



## AMERICAN SOCIETY OF HIGHWAY ENGINEERS

### **ROBERT E. PEARSON/PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD**

**Application Deadline:**  
**February 15**

The National Board requests that each Section give serious consideration to selecting a nominee for our Society's most prestigious award, the Robert E. Pearson/Person of the Year Award, given annually during the National Conference

The Pearson award is given to an individual who has made notable and significant contributions to the transportation industry. The contributions should have a statewide or broader impact and involve paid and personal time and efforts, and participation in transportation-related societies or organizations. Membership in ASHE is not an eligibility requirement.

The Section should not consider a person solely because he/she has designed, built, or been in charge of many millions of dollars in highway work. This, they do, because they are employed to do so. While this information would provide the necessary background (resume) information, National is interested in what the person does or has done to advance or improve the highway industry.

There will be no more than one Robert E. Pearson/Person of the Year Award presented each year based on the highest composite score of the following ranking criteria:

#### **RANKING CRITERIA:**

- Notable achievements related to the highway industry – more current events will be weighted more heavily (40%)
- Involvement in highway-related societies and organizations (20%)
- Personal time spent for the good of the industry (15%)
- Respect of his/her peers (15%)
- Statewide or broader impact to highway industry (10%)

In conjunction with this award is the Russell Horn \$1,000 Grant, which is given to the selected charity of the recipient of the Robert E. Pearson/Person of the Year Award. Russell E. Horn, Sr., P.E., was the Founding Father of the York, Pennsylvania Engineering Firm, Buchart Horn, Incorporated. He was a Charter Member of the First Section of ASHE in Harrisburg, PA and the 17th name to appear on the Original Charter.

An individual currently serving on the ASHE National Board is not eligible for nomination for this award. Judging of nominations will be performed by the ASHE National Nominating Committee.

This award will be presented at the ASHE National Conference. The selected nominee will be notified in advance and invited to attend the National Conference. The nominee will receive one full conference registration. The nominee will be reimbursed for their actual expenses to offset travel costs (including conference lodging, transportation, meals in route, parking, tolls, mileage) to a maximum amount approved by the National Board (typically \$400 to \$1000). The nominee will submit to the National Treasurer an appropriate expense report within 60 days of the conference including receipts for reimbursement.

#### **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:**

- All portions of the nomination package, including forms, must be typewritten on 8-1/2 x 11 plain white paper and shall be accompanied by a transmittal letter addressed to the current Chair of the National Nominating Committee (the immediate Past National President).
- Typewritten fonts must be 12 point size as a minimum.
- The entire application package should be saved in portable document format (pdf) and submitted via email to the Chair of the National Nominating Committee (Immediate Past National President) **by February 15** of the year that the award is to be presented.

#### **SUBMISSION CONTENT:**

The nominee's nomination package should contain the following items:

- Completed Nomination Form
- List of nominee's notable achievements in the highway industry in reverse chronological order
- Description of nominee's activity in highway-related societies
  - List all highway-related societies and organizations with associated dates and years of service.

- List all offices held and any committee activity performed.
- Description of nominee's willingness to devote personal time for the good of the industry
  - Include a description of time/activities that have served the highway industry and have occurred during the nominee's personal time rather than activities performed as a function of his or her employment
- Narrative documenting nominee's support by his or her peers
  - Provide specific examples as applicable.
- Description of nominee's impacts to the highway industry
  - List all notable achievements on the statewide, multiple-state, or national level that have had a positive impact on the highway industry.
- Completed Public Relations Form
- Current Resume
- Brief Biography
- High Resolution Digital Color Photograph Suitable for Publication

**SUBMISSION PROCEDURE:**

- Section Representative to complete and sign the Nomination Form. Include cover letter to the Chair of the National Committee.
- Nominee to complete and sign the Publication Relations Form.
- Section Representative to prepare required copies and information in electronic format (pdf).
- Section Representative to email the electronic Version of the package to the Chair of the National Nominating Committee (Immediate Past National President) **by February 15.**

**NOMINATION PACKAGE CHECKLIST:**

- Nomination Form
- List of notable achievements in the highway industry
- Description of activity in highway-related organizations
- Description of willingness to devote personal time for the good of the industry
- Description supporting that the nominee has the support of his or her peers
- Description of positive impacts to the highway industry
- Public Relations Form
- Current Resume
- Brief Biography
- Digital High-Resolution Color Photograph
- Nomination Package in Electronic Format (pdf)

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**NOMINATION FORM**

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**NOMINEE INFORMATION:**

Name (Last, First, Middle): Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

Home Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Licensure (Type, State, License No.) If Applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Location of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

**ASHE SPONSORING SECTION INFORMATION:**

Sponsoring ASHE Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Region: \_\_\_\_\_

Section Representative Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position (Must be Director or Officer):

Daytime Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(Not required to be an ASHE Member.)

Section Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# **ROBERT E. PEARSON/PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD**

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS INFORMATION**

Please provide the name of at least two local newspapers or other publications for publicity purposes:

1. (Name, Mail and Email Address)

2. (Name, Mail and Email Address)

### **SIGNATURE AND RELEASE (PLEASE READ)**

*I certify that the information I have provided is complete and truthful. I declare that I have not been convicted of any crime and that my professional licensure has not been revoked or subject to fines for any reason. I understand that ASHE and its representatives or assignees may publish and/or distribute press releases or other information related to the award in print, electronic and other media. Information released may contain my name, city of residence, employer, photograph and other information submitted in this nomination package, excluding my home address, telephone and email addresses and date of birth. I understand that ASHE is not responsible for errors or omissions in any published materials not owned by ASHE.*

Nominee Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_