



WDCSITE

OCTOBER 2004 NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

As we head into the Fall season, the Washington D.C. Section of ITE is preparing for the 2005 elections. As most of the members know, the daylong technical session planned for September 23 at Virginia Tech was cancelled due to the very low number of registrants. A number of members provided comments, many wanted to attend the meeting but could not register for a number of reasons other members suggested that the Section hold shorter meetings around lunch or breakfast. The Board and Technical Program Coordinators (Matt Allen and Pat Timbrook) appreciate everyone's comments, suggestions, and input. In response to your comments, we have arranged for a lunch time discussion featuring one of the speakers from the September meeting on October 26 (details are included below). We would like the membership to continue their commentary on these issues as it assists the Board with member services. If anyone would like to contribute ideas for technical sessions or suggest speakers, please contact one of the technical program coordinators (M_allen@wallacemontgomery.com, patt@streetsmarts.us).

Thanks
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2004 TECHNICAL MEETINGS

- When:** October 26, 2004, 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Where: Holiday Inn – Eisenhower Metro Center
2460 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314.
Topic: “Left Turn Flashing Amber Displays.”
Speaker: Bob Garbacz, City of Alexandria.
Cost: \$20 members, \$25 non-members and \$10 students.
RSVP to: Pat Timbrook [patt@streetsmarts.us, (703) 359-5861] or
Ziad Sabra [zsabra@sabra-wang.com]
RSVP by: Noon on Thursday, October 21, 2004.
- December 2, 2004, Market Inn, Washington, DC

2004 WDCSITE Officer Nominations

As required in the by-laws, announcement is hereby made of the list of candidates for 2004 WDCSITE officers submitted by the nominating committee. Additional nominations for any office can be made by petition, signed by not less than twenty-five members. Each such petition shall be accompanied by the written consent of the nominee to run for the office for which they are nominated. Petitions and accompanying written consent must be received by the Secretary/Treasurer not later than December 1, 2004 at the following address listed above.

The following candidate list has been submitted by the Nominating Committee:

President: Stephanie Yanovitz
Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.
Jessup, MD

Vice-President: Timothy A. Ryan, P.E., P.T.O.E.
URS Corporation
Hunt Valley, Maryland

Secretary/Treasurer:

Ziad Sabra, P.E., P.T.O.E. Sabra-Wang Associates, Inc. Baltimore, Maryland	Patricia Timbrook, P.E., P.T.O.E. Street Smarts Fairfax, Virginia
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Baltimore Area Director: Matt Allen, P.E., P.T.O.E. Wallace, Montgomery & Associates Towson, Maryland	K.R. Marshall, P.E. Edwards & Kelcey Baltimore, Maryland
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Washington Area Director: Alan Brick-Turin, P.E.
HNTB
Fairfax, Virginia

Representative to District 2: Bala Akundi
Baltimore Metropolitan Council
Baltimore, Maryland

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Candidate Bios

President

Stephanie Yanovitz

Stephanie Yanovitz is the Pedestrian Safety Coordinator for SHA's District 3 Traffic office in Greenbelt MD. Before working on the frontline of traffic in the DC Metropolitan Area she also worked in the Project Planning Department at SHA. Stephanie is a contract employee from Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. located in Jessup, MD. She has been involved with ITE since her employment in her hometown of Philadelphia, PA. She brings over 15 years of traffic experience to her friends at ITE for conferences and presentations on important subject matter as well as energy and enthusiasm to the section.

Vice President

Timothy A. Ryan, P.E., P.T.O.E.

Tim is currently Group Manager--Traffic Engineering for URS Corporation in the firm's Hunt Valley, Maryland office. He is responsible for all traffic engineering and travel demand forecasting activities in the office. From 1989 - 1999, he managed the Baltimore office of JHK & Associates and its successor firms. Prior to that, Tim was a traffic engineer with Kidde Consultants, Inc. (now KCI Technologies, Inc.).

Tim holds a Ph.D. in Transportation Engineering from the University of Maryland College Park, and received his BS and MS degrees in Civil Engineering from the University of Connecticut. He has been registered as a Professional Engineer since 1983, and as a Professional Traffic Operations Engineer since 2000. He has been active in ITE for over twenty years.

Secretary/Treasurer

Ziad Sabra, Ph.D., P.E., P.T.O.E.

Ziad is a Partner and a Principal Traffic Engineer with Sabra, Wang & Associates, Inc. in Baltimore, Maryland. He holds a Ph.D. in Transportation Systems Engineering and a Master and Bachelor degrees in Civil Engineering from West Virginia University. He is a registered Professional Engineer in Maryland and several other states, and a Certified Professional Traffic Operations Engineer (PTOE). Ziad is an active member in several professional societies including ITE, MDCEC, ASCE, ASHE, TRB, IMSA, Tau Beta Pi, Sigma XI, Phi Kappa Phi, and Chi Epsilon. Ziad has been an active member in ITE since 1980. He also served as the Technical Chairman for the District 2 meeting in 1999. Ziad is an active member of TRB and serves on the Traffic Signal Systems Subcommittee for Traffic Models. Other noteworthy accomplishments include: recipient of a FHWA Eisenhower Research Fellowship Award; recipient of a Certificate of Appreciation from the FHWA Office of Technology Applications; recipient of 2000 Appreciation Award from WDCITE; recipient of Award of Customer Service from SHA OOTS in 2003; authored a TRB Primer for Traffic Models Circular in 2000; and conducted 127 traffic

models workshops nationwide in four years, and trained more than 1000 professionals on traffic models including CORSIM, Synchro, and Simtraffic.

Patricia Timbrook, P.E., P.T.O.E.

Pat Timbrook is a Vice President with Street Smarts, a small woman-owned transportation consulting firm which she joined in 2000 to open the Fairfax, Virginia office. Prior to joining Street Smarts, Pat worked in consulting for 12 years as a traffic engineer and Director of ITS Engineering at Frederic R. Harris. Pat's career in transportation began in Arlington County, Virginia, where she was the first woman on a survey crew. She moved on from surveying to transportation planning and then became the County's project coordinator/systems engineer for its first computerized traffic signal system. Pat's career with the County spanned 12 years.

Pat has a Bachelor's of Science in Mathematics from Juniata College. She has been a member of WDCSITE since 1984. She has served as the WDCITE membership committee Chair and served of the communications committee where she lead the effort which launched the WDCSITE website in September 2001.

Baltimore Area Director

Matthew J. Allen, PE, PTOE

Matt has a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Science from Loyola College, a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Penn State University, and a Master of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Baltimore. Matt has over 10 years of experience in traffic engineering and transportation planning, is a Maryland registered Professional Engineer and a certified Professional Transportation Operations Engineer. After graduating from Penn State in 1996, Matt began his professional career as an entry-level engineer at Whitney, Bailey, Cox & Magnani, LLC. During his tenure at WBCM, Matt progressed to a Vice-President in the Traffic Engineering Department. In December of 2003, Matt accepted a position as an Associate with Wallace, Montgomery & Associates, LLP. At WM&A, Matt is in charge of a growing Traffic Engineering Division, and responsible for all traffic engineering studies, design, and analyses. Matt has been actively involved in ITE since 1994. As a student member, Matt helped organize the 1995 ITE District 2 meeting in State College, PA. More recently, Matt volunteered to assist the District by Chairing the Vendor and Sponsor Sub-Committees in 2000, Chairing the Vendor Sub-Committee again in 2004 while Co-Chairing the Golf Sub-Committee. Currently, Matt is the Washington Section's Technical Programs Coordinator.

K.R. Marshall, P.E.

K.R. Marshall has 24 years of professional engineering experience working for both private engineering consulting firms and academic research organizations. While pursuing his Masters Degree at Texas A&M University, K.R. was employed by the Texas Transportation Institute where he contributed to research projects involving intercity bus service, rural public transportation service, and HOV lane planning and design. After

graduating from Texas A&M University, K.R. accepted a position with the Dallas, TX transportation consulting firm of DeShazo, Starek & Tang, Inc. K.R. worked for DS&T for eight years where he progressed from a Traffic Engineering Associate to the position of Director of Transportation. While he was with DS&T, he was responsible for traffic operations studies, traffic signal design, parking analyses and design, freeway route location studies, and traffic impact analyses. In 1989, K.R. joined the Dallas office of Barton-Aschman Associates, Inc. For BA, K.R. was a Principal Associate responsible for all traffic operations projects for the Texas region. In addition, K.R. assumed a corporate role of coordinating all advanced traffic control and IVHS (ITS) activities throughout BA's 15 offices nationwide.

In 1993, K.R. moved his family back to the East Coast to work for Farradyne Systems, Inc. (now known as PB Farradyne). As the Mid-Atlantic Regional Manager, K.R. was responsible for all systems design and traffic engineering activities for a five state mid-Atlantic region. In 2000, K.R. accepted a position with Edwards and Kelcey, Inc. where he is now the manager for the Baltimore office and EK's national ITS business manager.

Washington Area Director

Alan Brick-Turin, P.E.

Alan Brick-Turin is a senior project manager in the Arlington Office of HNTB. In this capacity he is responsible for transportation planning projects throughout the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia. A 1975 graduate of the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn (now Polytechnic University). Alan is a registered Professional Engineer in eight states and the District of Columbia. Having worked in both the public and private sectors during his 29-year career, Alan has developed close working relationships with a broad range of contacts. His extensive experience in serving clients throughout the Washington metropolitan area has sharpened his understanding of how ITE can meet the needs of its members.

Alan has been a member of ITE and WDCSITE since 1983. He has presented numerous papers at section, district, and international meetings.

Section Representative to District 2

Bala Akundi

Bala is a Senior Transportation Engineer with the Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC). He has over 14 years of professional experience in traffic engineering and transportation planning. Prior to joining BMC, Bala worked as a Traffic Engineer at Parsons and URS and as Project Manger at Daniel Consultants, Inc.

Bala has a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Virginia Tech. He has been actively involved in the WDCSITE for the past six years and served as the Technical Programs Coordinator, Baltimore Area Director and currently as the President of the Section.

NEWSBRIEFS

Model Minimum Uniform Crash Criteria Guideline

Link to NHTSA: <http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov>

Final Rule on Work Zone Safety and Mobility Issued by FHWA

Link to Federal Register:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-20340.htm>

Transportation Partnerships in Parks: Cooperative Initiatives Serve Visitors, Preserve the Environment

Link to TRB: <http://trb.org/publications/trnews/trnews233parks.pdf>

Europeans Building Consensus to Help Disabled People Drive

Link to IST Results:

<http://istresults.cordis.lu/index.cfm/section/news/tpl/article/BrowsingType/Features/ID/69833>

An Examination of Fault, Unsafe Driving Acts, and Total Harm in Car-Truck Collisions

Link to report from the FHWA: <http://www.tfhr.gov/safety/hsis/pubs/04085/index.htm>

Traffic Congestion and Reliability: Linking Solutions to Problems

Link to report from the FHWA: http://www.ops.fhwa.dot.gov/congestion_report/index.htm

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US Department of Homeland Security Launches Office of Interoperability and Compatibility

Link to US Department of Homeland Security: <http://www.dhs.gov/dhspublic/display?content=4044>

Getting More by Working Together—Opportunities for Linking Planning and Operations Draft report

Link to FHWA: http://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/Docs/lpo_ref_guide/index.htm

National Conference on Managing Travel for Planned Special Events - December 1-3 - New Orleans

Link to further information: http://www.itsa.org/pse_conference.html

FCC Announces Details Concerning the Licensing of Dedicated Short Range Communications Service for Intelligent Transportation Service

Link to FCC: http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-04-3165A1.pdf

FHWA & FTA Transportation Planning Excellence Awards

Link to FHWA: <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/tpea04/list.htm>

NCHRP Research Project Statement: Traffic Enforcement Strategies for Work Zones

Link to NCHRP:

<http://www4.trb.org/trb/crp.nsf/e7bcd526f5af4a2c8525672f006245fa/ea742dda6d34a39c85256efd006db89f?OpenDocument>

Drive Safely Work Week - October 4-8

Link to Network of Employers for Traffic Safety: <http://www.netsnational.org/dsww.asp>

2005 PLANNING AHEAD

District 2 Annual Meeting - Embassy Suites in Newark, DE May 5-6, 2005

The District 2 Annual Meeting Committee hopes to recreate the success of the 2001 meeting, also held in this location, which continues to be easily accessible to most MASITE and WDCITE members. Save the date for this exciting Annual Meeting as we revisit the home of the University of Delaware Fighting Blue Hens! Please contact Rachel McGuire, District 2 Meeting Chair, if you are interested in a speaking opportunity or participating in the Meeting Committee. (Phone: 215-592-4200, email: RTMcGuire@MTmail.biz)"

What Would You Like to Gain from WDCSITE in 2005?

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.

2004 YOUNGER MEMBER ACTIVITIES (MEMBERS OF ALL AGES WELCOME)

Questions? Ideas for new events? Call Paul Silberman (psilberman@sabra-wang.com) or Keith Riniker (kriniker@sabra-wang.com) at 410-737-6564. Provide input and make suggestions to help WDCSITE work for you.

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