Southern District (5)
2000 Yearbook
Historical Overview of the Southern District

Our Purpose The Southern District of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (SDITE) is composed of professionals who have united to contribute individually and collectively toward meeting human needs for mobility and safety, and to promote the professional development of SDITE members.

Our History The national organization was formed October 2, 1930 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In 1952, four southern members of national ITE agreed to start a “Southern Section” and began to piggyback their meetings with the Southern Safety Council annual meetings. In 1953 twelve ITE members drafted a petition requesting a Charter for the Southern Section (SSITE), which was granted on November 1, 1953. SSITE began to actively represent the interests of transportation engineers in the Southeast. Since then, there have been several routine changes in structure as states joined and withdrew from the organization and as the national organization matured.

Over the years, sub-units of SSITE were formed. These were initially called Divisions: Virginia - 1958, Georgia - 1962, North Carolina - 1963, Tennessee - 1963, Kentucky - 1969, South Carolina - 1969, Alabama - 1973, and Deep South (Louisiana/Mississippi) - 1975. In 1975, Virginia withdrew and petitioned to become a Section, and was granted a charter.

International ITE created a system of districts in 1973; District 5 was composed of the Southern, Florida, and Texas Sections. Over time, separate districts were created for Florida and Texas, and in 1987 SSITE and Virginia Section voted to merge and form a district. International ITE granted a charter to SDITE the next year. At the same time, the seven Divisions became Sections.

For those members who are interested in the rich history of the District, two documents are available. The SDITE website contains an interesting article entitled, “Our Roots: 1920-1989, An Executive History of the Southern District.” A more detailed document entitled, “A History of the Southern Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers” was prepared in 1988 by a committee of past presidents led by Jack C. Marcellis.

Past Presidents of the Southern District
1988 - Thomas E. Flynn (VA)
1989 - Darrell B. Skipper (AL)
1990 - George A. “Lonnie” Yates (KY)
1991 - Howard T. Harris, Jr. (GA)
1992 - J. Richard Atkins (NC)
1993 - Gaye G. Sprague (SC)
1994 - Daniel S. Turner (AL)
1995 - D. Brent McKinney (NC)
1996 - Gene Arnold (VA)
1997 - Bob Stammer, Jr. (TN)
1998 - Bob Mabry (DS)
1999 - Slade Exley (DS)

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Annual Meeting Sites/General Chairmen

1989 - Lexington, KY/Lonnie Yates
1990 - Chattanooga, TN/Jack C. Marcellis
1991 - Mobile, AL/William J. Metzger
1992 - Columbia, SC/Michael Sexton, Bud Hubbard
1993 - Richmond, VA/Thomas E. Flynn
1994 - Raleigh, NC/James D. Blackburn
1995 - Atlanta, GA/Kenneth O. Voorhies
1996 - Jackson, MS/Hibbett Neel
1997 - Louisville, KY/Karen Mohammadi, Paula Osborne
1998 - Memphis, TN/George Barnes
1999 - Montgomery, AL/L. D. Bowden, Nancy Hudson
2000 - Greenville, SC/Roger Dyar
2001 - Williamsburg, VA/Lynn Allsbrook, Bill Cashman
2002 - New Orleans, LA/Steve Strength, Doug Robert
2003 - Winston-Salem, NC
2004 - Kentucky
2005 - Georgia
**2000 Southern District Committees**

**Annual Meeting Local Arrangements**
This committee is charged with overall planning and coordination of the District Annual Meeting. Chairs of this committee for this year and for future years are:
2000: Greenville, SC - Roger Dyar
2001: Williamsburg, VA - Lynn Allsbrook, Bill Cashman
2002: New Orleans, LA - Steve Strength, Doug Robert

**Annual Meeting Statistics**
This single-person committee is responsible for preparing and maintaining statistics and reports that are invaluable in planning future annual meetings.
Gaye Sprague, Chair

**Audit**
This committee conducts an audit of the prior year’s financial records, usually at the District Annual Meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer chairs it. Members will be selected from membership attending the Annual Meeting.
John Van Winkle, Chair (TN)

**Awards**
This committee selects recipients for the Marble J. Hensley Outstanding Individual Activity Award, Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award, Joseph M. Thomas Outstanding Young Member Award, and Outstanding Section Award. The committee is responsible for preparing plaques and certificates.

**1999-2000 Members**
- Bob Stammer, Jr., Chair (TN)
- Bob Mabry, Vice-Chair (DS)
- Richard Atkins (NC)
- Howard Harris (GA)
- Darrell Skipper (AL)

**2000-2001 Members**
- Bob Mabry, Chair (DS)
- Slade Exley, V-Chair (DS)
- Joe Thomas (GA)
- Jim Yarborough (TN)
- R. V. Moss (NC)

**Historical Records**
This committee is charged with implementing guidelines to identify and archive historical records.
Bob Stammer, Jr., Chair (TN)

**Career Guidance**
This committee was given sunset status

**Education and Student Chapters**
This committee is charged with assisting student chapters, selecting the Outstanding Student Chapter and Best Student Paper. Members serve two year, staggered terms.
Ed Ellis, Chair (GA) Karen Mohammadi, V-Ch (KY)
Susan Thrasher (VA) Bill Allen (TN)
James Foster (AL)

**Membership**
This committee receives and reviews list of District members and encourages members and students to continue membership.
Jim Meads, Chair (AL) Nick Ferlito (DS)
Wassim Selman (GA) Steve Skagg (KY)
Bert Tasaico (NC) Wayne Sarasua (SC)
Craig Hanchey (TN) Warren Hughes (VA)

**Nominations**
This committee is chaired by the immediate Past President and consists an appointed representative from each section. Their duty is to select the slate of officers for 2001.
Slade Exley, Chair (DS) Robby Anderson (AL)
L.P. Ledet (DS) John Hibbard (GA)
Paul Stone (KY) Terry Snow (NC)
Anna Salvagin (SC) John Gould (TN)
John Kaoudis (VA)

**Tellers**
This committee verifies and tabulates the votes for District officers and reports at the annual business meeting.
To be appointed by President at annual meeting

**Site Selection**
This committee evaluates proposals to host the Annual District Meeting and makes recommendations to the Board.
Jeff Smith, Chair (DS)

**Professional Development**
This ad hoc committee is a continuation of the work of the District’s 21st Century Task Force. It is charged with presenting a professional development session at the Annual Meeting and encouraging more participation and presentations at International ITE meetings.

**1999-2000 Members**
- Doug Robert, Chair (DS)
- Bill Finger (NC)
- Jim Pohlman (GA)
- John Van Winkle (TN)

**2000-2001 Members**
- Brent McKinney, Ch (NC)
- Gene Arnold (VA)
- Mike Holt (GA)

**Publications and Public Relations**
This committee publishes a yearbook and three newsletters.
Jeff Davis, Chair (SC) Martin Bretherton (GA)
Gene Arnold, (VA) Karen Mohammadi (KY)
Colin Kinton (SC) Terry Bellamy (NC)
Paul Stone (KY) Anthony Todd (TN)
Bob Canfield (DS) Lynn Allsbrook (VA)
James Brown (AL)
Technical Council
This group is charged with assisting in developing the technical program for the Annual Meeting, supporting technical activities within the District and soliciting and This committee was given sunset status evaluating technical papers for awards.

Ed Clark, Chair (SC)      Gene Arnold, Chair (VA)
Gene Arnold, Vice-Chair (VA) Vinay Pollepali (KY)
Mike Holt (GA)            Bob Marbry (DS)

Safety
This committee is charged with evaluating transportation safety issues in which the District should take an active efforts to address through meetins, reports or other means.
Bob Marbry (DS)           Paul Stone (KY)
Richard Fangman (GA)

Web Site Alternatives Task Force
This task force was appointed by the SDITE President to evaluate web site operation and maintenance for use in publicity, newsletters and communication with members.
David Robinson, Chair (NC)
Gene Arnold (VA)          John Leonard (GA)
Colin Kinton (SC)         Jeff Davis (SC)

Associated Business Division (ABD) Members
Mr. Bill Welch, 3M/ITS Intelligent Transportation Systems
Mr. David Tillman, 3M/TMC Traffic Control Materials
Mr. Dan Clower, Advanced Digital Cutting
Mr. Dan Skites, American Electronic Sign
Mr. Steve Kniesel, American Lighting & Signalization
Mr. Joe Lee, AT&T Technology Systems
Mr. Ted Gilfert, Athens Technical Specialists
Mr. Keith Moore, Bondo Corporation
Mr. Bob Fowler, Bren Instruments Inc.
Mr. Jim Chandler, Chandler & Associates
Mr. Stokes Wallace, Control Specialists Co.
Mr. Mike Day, Control Technologies
Ms. Christine Stickland, Cost Cast
Mr. Phil Nicholes, Eagle Signal
Mr. Terry Eberle, Eberle Design Inc.
Mr. Gene Hunt, Ecolux, Inc.
Mr. Terry Griffith, Econolite Control Products
Mr. Mark Okus, EDCO of Florida, Inc.
Mr. Richard Morgan, Energy Absorption Systems
Mr. Jeff Bazemore, Fibertron

Mr. Joe Craver, Flint Trading
Mr. Nate Ribelin, GDI
Mr. Bruce Richey, Hennessy Products
Mr. James Schmidt, International Traffic Corp.
Mr. Pete Rowe, Intersection Development Corp.
Mr. Bob Fararuon, Interstate Material Supplies of Georgia
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Ms. Jill Bashada, Jamar Technologies, Inc.
Mr. Bill Korman, Jr., Korman Signs, Inc.
Mr. Louis Chalmers, Lowe & Associates
Mr. Bart Toensing, Marion Steel Company
Mr. John Matlack, Matlack Sales & Marketing, Inc.
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Mr. Don Garner, SASCO
Mr. Cliff Joyner, SASCO
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Mr. Perry Farmer, Southeastern Safety Supply
Mr. Greg LaVanture, Southern Manufacturing
Mr. David McGill, Stansell Electric Co.
Mr. Blair Temple, Temple, Inc.
Mr. Allen Kaupinen, TESCO
Mr. Marvin Wilken, Thermocoax
Mr Dan Gossack, TimeMark, Inc.
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Ms. Christine Strickland, Traffic Control Components
Mr. Bob Durgin, Traffic Control Products
Mr. Rocky Lackman, Traffic Dist. Links, Inc.
Mr. Tom Sanor, Traffic Products Inc.
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Mr. Herbert Henery, Unistrut Corp.
Mr. Mike Fairbanks, Valmont Industries
Mr. Jim Stewart, Vulcan Signs
Mr. Chuck McBraver, West Virginia Signal and Light
Mr. Larry Mims, K&K Systems
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2000 Section Officers and Meeting Information

Alabama Section
www.alsite.org
President – Tim Taylor
Secretary Treasurer – Becky White
Section Representative – James Brown
Immediate Past President – Robby Anderson
Affiliate Director – Walter Dorsey
Asst. Affiliate Director – J.G. Meyer
2000 Meeting Dates
Spring Meeting Tuscaloosa March 9
Annual Meeting Gulf Shores June 5-9
Fall Meeting Auburn October 12
Month of Section Elections: June

Deep South Section
www.civil.msstate.edu/org/dsite
President – Jeff Smith
Vice President – Nick Ferlito
Secretary Treasurer – Dan Gaillet
Section Representative – Bob Canfield
Immediate Past President – L.P. Ledet
Affiliate Director – Roger Melancon, Jr.
2000 Meeting Dates
June Gulfport 25th Anniversary Meeting
Month of Section Elections: October

Georgia Section
Traffic.ce.gatech.edu/itegeorgia
President – Betsy Williams
Vice President – Wassim Selman
Secretary Treasurer – Bayne Smith
Sr. Section Reps – Rick Day/Charles Bopp, Jr.
Jr. Section Rep - Martin Bretherton
Immediate Past President – John Hibbard
Affiliate Director – Teresa Epble
2000 Meeting Dates
Feb. 19 – Mary Mac’s March 3 – Four Points
April 13 – Mary Mac’s May 11 – GA Tech
June 8 – Mary Mac’s July 30 – St. Simons
Aug. 10 – Mary Mac’s Sept. 14 – Southern Tech
Oct. 12 – Mary Mac’s Nov. 9 – Mary Mac’s
Dec. 7 – Annual Meeting, Druid Hills Golf Club
Month of Section Elections: December

Kentucky Section
President – Nick Stamatiadis
Vice President – Steve Skaggs
Secretary Treasurer – Jo Anne Tingle
Section Representative – Karen Mohammadi
Immediate Past President – Paul Slone
2000 Meeting Dates
March 28 - Lexington June 27- Covington
Sept. 26 - Frankfort Nov. 30 - Louisville
Month of Section Elections: December

North Carolina Section
ltre.ncsu.edu/ncsite/
President – Greg Turner
Vice President – Burt Tasaico
Secretary Treasurer – Bob Pressley, Jr.
Section Representative – Terry Bellamy/Larry Meisner
Immediate Past President – Terry Snow
Director – Ken King
Affiliate Director – Mike Rutkowski/Monica Toole
2000 Meeting Dates
Jan. 27 - NC State Feb. 17 - New Bern
June 28-30 Joint Meeting, Virginia Beach, VA
Month of Section Elections: November

South Carolina Section
President – Linda K. Carpenter
Vice President – Wayne Sarasua
Secretary Treasurer – Susan Ruinen
Section Representative – Colin Kinton
Immediate Past President – Anna C. Salvagin
Affiliate Director – Matt Short
2000 Meeting Dates
March 7 – Columbia June TBD – Greenville
Aug. TBD – Columbia Oct. TBD – Columbia
Dec. 7 – Year End Meeting, Columbia
Month of Section Elections: December

Tennessee Section
www.tsite.org
President – Hollis Loveday
Vice President – Craig Hanchey
Secretary Treasurer – Cindy Pionke
Section Representative – Anthony Todd
Immediate Past President – John Gould
2000 Meeting Dates
March 6 Johnson City June 1-3 Pigeon Fordge
July 15-17 Nashville Oct. 28-31 Memphis
Month of Section Elections: July

Virginia Section
President – Valerie Henchel
Vice President – Warren Hughes
Secretary Treasurer – Mike Martin
Section Representative – Lynn Allsbrook and Bill Cashman
Immediate Past President – John Kaoudis
Affiliate Director – Karen McPherson
ITE Director – Tim White
Director (AFL) – George T. Rogerson
Director (ITE) – Joseph T. Wallace
2000 Meeting Dates
March 15-16 Fredricksburg
June 28-30 Joint Meeting, Virginia Beach, VA
October Richmond
Month of Section Elections: June
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Awards

The District has a rich heritage of recognizing exemplary service to our profession and organization. A Listing of past award recipients are shown below. In general, awards were conferred during the Annual Meeting of the following year.

Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award
At the Southern Section’s 20th Anniversary Annual Meeting in Memphis, Tennessee, a program of awards was initiated for distinguished service. The first award was created to recognize persons who unceasingly and unselfishly contributed to our profession and our professional organization, and who by personal integrity, leadership and example inspired fellow professionals to greater service. It was appropriately named “The Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award.”

- 1973 - Jay Quinn
- 1974 - William Derrick
- 1975 - James Litchfield
- 1976 - John Exnocios
- 1977 - Karl Bevins
- 1978 - Harold Raynor
- 1979 - Joseph Thomas, Jr.
- 1980 - C. Edwin Vick, Jr.
- 1981 - Willis Deaton
- 1982 - Earl Williams, Jr.
- 1983 - Peter Parsonson
- 1984 - Robert Dodge
- 1985 - Charles Alexander

Marble J. Hensley Outstanding Individual Activity Award
At the Southern Section’s 21st Annual meeting in New Orleans in 1973, the awards program was expanded to include an award to a member who untiringly and unselfishly contributed during the previous year to our profession and our professional organization and who by personal integrity, leadership and example inspired fellow professionals to greater service. This award was appropriately named “The Marble J. Hensley Outstanding Individual Activity Award.”

- 1973 - Roy Williams
- 1974 - Peter Parsonson
- 1975 - Joseph Thomas, Jr.
- 1976 - Herman Hill
- 1977 - Jack Marcellis
- 1978 - C. Edwin Vick, Jr.
- 1979 - Hibbett Neel
- 1980 - James Yarborough
- 1981 - James Dawkins
- 1982 - Howard Chapman
- 1983 - R. V. Moss
- 1985 - John Exnocios

Joseph M. Thomas Outstanding Young Member Award
At the April 1994 Annual Meeting held in Raleigh, NC, a young member recognition award was established. It was created to recognize individuals, who over their young professional careers, have contributed significantly to our profession and our professional organization. The award was appropriately named in honor of Joseph M. Thomas, Jr.

- 1993 - Herman E. Pena, Jr.
- 1994 - Craig M. Hanchey
- 1995 - Jim Meads
- 1996 - Robert Walker
- 1997 - Terry M. Snow
- 1998 - John Hibbard

Best Technical Committee Report Award
This award was created to encourage participation in District technical activities and to provide an incentive to prepare quality committee reports. The award is presented to members of authorized technical committee who submit the best report of it’s task activities, based on the report’s significance, scope, validity and organization.

- 1988 - No Award
- 1989 - North Carolina Section
- 1990 - ??
- 1991 - Georgia Section
- 1992 - Tennessee Section
- 1993 - Georgia Section
- 1994 - No award
- 1995 - Deep South Section
- 1996 - Georgia Section
- 1997 - Georgia Section
- 1998 - No award

Outstanding Student Chapter Award
The recipient of this award is determined by the Education & Student Chapters Committee, based upon a review of annual reports submitted by the Student Chapters.

- 1988 - University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- 1989 - Auburn University
- 1990 - University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- 1991 - University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- 1992 - Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1993 - Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1994 - Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1995 - Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1996 - Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1997 - Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1998 - Georgia Institute of Technology
Best Technical Paper Award
This award is presented to the author(s) of paper(s) judged best by the Technical Council and Special Awards Committee. It is intended to generate individual interest in District technical activities; to promote publication, discussion and documentation of new technical approaches in transportation; and to provide an incentive for preparation of technical papers. Papers are judged on originality, significance, scope, validity, applicability and organization. Papers must be prepared exclusively for this competition and must represent individual initiative beyond the author’s routine employment and educational duties. Awards for sponsored and non sponsored papers are listed below. Papers receiving honorable mention are listed as (HM).

Non Sponsored Technical Papers
1988 - No award
1989 - Craig M. Hanchey and Slade F. Exley
1990 - Jay Lindly (HM)
1991 - Sarath Joshua and Anthony Saka - Marsha D. Anderson (HM)
1992 - Carl R. Dawson, Jr. - Martin Bretherton, Jr. (HM)
1993 - Martin Bretherton, Jr. (Certificate)
1994 - Carl R. Dawson, Jr. - Martin Bretherton, Jr. (HM)
1995 - No award
1996 - Nikiforos Stamatiadis and Ken Agent
1997 - Nikiforos Stamatiadis - Terence Thomas
1998 - Sean Doherty, Lisa Aultman-Hall, Jill Swaynos - Nikiforos Stamatiadis and Giovanni Puccini (HM)

Sponsored Technical Papers
1988 - No award
1989 - No Award
1990 - Anthony A. Saka - Stanley Polanis (HM)
1991 - Hernan E. Pena and Howard R. Chapman (HM)
1992 - Martin Bretherton, John Moskaluk, Scott Holcombe
1993 - No Award
1994 - No Award
1995 - R. Clark Graves and Nick Stamatiadis - Keith Sinclair, Todd Long, James Polhiman (HM)
1996 - Martin Bretherton and Mahzar Elhaz (HM)
1997 - Samantha S. Jones and Nikiforos Stamatiadis

Best Student Paper
This award is presented each year to the author(s) of the student paper judged best by the Education & Student Chapters Committee. The Award is intended to generate student interest in District technical activities and to challenge students to investigate new technical approaches to transportation. Papers are judged on originality, significance, scope, validity, applicability and organization. The paper must be prepared exclusively for this competition.

1988 - No award
1989 - Laura Freeman, Clemson University
1990 - T.H. Woo, University of Virginia
1991 - Laura Cove, Clemson Univ. (Honorable mention)
1992 - Carlos Loueiro - Dibyendu Mukherjee (Runner up)
1993 - Chang Kyun Kim, Virginia Tech.
1994 - Jeff Griffin, University of Kentucky - Claudia Barbour, Univ. of Kentucky (Runner up)
1995 - Alain J. Kouassi, Georgia Institute of Technology
1996 - Michael Fontaine, University of Virginia
1997 - Sandy Melhorn, Mississippi State University
1998 - Timothy Luttrell, University of Tennessee

Outstanding Section Award
This award is presented to the Section that does the most to advance the transportation engineering profession within its geographical area during the preceding year. Judging is based upon an annual report submitted by each Section to outline its membership, technical, education and training accomplishments.

1988 - Georgia Section
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1990 - Alabama Section
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1994 - Alabama Section
1995 - North Carolina Section
1996 - Georgia Section
1997 - Georgia Section
1998 - Georgia Section

Contents of 2000 Yearbook
This document was prepared to provide members with information about the history, activities, officers, committees, award winners and Section activities within the District. Contact information for District officers has been provided so members can correspond with officers or volunteer for committee positions. Members are advised to use the ‘99 ITE Directory CD to obtain contact information for Section officers. Information provided in this publication was as accurate possible at the time of publication. Address all corrections, comments and inquiries to:

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