Past President’s Message
By Kenny Voorhies (Georgia)

This year serving as your District President has been truly interesting and exciting for me. Our District continues to be strong in membership, activities and finances. I have only a small part in keeping the District strong, it is the work of the Board, the Committee chairs and the section members that make our District great. Thanks to all of you for your efforts both this year and in the past.

As in the past, the Southern District and District members received numerous International awards at the ITE International Meeting, which was hosted by the Tennessee Section in Nashville. Thanks for a great job as Annual Meeting co-chairs go to Bob Stammer and Bob Murphy. Winners of Section or individual awards were:

Best Newsletter (for circulation 250-500) - Virginia Section
Theodore M. Matson Award – Michael D. Meyer, Georgia Section
ITS Council Individual Achievement Award – Joe Stapleton, Georgia Section

Finally, I would particularly like to thank Vice-President Jim Meads for helping me with numerous extra duties while filling in for our Secretary-Treasurer John Van Winkle. We all wish John a full and speedy recovery.

I have enjoyed my tenure as a Southern District officer and I look forward to continuing to work with all of you in the future.

International Director’s Message
By Richard Atkins (North Carolina)

The International Board of Directors met on October 28, 2000 in Washington, DC. Highlights of this meeting are as follows:

ITE Headquarters Relocation
The Board toured our new office headquarters @ 1099 14th Street, NW. We plan to close our current office on November 29, 2000 and re-open by noon on December 5, 2000. We will also be getting a new phone number.

Millennium Fund Update
Approximately $217,000 has been contributed to this fund. Additional efforts are underway to allow us to meet our goal of $250,000 by the end of 2000. Six (6) of the eight (8) Sections in the Southern District have contributed to this fund.

Professional Traffic Operations Certification (PTOE) Program
We have approximately 500 transportation professionals that have been certified by the Transportation Certification Board. The Board of Directors expressed concern on the progress made in making employers and traffic engineers aware of the merits of PTOE.

Status of Traffic Operations Practitioner Certification
A survey has been developed to assist in determining the need and potential benefits of this proposed certification. The survey will be forwarded to employers and ITE members on a random sample basis early in 2001 for feedback.

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The Local Arrangements Committee and Virginia Section are pleased to invite you to the 49th Annual Southern District ITE Meeting in Williamsburg, Virginia on April 22-25, 2001 at the Williamsburg Marriott. In addition to a great professional program, ABD Exhibits and intriguing social events, the surrounding area has much to offer including Colonial Williamsburg, Bush Gardens, Jamestown Settlement, Yorktown and Virginia Beach. The technical program offers presentations on a wide range of topics including:

**Traffic Modeling** - Simulation, demand, statewide modeling
**Multimodal Issues** - High speed rail, bicycles and pedestrians
**New Developments in Transportation** - MUTCD revisions, traffic signal controllers and HCM 2000
**Traffic Planning** - Incident management, hurricane planning, road information systems and event planning
**Automated Enforcement** - Red light running, photo enforcement and legislative experiences
**Smart Growth** - Context sensitive design, access management and traffic calming
**Roundabouts** - Overview and safety
**Highway Financing** - Public/private partnerships, Rte. 895 in VA and toll roads around America
**Show Case of States** - Reverse lane planning for hurricane evacuation, ITS planning, call box evaluation, use of N11 dialing codes and much more.

Other meeting events include the traditional golf outing on Sunday at Golden Horseshoe Golf Course, hospitality suites Sunday evening, ABD party at Jamestown Settlement on Monday night, technical tours and the Annual Awards Banquet on Tuesday night. Spouse and Guest activities will include a general pass to Colonial Williamsburg, trip to the Governor’s Palace, lunch at Historical Taverns, tour of Carter’s Grove Plantation and shopping excursions to Merchants Square and other prime outlets.

Additional information regarding meeting activities and registration will be sent out to SDITE and ABD members in January 2001. Individuals serving as Chairs of the Local Arrangements Committee are Lynn E. Allsbrook, John B. Kaoudis and Bill Cashman. In the event that you have any questions or would like additional information regarding the upcoming SDITE meeting, Lynn Allsbrook is serving as the point of contact and can be reached as follows:

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Traffic Engineering and Operations Manager  
City of Hampton  
419 N. Armistead Avenue  
Hampton, VA 23669  
757-726-2930  
757-726-2829 FAX  
e-mail: lallsbro@city.hampton.va.us

49th Annual Southern District ITE Meeting
Call for Award Nominations

One of the rich traditions of SDITE is that we recognize our fellow members who have distinguished themselves through individual achievements. The three most prestigious awards – the Hoose Award, the Hensley Award, and the Thomas Award – are presented annually to individuals who have made significant contributions to the District and to our profession. The selection of recipients is based on personal traits such as integrity, morality, and leadership; individual accomplishments such as traffic engineering innovations, technical research, and paper writing; and organizational service such as meeting participation and committee work. These awards are described as follows.

The Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award is bestowed upon an individual who, over a period of years, has contributed outstandingly to the advancement of transportation engineering and to the SDITE.

The Marble J. Hensley Individual Activity Award is granted to an individual who, over the previous year, has contributed outstandingly to the advancement of transportation engineering and SDITE.

The Joseph M. Thomas Young Member Award is provided to an individual who, over the person’s young professional career, has contributed to the advancement of transportation engineering and SDITE. The recipient must be under the age of 35.

The Awards Committee depends on the membership to identify candidates for these three awards. Nominations for the awards have been solicited directly from District Officers, Section Representatives, and Section Presidents; however, anyone in the District is welcome to make a nomination for all or any of the awards. Please take a few minutes to think about fellow colleagues whom you feel fulfill and exemplify the criteria identified above. The nominee does not have to be a member of your Section. Ideally, all nominations from a Section should be submitted through the Section’s Representative; however, this is not a mandatory process and anyone in the District is welcome to submit directly to the Awards Committee. You may contact the Chairman of the Awards Committee (see below) to receive a Nomination Form.

Nominations must be received by January 22, 2001

If you have any questions or to request a Nominations Form, contact Bob Mabry, Chair of the Awards Committee, at 601/359-1454, 601/359-5918 (FAX), or bmbady@mdot.state.ms.us (e-mail).
Highlights of the 2000 SDITE Executive Board Meeting

The year-end SDITE Executive Board Meeting was held December 4, 2000 at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in New Orleans. The purpose of the meeting is to address a wide variety of business items, to install new District officers, to evaluate next year’s proposed budget, to review annual meeting host organization efforts, to receive reports from Section Representatives, to receive reports from Committee Chairs and to become familiar with the site for the following year’s (2002) SDITE annual meeting.

**Board Meeting Attendees**

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In addition to section reports (summarized under Section News), committee and special reports related to District activities were presented and discussed. Reports of particular interest are briefly summarized in the following listing.

**Annual Meeting Local Arrangements** - Report provided by Williamsburg, VA Local Arrangements Committee, see information provided on page 2.

**Awards** - Report provided by Bob Mabry (DS), see information provided on page 3.

**LAC Manual Update** - A Task Force Co-Chaired by Karen Mohammadi (KY) and Paula Osborne (KY) is in the process of updating the District’s Local Arrangements Committee handbook. Guidelines were gathered from other districts and extensive revisions are underway.
Education/Student Chapters - Ed Ellis (GA), Chair and Karen Mohammadi (KY), Vice-Chair worked with their committee to prepare a recommendation regarding changes to District Student Paper Awards regarding the dollar values associated with each award. This assignment included reviewing the scholarship and award programs of each of the SDITE sections (see table below) as well as other districts and non-SDITE sections. As a result, the Board acted to increase the amounts for student awards to help further defray travel expenses in encouraging attendance at the District annual meeting.

Annual Meeting Statistics - Gaye Sprague (SC) provided a summary of the 48th Annual SDITE meeting held in Greenville, South Carolina on April 16-19, 2000. A total of 268 people were in attendance at the meeting, including 165 SDITE members. The Local Arrangements Committee was very grateful for the excellent attendance and many kind remarks about the meeting. The budget for the Greenville annual meeting finished in the black by approximately $10,000. Many thanks to those serving on the Local Arrangements Committee including Roger Dyar, Gaye Sprague, Mike Ridgewater, Dave Clarke, Ed Clark, Phil Carter, Perry Farmer, Bruce Brigman, Brett Wallace, Byron Hood, Carla Fry, George Radler, Ivan Lollis, Pete Strub, Lesa Ingram-Dyar, Bobby Steading, Carol Jones, and Pat Fleming.

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NOTES: 1.) Total for both scholarships; 2.) Number varies. Last year 6 scholarships were awarded; 3.) Three scholarships given with increasing amounts for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishes; 4.) Scholarships for three separate schools, plus one open scholarship; 5.) Scholarship fund created, no awards yet.

District Website - David Robinson (NC) provided an overview of task force activities during the past year. Currently, responsibility the SDITE website is administered by the NCSU Student Chapter, with David Robinson acting as liaison. Maintenance of the website worked well over the first two years, however, as student graduated in the following years there was a loss of continuity and academic pressures (quite appropriately) took precedence. Accordingly, in February 2000 a task force was established to evaluate website alternatives and to review the existing arrangement with NCSU. A variety of short-term and long-term strategies are being evaluated to improve the District’s website and to keep the information exchange useful to the membership. Specific recommendations will be presented to the Executive Board at the Annual Business Meeting in Williamsburg, VA.

SDITE members gather for photo during Executive Board Meeting held Dec. 4, 2000 in New Orleans
### 2001 Budget

*By Jim Meads, President SDITE*

#### Income
- Dues: $13,000
- Interest (Earnings on Investments): 1,800
- Return of Annual Meeting Advance: 3,500

**Total Income**: $18,300

#### Expenses
- Office Supplies: $200
- Newsletter
  - Printing/Postage: 2,000
- Other Printing/Postage
  - Printing: 1,000
  - Postage: 1,200
- Annual Meeting Advance: 3,500
- Student Chapter Award: 150
- Student Paper Award: 550
- Student Chapter Grants: 800
- Award Expenses: 1,400
- President’s Travel Expenses: 1,500
- International Director: 2,500
- Board Expenses: 400
- Secretary/Treasurer Expenses: 300
- Fellowship - Burton Marsh: 250
- Annual Accounting Fee: 50
- Web Site: 2,200

**Total Expenses**: $18,000

**Surplus/(Deficit)**: $300

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*Board Meeting Highlights, continued from Page 5*

Executive Board Members cover a wide variety of issues during meeting session at the Royal Sonesta.

The SDITE gavel is officially passed from President Kenny Voorhies to incoming President Jim Meads.

Richard Atkins inducts incoming officers Jim Meads, President and Stan Polanis, Secretary/Treasurer.

Board members tour facilities at the Royal Sonesta Hotel on Bourbon Street, site of the 2002 Annual Meeting.
Status of Transportation Planner Certification
Our Executive Director, Tom Brahms, has contacted the American Planning Association (APA) regarding their participation in this proposed certification. APA’s Transportation Division will participate in evaluating the benefits of APA’s participation in this certification.

2000 and 2001 Budgets
The financial projections for 2000 indicate that ITE will end the year with a positive bottom line. This is the 17th year out of the twenty since 1981 that ITE has ended the year in the black. The Board approved a motion to approve the 2001 budget of approximately $8,400,000. Major sources of revenues in this budget are as follows:
- Membership dues and fees (21%)
- ITE Journal (6%)
- Publications (12%)
- Annual Meeting (10%)
- Contracts and Grants (43%)

Review of Petition by Bob Wolfe
The Board discussed a petition that was presented by Bob Wolfe (member of Alabama Section) at the August 2000 Annual Business meeting. This petition expressed concern regarding the relationship of the Transportation Professional Certification Board (TPCB) and the national ITE Board of Directors. The Board discussed invoices TPCB for staff services and direct costs incurred by ITE staff on behalf of the TPCB, including advertising and web services. A motion not to take any subsequent actions was approved.

Public Information/Relations Program
President-elect Steven Gayle indicated that he would appoint a committee to define the objectives, scope, priorities, identify sources of counsel and funding of a public information/relations program as well as to identify the efforts done or underway by others. This appears to be the first formal initiative by ITE to assist our members in actively marketing the transportation profession.

Honorary Membership in ITE
In executive session, the Board voted to elect to honorary membership our 64th, 65th, and 66th members. I am pleased to report that John D. Edwards, Jr., a member of the Southern District, was one of the three new honorary members.

2001 Priority Issues
The Coordinating Council has identified the following “top five” priority issues for 2001:
- Management and Operations
- Safety
- Trans. Professional’s Role in a Societal Context
- Membership Development
- Transportation Workforce

Our Councils/Task Forces will develop a list of potential projects/activities to address these 2001 Priority Issues. Our Coordinating Council will develop an action plan for the 2001 Priority Issues at their Jan. 2001 meeting in Washington, DC.

Nominations Committee
The Nominations met on October 29, 2000 to interview candidates for ITE Vice-President for 2001. Jack Freeman and Don Henderson were selected as candidates for the coming year. I represented the Southern District on this committee.

This will be my last report for 2000. I wish to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your International Director. Please contact me at 336-851-1006 or ratkins@neel-schaffer.com should you have concerns, questions, or suggestions for improving ITE. Additionally, please contact me should you be interested in increasing your participation in ITE.

News from the Sections

ALABAMA SECTION
This year has been a great year for the Alabama Section of Institute of Transportation Engineers (ALSITE). Our membership has been more involved in community education, legislative activities, other professional organizations and has received several honors or awards. The following is a summary of our accomplishments during the year 2000.

2001 Officers
President Stacey Glass
Vice President Becky White
Secretary/Treasurer Ken Cush
Section Representative James Brown

Membership
Members 106
Retired Members 4
Affiliate I 40
Affiliate II 37
TOTAL 187

Technical Activities - Our members have given over thirty (30) presentations and fifteen (15) publication during this year. The audiences have been elementary schools, middle schools, City Councils, conferences and seminars, press conferences, college engineering students and civic organizations. ALSITE has co-sponsored several conferences throughout Alabama. One of our members has published several articles in South Africa, and the United States.

(News from the Sections, continued on Page 10)
Transportation Tips
Co-editors: Martin Bretherton (GA) and Bridget Smith (Dist. 6)

Striping Plan for Two-Way Stops
By Jinsong Qi

The City of Santa Barbara, CA has many 2-way stop intersections with a high frequency of collisions. These collisions are typically right angle, where the primary collision factor is failure to yield. This failure to yield is usually the result of inattention or mistaking the intersection for an all-way stop. Staff has reviewed these locations and taken the following steps to reduce collisions with little results:

- Improving Sight Distance
- Installing “Cross Traffic Does Not Stop” signs below the stop signs

We have also reviewed many of these locations for all-way stops and/or signals. Many do not meet warrants or these traffic control devices are undesirable for other reasons. We are therefore considering testing a new striping plan at some of these intersections. This plan is to extend dashed edge and center lines across the intersection (see photo attachment at http://geocities.com/sbtraffic/marking.jpg). The intent of this striping plan is to make the major or uncontrolled streets at intersections look more “major” to the minor street vehicles. This striping plan could serve the following purposes:

- Provides additional visual cues regarding the right-of-way at two-way stop intersections
- Channelizes major streets traffic
- Serves as a secondary stop bar to side street vehicles

The details of this proposal can be found at this web address http://geocities.com/sbtraffic/proposal.doc

We would like to hear from those who may have experimented with this or other similar striping plans, as well as general comments/advice regarding this issue. Your feedback will be greatly appreciated.

For more information, contact Jinsong Qi, Transportation Engineering Associate, City of Santa Barbara, California, (805) 897-2615, email: jqi@ci.santa-barbara.ca.us

“Easy” Delay Study for Practicing Traffic Engineers
By Martin Bretherton, P.E.

Do you do signal warrant studies? Based on research I did (see the 1991 ITE Compendium), warrant 10 is the hardest signal warrant to meet. I feel it is the best warrant for justifying an intersection for a signal based on traffic volume. However, this warrant requires a delay study. This data collection is very time consuming and expensive especially after doing an AM and PM peak hour turning count.

The “easy” delay study is a simple process that provides very reliable delay information. Our technician does a delay study while he does his peak hour turning movement counts. His turning count board beeps every five minutes when it has completed its interval (you could use 15 minutes but 5 minutes is recommended because it provides more intervals). The technician looks up and counts the number of cars stopped on the significant minor and major road. The key is to emphasize the left turn lanes and through queues on the minor street. Also, major road left turn lanes are important data.

The results are compiled by finding the peak hour and adding the twelve values for each approach. Dividing this total peak hour delay by 12 (60 minutes/12 intervals) gives an approximate average peak hour delay (vehicle hours of delay). If the AM or PM peak hour delay is above 4.0 vehicle-hours of delay, it might meet Warrant 10.

Gwinnett County DOT Traffic Studies Section has been using this procedure for over 10 years. The county conducted a few comparison of the “easy” delay study and compared them to the “comprehensive” delay study (requires 15 sec intervals by approach). The “easy” method produces results within 15%(+-) of the comprehensive method. This would be a great research project to compare the “easy” and “comprehensive” delay study methods using research sample sizes.

If you have any questions, please contact Martin Bretherton, Gwinnett County DOT, 75 Langley Dr., Lawrenceville, Ga, 30045, (770) 822-7412, email: brethema@co.gwinnett.ga.us
Rumble Strips and Bicycles
By Richard Moeur, P.E.

Many states have installed longitudinal rumble strips on rural highway shoulders. These rumble strips can greatly reduce run-off-road crash rates.

In the past, rumble strips were made by rolling indentations into hot asphalt. These were effective, but could only be installed during paving, and had other quality problems. These rolled-in rumble strips were a nuisance to bicycle traffic on shoulders, but didn’t cause any dangerous instability.

Many states are now using a new ground-in rumble strip, which creates a pattern of holes in the pavement. FHWA's Rumble Strip website at http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/rumblestrips has more information. This new rumble strip is narrower, but is much more hazardous to bicyclists, since the bike wheel can drop into every groove - 1/2" up & down for every foot of travel.


There have been two recent studies on how to reduce the impact of rumble strips on bicyclists. An Arizona study looked at placing gaps in the rumble strip to allow bikes to cross without hitting the rumble strip. This can be seen on the Web at: http://members.aol.com/rcmoeur/bikestuf.html

Another study by Penn State University looked at changing the depth and spacing of the rumble strip to make it more bike-friendly. This study will be presented at the 2001 TRB Annual Meeting in January. For more info, contact Darren Torbic at dtj106@psu.edu.

For more information or a discussion of this topic, contact Richard Moeur, Traffic Engineer, Arizona Department of Transportation, Phoenix, Arizona, (602) 712-6661, email: rcmoeur@aol.com, web site: http://members.aol.com/rcmoeur/

An Examination of Key Issues in Traffic Crashes
by Srinivas Pulugurtha

Researchers at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas (UNLV) Transportation Research Center have studied crashes in Clark County, Nevada to identify the most pressing traffic safety issues and develop countermeasure programs to address the identified needs. Clark County, Nevada has been one of the fastest growing metropolitan areas in the United States over the last decade. This has had a direct impact on travel demand and occurrence of crashes in the area.

Reviewing three years (1996, 1997 and 1998) of crash data, the researchers identified the factors contributing to these incidents and the most prevalent type of collisions. Trends pertaining to crashes by month, day of week and time of day were studied. Other aspects include identifying crashes by type of facility, road classification and traffic control device. Their analysis indicate that there were a total of 39,552 crashes in 1996, 41,051 crashes in 1997, and 43,261 crashes in 1998 in Clark County, Nevada. The top five contributing factors are failure to yield, failure to reduce speed, inattentive driving, improper lane change, and, following too close. The five most frequent crash types include rear-end collision, angle collision, sideswipe collision - same direction, left-turn collision, and ran off road/struck - fixed object. A significant number of crashes at traffic control devices were caused by a failure to yield, failure to reduce speed, and improper lane changes. A considerable number of crashes involved pedestrians.

A significant increase in the number of crashes involving right-turn and left-turn movements were observed in 1998 when compared to the previous two years. The analyses indicate that percentage of crashes involving right-turn movements increased from 4.7 percent in 1996 to 5.1 percent in 1997, and to 18.8 percent in 1998. Crashes involving left-turn movement increased from 15.0 percent in 1996, to 15.7 percent in 1997, and to 20.8 percent in 1998. Crashes involving pedestrians and turning movement (left-turn movement or right-turn movement) also have increased over the same period. The percentage of crashes involving pedestrians and right-turn movement was 0.18 percent in 1996, 0.27 percent in 1997, and 0.37 in 1998. The percentage of crashes involving pedestrians and left-turn movement was 0.11 percent in 1996, 0.12 percent in 1997, and 0.38 percent in 1998. The proportion of all crashes involving pedestrians in these years were 1.91 percent, 1.73 percent, and 1.71 percent respectively. Even though the percentages of crashes involving pedestrians appear to be small, the number of such crashes is significant. In particular, the number of pedestrian fatalities is of significant concern.

For more information, contact UNLV staff, Srinivas Pulugurtha, Asst. Research Professor at pss@trc.unlv.edu or Shashi Nambisan, Director, Professor of Civil Engineering at email: shashi@ce.unlv.edu. You may also reach either at 702.895.1338 or UNLV-Transportation Research Center, P.O. Box 454007, Las Vegas, NV 89154-4007.
Section Meetings - ALSITE has three (3) meetings per year. The Spring meeting was held in Tuscaloosa, Alabama at the Mercedes Plant and had technical speakers that included engineers from Mercedes. The Annual meeting was held in Gulf Shores, Alabama. At the Annual meeting we had a Professional Development session on “The Language of Leadership”, presented by Dr. Ron Dudek of the Univ. of Alabama. $4,130 was raised from the auction for the scholarship fund. The Fall meeting was held in Auburn, hosted by the Student Section, who put on a great technical program.

Community Service Activities - Our past president Robby Anderson participated with local agencies to help protect children through the proper use of child restraint systems. He has spurred interest in other areas of Alabama to participate with local agencies to help protect children with seat belts. Another past president Nancy Hudson continues to participate in safety education programs in the Birmingham area.

Website - Our website (www.alsite.org) was created November 20, 1997 by a student at Auburn University with the assistance from John McCarthy. Dr. McCarthy updates this site often with Meeting updates, member information and the ALSITE Directory. Please contact him to add a link to your Sections website.

Professional Organizations
Several of our members are also involved with other professional organizations and ITE.

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Scholarship Program - ALSITE scholarship program has grown to $76,000. We gave one scholarship for $3,000 to Douglas Peterson from Auburn University. A special contribution of $2,500 for the “Billy Jones Traffic Engineering Scholarship” was donated and the scholarship was given to Sara Jacobs from Auburn University.

Awards and Honors - Several of our members were recognized with honors and awards. They are as follows:

- Joe Meads, “Top 40 Under 40”
- Dan Turner, Outstanding Alumni Volunteer – Univ. of Ala.
- Ed Watt, ALSITE Transportation Engineer of the Year
- James A. Meads, “Top 40 Under 40”

Student Chapters - The Auburn Student Chapter as always has kept our sections records and membership directory. The Univ. of Alabama has created a Student Chapter this summer. Dr. John McFadden is the faculty advisor. There are 13 students in the chapter, 9 of those members are currently working on University Transportation Center projects. Dr. McFadden, the President and Treasurer of the Student Chapter went to the ITE Meeting in Irvine, CA and this past summer to the Nashville ITE meeting. Stephen Hill (President) gave a presentation on their UTCA project entitled “Use of Video for Traffic Management and Safety in Alabama”. The UA Student Chapter is currently meeting with the ASCE group and plan to begin their own meetings next year.

DEEP SOUTH SECTION
Officers for the Section are as follows:

- Jeff Smith         President
- Nick Ferlito       Vice President
- Dan Gaillet        Sec/Treasurer
- Bob Canfield       District Representative
- L.P. Ledet         Past President

2000 Goals - It was determined the Section would:
- Improve communications with its members
- Provide additional technical support to its members
- Improve coordination between the Section and the Federal Highway Administration, the La. Department of Transportation and Development and the Mississippi Department of Transportation.
- Allow for Professional Development Hours for members attending Deep South ITE meetings
- Prepare for 2001 SDITE Meeting in New Orleans

Communications - The first step here was to review and update the membership roster and the mailing list for the DSITE Newsletter. In recent years members have changed job duties or organizations and it was found that the current roster was somewhat out of date. An effort by the officers to bring the roster and mailing list up to date has been completed.

A second step has been to create an email list of the members for instant email communication. This allows for contact between the officers and the membership beyond the periodic mailings of the quarterly Newsletter. When seminars become available or other items of information are important to members and are time sensitive, the members can be notified immediately. Use of the email system has been a huge success in the six months that it has been in effect.

The DSITE website is also being modified and will be handled by Louisiana State University’s Civil Engineering Department. DSITE members at LSU will provide the necessary technical assistance to maintain the website. In addition to the current membership list, the website will include current is-
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Professional Development Hours (PDH) - Professional Development hours have become a requirement for professional engineers to maintain their license. Deep South ITE meetings have been made approved sessions for receiving the PDH’s. This will encourage DSITE members to attend the DSITE meetings and to award those that attend with additional motivation and accreditation.

SDITE 2002 Meeting In New Orleans - The various committee responsibilities for the meeting have been established and the individuals involved have been enthusiastic and looking forward to hosting the meeting in 2002. The meeting will be held April 21-24, 2002.

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Section Meetings
Horseshoe Casino, Bossier City, LA - Feb. 10-11, 2000. A business meeting was conducted along with the following technical presentations:

- Denis Finigan and Cade Braud, Urban Systems Inc., Traffic Plan for Harrah's Casino
- Tony Tramel, City of Lafayette, LA, Traffic Control in Private Parking Lots
- Dan Gaillet and Ed Tubyfill, City of Jackson, MS ITS in Jackson, Mississippi
- Michael Erland, City of Shreveport, Signal Removal

25th Anniversary Meeting, Grand Oasis, Gulfport, MS - July 13-14, 2000. Meeting included a banquet and scholarship auction and the following technical presentations:

- Alison Traylor and Brin Kern, ABMB, CORSIM Modeling of Baton Rouge CBD
- Huey Dugas, Baton Rouge CRPC, Parking Analysis for Downtown Baton Rouge
- L.P. Ledet and Debbie Poché, Neel-Schaffer, Origin-Destination Travel Surveys
- Bob Canfield, Consultant, MUTCD Revisions
- Michael Palamone and Cade Braud, Urban Systems Inc., Cooperative Planning Effort
- Brian Fulton, Neel-Schaffer, Inc., Popps Ferry Road

Radinsson Hotel, Baton Rouge, LA –Oct. 19-20, 2000. A business meeting was conducted along with the following technical presentations:

- Brian Wolshon, Louisiana State Univ., Traffic Sign Reflectivity Study
- Mary Stringfellow FHWA, FHWA Programs
- Peter Allain, LaDOTD, Traffic Sign Material Policy
- Neel-Schaffer Video, Professional Ethics
- Billy Gratham, Mississippi Fatal Crash Study

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GEORGIA SECTION

The following have been nominated as officers for 2001:

President: Wassim Selman, P.E., Ph.D.
Vice President: Bayne Smith, P.E., PTOE
Secretary-Treasurer: John Funny
Susan Walker, P.E.
District Director (Jr.): Marsha Anderson
Brian Bolick
Mike Patrick
Affiliate Director: Keary Lord, Robert Smith

The following officers will remain in 2001:
District Director (Sr.): W. Martin Bretherton, Jr., P.E.
Past President: Betsy Williams, P.E., PTOE

Meeting held this year (since SDITE Board meeting):

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<td>Larry Dreihau, FHWA, Regional Transportation: How ITS Can Help</td>
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Other activities of the section:

- The Georgia Section has upgraded the web site. The new address is [http://www.ite.gati.org/](http://www.ite.gati.org/)
- Summer Seminar had 9 technical sessions and an ABD exhibit over 3 days and included a golf, tennis and bowling tournament, a family welcome dinner over looking the Atlantic Ocean, a scholarship auction and banquet.
- International VP candidates Jenny Grote and Steve Hofner attended the May 11th monthly meeting. Jenny Grote also attended the May 11th Board meeting.
- Updated the GA Section Policy and Procedures manual.
- Updated the Strategic Plan. The Past Presidents reviewed the Strategic plan and recommended changes to the Policy and Procedures manual. The section needs to review the plan when making decisions.
- Update the bylaws. Submitted by-laws changes to the membership to change Section 4.3 (only one nominee required for each open Section Rep position) and Section 8.3 (2/3 of ballots cast to change by-laws).
- Section co-sponsored “Site Impact Analysis” seminar at Southern Polytechnic State University held on June 19-20, 2000. Co-sponsored by the Southern Tech ITE Student Chapter and the Mc Trans Center.
- Section co-sponsored “Access Management” seminar at Southern Tech held on June 21-22, 2000. Co-sponsored by the Southern Polytechnic State University ITE Student Chapter and the Mc Trans Center.
- Section co-sponsored “Highway Capacity Analysis” seminar at Southern Polytechnic State University held on November 28-30, 2000. Co-sponsored by the Southern Polytechnic State University ITE Student Chapter and the Mc Trans Center.
- Formed ITE/ASCE Transportation Advisory Group Committee to GA Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA).
- Presented ITE Life Membership award to Joe Womble, Pete Parsonson and Bob Roseveare. Invited other four Life members to July monthly meeting for presentation.
- Co-sponsored “Transportation: The Five-Year Future” all day seminar at Villa Christina, Atlanta, Georgia on September 21, 2000. Co-sponsored the meeting with the American Consulting Engineers Council of Georgia, Women's Transportation Seminar, Assoc. of State Highway Engineers and the Georgia Engineering Alliance.
- Board approved signing a contract with Jekyl Island Club, Jekyl Island, Georgia for the 2001 meeting and the King & Prince Resort Hotel, St. Simons, Georgia for 2002 and 2003 Summer Seminar.
- Submitted two articles about the Georgia Section activities for Spring and Summer editions of the SDITE News of the South.
- Georgia Section pre-registered 44 members for the ITE Annual Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee.

KENTUCKY SECTION

Elections for 2001 officers were completed in November. The 2001 officers and chairpersons are:

President: Steve Skaggs
Vice President: Jo Anne Tingle
Secretary-Treasurer: Paula Osborne
Section Representative: Karen Mohammadi
Director: Ron Herrington
Director: Simon Cornett
Advertising Chairperson: Andy Terwilleger
Technical Chairperson: Steve Cummins
The Kentucky section owes a great deal of gratitude to Lonnie Yates who had served as our section representative for nearly a decade. The section has benefited tremendously from his knowledge and guidance.

Section Meetings - The section held quarterly meetings during the year in four different cities as well as an officer’s meeting in Jan. The meeting are summarized as follows:

- January 25, Frankfort: Officer’s Meeting
- March 28, Lexington: Access Management
- June 27, Newport: MUTCD Update
- Sept. 26, Frankfort: Picnic, Social and Golf Outing/Fund raiser
- Nov. 30, Shelbyville: Annual Meeting/Auction

Section Activities - The section devoted much of 2000 to strengthening existing practices but also introduced some new programs and activities to increase membership involvement and acknowledge member accomplishments. Activities in 2000 included:

- Assembled committee members and recommended hotel for 2004 SDITE Annual Meeting
- Established a committee to investigate and make recommendations on planner’s equivalent to the PTOE
- Established a statewide Access Management Committee
- Initiated joint Kentucky-Ohio Sections Meeting. First meeting held in Newport.
- Initiated joint Kentucky-Tennessee Sections Meeting. Hopefully the first meeting will be held in 2001.
- Raised over $1000 at our annual Golf Outing for the Scholarship Fund
- Raised over $400 at Auction for Scholarship Fund
- Awarded 6 scholarships
- Initiated a new Distinguished Service Award
- Prepared 2 Newsletters and 4 Flyers
- Prepared section web site
- Identified Past Presidents for recognition on web site
- Used on-line invitation program for meeting attendance
- Established Legislative Committee
-Had coffee mugs made for fundraising/speaker gifts
- Contributed to the ITE Millennium Fund

Section Membership
Membership in the Kentucky Section held steady in 2000. Currently the section has 147 members, including:

- 10 Fellows
- 6 Esteemed Colleagues
- 38 Members
- 44 Associate Members
- 26 Student Members
- 23 Kentucky Section Only Members

NORTH CAROLINA SECTION

2001 Board of Directors

- President: Burt Tasaico, P.E.
- Vice President: Bob Pressley, P.E.
- Secretary/Treasurer: Jim Westmoreland, P.E.
- Past President: Gregory Turner, P.E.
- District Representative: Terry Snow, P.E.
- District Representative: Larry Meisner, P.E.
- Section Director: Mike Mabe, P.E.
- Affiliate Director: Monica Toole, P.E.
- Affiliate Director: Nathan Vannoy, P.E.

The North Carolina Section Institute of Transportation Engineers (NCSITE) had another great year in 2000. We had continued growth in membership, in diversity, and in the amount and variety of technical training we offered to our members.

Technical Training, Local Meetings, and Activities - The following meetings were sponsored by the section this year:

- Jan. 27, Raleigh: Joint Conference with ASHE
- Feb. 17, New Bern: Quarterly Meeting. Work zone safety, New Bern Bypass EIS, Neuse River Bridge/Interchange
- Mar. 30, Raleigh: Conf. on Traffic Impact Studies
- May 25, Raleigh: Administrative Council Local Meeting. Leadership Seminar
- Jun. 28-30, VA Beach: Joint Conference with VASITE. DOT perspectives, trolley lanes, video detection, ITS, regionalism, pavement inventory, traffic calming, small urban transp. planning, cost/benefit for ITS
- Sept. 13-15, Win.-Sal.: Metropolitan Planning Organizations annual meeting (co-sponsor)
- Sept. 26, Raleigh: Transportation Issues Forum (co-sponsor). Funding, policy, politics.
- Sept. 27, Charlotte: Quarterly Meeting, bikeways, regional transit, freeway mang.

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Oct. 13, Raleigh
Transportation Planning Council Luncheon – NCDOT Long Range Transportation Plan

Nov. 16, RTP
Annual Meeting. Traffic, the media and you; traffic impact studies, safety zones, regional data analysis, signal maintenance and operation, envir. planning, new dir. in transportation

Dec. 8, Raleigh
Transportation Planning Council Luncheon – The Road Worrier and Transportation & the Media

In addition to the above Section sponsored meetings, the North Carolina Section was well represented, both by speakers and by attendees, at the District meeting in Greenville, SC. Also at this meeting, the Section was honored to receive the award for outstanding section and Stan Polanis was elected District Secretary/Treasurer. The Section was similarly well represented at the Annual meeting in Nashville TN.

Bylaws Change - The section changed its bylaws to facilitate structural changes proposed to address the membership’s needs as indicated in surveys and in the section’s long range plan. Over 60% of the membership responded to the bylaws ballot, 100% of whom were in favor of the proposed changes.

Awards - Awards presented at the Sections Annual meeting:
- Robert J. Dodge Professional Image Award – C.E. Vick
- R V Moss Lifetime Service Award – Ron Poole
- Jay Quinn Technical Excellence Award – Tom Kendig
- Contribution to Transportation Award – Gorman Gilbert
- Paul D. Cribbins Cup – NC State Univ. Student Chapter
- Young Professionals’ Award – Terry Hopkins
- Outstanding Tech. Paper – Nagui Rouphail and Bob Foyle
- President’s Award – Ken King

Scholarships - The Section awarded four $1,000 scholarship to students in transportation curriculums at NC State University, NC A&T University, and UNC - Charlotte.

The Year 2001 Administration of the Section have a lot of exciting things planned for the up-coming year, and as president-elect Tasaico announced at the annual meeting on November 16, “we are going to have fun”.

SOUTH CAROLINA SECTION
South Carolina Section Officers for 2000 are:
President Linda Carpenter
Vice-President Wayne Sarasua
Secretary/Treasurer Susan Ruinen
Affiliate Director Matt Short
Section Representative Colin Kinton

2000 Meeting/Activities
March 21, 2000 Lunch Meeting & Golf Tournament
Columbia, SC Lizard’s Thicket (Airport)
Attendance: 36 Speaker: Dick Jenkins, SCDOT
Topic: ITS Initiatives and Emergency Evacuation

April 16-19, 2000 Southern District ITE Meeting
Greenville, SC Attendance:38

June 6, 2000 Lunch Meeting & Golf Tournament
Summerville, SC Miler Country Club
Attendance: 51 Speaker: Matt Lifsey, SCDOT,
Bruce Brigman, WSA, Carrol LeTellier, Sverdrup
Topic: Cooper River Bridge Replacement in Charleston

October 16, 2000 Lunch Meeting
West Columbia, SC Ryan’s Steak House
Attendance: 44 Speaker: Terecia Wilson, SCDOT
Topic: South Carolina Summit on Safety

Dec. 5, 2000 Business/Year End Meeting
Columbia, SC Suggs&Kelly Conference Facility
Topics: Awards Banquet, Auction Fundraiser, Golf Outing

The South Carolina Section was pleased to have hosted the Southern District Annual Meeting in Greenville this past year. The Local Arrangements Committee, chaired by Roger Dyar, produced a successful meeting with informative technical sessions and great opportunities for our members to socialize and learn from one another.

At the Year-End Annual Business Meeting and social, the section will again have an auction/fundraiser to raise money for the South Carolina Section’s scholarship funds. Our Scholarship Committee is in the process of determining the value and number of scholarships to be awarded. Scholarship application procedures are also being developed in hopes of awarding a scholarship for the 2001-2002 school year.

2000 Committees
Scholarship/Auction – David Clarke
Awards – Gaye Sprague
Technical – Dipak Patel
Nominations – Anna Salvagin

TENNESSEE SECTION
2001 Officers
President Craig Hanchey
Vice President Cindy Pionkee
Secretary-Treasurer Anthony Todd
Section Rep. (00-01) Bob Murphy
Section Rep. (01-02) Glenn Beckwith
Immediate Past President Hollis Loveday
Affiliate Director Mike Vickery
The Tennessee Section ITE had a very active year in 2000. The main focus was hosting the 2000 International ITE Annual Meeting at the Opryland Hotel in Nashville. The meeting was a great success due to the hard work by the LAC and volunteers. The 2150 present made the 3rd highest attendance ever at an International ITE Meeting with a super technical agenda and activities to enjoy for all. Another joint meeting with the Tennessee Chapter of the American Public Works Association was held in October.

2000 Section Awards - The Tennessee Section ITE has two awards that can be presented to members for outstanding service to the Section and to the profession. The Tennessee Section Award is presented to a member who demonstrates outstanding service to the Section or the profession over the past year. The Volunteer Award is presented to a member who has demonstrated outstanding service to the Section or the profession over time. TSITE also has a student scholarship that can be given out each summer and requests papers for a student paper contest each year.

The 2000 TSITE award winners were announced at the Summer Meeting in Alcoa. Craig Hanchey was awarded the TN Section Award for 2000 because of his efforts in the technical program at the International ITE Annual Meeting. Bob Murphy and Bob Stammer were presented the Section’s Volunteer Award because of their lifetime dedication to the traffic engineering profession and their ongoing dedication to the Tennessee Section and their organization and planning for the International Meeting. Sharon M. Schultz, a graduate student at Vanderbilt University, received this year’s student scholarship ($1,000). Karen Headlee, a graduate student at UT, won 1st prize ($250) for the 2000 student paper contest and Elizabeth Haun won the 2nd prize ($100).


Spring Meeting – June 2-3, Pigeon Forge - An auction raised a record $2868 for the scholarship fund. Saturday a technical session was held with two presentations: “Traffic Calming Practices in Johnson City” by Anthony Todd and Allan Cantrell, Johnson City Public Works; and the winner of the Student Paper Award presented her paper on “The Impact of an Aging Driver Population.”

Summer Meeting – August 9, Nashville - The Tennessee Section had its breakfast meeting in conjunction with the International Meeting and it was very well attended. The Tennessee Section was well represented at the entire International Meeting. At the business meeting, the ballots were counted for the election of officers and they were announced.

Section Activities - The Tennessee Section ITE Board met in Knoxville in December to plan activities for the year. The Section will continue it’s recent practice of holding several meetings in conjunction with meetings of other organizations where possible. The goal is to reach out to them and become involved in issues of mutual importance. The Tennessee Section History was made available on the web site along side existing information on meeting activities, scholarship information, committees, etc. at www.tsite.org. Over $3,000 was raised for the scholarship fund by providing instructors to the TN Technical Assistance Program. This partnership is expected to be renewed in 2001 to benefit the scholarship fund.

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Section Highlights

Continuing Education: One (1) day course on “Bicycle Planning and Design Workshop” held on March 15th in Fredericksburg in conjunction with the Spring Meeting.

A two (2) day hands on computer workshop on Synchro was held on June 27 and 28 in Virginia Beach in conjunction with the Annual Meeting.

Scholarship Program: Over $2,600 has been raised for the scholarship fund this year. Section currently has over $28,000 in scholarship fund as of November 1st. Currently, $3 of each individual’s membership dues goes directly to the scholarship fund. Two $500 scholarships were awarded this year.

Awards: Tim White received Young Member award, George Rogerson, Jr. received Outstanding Individual Activity award, and Linda Smith received Distinguished Service award.

Web Site: Section website was brought online earlier this year and is being enhanced continually. VASITE’s web address is: [www.vasite.org](http://www.vasite.org)


Other: Robert J. Humphrey, a past President of the Section, was made an Honorary Member.

ITE awarded Traffic Lite (Tim White, Editor) as best newsletter for circulation of 250 to 500 for 1999.

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| Larry Meisner (NC) | Colin Kinton (SC) | Anthony Todd (TN) | Lynn Allsbrook (VA) |

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