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Message from Dean Blake

MILESTONES On PAIKY's Road

Milestones mark significant events in our lives and it's interesting that the word, which has become common to mark special occasions, actually traces its roots to our industry—road building. Stones were put along roadsides to mark every mile so the traveler had some idea how far he had come and how many more miles were ahead.

When we come to milestones today, it is appropriate to reflect on what brought us to where we are—both the challenges and the opportunities. Certainly, now is a good time for PAIKY and its members.

We are fortunate to have some of the best, most reliable companies tackling our road work—and those of us who have seen some of the roads in Kentucky know that just getting to and working on a job site is a challenge in and of itself. It's not just the difficult landscape, though; our industry works to uphold environmental standards, deadlines, safety measures and even finds innovative ways to use asphalt.

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Asphalt Pavement Alliance Announces Perpetual Pavement Awards Kentucky Road Ranks at the top

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet recently was awarded a prestigious Perpetual Pavement Award from the Asphalt Pavement Alliance for work completed on a section of the Julian Carroll-Jackson Purchase Parkway.

The award was presented to State Highway Engineer Sam Beverage (Kentucky Transportation Cabinet) by Jack Lettiere, Jr., 2005 President of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, at a special ceremony at the National Center for Asphalt Technology (NCAT) at Auburn University, Auburn, AL.

“For a Kentucky road to receive this award is a testament to the results of a solid investment in roads and road maintenance,” said Beverage. “It is critical that we, as a Commonwealth, continue to invest in making Kentucky's roads safer and more durable for future generations.”

Brian K. Wood, Assistant Executive Director for the Plantmix Asphalt Industry of Kentucky (PAIKY) agreed.

“Kentucky's natural landscape can sometimes result in dangerous driving conditions,” Wood said. “That means the industry must be diligent to keep an eye toward the future of our roads.



The Perpetual Pavement Award is accepted by (left to right) Larry O'Donnell, O'Donnell & Sons Construction; Luke Stango, Chevron Texaco; Sam Beverage, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet; Brian K. Wood, PAIKY; Jack Lettiere, New Jersey Dept. of Transportation

We should choose the best materials and processes while constructing Kentucky roadways.”

Nominations for the Perpetual Pavement Award were evaluated by engineers at NCAT and the winners were validated by a panel of industry experts.

One of the criteria in the competition is that the entry must be 35 or more years old.

“Even though each of these pavements has been punished by more than 35 years of heavy use, motorists

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That's why it comes as no surprise to me that as we were putting together this month's issue of Paving the Way, awards seemed to dominate our content. Our members and associate members are diligent and hard workers.

I've been with PAIKY for more than 20 years, and in the industry longer than that, though I'm glad to say not long enough to recall the formation of NAPA, with whom PAIKY marks 50 years of partnership in 2005.

PAIKY has provided me with the opportunity to work with some special people—all of whom deserved to be honored in this awards edition of Paving the Way. To each project engineer, agency, contractor, driver, plant operator, paving crew and technician... each of you deserve a share of recognition for elevating the quality of roads in Kentucky. Now you all must look at how we can continue this pace.

As I said, milestones are a time for reflection, but we can only be afforded a brief glance at where we've been before we must turn back and face the road ahead.

— **Dean Blake,**
*executive director
of PAIKY*

PAIKY and NAPA: The Golden Years

PAIKY has been in Kentucky for nearly as long as paved roads have been in Kentucky—and in some cases, longer. On March 20, 1938, Secretary of State Charles D. Arnett authorized and empowered the Plantmix Asphalt Industry of Kentucky (PAIKY) to do business as a Corporation. PAIKY has been an advocate for its members and for progress in paving ever since.

Thirty-three producer members and 22 associate members keep the organization strong, as do other partnerships. PAIKY has been affiliated with the National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) since 1955—NAPA's founding year—and the association recently recognized PAIKY for that 50-year relationship at the 2005 NAPA convention.



"We, along with our sister state asphalt paving associations, are able to maintain a strong voice on issues that are important to the HMA industry such as building safe roads in our communities and maintaining them with the best quality materials."

In addition to PAIKY's

recognition, Hinkle Contracting Corporation was also noted for their 50-year relationship with the association.

NAPA is the only national trade association that exclusively represents the Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) industry. The association

provides technical, educational, and marketing materials and information to its members, and supplies technical information on paving materials.



NAPA was originally known as the National Bituminous Concrete Association. Members gathered in Las Vegas for the 3rd annual convention in 1958.

Photo courtesy of NAPA

"It's important to maintain dialogue with local contractors and also national organizations," said Dean Blake, Executive Director of PAIKY, of the 50-year partnership.

NAPA Recognizes Kentucky Contractors Finalists for Sheldon G. Hayes Award

In 1955, the group now recognized as NAPA (National Asphalt Pavment Association) was known as the NBCA (National Bituminous Concrete Association). The founder and first president of NBCA was Sheldon G. Hayes, a contractor based in Michigan. Hayes and Scott Baker, the executive director of the Michigan association, worked together in founding the national association.

Now, in Hayes' honor, NAPA recognizes projects with an award named after the visionary former president and founding father of the asphalt association. Projects must first have been recognized with the QIC (Quality in Construction) award from NAPA and must pass tests for smoothness, safety and durability as well as visual inspections.

This year, two Kentucky contractors were finalists for the prestigious award after the exacting evaluations by industry experts.

The two contractors are both members of PAIKY.



Mountain Enterprises, Inc. of Lexington, Kentucky was named a finalist for reconstruction of U.S. 23 in Floyd County. Highlights included:

- Special planning considerations to reduce local traffic and economic interruptions.
- Widened county road entrances additional right turn lanes to aid traffic flow.
- Before resurfacing, a sub-grade replacement was necessary based on significant traffic from private travelers as well as commercial local transport.

"This was a very smooth-running process from the start," commented Keith Bishop, Mountain's quality construction manager.



Scotty's Contracting and Stone LLC of Bowling Green Kentucky was named a finalist for work on 3.7 miles of I-65 in Warren, Barren and Edmonson Counties. Highlights of that project include:

- Breaking and seating existing pavement in four lanes
- Interstate widening and placing an overlay on two lanes
- Operating on a tight schedule with weather considerations

"This was an alternate bid contract, which meant that we were bidding against the concrete industry," said Michael Law, Scotty's quality control manager. "Within that alternate bid we had a mandatory five-year warranty that we could extend up to ten years."

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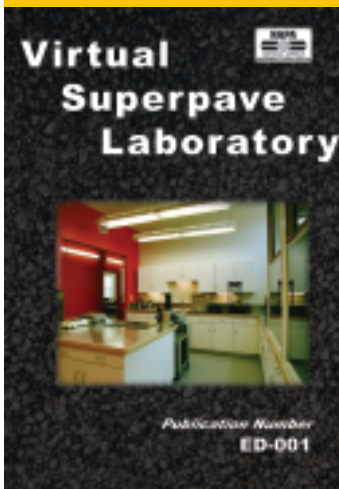
are still using the original pavement structures. The only maintenance has been periodic replacement of the surface," said Larry O'Donnell, APA Co-Chairman. "The extraordinary performance of these pavements is worthy of attention."

"Perpetual Pavement is an industry standard which is extremely well represented by these winners," added Luke Stango, APA Co-Chairman. "Long life, durability, and exceptional performance are hallmarks of Hot Mix Asphalt. These pavements are testimonies to high-performance asphalt as a marriage of excellent design and quality construction."

*The Perpetual Pavement
crystal obelisk*



NAPA Offers New Educational Tool: Virtual Superpave Laboratory Interactive CD



Wouldn't it be great if engineering students and technicians had access to laboratory equipment, testing procedures and data analysis before they set foot in a real lab? Now they can with the Virtual Superpave Laboratory Interactive CD.

The National Asphalt Pavement Association has published an interactive CD that promises to increase the expertise of agency, consultant and contractor personnel responsible for making decisions concerning HMA mix design, quality control and acceptance

through theoretical learning as well as hands-on manipulation of data.

For more information, or to order Virtual Superpave Laboratory CDs, visit www.hotmix.org, call 1-888-468-6499 or email publications@hotmix.org.

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Marriott Griffin Gate Resort, Lexington, Kentucky

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Join PAIKY at the summer meeting and mix business with pleasure. Attend the joint Kentucky Transportation Cabinet/PAIKY meeting Friday afternoon and PAIKY business meeting Saturday morning, then switch gears for PAIKY's Saturday afternoon golf scramble followed by a special evening at the Kentucky Horse Park. Visit www.paiky.org.

PAIKY Winter School - February 6-8, 2006

Downtown Marriott, Louisville, KY

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