



Center Line

MAY 2010

Work Zone Safety Awareness Week Celebrated

Who is responsible for work zone safety? The answer – everyone. Engineers and planners have the responsibility to make sure the work zone is designed and operating properly. Contractors have the responsibility to make sure their workers use the best safety practices available. Drivers and pedestrians have the responsibility to always be alert and obey the traffic laws. Passengers should always buckle up and act responsibly. Police and the courts have the responsibility to make sure that work zone laws are enforced. Everyone should take responsibility for work zone safety. And if they do, work zones will be safe.

Work Zone Safety Awareness Week was recognized around the country April 19th-23rd. In Arkansas, the AHTD joined with the Arkansas Chapters of the Associated General Contractors and the American Traffic Safety Services Association at a news conference to promote safety.

Held at the commuter parking lot at the Interstate 430/ Interstate 630 Interchange, those in attendance were also given a brief update on the construction project going on at one of Arkansas' busiest interchanges.

Over 100,000 vehicles travel through the west Little Rock interchange each day. Phase I work is an \$18 million project awarded to Weaver-Bailey that got underway in January of 2009. Phase II is an \$18 million Kiewit Southern job that began in July 2009. Both of these jobs are projected to be completed by late 2010. Phase III is scheduled to get underway by the end of 2010, adding even more workers to the site.

Director Dan Flowers states, that "Safety is always our number one concern on any project – regardless of the size or scope of the job."



"Workzones Need Our Undivided Attention" was the message from AHTD Assistant Chief Engineer for Operations Emanuel Banks as he addressed a crowd gathered at Interstate 430/Interstate 630 in Little Rock during Workzone Safety Awareness Week.

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**AHTD's 2010
GRADUATES
INSIDE!**

2010 ROADEO SEMI-FINALS



	TRACTOR/ LOWBOY	TANDEM AXLE DUMP TRUCK	SINGLE AXLE DUMP TRUCK	TRACTOR/ MOWER	BACKHOE	MOTOR PATROL
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CENTRAL OFFICE - April 8, 2010

1st	Neil Austin	Roy Box	Eugene Farrell	Eugene Farrell	T.J. Brown	Roy Box
2nd	Brad Hall	Kennedy Ezell	Gary Bradley	Johnny Carte	none	Brad Hall
3rd	Darrell Coleman	Donnie Thornton	Troy Frazier	Kenny Voss	none	Frank Monroe

DISTRICT 1 - April 1, 2010

1st	Wilton Warren	Steve Roberts	Wayne Hamilton	Earnest Rose	Ray Chapman	Jerry Mitchell
2nd	Jimmy Leon	Jason Pippenger	Tim Grady	Joey Henson	Michael Howard	Shannon Smiley
3rd	Mike Henderson	Gerry Washington	Stanley Wheeler	Steven Johnson	Jerry Mitchell	Rommie Harris

DISTRICT 4 - May 29, 2010

1st	Terral Scroggins	Brad McCurry	Yvonne Blair	Darren Smith	Eric Brigance	Jerry Trotter
2nd	Marcus Stanley	Tim Henretty	Jim Sampley	Jeremiah Johnson	Dan Mowery	Jimmie Jetton
3rd	Joe Eyerman	Chris Ingram	Cynthia Thompson	Fred Ridenhour	Billy Bower	Brad McCurry

DISTRICT 5 - May 6, 2010

1st	Bill Barker	Jason Seaton	Mike Foster	Brad Fulks	Ruth Moody	Charles Wallace
2nd	Evan Higginbottom	Nick Rushing	Loren Trewyn	Thomas Smith	Johnny Rapier	Dennis Walling
3rd	Jon Jones	Matt Boyer	Nick Rushing	Cavin Hall	Jimmy Eldridge	Floyd Haley

DISTRICT 6 - April 8, 2010

1st	David Miller	Matt Creppel	Dustin Norwood	Eric Ivy	Tony Skarda	Brad Judd
2nd	Derrick Marshall	Rick Stanley	Sarah Powell	Chris Chamberlain	Rusty Bornemeier	Jerry Denley
3rd	Alfred Barnes	Lonnie Murry	Reggie Veasley	Mark Mason	Ronnie Veazey	Keith Gragson

DISTRICT 9 - April 15, 2010

1st	Jeff Upton	Keith Carpenter	Scott Willis	Jeff Hudgens	Chad Foster	Lance Baker
2nd	Donnie Billups	Rowan Dunn	Joe Arnold	Herb Sweet	Aaron Worsham	Jasper Spradling
3rd	Dennis Drewry	Cliff Moore	Jamie Wheeler	Mike Wiseman	Russell Morgan	Randall Edgmon

DISTRICT 10 - April 22, 2010

1st	Trent Wood	Tony Ruhl	Todd Clifford	Jordan Wicker	Heath Eubanks	Victor Blevins
2nd	Shannon May	Jimmy Adams	Phyllis Ashby	Barry Lunsford	Rick Hale	none
3rd	Travis Henderson	James Keaster	Corey Weatherford	James Williams	Kristie Mott	none

The Staff Minute



Employee: Charlotte L. Quimby
Area Headquarters Attendant
District 7 - Ouachita County

Length of Service: 12 years, 8 months

Job Duties: I am responsible for preparing time reports, tracking equipment mileage, daily fuel issues and measurements, stock issues, ordering of supplies, deficiency and service of equipment. I also maintain the area yard and shop.

Favorite part of the job: We have three crews in this yard and I can say that there has never been a day too long or boring. They keep me busy and laughing.

Background: I began working for the AHTD in August of 1997 in Dallas County as a General Laborer/Single Axle Truck Driver. I held the title of Distributor/Roller Operator and then Maintenance Aide I. I then transferred to Cleveland County as a Maintenance Aide I until May 8, 2008. I am currently an Area Headquarters Attendant in Ouachita County.

Family: I am married to Alan Quimby who also works at the AHTD in District 7 as a Crew Leader. We have two children, Alan and Sandy, and one grandson, Haven.

Hobbies: I love camping, horseback riding and working in the garden. I enjoy four-wheeler riding, fishing and hunting - anything to do with the outdoors. I love to cook and spend time at home with my family.

Flowers Inducted Into Construction Hall of Fame

AHTD Director Dan Flowers was inducted into the Arkansas Construction Hall of Fame during a dinner at the Aerospace Education Center in Little Rock on April 28th.

The Arkansas Construction Hall of Fame was established in 1999 by the Arkansas Chapter of Associated General Contractors of America to honor and recognize outstanding individuals in the construction industry. These individuals are held in esteem by their peers and have demonstrated their professionalism through active support of the industry and through civic and community involvement. There have been 32 individuals inducted into the Hall of Fame since its founding.

“It is certainly an honor to be inducted into the Arkansas Construction Hall of Fame,” stated Flowers.

“What we do in the construction industry, whether we are engineers, managers, technicians or equipment operators is important. The buildings, utilities, airports, roads and other public and private facilities that we build make peoples’ lives better.”

“To be included in this group of construction industry professionals is certainly more than I could have ever thought possible,” Flowers added.

Other industry leaders inducted into the Hall of Fame on April 28th were the late Howard S. Eichenbaum, FAIA (Little Rock) of Erhart and Eichenbaum and continued

today as Gaskin Hill Norcross; the late Harold J. Engstrom, PE (Little Rock) of AFCO Steel and later of Engstrom Engineers; the late Clark McClinton (Fayetteville) of McClinton Brothers Company and later of McClinton-Anchor Construction Company; and Mike Shupe, PE (Bentonville) of CEI Engineering Associates.



AHTD Director Dan Flowers (l.) is inducted into the Arkansas Construction Hall of Fame with Don Weaver, Vice President of Weaver-Bailey Contractors (r.) presenting.

what's COOKING

This month's recipe is from Regina Colclough of District 8. Please submit your recipe for possible publication in the CenterLine. Mail it to Shelli Russell, P.O. Box 2261, Little Rock, AR 72203-2261 or email it to shelli.russell@arkansashighways.com.

Pasta Salad

- 1 Pkg. spaghetti noodles
- 1 Cucumber, sliced and quartered
- 1 Small jar black or green olives, sliced
- 1 Bundle of broccoli
- 1/2 Bottle Italian dressing
- Several small baby carrots
- 1/4 Bottle salad seasoning (ex: McCormick)
- Grated Parmesan cheese
- 3 to 4 stalks of green onions, chopped

Cook spaghetti noodles, drain and set aside. Mix all above ingredients, adding the Italian dressing and salad seasoning last. Serves 6 to 8.

Stimulus Jobs Update...

On February 13, 2009, Congress passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) in order to create new jobs and save existing ones, spur economic activity and foster accountability and transparency in government spending.

Construction and repair of roads and bridges are included among the many projects that the Recovery Act is funding. As of April 16th of this year, the Department of Transportation's (DOT) total spending under the economic stimulus package had reached \$10.9 billion. Most of the funds the DOT will spend under the act go into highway and bridge projects – for repairs of existing structures and to build new ones. Significant amounts of that money are already allocated, so that the projects they support can proceed.

In Arkansas, as of April 20th, 114 projects have been let to contract by the AHTD. That translates into 260 miles of work at a cost of \$360 million. Of those projects, 55 totaling 172 miles have been completed.

Another 13 ARRA projects remain to be let to contract in the state. Once they have, the AHTD will have let 127 ARRA projects totaling 270 miles and \$389 million.

CONSTRUCTION CORNER DISTRICT 2



Work is underway in Grant County on the Sheridan Bypass on Highway 167. This project is constructing the embankment and bridge structures for the bypass. T.J. Lambrecht Construction, Inc. of Joliet, Illinois, was awarded the contract at \$8,613,701.43 in April of 2008.

Once completed, the bypass will be a four lane, divided highway stretching almost nine miles around the west side of town. It will relieve some of the congestion motorists experience on the existing route. A future project will provide the work for the driving surface. Work is over halfway completed on this phase and crews are expecting completion of this stage in late 2010.

Retirement Board Election is Soon

It will soon be time to elect a new member to the Retirement System Board of Trustees.

Nominations have been turned in and you will soon receive a ballot with the names of the two members receiving the largest number of nominating votes.

The position is for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2012. All active members of the retirement system were eligible for nomination and election.

Current members of the Board of Trustees are Scott Bennett, Larry Dickerson, Frank Vozel and Mitchell Archer. Archer's term on the board ends June 30th of this year.



Highway Police: (l. to r.) John Strojek, Administrative Aide IV, received his 15-year service award from Capt. Jay Thompson.



Maintenance: Ryan Allison, son of Bobby Allison, Communications Maintenance Specialist, was born March 24th.



Maintenance: Emili D. Davis, daughter of Gale Davis, Senior Accountant, graduated from the University of Central Arkansas with a B.A. in Business Administration.



District 1: (l. to r.) Needra Sisson, District Office Manager, presents Darlene Riley, District Fuel Clerk, with her 5-year service award.



District 1: Receiving their 10-year service awards were (l. to r.), Kiwana Stovall, Storeroom Assistant I; Sharon Holbrook, Field Clerk II; Alton Chapman, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator; William Ewing, Motor Patrol Operator; and Marilyn Johnson, Field Clerk II.



District 1: (l. to r.) Larry Fleming, Equipment Maint. Supervisor, presents Eddie Tucker, Dist. Caretaker, with his 20-year service award.



District 1: (l. to r.) Receiving their 15-year service awards were Juanita Tilghman-Mendez, Maintenance Aide I; and Benford Adell, Single Axle Truck Driver.



District 3: Lora Morgan LaFay White, granddaughter of Susan Smith, Office Tech., was born March 1st.



District 7: Braydon Pepper, grandson of Bruce Pepper, Crew Leader, was born on December 3, 2009, weighing 1 lb, 9 oz.



District 7: Gentry Maggard, grandson of David Denson, Motor Patrol Operator-Finish, was born March 23rd, weighing 8 lbs., 4 oz.



District 9: (l. to r.) Courtney Gray, Maintenance Aide I, receives her 5-year service award from Ed Watts, Area Maintenance Supervisor.



District 10: Recently retiring were (l. to r.) Hershel Nelson, Security Guard, after 34 years and Van Barnett, District Caretaker, after 8.5 years.



District 10: Makenzie Marie Adams is the one-year-old granddaughter of Linda Adams, Construction Aide II.

new employees

HIGHWAY POLICE - Deandra Clegg, Guard - Ronald McNew, Guard

HUMAN RESOURCES - Julian Moore, Mail Courier

INTERNAL AUDIT - Alan Pinkerton, Auditor - Charles Robinson, Auditor

PROGRAMS & CONTRACTS - Kelley Colvert, Office Adm. Assistant III

RIGHT OF WAY - Marcy Jenkins, Administrative Assistant

DISTRICT 1 - Victor Enriquez, Single Axle Truck Driver - Laura Gasper, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT 2 - Roosevelt Murray, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT 3 - Jacob Adcock, Single Axle Truck Driver - Alonzo Henry, General Laborer

DISTRICT 4 - Melvin Dodson, General Laborer

DISTRICT 6 - Lawrence Adkins, General Laborer - Deangelo Goston, General Laborer - Rose Hill, Single Axle Truck Driver - Thomas Perryman, Single Axle Truck Driver - Clifton Welch, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT 8 - Rickey Scroggins, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT 10 - Connie Green, General Laborer - Otis Morris, Jr., General Laborer

promotions

CONSTRUCTION - Ashley Ward, Estimates Technician

ENVIRONMENTAL - William McAlexander, Jr., Environmental Scientist I

HEAVY BRIDGE - T.J. Brown, Assistant Bridge Inspector - Paul Voss, Bridge Repairer I

HIGHWAY POLICE - Lonnie Banks, Sergeant - Timothy Choate, Sergeant - Russell Falls, Sergeant - James Hamrick, Sergeant - Robert Johnson, Sergeant - Woodrow Jones, Sergeant - Vicky Lee, Sergeant - Jeffrey Smith, Sergeant - Louie Smith, Sergeant - Gary Taylor, Sergeant - Ned Ward, Sergeant - Stephen Woods, Sergeant

MAINTENANCE - Stephen Robbins, Paint Transport Truck Driver

PLANNING & RESEARCH - David Siskowski, Engineer I

PROGRAMS & CONTRACTS - Christopher Davis, Advanced P & C Specialist

DISTRICT 1 - Anthony Burnett, Crew Leader - Demetric Dotson, Engineer I - Billy Duncan, Roller Operator - Keenan James, Spreader Operator - Jason Wood, Single Axle Truck Driver, Woodruff Co.

DISTRICT 2 - Dennis Burton, Construction Aide I - Jose Huante, Multi-Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT 3 - Bradley McJunkins, Backhoe/Front End Loader Op., Howard Co. - Joe Mills, Construction Aide III - Todd Rucker, Backhoe/Front End Loader Op., Nevada Co.

DISTRICT 4 - Charles Riddle, Maintenance Aide I, Scott Co. - James Vaught, Senior Mechanic

DISTRICT 5 - Kendall Stroud, Construction Project Coord.

DISTRICT 6 - Victor Jordan, Distributor Operator - Jeffery Ray, Backhoe/Front End Loader, Hot Spring Co. - Kevin Rogers, Rest Area Attendant, Prairie Co. - Atura Trotter, Storeroom Asst. I - Nancy Weigand, Maintenance Aide II, Lonoke Co.

DISTRICT 7 - Kathy Daniel, Personnel Clerk - David Jarvais, Construction Aide II - Lori Stinnett, Senior Inspector

DISTRICT 8 - Kenneth Caldwell, Bridge Repairer I - Bobby Reed, Backhoe/Front End Loader, Pope Co.

DISTRICT 9 - Darrell Canion, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator, Madison Co. - Rickey Clark, Inspector - Kyle Lasater, Construction Aide II

DISTRICT 10 - David Cooper, Area Maintenance Supervisor, Greene Co.

service

COMPUTER SERVICES - Tim Corballis, Computer Technician II, 10 yrs. - Hedley Davies, Hardware Technician II, 15 yrs.

CONSTRUCTION - Ginger Crain, Senior Inspector, 15 yrs., RE 73 - Donna Eckhart, Field Clerk II, 15 yrs., RE 32 - Edward Erick, Construction Aide II, 25 yrs., RE 64 - John Falwell, Inspector, 25 yrs., RE 55 - Joseph Hargrave, Construction Aide III, 10 yrs. - David Jarvais, Construction Aide I, 10 yrs. - Regina McDowell, Construction Aide I, 10 yrs. - Patsy Moore, Resident Office Technician, 40 yrs., RE 84 - Kerry Powers, Construction Aide I, 15 yrs., RE 86 - Cheril Ridenhour, Construction Aide III, 15 yrs., RE 41

HIGHWAY POLICE - Mark Willis, Corporal, 20 yrs.

HUMAN RESOURCES - Kathy Campbell, Personnel Auditing Clerk, 10 yrs.

MAINTENANCE - Boyd Dickey, Striping Superintendent, 20 yrs. - Kelley Field, Communication Maintenance Specialist, 15 Yrs.

MATERIALS - David Kraft, Geotechnical Drill Party Chief, 20 yrs.

PLANNING & RESEARCH - Mike Schiffl, Cartographer IV, 30 yrs. - Velma Smith, Transportation Management Analyst II, 20 yrs.

DISTRICT 1 - George McDaniel, Crew Leader, 30 yrs. - James Tucker, District Caretaker, 20 yrs.

DISTRICT 2 - J. Colbert, Crew Leader, 35 yrs. - Ginger Haire, Guard, 20 yrs. - Phelix Price, Distributor/Roller Operator, 15 yrs. - Ronnie Womack, Jr., Crew Leader, 15 yrs.

DISTRICT 3 - Darrell Aikens, Maintenance Aide I, 15 yrs. - John Daniel, Bridge Job Superintendent, 25 yrs. - David Gaylord, Maintenance Aide I, 10 yrs. - James Huckabee, Backhoe/Front End Loader Op., 5 yrs. - Earl Scott, Maintenance Aide II, 15 yrs.

DISTRICT 4 - Keith Chambers, Backhoe/Front End Loader Op., 10 yrs. - Patricia Mowry, Crew Leader, 25 yrs. - Michael Turner, Finish Carpenter, 30 yrs.

DISTRICT 5 - Marlon Brown, Asphalt Tank Truck Driver, 10 yrs. - Amy Wright, Single Axle Truck Driver, 5 yrs.

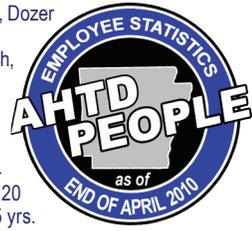
DISTRICT 6 - Lester Martin, Crew Leader, 20 yrs. - Carolyn Rapier, Area Headquarters Attendant, 10 yrs. - Shandale Smith, Maintenance Aide II, 10 yrs. - Kim Staton, Station Attendant, 20 yrs.

DISTRICT 7 - Wilson Sisson, Motor Patrol Operator, 10 yrs.

DISTRICT 8 - Calvin Adney, Crew Leader, 30 yrs. - Darrell Carter, Crew Leader, 10 yrs. - Michael Sibley, Multi-Axle Truck Driver, 15 yrs.

DISTRICT 9 - Anthony Breedlove, Dozer Operator - Finish, 20 yrs. - Gale Smith, Motor Patrol Operator-Finish, 25 yrs. - Alvie Spradling, Motor Patrol Operator, 5 yrs.

DISTRICT 10 - Ronnie Dunbar, Dozer Operator - Finish, 15 yrs. - Brad Fultz, Maintenance Aide II, 20 yrs. - Jason Ludwig, Mechanic, 5 yrs.



retirement

COMPUTER SERVICES - Terry Wright, User Support Liaison, 33+ yrs.

HEAVY BRIDGE - Danny Potter, Bridge Repairer II, 27+ yrs.

HIGHWAY POLICE - Mickey Helms, Corporal, 22+ yrs.

ROADWAY DESIGN - Paulette Hutchings, Office Administrative Assistant III, 22+ yrs.

DISTRICT 3 - Bobby Bailey, Area Maintenance Supervisor, 31+ yrs.

DISTRICT 4 - Jesse Freeman, Maintenance Aide II, 19+ yrs. - Richard Ingram, Area Maintenance Supervisor, 34+ yrs.

DISTRICT 6 - Jerry Atchley, Construction Materials Inspector, 21+ yrs. - Jerry Zuber, Maintenance Job Superintendent, 33+ yrs.

DISTRICT 7 - Roger Spakes, Distributor/Roller Operator, 8+ yrs.

DISTRICT 10 - Harold Lady, III, Area Maintenance Supervisor, 35+ yrs. - Sammy McDaniel, Bridge Repairer II, 24+ yrs. - James Miller, Motor Patrol Operator, 20+ yrs. - Hershel Nelson, Guard, 33+ yrs.

memorials

HIGHWAY POLICE - Mildred C. Riley, 4/22/10, retired

RIGHT OF WAY - Dorothy L. Casey, 3/31/10, retired

DISTRICT 1 - Ben C. Butler, 4/23/10, retired

DISTRICT 4 - Billy R. Gray, 5/5/10, retired

DISTRICT 6 - Don J. Lemay, 4/27/10, retired

DISTRICT 10 - Rex L. Hall, 4/17/10, retired

active duty

As of 05/14/10, the AHTD had 8 employees serving active duty in the United States military. Dates denote deployment.

HUMAN RESOURCES - Travis Nelson, Safety Inspection Officer, 7/15/09

DISTRICT 1 - Ricky Benson, Construction Helper II, 10/5/05

DISTRICT 4 - Donald R. Ullrich, Jr., Roller Operator, 5/5/10

DISTRICT 6 - Shirley Hammett, Area Headquarters Attendant, 7/20/04

DISTRICT 9 - Ashley Hale, Ferry Boat Pilot, 9/5/07 - Douglas Henry, Single Axle Truck Driver, 10/1/07

DISTRICT 10 - Robert Martin, General Laborer, 5/28/09 - Dustin Miller, Bridge Repairer, 11/11/09

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