

# CROSS SECTION

September 2012

ASHE Northeast Region



## Wednesday, September 12, 2012 Dinner Meeting

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**Speaker: Cheryl Moon-Sirianni**  
**PennDOT District 11**  
**ADE Design**



**Topic: Various PennDOT Talking Points**

**Place: Penn Brewery**  
**800 Vinial Street**  
**Pittsburgh, PA 15212**

**Time: Social Hour: 5:30 PM**  
**Dinner: 6:30 PM**  
**Speaker: 7:30 PM**

<b>SAVE THE DATE</b>	
Sept 29th	2012 PPB at Historic LeMont Restaurant on Mt. Washington
Oct 24th	Dinner Meeting at Green Tree Double Tree
Oct/Nov	Young Members Event (Date & Location TBD)
Oct/Nov	PDH Seminar at PennDOT District 11-0 (Date TBD)
Jan 9, 2013	Dinner Meeting (Location TBD)
Feb 13, 2013	Dinner Meeting (Location TBD)
March 2013	Educational Seminar w/ University of Pitt (Location TBD)

For reservations contact:  
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COB September 10, 2012  
Cost:  
\$25.00 Members  
\$30.00 Non-Members  
\$10.00 Students  
Reservations made and not  
honored will be invoiced.  
Cancellations accepted until  
NOON September 11, 2012.  
**Late registrations  
will incur a \$5 late  
registration fee.**

## ***President's Message***

Welcome to another exciting year for the ASHE Pittsburgh Section! Although it has been a very challenging year for the transportation industry, ASHE is keeping a very positive outlook and doing some great things that I would like to share with everyone including the latest developments and initiatives:

### **-Dinner Meetings**

We are constantly looking to provide new, fresh venues and exciting speakers for our monthly dinner meetings. We have had our second annual spring event at the Narcisi Winery in Gibsonia – a rousing success both years. In addition, we are having our second annual fall event at the Penn Brewery in the North Side (see Cross Section Info). We have also stretched the boundaries of our normal speakers to include such speakers as Jamie Dixon (Pitt Basketball coach) and Clint Hurdle (Pittsburgh Pirates Manager), in addition to some of our favorites at the state and governmental levels as well as exciting projects in the region.

### **-Past President's Banquet**

As well as providing new venues for this annual fall event, this year we will be featuring a comedy night with Pittsburgh's Jimmy Krenn at the LeMont Restaurant in Mount Washington. Next year's event will be at the Oakmont Country Club.

### **-Membership**

As of right now, the ASHE Pittsburgh Section has a total of 528 members – one of our main goals is to reach the 600's which was our peak several years ago. You will be seeing various events and efforts to help increase our membership numbers (see Cross Section info). Please help us out and spread the news about ASHE to your fellow co-workers and others within the industry. ASHE is still one of the most affordable engineering organizations in the region with low annual dues and an excellent opportunity to network with public officials, consultants, contractors, and others in the transportation industry.

### **-Young Members (YM)**

I have been a very strong advocate for our younger member group (started in 2005) and we look to continue the momentum this year with Younger Member Events in the fall and spring...keep your eyes open for more details and remember our goal is to encourage YM participation, maintain YM involvement, and increase the overall ASHE Membership with the addition of YM.

### **-PDH / Educational**

We have started a fall and spring PDH Seminar at PennDOT District 11-0's Office. This offers our ASHE members the opportunity to earn affordable PDH's locally and learn about some of the new practices within our industry. We have been holding our annual Education Seminar with the University of Pittsburgh Center for Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure for the past two years and will continue this partnership in the future. Look for another top notch line up in March 2013.

### **-Legislative**

We strive to be advocates for the transportation industry by getting involved and supporting legislation in conjunction with other organizations and associations such as Construction Legislative Council (CLC), American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC), and Associated PA Constructors (APC).

I wanted to personally thank the entire board for their hard work and efforts to truly make this organization the best in the region. Please take some time and try to meet and talk with our current board members to hear about some of the other exciting things we are doing. I am looking forward to a very positive year not only with the ASHE Pittsburgh Section, but within our industry as well. Thanks to all current members for keeping us at the highest number of all ASHE Sections and I hope to see most of you at Penn Brewery on September 12<sup>th</sup> with our special guest Cheryl Moon-Sirianni of PennDOT.

Brian A Krul  
ASHE President



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Pittsburgh



REQUEST THE HONOUR OF YOUR PRESENCE

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**2012**

*Past President's Banquet*

SATURDAY, THE TWENTY-NINTH OF SEPTEMBER

TWO THOUSAND AND TWELVE

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AT THE LEMONT RESTAURANT

1114 GRANDVIEW AVENUE

PITTSBURGH, PA 15211

PLEASE R.S.V.P. BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2012

For information contact George Zboyovsky

(412) 513-5397 or gzib@yahoo.com

COMEDY NIGHT WITH PITTSBURGH'S VERY OWN JIMMY KRENN

## *The LeMont Restaurant*

*1114 Grandview Avenue \* Pittsburgh, PA*

*Valet Parking is available for \$6.00/vehicle*

### EVENTS

Cocktail Hour  
Guitar Music by Mike DeLuca  
Dinner  
Awards/Recognitions  
Door Prizes  
Open Bar  
Comedy Show with  
Mike Wysocki  
Feature Comedian  
Pittsburgh's Jimmy Krenn

### MENU

Open Bar/Crudite' &  
Cheese Station  
6:00 PM—7:00 PM  
Dinner  
7:00 PM  
LeMont Salad  
Choice of:  
Chicken En Croute  
Grouper with shrimp  
Filet Mignon  
Fresh Garden Vegetables  
Dessert  
(Vegetarian Meal Available)





August 29, 2012

ASHE MEMBER

Dear ASHE Member,

As you are well aware, The American Society of Highway Engineers (ASHE) is a national organization, composed of engineers, consultants, contractors, manufacturers, suppliers and government personnel, all of whom are involved in the transportation industry. The largest ASHE section is here in Pittsburgh with nearly 600 individual members and 80 corporate members.

On September 29, 2012, we will hold our annual Past Presidents' Banquet where we honor those men and women who have led our organization since its inception. The Banquet will be held at the historic

**Le Mont Restaurant** located on Mt. Washington, in Pittsburgh. This year the event will feature Pittsburgh's own funny man and radio personality comedian Jimmy Krenn as well comedian Mike Wysocki.

As one of the highlights of the Banquet, we offer exciting door prizes that have been donated by various organizations and individuals. We are hoping you or your organization will be able to contribute an item or gift certificate for this year's Banquet. As a "thank you" for your donation, you will be recognized in our evening's printed program as well as on our website ([www.ashepgh.org](http://www.ashepgh.org)). The levels of prize sponsorship are as follows: Bronze (\$50 - \$75), Silver (\$76 to \$150 in value), Gold (\$151 to \$250 in value), and Platinum (over \$250 in value).

If you would like to submit an advertisement congratulating the most recent past president, Ben Reitz, as well as all those who have dedicated so much time serving as ASHE Section President for the evening's program you can do so for the following costs:

Full Page Ad (5 1/2" x 8 1/2")	=	\$100.00
1/2 Page Ad (5 1/2" x 4 1/4")	=	\$75.00
Business Card	=	\$50.00

- All ads and copy must be received no later than September 14, 2012.
- If there is a photograph or detailed graphic on the ad copy, you must either send the original photo of this or copy it to a disk. If you send it via email it should be a maximum of 5 megs and email it to me who will forward it to the printer at [gzyb@yahoo.com](mailto:gzyb@yahoo.com) along with your name and phone number in case of questions.
- Copy should be in color. Please send the correct size or ad copy may be returned to be redone.
- PDF is the preferred format.
- ASHE reserves the right to reject objectionable advertising and copy.

Please make any checks payable to **ASHE Pittsburgh**. We would greatly appreciate any consideration you can give to our request. We are asking that all donations and advertisements for the program be received by *September 14, 2012*. Please send your donation and/or payment and advertisement information for the program to:

**ASHE Past President's Banquet**  
**C/O - George Zboyovsky, PE**  
**4114 Cloverlea Street**  
**Pittsburgh, PA 15227**

Thank you very much in advance for your generosity. If you have any questions, please call me at 412-513-5397 or via email [gzboyovsky@brentwoodboro.com](mailto:gzboyovsky@brentwoodboro.com).

Sincerely,

George Zboyovsky, PE Banquet Chairman

### Job Posting

Mackin Engineering Company, an established consulting civil and transportation engineering firm based in Pittsburgh has positions available for senior level bridge engineers, and bridge inspectors.

**Engineers** – Min. requirements include a B.S. in Civil Eng., prof. registration, thorough knowledge of PennDOT & AASHTO Design Criteria, & 5+ yrs. exp. in bridge design projects.

**Inspectors** – Min. requirements for inspectors & team leaders incl. 5+ years exp. in NBIS insp. & struct. analysis. CBSI req. Good verbal & written communication skills a must. P.E. highly desirable.

Mackin Engineering is an E.E.O employer and offers competitive salary and benefit packages. Please send resumes in confidence to: Mackin Engineering Company, RIDC Park West, 117 Industry Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15275, admin@mackinengineering.com

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The ASHE Pittsburgh Section would like to welcome its newest members:

Christina Angelo  
Christopher Cservak  
Rebecca Farner  
Brea Fedinetz  
Kellie Fisher  
Jason Hoover  
Kelly Jones  
Steven Lowden  
Gregory Moyer  
Kara Natasi



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### ATTENTION WEBMASTERS

ASHE Pittsburgh is currently looking for additional help to manage our website. Interested webmasters please contact Brian Krul at [brian.krul@lrkimbball.com](mailto:brian.krul@lrkimbball.com)

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### Wanted – New Members for the Pittsburgh Section

The Pittsburgh Section would like to announce a new rewards program for new members. At each of the five (5) scheduled dinner meetings, a new member's name will be drawn and a \$50.00 dollar gift card will be awarded to the selected new member. To be eligible, you have to have become a new member during the 2012/2013 year and the winner must be present to win. If the new member's name is called, but they are not at the meeting, a new name will be drawn until a winner is found. All members' names that were drawn but not in attendance of the dinner meeting will be returned to the "hat" for the next dinner meeting drawing.

If you or someone you know has been thinking about becoming a Pittsburgh ASHE member, now is the time to encourage them to join! Besides having easy access to PDH's, the excitement of hearing one of the great scheduled speakers, a fine dinner, and endless stream of networking opportunities, new members have an opportunity to win great prizes!

**Don't hesitate; join now while the odds of winning are at their best!**

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Anyone who has any information about members of ASHE, such as births, deaths, marriages, registrations, etc., are asked to provide the information to Ron Todorowski at [forthepr@yahoo.com](mailto:forthepr@yahoo.com) if they would like the information to be listed in the next Cross Section Newsletter.

ANNUAL PIRATE OUTING

This year's Annual Pirate Outing took place on Saturday, July 21. One hundred and six members and friends of the Pittsburgh and Southwest Pennsylvania Sections gathered in Lot 3 near PNC Park at 4:00 to socialize and take part in games of skill. Attendees enjoyed free parking in a semi-private lot in the shade of the Fort Duquesne Bridge, thanks to the Trumbull Corporation.



Calabria's Italian Restaurant served a catered dinner at 5:00 that included Chicken Milanese, Hot Sausage, Meatballs, Pasta Calabria and much more. Nobody went away hungry.

Dinner was followed by a door prize raffle which included prizes donated by our very generous sponsors: Dave & Busters, Big Burrito, Champion Lakes Golf Club, Birdsfoot Golf Club, Glengarry Golf Links, Springfield Restaurant Group, Ponderosa Golf Course, Donegal Highlands Golf Course and Butler's Golf Course. Please keep our generous sponsors in mind as you plan future corporate outings.



The Pirates entered the game with a record of 52-40 and were a half game behind the Cincinnati Reds for first place in the NL Central. The Pirates did their part, defeating the Marlins by a final score of 5-1, but first place would have to wait because the Reds won too. The highlight of the game was the fourth inning when Pirates recorded four runs without a single hit (thanks to a throw-away sacrifice bunt, a sacrifice fly and *two* bases-loaded walks).

The game was a sellout, attended by 39,411 fans. It was the 11<sup>th</sup> sellout of the season and the 5<sup>th</sup> largest crowd in PNC Park history.

After the game, fans remained in their seats to enjoy Zambelli fireworks.

Everyone had a great time. Please join us again next year!



## Markosky Welcomes Dave Cutlip!

The Markosky Engineering Group, Inc. is very pleased to announce the addition of David A. Cutlip as our Environmental Manager.

Dave obtained his a Bachelor of Science degree in Wildlife Resources from West Virginia University in 1986. He has been involved in environmental design, permitting, planning, monitoring and oversight for over 25 years. He has worked on projects ranging from small site plans and minor stream crossings to multimillion-dollar highway and bridge projects.

Dave's experience includes oil and gas permitting, wetland design and construction, erosion control design, asbestos inspection and abatement, permit preparation, waste management coordination, constructability reviews, preparation of environmental impact statements, environmental assessments, and categorical exclusions.

As a key member of the Construction Management teams for the Amos K. Hutchinson Bypass, The Southern Beltway, and the Mon/Fayette Expressway, Dave has been a fixture on the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission's expansion projects over the past 20 years, providing environmental planning, design, monitoring and oversight.

Dave has had an immediate impact, providing environmental expertise on existing projects, and allowing us to offer a full range of environmental services to support any engineering project. We will be adding additional environmental staff as necessary to meet the needs of our clients.

THE  
**Markosky**  
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**David A. Cutlip**  
**Environmental Manager**

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#### SILVER \$4,000.00 per Year

Company can designate up to 5 individuals to have Company-sponsored corporate membership. Unlimited Greens Fees for each designated member. Members Cart Fees Included. Designated Members may have Guests, who can play at regular guest rates. Handicap tracked at no cost. Each Silver Member will receive a personalized locker. \*Term through December 2013

#### BRONZE \$2,750.00 per Year

Company can designate up to 3 individuals to have Company-sponsored corporate membership. Unlimited Greens Fees for each designated member. Members are responsible for Cart Fees. Designated Members may have Guests, who can play at regular guest rates. Handicap tracked at no cost. Each Bronze Member will receive a personalized locker. \*Term through December 2013

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**A&A Consultants, Inc,**  
707 East Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15212  
Phone: 412-323-2200



Contact: Tom Vena—tvena@aaconsultinc.com  
Principals: Al M. Ahmed  
Type of Work: Engineering—Structural, Civil, Geotechnical and Testing and Inspection, Concrete & Soils, Testing Lab and On-Site Inspection

**Erdman Anthony**  
4955 Steubenville Pike  
Suite 404  
Pittsburgh, PA 15205  
Phone: 412-494-0505



Contact Person: Bernie Zimmovan—zimmovanb@erdmananthony.com

Principals: Curtis W. Helman, PE, CEO / President  
D. Vincent Weiser, PE, COO / Vice President  
Russell Bullock, PE, Board Chairman  
Richard E. Stees, PLS, Vice President—Transportation

Type of Work Performed: Highway Design, Bridge Design, Traffic Engineering, Hydrologic / Hydraulic Studies, Construction Services, Geospatial Services, Civil Engineering, Facilities Engineering

**Mosites Construction Company**  
4839 Campbells Run Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15205  
Phone: 412-923-2255



Contact: Steve Mosites—steve@mosites.com

Type of Work: Heavy Highway and Commercial

**m.a.. Beech Corporation**  
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Carnegie, PA 15106  
Phone: 412-276-7199



Contact: Marcy Pankas Cadez—mcazez@mabeech.com

Type of Work Performed: Inspection

Principals: Michael A Beech, President

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Century Club 2012/2013: The campaign for the 2012 / 2013 Century Club has started. Renewal notice and company profile forms were mailed to firms in mid-April. The updated company profiles and payment will be due June 1, 2012. If your firm is not a Century Club Member and would like to become one, please contact Bob at RNedzesky@WECengineers.com

## ASHE Century Club Members

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Thanks for the great response to the 2012 /2013 Century Club Membership Campaign. Most firms have renewed but there are still a few that haven't responded yet. Firms that have not renewed by mid-September will be removed from the Century Club Membership list. If you are unsure if your firm has renewed or if your firm is not a Century Club Member and would like to become one, please contact Bob at [RNedzesky@WECengineers.com](mailto:RNedzesky@WECengineers.com)"

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### ASHE

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