

APAM Celebrates Holiday Season and 2012 Award Winning Teams

On December 13th, the association hosted its annual 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 very festive night as we celebrated our 36th anniversary of the Asphalt Paving Awards Program.

Over 220 people attended and enjoyed the festivities including representatives from MDOT, APAM members, local agencies, county road commissions and consultants. The evening was filled with cold beverages and great conversation as industry partners celebrated the upcoming Holiday Season and the honored award winning teams.

The evening's program began with Executive Director John Becsey welcoming the attendees and special guests, followed by remarks by APAM President Kevin Gannon.

MDOT's Director, Kirk Steudle offered opening remarks on the successes of MDOT's partnership with the industry and the importance of the APAM/MDOT Paving Awards.

Gregg Campbell announced the APAM Scholarship winners. <u>(Click here to see more on this year's winners)</u>.

To complete the festivities, Chuck Mills, APAM Director of Engineering announced the winners of the 2012 APAM/MDOT Asphalt Paving Awards as the plaques were presented by MDOT's Kirk Steudle and APAM President Kevin Gannon.

In 2012, 57 projects were evaluated in 10 different award categories. The judging committee visited each of the nominated projects, traveling 4,200 miles in 11 days. Each project was rated on a scale of 1-10 in the following areas: Appearance, ride, texture, uniformity, longitudinal and transverse joints, edges, utility cover adjustments and degree of difficulty.

Congratulations to all the award winning teams who worked on the 16 projects that received the 2012 Asphalt Paving Awards.

(Click here to see a listing of the 2012 award winning projects.)