



**Washington D.C. Section
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WELCOME

February Technical Meeting/Awards Dinner

Section activities for 2004 got off to a good start with the 2003 Awards Dinner and technical program on February 26, 2004 at the College Park Holiday Inn. We had a very good turnout of old and new members including several from State and other Public sector agencies – it has been a goal of the Board for many years to attract more agency participation and I believe we are starting to see that over the past couple of years. We need to attract more students to these meetings and I and other Board members encourage all of you to invite or bring along students and others that have never been to a section meeting.

Past President Sarah Navid (immediate Past-President Roxane Mukai was unable to attend due to a schedule conflict) handed out plaques and certificates to the following award winners for 2003:

Past President's Award	
Morris J. Rothenberg Award	Jeffery F. Paniati
Transportation Service Award	Eric Tabacek
Young Engineer of the Year	Matthew J. Allen, P.E., P.T.O.E.
Appreciation Award	Matthew T. Storck, P.E.
Community Transportation Award	Woodrow L. Hood, III

Besides these awards, ITE Life Member certificates were presented to Ms. Elizabeth Calia and Mr. George Frangos. Ms. Calia worked for the Howard County Traffic Engineering Department for 25 years before retiring in 2003. Mr. Frangos also works for the Howard County Traffic Engineering Department where he has been for the past 22 years. Congratulations to both of them on their Life Membership.

This newsletter included some of the pictures from the awards dinner. More pictures are available on the website at http://www.wdcsite.net/pages/pictures/2004_awards/.

Mr. Phil Tarnoff with the Maryland Transportation Technology Center (MD T2) and the Center for Advanced Transportation Technology (CATT) presented a summary of research projects that the University of Maryland is currently working on for several agencies in the region.

Next Technical Meeting

The next technical meeting of the section is scheduled for April 1, 2004 at the BWI Marriott. A meeting notice was e-mailed to members earlier this week. If you need additional information, please visit the website (www.wdcsite.net) or e-mail Matt Allen (m_allen@wallacemontgomery.com).

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Jeffery F. Paniati (FHWA) – Past President's Award



Matthew T. Storck (STV) - Appreciation Award



Eric Tabacek (SHA) - Transportation Service Award



Woodrow L. Hood, III (SHA) - Community Transportation Award



George Frangos (Howard County) – Life Member Certificate



Elizabeth Calia (Howard County, Retd.) – Life Member Certificate

ITE District 2 Meeting

The ITE District 2 Meeting will be held at the Greenbelt Marriott on May 13th and 14th – we are currently working on the technical program details and other activities for this two-day event. Registration details will be mailed to all the members around mid-April. As part of the meeting, there will be a golf outing on the afternoon of May 14th – we are looking for an approximate number of people who will be participating in the golf outing to make the necessary arrangements – please e-mail Maureen Decker (Maureen.Decker@parsons.com) if you think you will be playing golf on the 14th.

For information on the meeting or if you would like to volunteer to help with the meeting, please contact Pat Timbrook (patt@streetsmarts.us).

Baseball Outing with ITS-MD

Preliminary plans are underway to attend the Orioles-Yankees game on Thursday, June 24, 2004 along with members of ITS-MD. There will be a pre-game party between 4:30 and 6:00 PM with a 7:05 PM game time. Please save this date and watch for further details.

Thank you,
Bala

2004 TECHNICAL MEETINGS

- April 1, 2004 – BWI Marriott (see meeting announcement)
- September 23, 2004 – Virginia Tech., Falls Church
- December 2, 2004, Market Inn, Washington, D.C.

NEWSBRIEFS

“Managing Travel for Planned Special Events” Handbook and Related Resources

Link to FHWA: http://www.nawgits.com/icdn/mtpse_handbook.html

Rumble Strips Down Centerlines of Two-Lane Roads Reduce Head-On and Sideswipe Crashes

Link to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety:

http://www.atssa.com/downloads/centerline_rumble_strips.pdf

Full Road Closure for Work Zone Operations - A Cross-Cutting Study

Link to FHWA:

<http://www.ops.fhwa.dot.gov/wz/resources/publications/FullClosure/CrossCutting/its.htm>

The Need for Regional Anti-Congestion Policies

Link to The Brookings Institution:

http://www.brookings.edu/dybdocroot/urban/pubs/20040220_Downs.pdf

APTA Fare Collection Workshop - March 22-24 - Brooklyn, New York

Link to APTA: http://www.apta.com/conferences_calendar/farecoll/prelimprog04.cfm

Intelligent Transportation Systems Safety & Security Conference - March 24-25 - Miami Beach, Florida

Link to GWU: <http://www.cisr.gwu.edu/conference.html>

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What Would You Like to Gain from WDCSITE in 2004?

Is there a transportation-related project, issue, or topic that you'd like to see discussed at an upcoming WDCSITE meeting? Are there particular events or activities you'd like to see as part of a WDCSITE outing? Would you like to get involved in other WDCSITE activities such as producing newsletters, developing a WDCSITE directory, performing trip generation analyses, or planning events? Any other ideas for increasing the value of your WDCSITE membership? We are currently working on future programs for 2004 and would like to hear your ideas. Please contact Matt Allen, WDCSITE Technical Programs Coordinator (M.Allen@WallaceMontgomery.com) with any questions or comments.

Support your local ITE Section and bring a business associate/younger member.

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