APAM Celebrates Holiday Season and 2018 Award Winning Teams

On December 12th, 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 42nd anniversary of the Asphalt Paving Awards Program.

Over 225 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 APAM's President, Aaron White introduced special guests and offered remarks on the Paving Awards.

Tony Kratofil, 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.

Gregg Campbell, Michigan Paving & Materials Co., announced the APAM Scholarship winners. This year 9 deserving students received APAM Scholarships. (click to view the 2018 APAM Scholarship Recipients List).

To complete the festivities, Chuck Mills, APAM Director of Engineering announced the winners of the 2018 APAM/MDOT Asphalt Paving Awards as the plaques were presented by MDOT 's Tony Kratofil and APAM President Aaron White.

This year 66 projects were evaluated in 10 different award categories. The judging committee visited each of the nominated projects, traveling 4,800 miles in 11 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 18 projects that received the 2018 Asphalt Paving Awards.

(Click here to see a listing of the 2018 Award Winning Projects)