



## **APAM Celebrates Holiday Season and 2009 Award Winning Teams**

On December 10th, the association hosted our Holiday Banquet and the presentation of the APAM / MDOT Asphalt Paving Awards at the Kellogg Center on the campus of Michigan State University. It was a very special evening as we celebrated the 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of our Asphalt Paving Awards Program.

Over 250 people attended and enjoyed the festivities including representatives from MDOT, APAM members, local agencies and consultants. The evening was filled with frosty beverages, good food and great conversation as industry partners celebrated the upcoming Holiday Season and the honored the award winning teams.

The evening's program began with Executive Director John Becsey welcoming the attendees and introducing special guests.

MDOT's Chief Operations Officer, Greg Johnson offered opening remarks on the successes of MDOT's partnership with the industry and the importance of the APAM/ MDOT Paving Awards.

APAM Scholarship award winners were recognized by Scholarship Committee Member Aaron White. [\(Click here to see more information on this year's winners\).](#)

And to complete the festivities, Chuck Mills announced the winners of the 2009 APAM /MDOT Asphalt Paving Awards as the plaques were presented by MDOT's Greg Johnson and APAM President Andy Schmidt.

For 2009, a total of 56 projects were evaluated in 10 different award categories. The judging committee visited each of the nominated projects, traveling about 4,765 miles in 12 days. Each project was rated on a scale of 1-10 in the following nine quality areas: Appearance, Ride, Texture Uniformity, Longitudinal and Transverse Joints, Edges, Utility Cover Adjustments and Degree of Difficulty.

Congratulations to the all of the people who worked on the 17 projects that received these coveted awards for 2009.

[Click here to see a listing of the 2009 award winning projects.](#)