



## **APAM Celebrates Holiday Season and 2017 Award Winning Teams**

On December 7<sup>th</sup>, 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 41<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Asphalt Paving Awards Program.

Over 300 people attended and enjoyed the festivities including representatives from MDOT, APAM members, local agencies, county road commissions, consultants and Michigan universities. 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 presenting a plaque of appreciation to outgoing APAM President, Gregg Campbell. Mr. Campbell introduced special guests and spoke of the commitment required to win an award.

Mark Van Port Fleet, MDOT's Chief Operations Officer offered opening remarks on the success of MDOT's partnership with the industry and the importance of the APAM/MDOT Paving Awards.

Aaron White, Central Asphalt, announced the APAM Scholarship winners. This year 10 deserving students received APAM Scholarships. ([click to view the 2017 APAM Scholarship Recipients List](#)).

To complete the festivities, Chuck Mills, APAM Director of Engineering announced the winners of the 2017 APAM/MDOT Asphalt Paving Awards as the plaques were presented by MDOT 's Mark Van Port Fleet and APAM President Gregg Campbell.

This year 82 projects were evaluated in 10 different award categories. The judging committee visited each of the nominated projects, traveling 5,600 miles in 13 days. Each project was rated 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 19 projects that received the 2017 Asphalt Paving Awards.

([Click here to see a listing of the 2017 Award Winning Projects](#))