



Association for Bridge Construction and Design

May Meeting and 2005-2006 Awards Presentation

***Congratulations to the Winners!!
Recipients will Present their Award-Winning Projects***



Date: **Thursday, May 18, 2006**

Time: Social at **5:00 PM**; Dinner at **6:00 PM**; Program at **7:00 PM**

Place: Four Points Sheraton Pittsburgh North
910 Sheraton Drive, Mars PA

Cost: \$25.00 for Members of ABCD
\$30.00 for Non-members of ABCD
Pay by cash or check at the door

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ABCD Annual Bridge Awards Winners 2005-2006

Outstanding New Single Span Bridge

RIDGE ROAD OVER THE PARKWAY WEST

Designer: Mackin Engineering Company
Owner: Allegheny County Department of Public Works
Contractor: Balfour Beatty Construction, Inc.

Outstanding New Multiple Span Bridge

HICKORY STREET BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

Designer: Michael Baker Jr. Inc
Owner: PennDOT District 1-0
Contractor: Mascaro Construction Company, L.P.

Outstanding New Major Bridge

ZURN VIADUCT

Designer: SAI Consulting Engineers, Inc.
Owner: PennDOT District 1-0
Contractor: Brayman Construction Corporation



Congratulations to This Year's Scholarship Winner!

Alex O'Neill
University of Pittsburgh

Alex will be the recipient of a \$1000 scholarship for his entry titled,
"Infrastructure Safety: The Proper Bridge Inspection Procedures."

ABCD Field Visit

The Findlay Connector Project

Raj Nagaraj P.E. Sjaan Korvink Ph.D. P.E.

We all gathered together in the office of McTish, Kunkel & Associates in Imperial on April 21, 2006. After a pizza lunch and a little chat, we were briefed by Mr. Craig White of McTish, Kunkel & Associates, the construction managers for the project. The project includes 21 new bridges, 313,300 square yards of new concrete paving, 101,400 linear feet of new drainage pipe, and 11,343,000 cubic yards of excavation.

OK, enough statistics. As much as the numbers were overwhelming, everybody was eager and enthusiastic to get to the site. We were joined by several students from local colleges.

We left around 2 pm. Unfortunately, the microphone in the bus did not work. Mr. White was kind enough to raise his voice to explain as we moved through the construction site. We got off the bus at several locations and walked around to experience the vastness of the project and to explore its various components. We had a blast!!

Yes! We even witnessed a blast procedure and saw the dust flying into the sky.

The pictures speak for themselves. There are several that give the overall view of the construction site for the benefit of those who did not attend. The field trip was wonderful, educational, and enjoyed by all. Check out the group photo with lots of smiles if you don't believe it!!