Southern District (5)
2002 Yearbook

2002 Southern District Officers

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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 Oct. 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), granted on Nov. 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 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 led by Jack Marcellis.

Past Presidents of the Southern District
1988 - Thomas Flynn (VA)
1989 - Darrell Skipper (AL)
1990 - George A. “Lonnie” Yates (KY)
1991 - Howard Harris, Jr. (GA)
1992 - J. Richard Atkins (NC)
1993 - Gaye Sprague (SC)
1994 - Daniel Turner (AL)
1995 - Brent McKinney (NC)
1996 - Gene Arnold (VA)
1997 - Bob Stammer, Jr. (TN)
1998 - Bob Mabry (DS)
1999 - Slade Exley (DS)
2000 - Penny Voorhies (GA)
2001 - Jim Meads (AL)

Annual Meeting Sites/General Chairs
1989 - Lexington, KY/Lonnie Yates
1990 - Chattanooga, TN/Jack Marcellis
1991 - Mobile, AL/William Metzger
1992 - Columbia, SC/Michael Sexton, Bud Hubbard
1993 - Richmond, VA/Thomas Flynn
1994 - Raleigh, NC/James Blackburn
1995 - Atlanta, GA/Kenny Voorhies
1996 - Jackson, MS/Hibbett Neel
1997 - Louisville, KY/Karen Mohammadi, Paula Osborne
1998 - Memphis, TN/George Barnes
1999 - Montgomery, AL/Bubba Bowden, Nancy Hudson
2000 - Greenville, SC/Roger Dyar
2001 - Williamsburg, VA/Lynn Allshoek, Bill Cashman, John Yorks
2002 - New Orleans, LA/Steve Strength, Doug Robert
2003 - Winston-Salem, NC/ Brent McKinney
2004 - Covington, KY/ Karen Mohammadi
2005 - Savannah, GA
2006 - Mississippi
2007 - Tennessee

Contents of 2002 Yearbook
This document was prepared to provide members with information about SDITE history, activities, officers, committees and previous award winners. Contact information for District Officers/Section Presidents and identification of Committee Chairs are provided so members can correspond with leaders and participate in ITE activities. Members are advised to use the ITE Directory to obtain contact information for Committee Chairs and other 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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2002 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:
2002: New Orleans, LA - Steve Strength, Doug Robert
2003: Winston Salem, NC - Brent McKinney
2004: Covington, KY - Karen Mohammadi

**Annual Meeting Statistics**
This single-person committee is responsible for preparing statistics and reports invaluable in planning future meetings.
Steve Strength/Doug Robert, Co-Chairs (DS)

**Audit**
This committee, chaired by the Secretary-Treasurer, conducts an audit of the prior year’s financial records. Members are selected from membership attending the Annual Meeting.
Rick Day, Chair (GA)

**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

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

2001-2002 Members 2002-2003 Members
Slade Exley, Chair (DS) Kenny Voorhies, Chair (GA)
Kenny Voorhies, V.Ch.(GA) Jim Meads, Vice Chair (AL)
Gaye Sprague (SC) Richard Atkins (NC)
Vic McSwain (AL) Bob Stammer (TN)
Lonnie Yates (KY) Gene Arnold (VA)

**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.
James Foster, Chair (AL) Terry Snow (NC)
Jeff Davis, Vice Chair (SC) Susan Thrasher (VA)

**Membership**
This committee reviews list of District members and encourages members and students to continue membership.
Stan Polanis, Chair (NC) Ken Cush (AL)
Alison Catarella (DS) Susan Walker (GA)
Paula Osborne (KY) Jim Westmoreland (NC)
Brett Wallace (SC) Anthony Todd (TN)
Robert Gey (VA)

**Nominations**
This committee is chaired by the immediate Past President and consists of an appointed representative from each section.
Their duty is to select the slate of officers for 2003.
Jim Meads, Chair (AL) Stacey Glass (AL)
Nick Ferlito (DS) Wassim Selman (GA)
Steve Skaggs (KY) Burt Tasaico (NC)
Wayne Sarasua (SC) Craig Hanchey (TN)
Warren Hughes (VA)

**Professional Development**
This committee is charged with presenting a professional development session at the Annual Meeting and encouraging participation and presentations at International ITE meetings.

2001-2002 Members 2002-2003 Members
Martin Bretherton, Ch. (GA) Martin Bretherton, Ch. (GA)
Doug Robert (DS) Joe Hummer (NC)
Richard Atkins (NC) Craig Hanchey (TN)
Gene Arnold (VA)

**Publications and Public Relations**
This committee is charged with publishing the SDITE Yearbook and three District newsletters per year.
Robert Walker, Chair (DS) Michael Rutkowski (NC)
Natalie Hobbs (AL) Wayne Sarasua (SC)
Bob Canfield (DS) Jeff Hammond (TN)
Kieth Stickland (GA) Ed Bohlman (VA)
Paul Slone (KY)

**Safety**
This committee is charged with evaluating transportation safety issues in which the District should take an active efforts to address through meetings, reports or other means.
Bob Mabry, Chair (DS) Paul Slone (KY)
Richard Fangman (GA) James Foster (AL)
Bob Canfield (DS) Tom Kendig (NC)
Todd Salvagin (SC) David Moss (TN)
**Site Selection**
This committee evaluates proposals to host the Annual District Meeting and makes recommendations to the Board.

Hollis Loveday, Chair (TN)    Jeff Smith (DS)
Howard Chapman (SC)

**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 evaluating technical papers for awards.

2001-2002 Members 2002-2003 Members
Bob Canfield, Chair (DS)   Greg Turner, Chair (NC)
Greg Turner, Vice Ch. (NC) Kenneth Agent, V.Ch. (KY)
Vinay Pollepali (KY)      Robert Vecellio (AL)
Bob Mabry (DS)            Brian Fulton (DS)
Robert Vecellio (AL)      Abdul Amer (GA)
Jim Pohlman (GA)          Troy Peoples (NC)
Michael Martin (VA)      Dipak Patel (SC)
                       Bill Cote (TN)
                       Gene Arnold (VA)

**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.

Mike Reese, Chair (NC)   Gene Arnold (VA)
David Robinson, Vice Ch (NC)   John Leonard (GA)
Colin Kinton (SC)   Jeff Davis (SC)

**Section Representatives**
The following individuals represent their section at the District level, provide input to District Officers and serve as voting members on the SDITE Executive Board.

Alabama - James Foster
Deep South - Jim Epps
Georgia - Marsha Anderson Bomar
          Brian Bolick
          David Ritchie
          Stephen Puster
Kentucky - Bill Seymour
North Carolina - Terry Snow
              Greg Turner
South Carolina - Colin Kinton
Tennessee - Glenn Beckwith
           John Gould
Virginia - Mike Greenwood
          Tim Foster

**Associated Business Division (ABD) Members**

Perry Farmer, Southeastern Safety Supply
Steve Gladwin, U.S. Traffic / Myers Custom Products
Terry Griffith, 3M / ITS
David McGill, Stansell Electric
Jim Connors, Teleste Surveillance Systems
Keith Moore, Bondo Corp.
Jim Hill, Traffic Systems, LLC
Stephen Eiler, EIS Electronic Integrated Systems
Blair Temple, Temple, Inc.
Carolyn Thornton, Southern Traffic Services
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Terence Tomlin, Control Specialist Company
Peter Schumacher, Data, Voice and Video, Inc.
Andy Keel, RGA, Inc.
John Rosenblatt, RAI Products
Bob Faron, American Signal Company
Matthew Baker, Gelcore
Steve Conway, Marion Steel
Bob Joiner, South Atlantic Traffic
Betsy Williams, Transcore
Jim Stewart, Vulcan Signs
Dave Cook, Skyline Products, Inc.
Jody Davis, 3M / TCM
Ray Kennedy, Flint Trading
Dan Clower, Advanced Digital Cutting Systems
David Jones, SASCO
Peter Ragsdale, Fortran Traffic Systems
Paul Misticawi, Econolite Control Products
Bill Barrett, SECO South
John Murray, Korman Signs, Inc.
Chuck McBrayer, West Virginia Signal and Light
Gene Headley, Union Metal
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Section Representative – James Foster
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Affiliate Director – Tim Franklin
Asst. Affiliate Director – Mike Chambliss
Month of Section Elections: June

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Secretary Treasurer – Scott Boyle
Section Representative – Jim Epps
Immediate Past President – Nick Ferlito
Affiliate Director – Jodi Davis
Month of Section Elections: October

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Secretary Treasurer – Todd Long
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Immediate Past President – Wassim Selman
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Month of Section Elections: December

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Treasurer – Larry Irish
Section Representative – Bill Seymour
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Month of Section Elections: December

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Section Representatives – Terry Snow, Greg Turner
Immediate Past President – Burt Tasaico
Director – William Dillard
Affiliate Directors – Nathan Vanoy, Scott Lane
Month of Section Elections: November

**South Carolina Section**
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Month of Section Elections: December

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Section Representatives – Glenn Beckwith, John Gould
Immediate Past President – Craig Hanckey
Month of Section Elections: July

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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 untiringly 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          1988 - Howard Chapman
1975 - James Litchfield   1990 - Bruce Leonard
1978 - Harold Raynor      1993 - James Yarbrough
1980 - C. Edwin Vick, Jr. 1995 - Victor A. McSwain
1981 - Willis Deaton      1996 - Hibbett Neel
1982 - Earl Williams, Jr. 1997 - Richard Atkins
1983 - Peter Parsonson    1998 - Lonnie Yates
1984 - Robert Dodge       1999 - Gaye Sprague
1985 - Charles Alexander  2000 - Thomas E. Flynn
1986 - James Dawkins

Marble J. Hensley Outstanding Individual Activity Award (cont.)
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 Yarbrough
1981 - James Dawkins
1982 - Howard Chapman
1983 - R. V. Moss
1984 - John Edwards, Jr.
1985 - John Exnacios
1986 - Lonnie Yates
1987 - Victor McSwain
1988 - Richard Atkins
1989 - Brent McKinney
1990 - Daniel S. Turner
1991 - Donald H. Gaines
1992 - Thomas E. Flynn
1993 - Gaye Sprague
1994 - Bob Murphy
1995 - Robert R. Canfield
1996 - Philip L. Wylie, Sr.
1997 - Doug Robert
1998 - Gene Arnold
1999 - Bayne E. Smith
2000 - Deep South Sect.

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
1999 - Karen Mohammadi
2000 - Bayne E. Smith

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 - No Award
1990 - No Award
1991 - No Award
1992 - No Award
1993 - No Award
1994 - No award
1995 - Deep South Sect.
1996 - Georgia Section
1997 - Georgia Section
1998 - No award
1999 - No award
2000 - Deep South Sect.

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

1988 - U. N.C. - Charlotte
1989 - Auburn University
1990 - U.N.C. - Charlotte
1991 - U.N.C. - Charlotte
1992 - Georgia Tech
1993 - Georgia Tech
1994 - Georgia Tech
1995 - Georgia Tech
1996 - Georgia Tech
1997 - Georgia Tech
1998 - Georgia Tech
1999 - Univ. of Kentucky
2000 - Clemson Univ.
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. 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 designated 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)
- 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)
1999 - No Award
2000 - Robert Fole and Nagui Rouphail
- Nick Stamatiadis, Ken Agent, Mike Ridgeway (HM)

Sponsored Technical Papers
1988 - No award
1989 - No Award
1990 - Anthony A. Saka
- Stanley Polanis (HM)
1991 - Herman 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)
- Darcy Bullock and Cesar A. Quiroga (HM)
1996 - Martin Bretherton and Mahzar Elhaz (HM)
1997 - Samantha S. Jones and Nikiforos Stamatiadis
1998 - Lisa Aultman-Hall, Michael Hill and Ken Agent
- Martin Bretherton, Vince Edwards, Jun Miao (HM)
1999 - Martin Bretherton
- Steven Henderson, Nikiforos Stamatiadis (HM)
2000 - Stephanie Kolb, John Hibbard, Karl Alf
- Andrew Graettinger, Tim Rushing, John McFadden (HM)

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 Loureiro
- 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
1999 - Elisabeth Hahn, Univ. of Tennessee
- Brian Revels, Univ. of Virginia (Runner up)
2000 - Jonathan Cate, Univ. of Tennessee
- Shannon Fain, Univ. of Tennessee (Runner up)

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

1988 - Georgia
1989 - Georgia
1990 - Alabama
1991 - Alabama
1992 - Georgia
1993 - Alabama
1994 - Alabama
1995 - North Carolina
1996 - Georgia
1997 - Georgia
1998 - Georgia
1999 - North Carolina (Group 1)
- Deep South (Group 2)
2000 - Georgia Section (Group 1)
- Deep South (Group 2)