

The 2011 Asphalt Paving Association of Iowa (APAI) Iowa Asphalt Hall of Fame recipient, Mr. Jim Ziegler was announced during the 56th APAI Annual Convention.

The Asphalt Paving Association of Iowa (APAI), a trade association representing the asphalt paving industry, presents an annual award to recognize and honor those individuals who had made significant and lasting contributions to the asphalt industry. The 2011 APAI Iowa Asphalt Hall of Fame award was presented in December at the 56th Annual APAI Convention in West Des Moines. The nominations for the Iowa Asphalt Hall of Fame Award are received from the nominee's peers. The recipient of this year's award was Mr. James Zeigler former owner of Rohlin Construction Company, Inc. of Estherville, Iowa.

Mr. Zeigler has been very active in APAI and the asphalt industry for several decades. He worked as an APAI Field Representative in the 1960s and served as the APAI President in 1976. His activity in the industry extended beyond the border of the Iowa as he served on national as well as state committees to advance the use asphalt as a paving medium. Jim has been involved with the Associated General Contractors (AGC) Board of Directors and was a founding member of APAI's Quality Management - Asphalt (QM-A) Steering Committee. Not only has Jim been active in AGC and APAI, but he has also served as President of the American Road Builders in 1981-1982.

Mr. Zeigler worked diligently in raising funds for the Auburn University's National Center for Asphalt Technology's creation in 1976. In keeping with his interest in the advancement of the technology of the industry, Mr. Zeigler played a very active role in the development of drum mix asphalt plants. He gave numerous presentations across the state, as well as nationally on these developments. All of these attributes made Jim highly deserving of the highest award given by the Asphalt Paving Association of Iowa.

"Jim Zeigler represents what this award is truly about – a dedication to quality for the asphalt pavements his company placed and a commitment to excellence for the greater asphalt industry, both in Iowa and nationally," said Bill Rosener, Executive Vice President of the Asphalt Paving Association of Iowa.