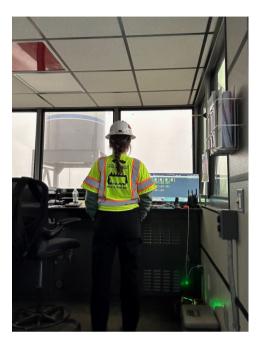
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"Figure out who you are and then do it on purpose." -Dolly Parton

MEET OLIVIA REES

Olivia fell into the asphalt industry while still in college, and got a summer internship working in a quality control lab. She says, "I loved this job so much I immediately joined the Shelly Company full time after I graduated in 2019. During my time there I worked in construction scheduling and mainly estimating. I was fortunate to work with many crews and be exposed to many parts of the company that gave me appreciation for the industry as a whole."

A little over a year ago Olivia joined West Virginia Paving as their Environmental Manager and is responsible for keeping their facilities and sites in environmental compliance, and work to establish sustainable best practices. The one thing that she would like to share with women that are in school studying engineering, or about to graduate high school and would like explore alternate career paths, is that there is a place for you in the construction and asphalt industry if you are interested. Olivia says, "It was never on my radar to seek out a career in asphalt, but repeatedly opportunities have presented themselves to me in this field. I love being part of Women of Asphalt to help recruit women to our field, or to just bring awareness that there are alternate career paths for women than just the traditional roles." Olivia serves as WofA WV Branch's secretary and is a key player on our Executive Committee. She is always eager to help and quick to make things happen.

Thank you Olivia for representing Women of Asphalt WV so well and for serving on our Executive Committee!!

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UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS



HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



<u>Volunteers</u> are needed for the WofA Booth at Southeastern Asphalt User/Producer Group Annual Meeting November 19th-21st in Mobile, AL

WofA is hiring an Executive Director!

Don't miss exciting update on Page 2!





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WofA WV Branch Executive Committee Members Olivia Rees, Andrea Courtney, Stormy Brewster and Ashleigh Campbell pictured (left to right) with a raffle basket they put together with items donated from Marathon Petroleum, Shamblin Stone, Inc, West Virginia Paving, Inc, Triton Construction, Inc, Kelly Paving, Inc, and WofA WV to support two West Virginia based charities, <u>The Gathering Place</u> and <u>Branches Domestic Violence Shelter</u>. The basket was raffled off at the Annual APAWV Fall Meeting in Glade Springs earlier this month. We were able to raise \$575 from the generosity of the APAWV members in attendance. WofA WV Branch decided to almost double the collection to make our donations to each charity \$500. This wouldn't be possible without the support of the APAWV, its members and our sponsors. Thank you all for your support!

Special thanks to the companies who donated items, Olivia, Andrea, Stormy, Ashleigh, John Crane (APAWV), and Shelly Hartley (CAWV) for their help making this a success! WofA WV is always looking for community service projects, if you have any ideas please email wofa@asphalt.com



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