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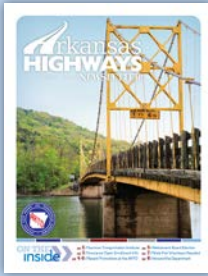
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- DISTRICT 9 JaNell Davidson
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Today's Students... Tomorrow's Engineers

Summer Transportation Institute



AHTD's Tom Elkins (top) and Jim Tadel (bottom) teach a class in surveying.

TWELVE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM AROUND ARKANSAS participated in this year's Summer Transportation

Institute held at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. The students spent two weeks in June learning about transportation via air, water and land.

Among the sessions students participated in were an introduction to civil engineering, math for engineers, introduction to concrete design, and engineering design.

Students had an opportunity to participate in a bridge building project and a hands-on surveying lab as well. The surveying lab was presented by Tom Elkins, Assistant Division Head of the AHTD Surveys Division and Jim Tadel, AHTD Staff Land Surveyor.

"These students are here because they are interested in highway construction," Elkins commented. "Our surveying lab helps them realize that all the work they put into trigonometry class in school does mean something and plays a big part in surveying."

Field trips were taken to the Big Rock Interchange, the AHTD Materials Lab, Garver Engineering, Central Arkansas Transit Authority and the Arkadelphia airport.

"I'm thinking about a career in engineering," stated student Brandon Nardi. "The Institute was really encouraging and opened us up to different fields in engineering we haven't seen before."

The National Summer Transportation Institute is a program of the Federal Highway Administration with participation by state transportation agencies, public/private partnerships, community-based organizations and accredited colleges and universities. It remains one of the nation's premiere transportation-centered educational programs. ♦

GET THE FACTS:

The AHTD Cafeteria Plan

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THE AHTD'S CAFETERIA PLAN? If not, here's what the Plan offers our employees.

The Plan is an IRS-approved way for you to pay fewer tax dollars. If you pay all or some of the premiums for your Department-sponsored insurance plan, then you may want to enroll.

The Cafeteria Plan allows you to pay for your share of those premiums with before-tax dollars. In other words, the money used to pay for those premiums is never taxed.

How much you save depends on how much you earn, the cost of your premiums and what you pay in income taxes.

Also available to employees is a Flexible Spending Account. This is a pre-tax benefit account used to pay for eligible medical, dental and vision care expenses that aren't covered by your insurance plan. Simply decide how much to contribute, and funds are withdrawn from each paycheck for deposit into your account before taxes



are deducted. The Flexible Spending account is easy to use; a benefits card associated with your account can be used to pay for hundreds of eligible healthcare products and services for you, your spouse and your dependents. You can save an average of 30% on a wide variety of eligible healthcare expenses.

Cafeteria enrollment for 2016 will be held during the months of September and October. New hires cannot enroll until they have been with the Department for six months. More detailed information on the Cafeteria Plan and the Flexible Spending Account is available by contacting the AHTD Insurance Office at 501-569-2417. ♦



Open Enrollment for HEALTH INSURANCE

HEALTH INSURANCE ENROLLMENT WILL BE HELD SEPTEMBER 1ST – 15TH, 2015, FOR THE 2016 PLAN YEAR. Employees who wish to enroll, change, cancel or add to their health insurance plan must have all forms and documentation in the Group Insurance Office by Thursday, September 10th, 2015.

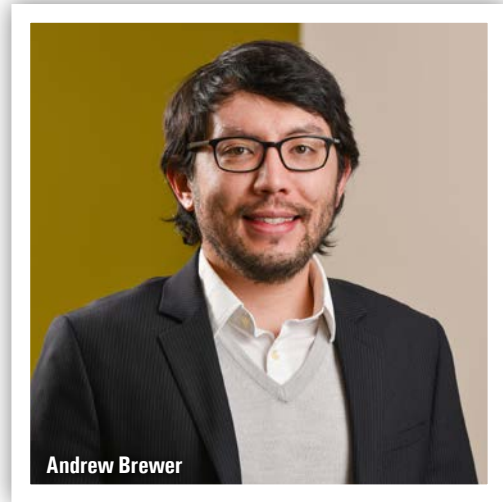
There are no benefits or rate changes for the 2016 plan year; however, if you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Group Insurance office at 501-569-2420.

DON'T FORGET! If you wish to receive the discounted rate on health insurance, you must have a wellness visit to the doctor and take the online health assessment by October 31st, 2015. If you cover a spouse, your spouse will also need to do the online assessment. Please visit www.guidanceresources.com to complete the online assessment. If you do not have access to the online assessment please call Guidance Resources at 1-877-247-4621 for a paper form. Paper forms must be requested by September 30th, 2015.

Voluntary Products (Dental, Vision, Life, Cafeteria/Flex plan, etc.) enrollment will be from September 1st – October 31st, 2015, for the 2016 plan year. More information will be available soon. ♦

BREWER

Promoted to ASSISTANT DIVISION HEAD



ANDREW BREWER has been named Assistant Division Head of the Transportation Planning and Policy Division.

Brewer worked for the Department as an Engineering Student Intern prior to being hired in a full-time position as a Civil Engineer I in the Planning and Research Division in 2005. He advanced to Planning Engineer one year later. In 2007, Brewer was promoted to Transportation Engineer. He advanced to Transportation Planning Engineer in 2009. He

was promoted to the position of Senior Planning and Research Engineer in 2010. Brewer transferred to the Section Head of Traffic Safety position in the Planning and Research Division in 2011, and advanced to Staff Traffic Safety Engineer in 2013. He obtained his former position of Staff Planning Engineer in the Transportation Planning and Policy Division in 2014.

Brewer has a master's degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Arkansas. He is a Registered Professional Engineer. ◆



CHEATHAM

Named CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER in Hope

WILLIAM CHEATHAM was named District Construction Engineer in July for District Three in Hope.

Cheatham worked for the Department as an Engineering Student Intern prior to being hired in June of 1998 to a full-time position as a Civil Engineer Technician at Resident Engineer Office #34 in Texarkana. One year later, he advanced to Civil Engineer I and in 2000, he was promoted to Construction Field Engineer I. Cheatham was promoted to Construction Field

Engineer II in 2001, and became Advanced Construction Field Engineer later that year. Cheatham became Assistant Resident Engineer in 2002 at Resident Engineer Office #34, and was promoted to Resident Engineer in 2008. He was promoted to District Construction Engineer in District One in 2013, and moved to his former position of District Maintenance Engineer one year later.

Cheatham has a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Louisiana Tech University. He is a Registered Professional Engineer. ◆

STRAESSLE Promoted to PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER



Danny Straessle

DANNY STRAESSLE was named Public Information Officer in the Department's Public Information Office in June.

Straessle began his career with the Department as the Assistant Public Information Officer in the Public Information Section in January of 2013. Prior to working for the Department, Straessle spent 18 years providing marketing, business development and public relations services within the highway design and construction industry.

Straessle has a master's degree in Journalism from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. ♦



Robyn Smith

SMITH Re-Elected to RETIREMENT BOARD

ROBYN SMITH, Administrative Section Head of the Right of Way Division, has been re-elected to serve on the AHTD retirement board.

Smith worked for the Department as a seasonal worker prior to being hired full-time as an Auditor in Internal Audit in 1990. Two years later, she was promoted to Senior Internal Auditor. She transferred to the Fiscal Services Division in 1995 as a Senior Accountant, where she also served as Administrative Assistant III. Smith obtained her current title in 2005. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in accounting from Ouachita Baptist University.

She will serve a two-year term. Other AHTD members of the retirement board include Emanuel Banks, Scott Bennett, Larry Dickerson and Steve Lawrence. Jake Weston serves as a retiree member. ♦

Upcoming Dates to **REMEMBER**

AUGUST 20

- AHTD Retirement Board Meeting
Central Office, Little Rock, 11:00 a.m.

Thru AUGUST 28

- "Give Our Regards to Broadway"
Exhibit Chronicling the History of the Broadway Bridge spanning the Arkansas River between Little Rock & North Little Rock
North Little Rock Heritage Center

Thru SEPT. 11

- On-line voting for the People's Choice Award
America's Transportation Awards 2015
www.AmericasTransportationAwards.org

SEPT. 1 // TUESDAY

- AHTD Bid Letting
Central Office, Little Rock, 10:30 a.m.

SEPT. 2 // WEDNESDAY

- AHTD Commission Meeting
Central Office, Little Rock, 10:00 a.m.

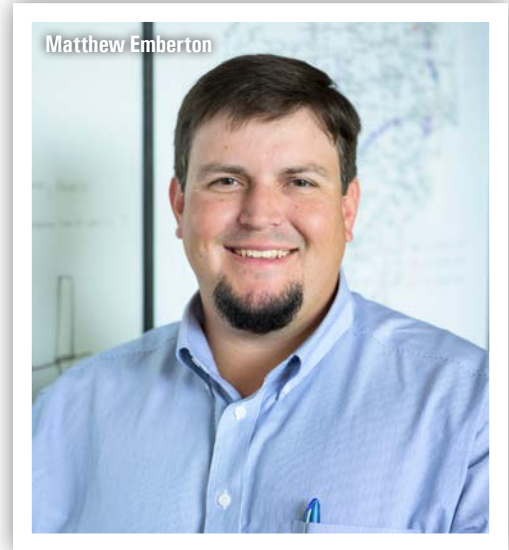
SEPT. 7 // MONDAY

Labor Day

- AHTD Offices Closed for Holiday



EMBERTON Named District 1 MAINTENANCE ENGINEER



MATTHEW EMBERTON was named District Maintenance Engineer at District One in Wynne this month.

Emberton began his career with the Department in 2008 as a Civil Engineer at Resident Engineer Office #32 in Hope. One year later, he was promoted to Civil Engineer I. Emberton was promoted to Construction Field Engineer I in December of 2009 and advanced to Construction Field Engineer II in 2011.

He was promoted to Advanced Construction Field Engineer in 2012 and was promoted to Assistant Resident Engineer in November of that year. Emberton obtained his former position as Resident Engineer at Resident Engineer Office #17 at Wynne in late 2013.

Emberton has a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Arkansas State University. He is a Registered Professional Engineer. ♦



DAVIS Named District 4 MAINTENANCE ENGINEER

CHAD DAVIS, who served as Assistant Resident Engineer at Resident Engineer's Office #41, was named District 4 Maintenance Engineer at the end of May.

Davis began his career with the Department as a Civil Engineer at Resident Engineer Office #41 at Waldron in 2004. He earned the title of Civil Engineer I in 2005 and was promoted to Construction Field Engineer I in 2006. In June of

the next year, Davis advanced to Construction Field Engineer II and in 2008, was named Advanced Construction Field Engineer. He held his former position as Assistant Resident Engineer for three years.

Davis has a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Arkansas. He is a Registered Professional Engineer. ♦

Meet and Greet at the **STATE FAIR!**



THE ARKANSAS
STATE FAIR
WILL BE HELD IN
LITTLE ROCK OCTOBER
9TH – 18TH. The AHTD
will have a booth in the
Hall of Industry again

this year. We are looking for volunteers who would like to spend a few hours in our booth greeting visitors and handing out promotional materials.

If you would like to volunteer to spend some time at the booth, or you and a co-worker want to work together, contact Rita Schmeckenbecher in the Public Information Office at 501-569-2227 and reserve a time slot. It's a fun way to spend a few hours! ♦

A Note of Thanks to the AHTD Family



AFTER THE RECENT PASSING OF INDIA CLARK, a former Administrative Assistant in the AHTD Public Information Office, India's mother and daughter sent a heartfelt note to the "AHTD Family." They write:

"The journey that you all were on with our family was amazing. Although we weren't there on certain occasions, we were aware of all things and 'Thank You' can never be enough. We will always keep all of you in our hearts."

— Love Always, Audrey and Mahogany



HIGHWAY 135 • CLAY COUNTY

Photo taken by Darsha Tipton, District 10 Bookkeeper





THE DEPARTMENT

1. MAINTENANCE: (L. to R.) Kevin Shorter, Paint Transport Truck Driver, receives his 5-Year Service Award from Boyd Dickey, Striping Superintendent.



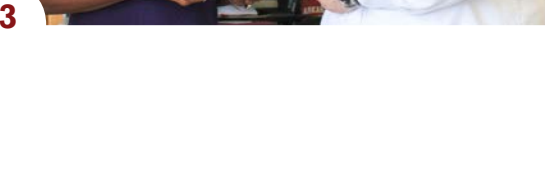
2. MATERIALS: (L. to R.) James Dean, Staff Materials Engineer, presents Jim Mitchell, Laboratory Coordinator, with his 15-Year Service Award.



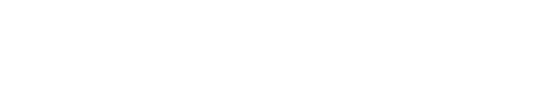
3. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT: (L. to R.) Kim Sanders, Transportation Study Coordinator, receives her 20-Year Service Award from Daniel Siskowski, Staff Programs & Contracts Engineer.



4. REPROGRAPHICS: (L. to R.) Don Young, Section Head, presents Mark Green, Reprographics Technician, with his 15-Year Service Award.



5. ROADWAY DESIGN: (L. to R.) Trinity Smith, Division Head, presents David Baker, Staff Design Engineer, with his 10-Year Service Award.



6. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & POLICY: (L. to R.) Jessie Jones, Transportation Planning & Policy Division Head, presents Jared Wiley, Program Management Division Head, with his 10-Year Service Award.



7. DISTRICT 1: (L. to R.) Dennis Petty, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator; Phillip Powell, Distributor/Roller Operator; Robert Stone, Jr., Distributor/Roller Operator; Charles Crow, Bridge Repairer I; Don Moore, Crew Leader; and Dennis Carter, Senior Mechanic, recently received their 5-Year Service Awards from William Cheatham, District Maintenance Engineer.





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8. DISTRICT 1: (L. to R.) Bobby McGee, Station Attendant II; Clark Hill, Multi-Axle Truck Driver; Darlene Riley, Fuel Clerk; and Ronald Oliver, Construction Aide III, recently received their 10-Year Service Awards from William Cheatham, District Maintenance Engineer.

9. DISTRICT 1: (L. to R.) William Ewing, Rest Area Attendant; Alton Chapman, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator; Marilyn Johnson, Field Clerk II; Brian McElyea, Senior Inspector; and Jeff Kaiser, Senior Inspector, recently received their 15-Year Service Awards from William Cheatham, District Maintenance Engineer.

10. DISTRICT 1: (L. to R.) Benford Adell, Single Axle Truck Driver, and Charlie Fryer, Low Boy/Float Truck Driver, recently received their 20-Year Service Awards from William Cheatham, District Maintenance Engineer.

11. DISTRICT 4: (L. to R.) Michelle Parker, Construction Field Engineer II, receives her 5-Year Service Award from Bashar Qedan, Resident Engineer.

12. DISTRICT 4: (L. to R.) Chad Davis, District Maintenance Engineer, presents Joe Green, District Asphalt Crew Supervisor, with his 20-Year Service Award.

13. DISTRICT 4: (L. to R.) Danny Harris, Resident Engineer, presents James Nelson, Construction Project Coordinator, with his 30-Year Service Award.

14. DISTRICT 4: (L. to R.) Danny Harris, Resident Engineer, presents Sidney Hunt, Senior Inspector, with his 30-Year Service Award.

15. DISTRICT 5: (L. to R.) Recently receiving their Service Awards: Steve Sutton, Motor Patrol Operator, 5-Years; and Jeremy Friend, Maintenance Aide I, 10-Years.

SERVICE AWARDS

16. DISTRICT 5: (L. to R.) Recently receiving their Service Awards: Bryan Anderson, Area Maintenance Supervisor, 25-Years; Cecil Meggs, Crew Leader, 15-Years; Sara Brackett, District Bookkeeper, 15-Years, and Casey Chastain, Assistant Resident Engineer, 15-Years.



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17. DISTRICT 6: (L. to R.) Brent Jenkins, Motor Patrol Operator/Finish, receives his 5-Year Service Award from Janet Bogle, Lonoke County Area Maintenance Supervisor.



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18. DISTRICT 6: (L. to R.) Hobort Watson, Maintenance Job Superintendent, presents Devin Arens, Maintenance Aide II, with his 5-Year Service Award.



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19. DISTRICT 7: (L.) Erin Seals, Engineer I and (R.) Joe Plyler, Acting Resident Engineer, present (CENTER) Chris Stanfield, Senior Construction Materials Inspector, with his 25-Year Service Award.



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20. DISTRICT 7: (L. to R.) Stephanie Cummings, Personnel Clerk, receives her 10-Year Service Award from Rhonia Krisell, District Office Manager.



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21. DISTRICT 8: (L. to R.) Derrick Ross, Distributor/Roller Operator, receives his 5-Year Service Award from Neil Ford, Area Maintenance Supervisor.



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22. DISTRICT 8: (L. to R.) Cleo Webb, Crew Leader, receives his 30-Year Service Award from Barry Clark, Area Maintenance Supervisor.



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23. DISTRICT 8: (L. to R.) Taylor Dunham, Backhoe Operator, receives his 5-Year Service Award from David Hogue, Area Maintenance Supervisor.



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SERVICE AWARDS



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24. DISTRICT 9: (L.) Colin Thomas, Maintenance Aide I, receives his 5-Year Service Award from Billy Joe Roberts, Area Maintenance Supervisor.

25. DISTRICT 9: (L. to R.) Steve Lawrence, District Engineer, presents Mitchell Archer, District Construction Engineer, his 30-Year Service Pin.

26. DISTRICT 9: (L. to R.) Sandi Kimble, Area Headquarters Attendant, receives her 20-Year Service Award from Stan Risley, Area Maintenance Supervisor.

27. DISTRICT 9: (L. to R.) Mark Widner, Equipment Maintenance Supervisor, presents Zane Green, Shop Foreman, with his 10-Year Service Award.

28. DISTRICT 10: (L. to R.) Recently receiving their 20-Year Service Awards: Jerry "Pete" Ladd, Motor Patrol Operator/Finish; and Kim Friar, Fuel Clerk.

29. DISTRICT 10: (L. to R.) Recently receiving their 10-Year Service Awards: Jason Ludwig, Senior Mechanic; and Aaron Vowell, Resident Engineer.

30. DISTRICT 10: (L. to R.) Recently receiving their 15-Year Service Awards: Dale Putman, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator; and Steven Bryan, Construction Aide.

31. DISTRICT 10: (L. to R.) Recently receiving their 5-Year Service Awards: David Williams, Multi-Axle Truck Driver; Casey Pratt, Bridge Repairer II; Connie Griffin, Single Axle Truck Driver; Billy Fines, Single Axle Truck Driver.



THE DEPARTMENT Noteworthy

1. ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE: (L. to R.) 1LT Scott Fraley and 2LT Joy Scrivner graduated on June 12th from Session XXV of the "Arkansas Leader" program administered by the U of A Criminal Justice Institute and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The program advances individual professional development with education that is transferable to the attendees' agencies. 1LT Fraley was chosen as class spokesperson and provided opening remarks during the graduation ceremony.

2. ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE: Jon Waldrip (CENTER), State Drug Recognition Expert Coordinator presents MCSI Brian Harwood (L.), with a plaque for 20 years of service as a Drug Recognition Expert and Instructor; and 1LT Ross Batson, (R.) with a plaque for 22 years of service as a Drug Recognition Expert and Instructor.

3. DISTRICT 7: Randy Stinnett, Sealing Job Superintendent, was recently honored at a retirement reception celebrating his 27+ years of service.

4. DISTRICT 8: (L. to R.) Kenneth Bartlett, Maintenance Aide II; Trey Martinez, Maintenance Aide II; Lee Cox, Maintenance Aide I; and Roger Wilson, Motor Patrol Operator/Finish are greatly appreciated for their nice work on building the salt tank frames for District 8, Russellville.

5. AND 6. DISTRICT 8: Roger Wilson, Motor Patrol Operator, and Ricky Scroggins, Maintenance Aide II, took #8051 Dump Truck to Kids First in Morrilton during the Kids First Community Helpers Week. The teachers said the children were talking about it all day long.

7. AND 8 DISTRICT 9: Caden Reynolds, future Bull Rider, and his brother Isaac Reynolds, future Highway Police Officer, both recently visited with Rick Evans, Highway Police Corporal. Caden and Isaac are the sons of Justin Reynolds, Senior Mechanic and his wife Ashley. Thank you, Rick, for investing your time in our kids!

9. DISTRICT 9: The Boone County Crew recently had a retirement party in honor of Sandy Perry, Rest Area Attendant. Sandy retired with 28 years of service. Congratulations Sandy! We wish you well!





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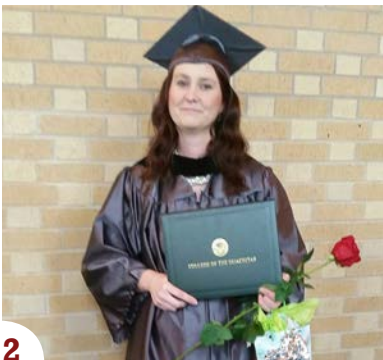
Family Focus



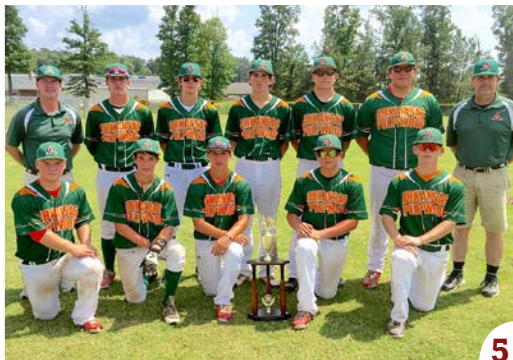
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1. HEAVY BRIDGE MAINTENANCE: Eden Skye Maughan, first granddaughter of Susie Osborn, Administrative Aide III, was born on April 22, 2015.

2. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & POLICY: Tara Sheridan, daughter-in-law of Judy Young, Office Administrative Assistant III, graduated on May 9, 2015, from College of the Ouachitas. Tara received her Registered Nurse (RN) degree.

3. DISTRICT 7: Zakiah Henry (R.), granddaughter of Patricia Burns, Headquarters Attendant – Calhoun County, recently received the President’s Award signed by President Barack Obama. Zakiah is on the Honor Roll with all A’s and received a certificate for the Achievement Ambassador Award. Zakiah’s school principal is on the left.

4. DISTRICT 7: Parker O’Neal, son of Johnny O’Neal, Jr., Assistant Bridge Inspector, has spent the summer playing second base for the Warren 6-Year-Old Allstars.

5. DISTRICT 7: Mark Smith, son of Erney Smith, Electrical Plumber and Mechanical Repairer, was a member of the Arkansas Pulpwood Team which placed second in the 2015 Pine Bluff Wood Bat Tournament. Mark is front row, kneeling, far right.

6. DISTRICT 7: The 2015 Arkansas Babe Ruth 16-Year-Old State Champions Team included sons of two AHTD employees. Mark Smith, (front row, kneeling, far left) son of Erney Smith, Electrical Plumber and Mechanical Repairer; and Cody Chelette (back row, second from left), son of Jeremy Amerson, Welder.



THE DEPARTMENT

Noteworthy

7. DISTRICT 9: Whitley Ray Hoyt, daughter of Tim Hoyt, Single Axle Truck Driver, and his wife Bethny, was born on April 30, 2015. She weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and measured 19½ inches long. Whitley is also the granddaughter of retiree Mike Nowlin.

Family Focus

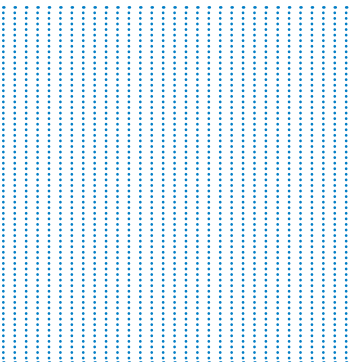


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8. DISTRICT 9: Cora Isabelle Davidson was born on February 19, 2015. She is the granddaughter of AHTD retiree Joe Davidson and JaNell Davidson, Office Administrative Assistant V. Cora weighed 7 pounds and 6 ounces and was 19½ inches long.



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9. DISTRICT 9: Sherri Taylor, Construction Aide III, is pictured with her grandchildren, Bubba Jaxon, Ava Mae and new addition Emma Lynn. Emma was born on May 27, 2015. She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 20 inches long. Congratulations Sherri!

1. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT:

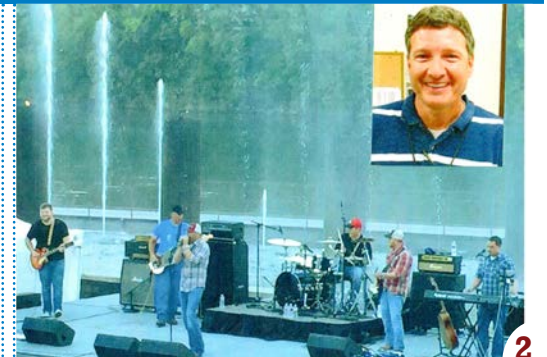
(L. to R.) Programs & Contracts Engineer II Minghua Qiu Miller; Project Development Engineer Luke Stovall; and Administrative Assistant I Lacey Cole went skydiving at the Morrilton Municipal Airport. They jumped from an altitude of 10,000 feet and reached freefall speeds of over 120 mph before parachuting safely to the ground.

Hobbies, etc.



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2. DISTRICT 9: The Dan Benton Band, featuring Rick Watson (inset photo), Storeroom Supervisor, on drums, recently kicked off the festivities for the Country Showdown at Branson Landing in Branson, Missouri.



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AHTD PEOPLE

EMPLOYEE STATISTICS JUNE 2015

NEW EMPLOYEES

BRIDGE • Cardia Rolle, Engineer

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE • Lyndsey Collins, Administrative Aide IV

CONSTRUCTION • Jordan Qualls, Construction Helper; Andrew Hanna, Engineer; Brysan Bennett, Engineer; Makayla Duncan, Construction Helper

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT • Marcus Guillory, Jr., General Laborer

HEAVY BRIDGE MAINTENANCE • Jefferey Ashley, Bridge Repairer I

MATERIALS • Samuel Davies, Engineer

ROADWAY DESIGN • Kevin Wang, Engineer

SYSTEM INFORMATION & RESEARCH • Eyp Bazan, Engineer; Jessica Durham, Office Administrative Assistant V; Justin Lester, Engineer

DISTRICT ONE • Shkwan Martin, General Laborer; Marla Freeman, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT TWO • Bradley Cheatham, General Laborer

DISTRICT THREE • Allen Barton, General Laborer; David Martin, General Laborer; Alex Berruquin, General Laborer

DISTRICT FOUR • Charles Hobbs, General Laborer

DISTRICT FIVE • Jonathon Qualls, Single Axle Truck Driver; Shannon Smith, Single Axle Truck Driver; Stephen Norris, Single Axle Truck Driver; Michael Hart, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT SIX • Daniel Donahue, General Laborer; Preston Finch, General Laborer; Clinton Baxter, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT SEVEN • Scott Crocker, Skill Trades Trainee; Steven Rawls, General Laborer; Joseph Thomas, General Laborer

DISTRICT EIGHT • Shawna Carter, Single Axle Truck Driver; Jessica Hensley, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT NINE • William Fowler, General Laborer

DISTRICT TEN • Jason Friar, District Caretaker; James Gage, Single Axle Truck Driver; Jason Berry, Single Axle Truck Driver; Milton Bliss, General Laborer; Marshall Hilliard, General Laborer

PROMOTIONS

ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE • Natasha Williams, AHP Patrol Officer First Class; William Boon, AHP First Lieutenant

BRIDGE • Mary Hosseini, Bridge Design Engineer

HEAVY BRIDGE MAINTENANCE • Joseph Horn, Bridge Repairer I; Lino Rios, Bridge Repairer I

MATERIALS • Matthew Green, Geotechnical Section Head; Cary Snyder, District Laboratory Technician

PUBLIC INFORMATION • Danny Straessle, Public Information Officer

RADIO • Dnka Chaba, Traffic Designer

ROADWAY DESIGN • William Clark, Design Engineer; Richard Dail, Design Engineer; Ashley Smith, Design Engineer; Christopher Smith, Design Engineer

SYSTEM INFORMATION & RESEARCH • David Thomey, Administrative Assistant II

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING & POLICY • Andy Brewer, Assistant Division Head

DISTRICT ONE • Felicia Brown, Multi-Axle Truck Driver; Markita Green, Area Headquarters Attendant; Tommy Halbert, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent; Cedric Hall, Maintenance Aide II; Lela Jenkins, Multi-Axle Truck Driver; Kelly Reddick III, Maintenance Aide II; Ronnie Reel, Maintenance Aide II; Charley Smith, Motor Patrol Operator; Gina Weaver, Construction Project Coordinator

DISTRICT TWO • Roger Blackmon, Multi-Axle Truck Driver; Lance Bowers, Assistant Resident Engineer; Thomas Green, Senior Inspector; Jeffrey Johnson, Finish Carpenter; Terence

Loudermilk, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator; Miguel Rios, Finish Carpenter; Kelly Slater, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent

DISTRICT THREE • Diane Willmon, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent

DISTRICT FOUR • Dennis Birge, Assistant Resident Engineer; Keith Brown, Distributor/Roller Operator; Christopher French, Construction Field Engineer I; William Jaenecke, Rest Area Attendant; William Jones, Motor Patrol Operator/Finish; Casey Moudy, Motor Patrol Operator; Stephen Nickell, Advanced Construction Field Engineer; Shane Oxford, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator; Heath Reed, Finish Carpenter; Jeremy Wood, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator

DISTRICT FIVE • Randy Brackenridge, Multi-Axle Truck Driver; Brandon Carter, Crane Operator/Finish; Michael Foster, Construction Aide II; Calvin Glenn, Motor Patrol Operator; William Rice, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent; Zachary Shipman, Motor Patrol Operator

DISTRICT SIX • Alfred Barnes, Motor Patrol Operator/Finish; Leslie Cole, Area Headquarters Attendant; Steven Lewis, Construction Field Engineer I; Vera Martinez, Motor Patrol Operator; David Norris, Resident Engineer; Christopher Roman, Engineer I; Jesse Schultz, Multi-Axle Truck Driver; Jonathan Teeter, Bridge Repairer I; Shawn Vergason, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator

DISTRICT SEVEN • Travis Greer, Jr., Assistant Maintenance Superintendent

DISTRICT EIGHT • Michael Guess, Construction Aide II; Tazwell Johnson, Construction Field Engineer I; Sesario Mulder, Roller Operator

DISTRICT NINE • Candon Bolinger, Senior Construction Materials Inspector; Jarrod Brightwell, Construction Field Engineer II; Benjamin Campbell, Distributor/Roller Operator; Timothy Hoyt, Maintenance Aide I; Bobby Keeton, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent; Joseph Ragland, Crew Leader; Elizabeth Young, Field Clerk II

DISTRICT TEN • Jerry Crockett, Maintenance Aide I; Alexander Helms, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator; Steve Leath, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent

SERVICE

ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE • Russell Curbo, Motor Carrier Safety Auditor, 15 yrs; Ruddy Short, AHP Patrol Officer First Class, 10 yrs

COMPUTER SERVICES • Raymond Leung, Automation Engineer V, 15 yrs; Terry Young, Network Technician II, 10 yrs

CONSTRUCTION • Sidney Hunt, Senior Inspector, 30 yrs; Sandra McManus, Senior Inspector, 30 yrs; Therese Purifoy, Resident Office Technician, 20 yrs; James Toney, Advanced Construction Field Engineer, 15 yrs; Ronald Oliver, Construction Aide III, 10 yrs; Slade Dollar, Construction Aide II, 10 yrs; Jamey Wilhite, Systems Administrator, 10 yrs; Tyler Engleman, Construction Helper, 5 yrs

ENVIRONMENTAL • Milton Hughes, Environmental Analyst III

INTERNAL AUDIT • Kelly Heaton, Senior External Auditor, 25 yrs

LEGAL • Sharon Blakley, Administrative Assistant II, 10 yrs

MATERIALS • Odell Johnson, Office Administrative Assistant III, 35 yrs

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT • Kim Sanders, Transportation Study Coordinator, 20 yrs

RIGHT OF WAY • Samantha Cole, Office Administrative Assistant III, 5 yrs; Amber Hutchinson, Office Administrative Assistant III, 5 yrs

ROADWAY DESIGN • Martin Cruce, Staff Design Engineer, 35 yrs; David Baker, Staff Design Engineer, 10 yrs

STATE AID • Patty Bray, Senior Designer, 25 yrs

SYSTEM INFORMATION & RESEARCH • Kristie Keene, Highway Performance & Needs Analyst II, 15 yrs

DISTRICT ONE • Clark Hill, Hydraulic Excavator Operator, 10 yrs; Robert Stone, Jr., Distributor/Roller Operator, 5 yrs; Don Moore, Crew Leader, 5 yrs

DISTRICT TWO • Francisco Freeman, Maintenance Aide I, 10 yrs

DISTRICT THREE • James Owenby, District Bridge Inspector, 30 yrs; Rodney Shelton, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator, 15 yrs

DISTRICT FOUR • Stanley Arocha, Distributor/Roller Operator, 40 yrs; Harold Rose, Maintenance Aide II, 30 yrs; Joe Green, Maintenance Job Superintendent, 20 yrs; Jason Hughey, District Construction Engineer, 15 yrs; Billy Thomas, Maintenance Aide I, 10 yrs

DISTRICT FIVE • Joseph Trantham, Jr., District Construction Engineer, 25 yrs; Amy Wright, Area Headquarters Attendant, 10 yrs

DISTRICT SIX • Devyn Arens, Multi-Axle Truck Driver, 5 yrs

DISTRICT SEVEN • Stephanie Cummings, Personnel Clerk, 10 yrs

DISTRICT EIGHT • Derrick Ross, Distributor/Roller Operator, 5 yrs; Clint King, Finish Carpenter, 5 yrs; Trent Hudson, Distributor Operator, 5 yrs; Taylor Dunham, Backhoe/Front End Loader Operator, 5 yrs; Robert Woodward, Asphalt Tank Truck Driver, 5 yrs

DISTRICT NINE • Mitchell Archer, District Construction Engineer, 30 yrs; Sandi Kimble, Area Headquarters Attendant, 20 yrs; Colin Thomas, Maintenance Aide I, 5 yrs

DISTRICT TEN • Kyle Walter, District Construction Engineer, 25 yrs; Shirley Littleton, Area Maintenance Supervisor, 25 yrs; Jerry Ladd, Motor Patrol Operator/Finish, 20 yrs

RETIREMENT

BRIDGE • Barbara Cox, Office Administrative Assistant V, 26+ yrs

MAINTENANCE • Loyd Haas, Sign Crew Supervisor, 13+ yrs

STATE AID • Charles Smith, Staff Design Engineer, 31+ yrs

DISTRICT ONE • Charles Rogers, Motor Patrol Operator, 8+ yrs

DISTRICT TWO • Rickey Tippitt, Maintenance Aide II, 28+ yrs; James Dickson, Area Maintenance Supervisor, 28+ yrs

DISTRICT THREE • John Littrell, Distributor/Roller Operator, 13+ yrs; William Harding, District Construction Engineer, 36+ yrs

DISTRICT FOUR • James Shinn, Jr., Dozer Operator/Finish, 22+ yrs; Richard Gilmore, Rest Area Attendant, 9+ yrs; Larry Miedema, Maintenance Aide II, 5+ yrs

DISTRICT FIVE • Byron Price, Senior Construction Materials Inspector, 26+ yrs

DISTRICT SIX • Lawrence Adkins, Multi-Axle Truck Driver, 5+ yrs; Doyle Lee, Construction Aide II, 8+ yrs

DISTRICT SEVEN • Randy Stinnett, Sealing Job Superintendent, 27+ yrs

DISTRICT EIGHT • Gary Disney, Inspector, 6+ yrs

DISTRICT NINE • Sandy Perry, Rest Area Attendant, 28+ yrs; Charita Robison Gregory, Inspector, 27+ yrs

DISTRICT TEN • James Green, Rest Area Attendant, 14+ yrs; Walter Hamm, Area Maintenance Supervisor, 37+ yrs

MEMORIALS

DISTRICT TWO • Delois V. Davis, 7/25/15, retired

DISTRICT EIGHT • Jimmy H. Hill, 7/15/15, retired

ACTIVE DUTY

As of 8/2/15, the AHTD has no employees serving active duty in the United States military.





BEAVER BRIDGE • CARROLL COUNTY

Often called the "Golden Gate of the Ozarks," the Beaver Bridge is the last remaining suspension bridge of its type in Arkansas. It was built in 1949 and carries Highway 187 over the White River.

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