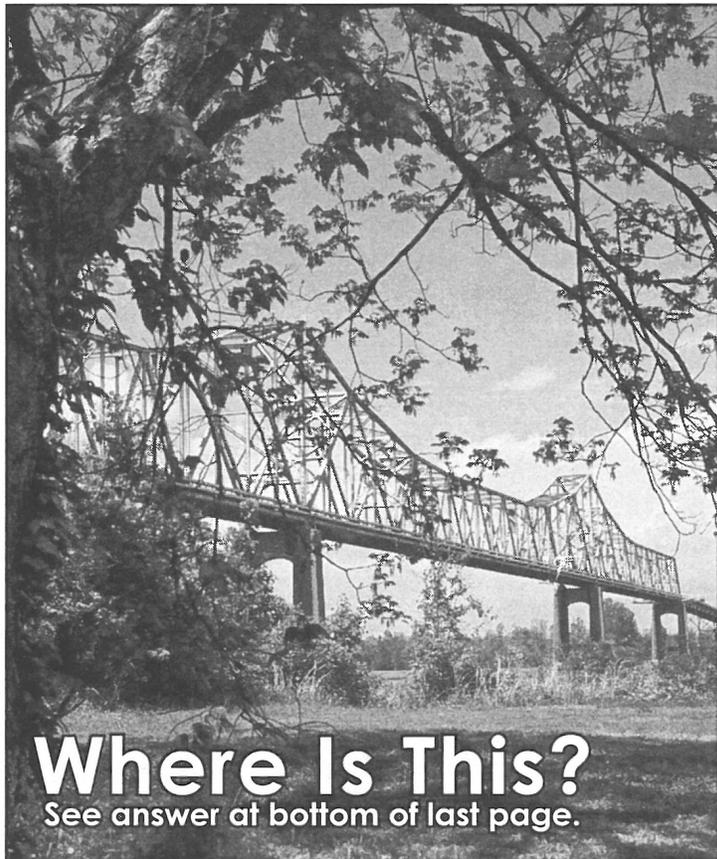
Emanuel Banks, a Staff Construction Engineer in the Central Office, has been named District 6 Engineer.

Banks has a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Arkansas. He is a Registered Professional Engineer.

Banks' career with the Department began in 1987 as a Civil Engineer I in the Roadway Design Division. A year later, he advanced to Design Engineer and was promoted to Advanced Design Engineer in 1990. Banks transferred to the Resident Engineer Office in North Little Rock as an Advanced Construction Field Engineer in 1990 and became Resident Engineer in Little Rock in 1997. He became a Staff Construction Engineer in 2002.



*Dillard's Ferry, a hand cranked operation, crossed the Buffalo River at Highway 14 from 1929 to 1958.*



**Where Is This?**  
See answer at bottom of last page.

## Service Awards Schedule

District 1 .....	Dec. 14 .....	11 a.m.
District 2 .....	Dec. 16 .....	11 a.m.
District 3 .....	Dec. 15 .....	11 a.m.
District 4 .....	Dec. 9 .....	11 a.m.
District 5 .....	Dec. 6 .....	10 a.m.
District 6 .....	Dec. 13 .....	Noon
District 7 .....	Dec. 16 .....	2 p.m.
District 8 .....	Dec. 8 .....	11 a.m.
District 9 .....	Dec. 2 .....	11 a.m.
District 10 .....	Dec. 12 .....	11 a.m.
Cent. Ofc. ....	Dec. 13 .....	10 a.m.

# AROUND THE DEPARTMENT



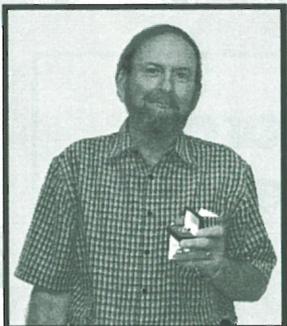
District 10: (l. to r.) Receiving their 10-year service awards were Tony Cable, Senior Mechanic; David Wagster, Asphalt Tank Truck Driver; Jimmy McKinney, Motor Patrol Operator-Finish; and Doyle McCallie, Multi-Axle Truck Driver.



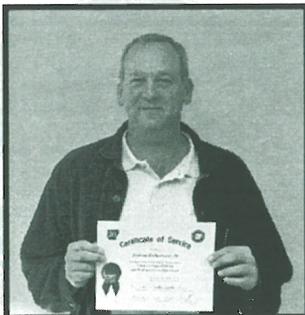
Planning and Research: (l. to r.) Receiving service awards are Bruce Elliott, Data Collection Supervisor, 25 years; Mark Bradley, Staff Research Engineer, 20 years; and Jennifer Jackson, Office Administrative Assistant III, 15 years. Presenting the awards is Alan Meadors, Division Head.



District 4: (l. to r.) Shane Reeves, Area Maintenance Supervisor, presents a 20-year service award to Ronnie Patillo, Backhoe/Frontend Loader Operator.



District 4: Kim McDowell, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent, received his 35-year service award.



District 4: Robert Robertson, Jr., Construction Project Coordinator, received his 20-year service award.



District 4: Charles Lance, Construction Project Coordinator, retired June 8th, 2005, with more than 40 years of service.



District 2: (l. to r.) A.G. Bullock, Area Maintenance Supervisor, presents a 10-year service award to Donald Nugent, Motor Patrol Operator-Finish.



District 4: Mary Bryant, Administrative Assistant V, received her 25-year service award.



District 2: (l. to r.) Ezra McFadden, Area Maintenance Supervisor, presents a 10-year service award to Gregory Patrick, Motor Patrol Operator-Finish.



District 2: (l. to r.) Ezra McFadden, Area Maintenance Supervisor, presents a 10-year service award to Stacy Stepp, Maintenance Aide II.



District 2: (l. to r.) Cheryl Davies, Construction Helper, receives her 5-year service award from Tim Kelly, Resident Engineer.



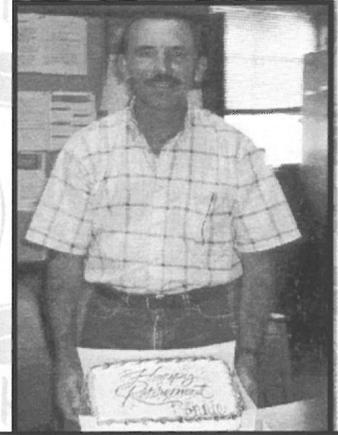
District 2: (l. to r.) Thomas "Red" Taylor, Bridge Repairer II, receives his 10-year service award from David Hutchins, Area Maintenance Supervisor.



District 2: Gloria and Jerome Miller were married this past summer. Jerome is Maintenance Aide II.



District 4: Pamela Kerivan, Construction Materials Inspector, received her 10-year service award.



District 9: Ronnie Friddle, Distributor/Roller Operator, celebrated his retirement after 15-years of service.



Heavy Bridge: (l. to r.) Glenn Cheatham, Staff Heavy Bridge Maintenance Engineer, presents a 20-year service award to David Boutwell, State-wide Bridge Inspector.



District 3: (l. to r.) Kenny Bennett, District Maintenance Engineer, presents a 10-year service award to Eugene Collums, Parts Runner.



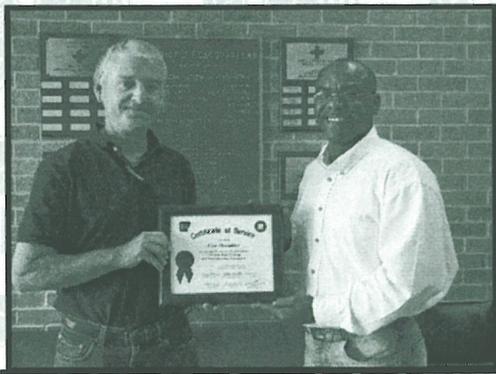
Arkansas Highway Police: (l. to r.) Major George Coffman presents a 25-year service pin to Mike Mitchell, Permit Technician.



Arkansas Highway Police: (l. to r.) Inspector Jay Thompson, AHP, receives his 15-year service award from Chief Ron Burks.



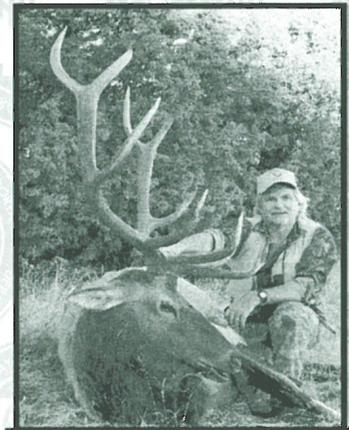
District 7: (l. to r.) Ricky Neal, Area Maintenance Supervisor, receives his 30-year service award from Carl Bachelor, District Engineer.



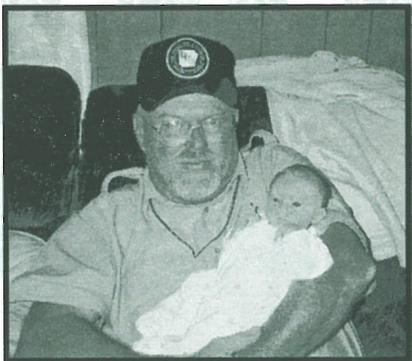
District 2: (l. to r.) Scott Mullis, District Maintenance Engineer, presents a 20-year service award to Ezra McFadden, Area Maintenance Supervisor.



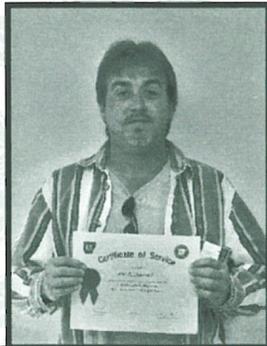
Heavy Bridge: (l. to r.) Garland Land, Maintenance Engineer, presents a 5-year service award to Drew Melton, Bridge Repairer II.



Surveys: Terry Gaither, Photogrammetry Lab Supervisor, killed this elk on a hunt in Colorado. He also killed a bear, a buffalo and a mountain goat on this hunt.



District 8: Mike Sherrill, Multi-Axle Truck Driver, with granddaughter, Faith Arianna, born October 3, 2005.



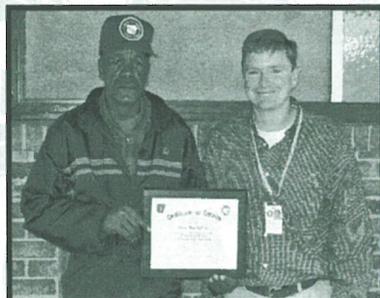
District 4: Joe Richmond, Construction Aide III, received his 15-year service award.



Planning & Research: (l. to r.) Assistant Chief Engineer for Planning, Scott Bennett, presents a 25-year service award to Alan Meadors, Division Head.



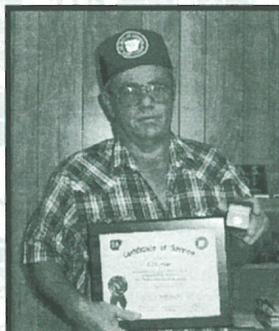
District 10: Gary Lewis, Street Sweeper Operator, received his 5-year service award.



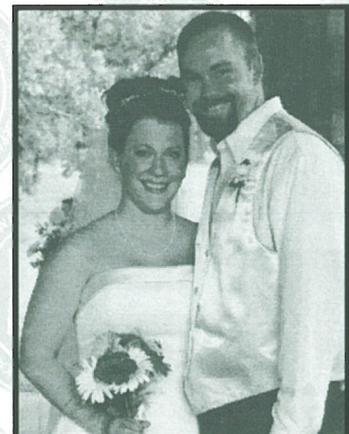
District 10: (l. to r.) Rufus Mitchell, Rest Area Attendant, receives his 5-year service award from Alan Walter, Maintenance Engineer.



District 3: (l. to r.) Receiving service awards are Larry Otwell, Finish Crane Operator, 5 years; Billy Delaney, Senior Mechanic, 5 years; Carl Jensen, Bridge Repairer II, 10 years. Presenting was Don Donaldson, District Engineer.



District 9: Ed Watts, Crew Leader in Searcy County, received his 20-year service award.



District 10: Matt and Mary Barnett were married this past summer. Matt is the son of Joe Barnett, District Engineer, and wife Jackie.

# From the Regional Roadeo



AHTD's Randall Edgmon competes in the Motor Grader category.



AHTD's Joey Ragland competes in the Tandem Axle Dump Truck category.



Sam Riddle of the South Carolina DOT (l.) presents the Team Champion Trophy to AHTD Chief Engineer Bob Walters.

# Cafeteria Plan Enrollment

It is that time of year again. Enrollment in the Department's Section 125 Cafeteria Plan for the Plan Year 2006 is now underway. Forms for the program have been distributed to all employees.

To be eligible for enrollment, you must be employed by the Department for six months. Those employees declining participation for plan year 2006 will not be eligible to enroll until the next plan year beginning January 1, 2007, unless they incur a qualified change in family status. In addition, employees that enroll cannot make changes to their plan selection unless they incur a qualified change in family status.

Remember, you must sign the form even if you are declining participation. Forms should be returned to your District or Division Office on or before December 5, 2005.

If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact Fiscal Services at 569-2510 or 569-2512.

## AHTD Inclement Weather Policy

The temperatures outside are beginning to turn colder now. In the event Department employees are excused by official action due to inclement weather, the following policy will be in effect.

Official media notice to state agencies will apply to AHTD employees except designated essential personnel. The Inclement Weather Policy excuses employees from work until 10:00 a.m. unless otherwise specified by official media notice.

Employees who report to work after the excused time will be charged leave calculated between the excused time and their arrival time. Employees who do not report to work at all will be charged for a full day's leave.

Sick leave or annual leave may be utilized for inclement weather. Leave without pay will be utilized for employees who are temporary, part-time or in an exhausted leave status.

AHTD employees working under the flex schedule must adjust their time accordingly.



## NEW EMPLOYEES

### CONSTRUCTION

Earnest Gardner, Jr., Construction Helper I  
Gary Herron, Construction Helper I

### LEGAL

Lakeysha Walker, Legal Aide  
Lillian Williams, Legal Aide

### MAINTENANCE

Joanna Stewart, Telecomm. Operator

### SURVEYS

Lewis Spears, Surveys Helper

### DISTRICT 1

Danny Vaughn, Single Axle Truck Driver

### DISTRICT 3

Sandra Foster, General Laborer

### DISTRICT 5

Gregory Bamburg, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Loren Trewyn, Single Axle Truck Driver

### DISTRICT 6

John Lomack, General Laborer  
Michael Morris, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Vincent Newton, Sr., Single Axle Truck Driver

### DISTRICT 7

Jonathan Ford, Single Axle Truck Driver

### DISTRICT 8

Paul Bizzell, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Porfirio Martinez, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Allen Rodgers, Single Axle Truck Driver

### DISTRICT 9

Kristopher Bishop, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Michael Carlton, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Carla Davis, General Laborer

### DISTRICT 10

Luther Allen, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Charles Childs, General Laborer  
Diane Holmes, General Laborer  
James Manuel, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Nathaniel Wilson, Single Axle Truck Driver

## PROMOTIONS

### ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE

Sherry Adams, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Schawntell Arberry, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Lonnie Banks, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Fidel Caballero, Patrol Officer 1CL  
James Canard, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Raunona Clemons, Patrol Officer 1CL  
James Cooper, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Phillip Dunlap, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Jeremy Gore, Patrol Officer 1CL  
James Hamrick, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Joseph Harris, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Chad Heath, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Robert Johnson, Patrol Officer 1CL  
James Jones, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Jamie Jordan, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Vicky Lee, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Andreas Pruitt, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Anita Ray, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Jeffrey Smith, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Michael Smith, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Donna Stobaugh, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Sally Sweeden, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Kreston Taylor, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Alvin Todd, Patrol Officer 1CL  
Jeremy Watkins, Patrol Officer 1CL

### COMPUTER SERVICES

Mitchell Katayama, Programmer III

### ENVIRONMENTAL

John Fleming, Section Head - Special Studies  
Ruby Jordan, Environmental Scientist I

### FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Amanda Wyles, Office Administrative Asst. III

### HEAVY BRIDGE

Dibbon Wright, Bridge Repairer I

### MAINTENANCE

Joshua Musick, Sign Erector

### MATERIALS

Lavelle Terrell, District Materials Supervisor

### PROGRAMS & CONTRACTS

Trey Foster, Civil Engineer II

### ROADWAY DESIGN

Trinity Smith, Senior Design Engineer  
Kevin Toblesky, Senior Design Engineer

### SURVEYS

Michael Masingill, Surveys Crew Chief

### DISTRICT 1

Joshua Nicholson, Construction Helper II

### DISTRICT 2

William Brown, Jr., Paver Operator  
Delois Davis, Construction Helper II  
Thomas Green, Construction Helper II  
Jason Hughey, Advanced Const. Field Engr.  
Comelius Kilgore, Backh./Front End Loader Op.  
Latisha Reynolds, Senior Const. Mat. Insp.

### DISTRICT 3

Anthony Burr, Multi-Axle Truck Driver  
David Morton, Motor Patrol Operator-Finish

### DISTRICT 4

Melissa Batt, Maintenance Aide II  
Jeremy Bowles, Construction Helper II  
Brian Walden, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Howard Celestia, Senior Const. Mat. Insp.  
Ken Gunter, Multi-Axle Truck Driver I  
Michael Ward, Paver Operator

### DISTRICT 5

Garry Cooper, Paver Operator

### DISTRICT 6

Carolyn Rapier, Area Headquarters Attendant  
David Orr, Area Headquarters Attendant  
Matthew Vernich, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Richard Collie, Multi-Axle Truck Driver

### DISTRICT 7

Christopher Stanfield, Sr. Const. Mat. Insp.  
James Dean, Assistant Resident Engineer

### DISTRICT 8

Audry Emberton, Backh./Front End Loader Op.  
Jimmy McNitt, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Juan Hernandez, Asphalt Tank Truck Driver  
Paul Burris, Multi-Axle Truck Driver

### DISTRICT 9

James McFadin, Maintenance Aide II  
Sandra Chaffee, Single Axle Truck Driver  
Terry Eidson, Motor Patrol Operator-Finish

### DISTRICT 10

Matthew Larue, Distributor Operator  
Kim Pugh, Multi-Axle Truck Driver I

## SERVICE AWARDS

### ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE

Jeffrey Davis, 1LT, 20 yrs.  
Mike Mitchell, Permit Technician, 25 yrs.  
David Quast, 2LT, 25 yrs.  
Jay Thompson, Motor Carrier Safety Insp., 15 yrs.

### BRIDGE

Steven Thomas, Adv. Bridge Design Engr., 5 yrs.

### COMPUTER SERVICES

Bryan Stewart, Division Head, 30 yrs.

### CONSTRUCTION

Delores Alberty, Field Clerk II, 5 yrs.  
Pamala Hays, Resident Office Tech., 10 yrs.  
Ralph Hodge, Construction Helper II, 5 yrs.  
James Mears, Sr. Const. Materials Insp., 20 yrs.  
Ronald Rogers, Asst. Resident Engr., 10 yrs.

### ENVIRONMENTAL

John Harris, Sect. Head - Spec. Studies, 25 yrs.  
Terry Tucker, Administrative Assistant II, 20 yrs.

### INTERNAL AUDIT

Leann Edmonson, Sr. External Auditor, 10 yrs.  
Vicki Haydon, Staff Administrative Asst., 25 yrs.  
Robert Simmons, Sr. Internal Auditor, 10 yrs.

### MAINTENANCE

Steven Moore, Traffic Investigator, 15 yrs.

### MATERIALS

Laura Johnson, Chemist II, 5 yrs.

### PEEL FERRY

Robert Sushinsky, Ferry Boat Pilot, 5 yrs.

### PLANNING & RESEARCH

Mark Bradley, Staff Research Engineer, 20 yrs.  
Robert Elliott, Data Collection Supv., 25 yrs.  
Jennifer Jackson, Office Admin. Asst. III, 15 yrs.

### PROGRAMS & CONTRACTS

Faye Shook, Administrative Aide I, 5 yrs.

### PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Farrell Wilson, Administrative Officer II, 5 yrs.

### RIGHT OF WAY

Robert Arman, ROW Plans Designer I, 5 yrs.  
Ann Helm, Administrative Assistant III, 20 yrs.

### DISTRICT 1

William Ball, Motor Patrol Op.-Finish, 10 yrs.  
Leroy Dinwiddie, Multi-Axle Truck Dr., 20 yrs.  
Jerry Smith, Distributor Operator, 10 yrs.

### DISTRICT 2

Phyllis Myles, Maintenance Aide I, 10 yrs.  
Shirley Norman, Multi-Axle Truck Driver, 10 yrs.  
William Parker, Jr., Maintenance Aide II, 10 yrs.

### DISTRICT 3

Bobby Adams, Maintenance Aide I, 10 yrs.  
Richard Oglesby, Backh./Fr. End Load. Op., 10 yrs.  
Terry Small, Multi-Axle Truck Driver, 10 yrs.

### DISTRICT 4

Reggie Trusty, Crew Leader, 15 yrs.  
Kenneth Tucker, Equip. Maint. Supv., 20 yrs.

### DISTRICT 5

Billy Barker, Backh./Front End Loader Op., 5 yrs.  
Sammy Bennett, Multi-Axle Truck Driver, 5 yrs.  
Erma Collins, Area Hq. Attendant, 20 yrs.  
James Griffin, Hydraulic Excav. Op.-Fin., 10 yrs.  
Cavin Hall, Maintenance Aide II, 10 yrs.  
Terry Stewart, Motor Patrol Op.-Finish, 20 yrs.

### DISTRICT 7

David Castleberry, Distributor Operator, 20 yrs.  
David Culp, Maintenance Aide II, 15 yrs.  
James Neal, Area Maint. Supervisor, 30 yrs.

### DISTRICT 8

Kerry Blair, District Bridge Inspector, 30 yrs.  
Kenneth Howard, Maintenance Aide II, 20 yrs.

### DISTRICT 9

Cecil Armer, Maintenance Aide I, 5 yrs.  
Terry Eidson, Motor Patrol Operator, 15 yrs.  
Louis Hall, Distributor/Roller Operator, 5 yrs.  
Jeffrey Hudgens, Motor Patrol Operator, 5 yrs.  
Rick Watson, Storeroom Assistant I, 15 yrs.

### DISTRICT 10

Anthony Cable, Senior Mechanic, 10 yrs.  
Charles Evans, Senior Mechanic, 25 yrs.  
Johnny McLaughlin, Motor Patrol Op., 5 yrs.  
Teddy Miller, Crew Leader, 30 yrs.  
Rufus Mitchell, Jr., Rest Area Attendant, 5 yrs.  
Demetra Morton, Multi-Axle Truck Driver, 10 yrs.

Timmy Myrick, Dist. Bridge Insp. Helper, 20 yrs.  
James Wagster, Asphalt Tank Truck Dr., 10 yrs.  
Danny West, Maintenance Aide II, 15 yrs.

## RETIREMENTS

### MAINTENANCE

Leonard Hall, State Maint. Engr., 33+ yrs.

### MATERIALS

Jerry Burton, District Materials Supv., 36+ yrs.

### PROGRAMS & CONTRACTS

Faye Shook, Administrative Aide I, 5+ yrs.

### DISTRICT 1

Charlie Tittle, Rest Area Attendant, 26+ yrs.

### DISTRICT 3

Kathy Clark, Resident Ofc. Technician, 29+ yrs.  
John Kirkpatrick, Multi-Axle Truck Driver, 5+ yrs.

### DISTRICT 6

Robert Bates, Maintenance Aide II, 5+ yrs.

### DISTRICT 7

Robert Cottrell, Senior Mechanic, 9+ yrs.

### DISTRICT 10

Jimmy Dooley, Maintenance Aide II, 31+ yrs.

## MEMORIALS

### MAINTENANCE

Earl L. Marbley, 10/14/2005, Active

### FISCAL SERVICES

Ollie Mell Jones, 11/01/2005, Retired

### DISTRICT 1

David W. Morris, 11/09/2005, Retired  
Hardin H. Shuberte, 10/06/2005, Retired

### DISTRICT 9

William F. Perryman, 10/17/2005, Retired

### DISTRICT 10

Raice C. Blackwell, 10/25/2005, Retired  
Emma E. Cole, 10/14/2005, Retired

## MILITARY DUTY

As of 11/10/05, the AHTD has 5 employees serving active duty in the military. *Dates denote the deployment date.*

### DISTRICT 1

James Barte, Senior Inspector, 9/28/04  
Lamaris Mitchell, Sgl. Axle Tr. Dr., 10/13/03

### DISTRICT 4

Leslie Barnett, Const. Proj. Coord., 10/13/04

### DISTRICT 6

Shirley Hammett, Area Hq. Att., 7/20/04  
Alfred Langhom, Maint. Aide II, 10/13/04

## ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION

Mary P. "Prissy" Hickerson, Chairman  
Jonathan Barnett, Vice Chairman  
Carl S. Rosenbaum, Member  
R. Madison Murphy, Member  
John Ed Regenold, Member

Dan Flowers, AHTD Director



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Answer to "Where is This?"  
U.S. scenic Highway 82 over the Mississippi River in Chicot County