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AHTD Director Dan Flowers Awarded AGC's Prestigious S.I.R. Award

Over 200 members and guests of the Arkansas Chapter of Associated General Contractors honored Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Director Dan Flowers with the organization's Skill, Integrity, Responsibility (S.I.R.) Award on August 1, 2001. Flowers is the 21st recipient of the prestigious award. It is only given when AGC determines that there is a deserving person who has made outstanding contributions to the industry. Keynoting the event, former Senator Dale Bumpers expressed his unreserved admiration and respect for Dan Flowers. "Hard working, dedication, honesty, integrity... those traits have never been questioned," said Bumpers. "The people of Arkansas, the Highway Commission and the

employees of the Department benefit from his consuming concern."

AGC Vice President and Highway Division Chairman Don Weaver pointed out that Director Flowers has proven himself to be a responsible leader and skillful decision

maker throughout his 30+ years of service at the Highway Department. Before presenting the large trophy



Dan Flowers, center, shown with wife Sara, left, and former U.S. Senator Dale Bumpers.

depicting a man determinedly looking ahead and rolling up his sleeve with engineering plans in hand, Weaver's remarks focused on the positive influence Flowers has had on creating a successful working relationship with contractors for

the Highway Department.

Director Flowers graciously accepted the award saying "I haven't done a whole lot that I didn't have a whole lot of help on." First recognizing his wife, Sara, and his mother and children, Flowers then thanked the Highway Commission and fellow employees who have helped him build a successful career with the AHTD. "We are fortunate that we have very dedicated employees working on behalf of the people of Arkansas," said Flowers. He also recognized others with the AGC who have worked with him over the years. Wrapping up his remarks Flowers added, "What we do is important. I'm proud to be a part of it, and proud to be recognized for this award."



Dan Flowers, center, and AGC Executive Director Tommy Fish, left, and AGC President Randy Mourning, right, look at the SIR award.

Virginia Porta To Head Policy Analysis Section of the Planning and Research Division

Effective July 16, 2001, Virginia Porta assumed the role of Section Head of the newly formed Planning and Research Division's policy Analysis Section.

The Policy Analysis Section will replace, and will continue to perform the duties of the Finance and Economics Section. Additionally, this section will be responsible for activities related to nonattainment air quality status, stormwater program development, traffic model development, and needs analyses and reporting.

Porta is a 1986 graduate of Vanderbilt University with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. She is a registered professional engineer. Beginning with the Department in 1985 as a seasonal employee, she began fulltime employment in 1986 as a Civil Engineer I. After completing the Engineering Orientation Program she was assigned to the Planning Division.



Virginia Porta

Tony Evans Promoted To Resident Engineer

Effective July 26, 2001, Tony Evans was promoted to Resident Engineer for District Two's Pine Bluff Resident Engineer's Office.

He is a 1987 graduate of Louisiana Tech University with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and is a registered professional engineer. He began fulltime employment with the Department in 1987 at the Little Rock Resident Engineer's Office in District Six. In 1995, he transferred to the Camden Resident Engineer's Office in District Seven promoting to Assistant Resident Engineer.



Tony Evans

Governor Huckabee Announces State Employees' Day at the Arkansas State Fair

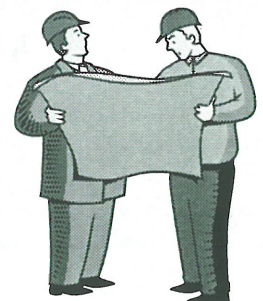
Governor Huckabee has established that Saturday, October 13, will be State Employees' Day at the Arkansas State Fair.

State employees will be entitled to a discount package to the fair for this day. This will allow you to purchase for \$30 a package that normally costs \$74. This package includes an admission pass for four people, two ride wristbands that allows unlimited rides from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., two midway game tokens, and your choice of four large popcorns or cotton candy.

Information for obtaining this package is shown on the next page. The "State Employees' Package" must be purchased by Friday, September 21, 2001.

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

In accordance with Highway Commission policy, Monday, September 3, 2001, will be a holiday for Highway and Transportation Department employees in observance of Labor Day. Work will be suspended statewide other than for emergencies and to provide essential services.



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Saturday, October 13, 2001

State Employees and their families are eligible for a Special Discount Package!

You can save over \$40 by purchasing in advance!



Advance Discount Package
 1 Admission Pass (good for up to 4 patrons)
 2 Ride Wristbands (unlimited rides 11 AM - 5 PM)
 4 Large Popcorns or Cotton Candy
 2 Midway Game Tokens
\$30
 Regular Package Value - \$74



Additional items can be added to your package: (\$2 per Admission, \$8 per Wristband, \$1 per Popcorn)

All Discount Packages must be purchased by Friday, September 21, 2001. No Exceptions!

It's EASY to ORDER:

1. Order your package below via mail, fax, or telephone.
2. Passes, Wristbands and Coupons will be mailed directly to you prior to the event.
3. Proceed to the Governor's Tent, located inside Gate 5 for event schedules and information.

Ride Wristbands will also be available for individual sale on Saturday for \$10 in the Governor's Tent.

For more details or information, please call:

State Employees' Day toll-free Hotline @ 866-548-9374, or the Arkansas State Fair @ 501-372-8341



Make checks or money orders payable to:
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Mail To:
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_____ @	\$30.00 =	\$ _____
Additional Items		
_____ Admission @ \$2 =		\$ _____
_____ Wristbands @ \$8 =		\$ _____
_____ Pop/CC @ \$1 =		\$ _____
Total Enclosed		\$ _____

Deadline for ordering: Friday, September 21 • Tickets will be mailed prior to event

AHTD PEOPLE



JULY 2001

NEW EMPLOYEES

HUMAN RESOURCES

Suzanne Long, Mail Clerk

MAINTENANCE

Tony Lomma, Heavy Bridge Skill Trades Trainee

PLANNING & RESEARCH

Nathan Young, Civil Engineer

SURVEYS

Gerald Dowd, Gary Garrity, Surveys Helpers

DISTRICT ONE

Michael King, Civil Engineer

DISTRICT TWO

Clyde Robinson, Single Axle Truck Driver
Sherman Ferguson, Bobby Barnett, General Laborers

DISTRICT THREE

Jeremy McKelvy, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT FOUR

Jessica Smith, Tara Hollan, General Laborers
Amos O'Connor, Construction Helper I
Jason Williams, Construction Field Engineer I

DISTRICT FIVE

Mona Fry, Larry Marshall, Richard Hiles,
Single Axle Truck Drivers

DISTRICT SIX

Bill Lawhon, Michael Milam, Leonard
Robinson, Sammy Williams, Eric Love, Edgar
Burch, Single Axle Truck Drivers

DISTRICT EIGHT

Hal Joplin, Rickey Harderson, Newt
McMahan, Single Axle Truck Drivers
Gloria Goates, Kathy Stalnaker, Rest Area Attds.
Robin Kirby, Travis Sisco, General Laborers

DISTRICT NINE

Carrie Kimble, Single Axle Truck Driver

DISTRICT TEN

Nancy Robinson, Elaine Bryant, Gen. Laborers
Karen Sexton, Field Clerk I

PROMOTIONS

CONSTRUCTION

Pamela Wilson, Estimates Technician

MAINTENANCE

Brandi McCallister, Maint. Mgmt. Analyst
Roy Treadwell, Heavy Bridge Crew Leader

MATERIALS

Steven Pennington, District Materials Supv.

PROGRAMS & CONTRACTS

Bill Bradberry, Federal Program Coordinator

SURVEYS

Kenneth Cody, Surveys Aide III

DISTRICT I

Kennedy Ezell, Edgar Starks, Single Axle Tr. Drs.

Sharon Holbrook, Field Clerk II
Rommie Jackson, Backhoe/Front End Loader Opr.
Veronica Richard, Rest Area Attendant
William Roach, Civil Engineer I

DISTRICT 2

Tony Evans, Resident Engineer
Saul King, Dozer Operator/Finish
Keith Robertson, Construction Helper II

DISTRICT 3

Randy Sinyard, Crew Leader

DISTRICT 4

John Cole, Rest Area Attendant
David Edwards, Const. Materials Inspector
Jeffrey Jones, Const. Project Coordinator
Jeremy Kizer, Distributor/Roller Operator
Robert Reeves, District Permit Officer
Phillip Snodgrass, Single Axle Truck Dr.
Twandria Taylor, Personnel Clerk
Kenneth Tucker, Equipment Maint. Supv.
Rita Woolsey, Maintenance Aide I

DISTRICT 5

John Falwell, Inspector
Melvin Yates, District Bridge Inspector

DISTRICT 6

Mark Abbott, Sharon Hooks, Const. Aides III
Michael Allman, Construction Project Coord.
Shawn Goodwin, Kim Staton, Motorist
Assistance Provider
Elmer Inman, Area Maintenance Supv.
Gregory Oliver, Senior Inspector

DISTRICT 7

Gary Hall, Distributor/Roller Operator
James Reynolds, Inspector

DISTRICT 8

Roy James, Const. Project Coordinator
Randall Ward, Motor Patrol Operator/Finish

DISTRICT 9

Sam Bray, Jeffrey Hudgens, Maint. Aide I
Tony Parnell, Crew Leader

DISTRICT 10

Elaine Bryant, Nancy Robinson, Gen. Laborers
Cathy Hollowell, Roller Operator
Kim Pugh, Single Axle Truck Driver

SERVICE

40 YEARS

Mary Wilson, P&R Transportation Planner

35 YEARS

Robert Green, Jr., Roadway Staff Design Engr.
William Duncam, Roadway Senior Designer

30 YEARS

Larry Foreman, P&C Reproduction Technician
Danny Reed, D1 Sr. Const. Materials Inspector
Mearl Bates, D4 Bridge Repairer II
Carl Erwin, D6 Area Maintenance Supv.

25 YEARS

Brenda Haley, Comp. Quality Assurance Supv.

Darrell Gaskin, D1 Dist. Br. Inspector Helper
Joe Dewitt, D1 Area Maintenance Supv.
John Ardwin, D3 Backhoe/Front End Loader Opr.
Steven Morrow, D3 Shop Supv.
Lendel Carmack, D8 Crew Leader
Jimmy Adams, D10 Backhoe/Front End Loader Opr.
Kenneth Martin, D10 Maintenance Aide II

20 YEARS

Chuck Holland, Const. Estimates Supv.
Randall Harrison, AHP Corporal
Robert Adams, AHP Patrol Officer First Class
Todd Wetzel, AHP First Lieutenant
Minnie White, P&R Admin. Officer II
Benny Denton, D10 Sign Crew Supv.

15 YEARS

David Sittin, Jr., AHP Admin. Aide II
Danny Keene, Maint. Fac. Mgmt. Section Head
Margaret Besancon, Maint. Office Adm. Asst. III
David Lambert, P&R Trans. Specialist
Michael Fugett, Roadway Sr. Design Engineer
Edward James, D4 Bridge Repairer I
Frank Curtis, D4 Motor Patrol Operator
Timothy Dunlap, D5 Asst. Resident Engineer
Jeffrey Qualls, D5 Distributor Opr.
Keith Chronister, D8 Hydraulic Exc. Opr./Finish

10 YEARS

Tomps Gray, ROW Realty Appr./Negotiator
Eugene Kuettel, Jr., ROW Utility Coord. II
Vickie Whitley, ROW Utility Coord. I
Tommy Lynn, ROW Reviewing Appraiser
Patricia Lynn, ROW Negotiator
Joseph Toon, Surveys Aide III
Nicky Scrivner, D4 Area Hdqtrs. Attendant
Mark Headley, D6 Asst. Resident Engineer
William Luke, D10 Adv. Const. Field Engineer

5 YEARS

Brian Singleton, Materials Geotechnical Aide
Larry Miller, Surveys Technician I
Brenda Luster, D1 Maintenance Aide I
Donna Taylor, D2 Field Clerk II
Doris Whitaker, D3 Maintenance Aide I
Michael Pennington, D4 Area Hdqtrs. Attendant
Cody Holland, D4 Construction Helper II
Herbert Barker, D4 Construction Helper II
Lee Garrett, D5 Sign Erector
Steven Davis, D5 Distributor/Roller Opr.
Keith Foushee, D5 Maintenance Aide I
Eldon Young, Jr., D6 Rest Area Attendant
Daniel Roten, D6 Bridge Repairer II
Jewell Williams, D7 Senior Mechanic
Monte Smith, D10 Multi-Axle Truck Dr.

RETIREMENTS

Donya Thompson, Arkansas Highway Police
Sergeant, retired June 25 with 11+ years

Bernard Mize, Materials Civil Engineer IV,
retired July 19 with 30+ years

Larry Johnson, Planning & Research Section
Head, retired July 27 with 36+ years

Billy Lee, District 4 Equipment Maintenance
Supervisor, retired July 13 with 30+ years

Samuel Staff, D7 Bridge Repairer I, retired July
17 with 25+ years