



JANUARY 2005 NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

Happy New Year!

On December 2nd 2004 the Annual Business Meeting was conducted at the Market Inn restaurant in Washington DC. Following a presentation by Ms. Beauty Stephens, Special Events Coordinator of the DCDOT the WDCSITE 2005 Board was sworn in. Ms. Stephens's presentation was unbelievable as she discussed the multitude of agencies that must coordinate ranging from months to conduct events such as the World War II Memorial dedication to preparing in a matter of days for the late President Reagan's funeral.



The 2005 board welcomes the new Washington Area director, Emil Wolanin and Baltimore Area director, Matt Allen. Matt will also continue his phenomenal efforts as the Technical Programs Chair. Pat Timbrook will continue on the board this year as the newly elected Secretary-Treasurer and will continue to plan lunchtime events like the successful one held this past November in Alexandria, VA. We want to thank Ziad Sabra for his contributions to the board in 2004 as the Baltimore Area Director. We would also like to thank Alan-Brick Turin, of HNTB in Fairfax, VA and K.R. Marshall from Edwards and Kelcey in Baltimore, MD for running for the area director's election, as well. There are many opportunities to participate in the section so we ask that everyone consider volunteering for a vacant chair such as membership or scholarship. In addition the current board members that also serve on more than one committee could use your help, like this newsletter or Technical Programs.

The 2005 WDCSITE Board met during the first week in January to plan Section activities for the year. The first technical meeting for the Section which will also be the Awards Dinner for 2005, will be held on February 24th, 2005 at the Holiday Inn in College Park. The Board has also tentatively selected dates for the remaining technical meetings (shown below) for members to plan in advance. We will send you meeting notices approximately 4 weeks before the meeting with an exact location, topics and speakers. We intend to continue providing topics that are of local significance and interest to the membership. With the Section in good financial health, we have decided to continue the meeting fees for members at \$25. We would also like to encourage members to bring students to the Section meetings or members that have not previously attended Section meetings.

*Thank you,
Stephanie*

2004 TECHNICAL MEETINGS

- Thursday, February 24th, 2005 – College Park Holiday Inn
- Thursday April 7, 2005 – BWI Marriott (Tentative)
- Thursday / Friday May 5-6th, Dist. 2 Annual Meeting. Embassy Suites, DE
- Thursday September 22, 2005 – Virginia Tech. (Falls Church – Tentative)
- Thursday December 1, 2005, Market Inn, Washington, D.C. (Tentative)

NEWSBRIEFS

2005 TRB 84TH ANNUAL MEETING Jan. 9-13th:

<http://www.trb.org/meeting/>

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NEW AND YOUNG ATTENDEES INVITED TO WELCOME SESSION AND NETWORKING RECEPTION

Attendees age 30 and under, and those attending the TRB 84th Annual Meeting, January 9-13, 2005, in Washington, D.C., for the first time—or for the first time in several years—are invited to attend the New and Young Attendees session and reception on **Sunday, January 9, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** in Salon 2 of the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel. The program includes a brief overview of TRB, tips on navigating the Annual Meeting, information on the role that TRB can play in career development, and an opportunity to become involved in TRB committees. An informal reception with a cash bar follows for attendees to meet each other and TRB leaders.

TRAFFIC SAFETY CONFERENCE

February 9-10, 2005

Maritime Institute Conference Center
Linthicum, MD

The Maryland State Highway Administration, along with the Federal Highway Administration, and the University of Maryland Transportation Technology Transfer Center will be hosting a Traffic Safety Conference for the Mid-Atlantic states on February 9-10, 2005 at the Maritime Institute in Linthicum, Maryland. Call or email the Maryland Transportation Technology Transfer Center 301-403-4623 or ttc@eng.umd.edu for Registration Information. Or check our website at <http://www.ence.umd.edu/mdt2center/>

TEN New Publications from AASHTO

The 5th Edition "Green Book" - A Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets, 5th Edition may now be ordered for a mid-December Delivery! Plus there are NINE other new publications from AASHTO and a new publications catalog.

Guide for High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Facilities

Guide to Park and Ride Facilities

AASHTO Guide for the Planning, Design, and Operation of Pedestrian Facilities

The Design Policy Archive CD-ROM

A Guide for Achieving Flexibility in Highway Design

The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, 3rd Edition, CD-ROM

AASHTO LRFD Bridge Construction Specifications, 2nd Edition

Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges 17th Edition, Network CD-ROM*

Guide for Vehicle Weights and Dimensions, 4th Edition

You may order these and all AASHTO publications by calling 1-800-231-3475 or visiting the online bookstore, <http://cl.exct.net/?fe531572756d0d74731c-fe161d797c67077a701375>

MEAN STREETS 2004

-> http://trb.org/news/blurb_detail.asp?id=4455

The Surface Transportation Policy Project, in conjunction with AARP, Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, American Planning Association, American Public Health Association, American Society of Landscape

Architects, and others, have released Mean Streets 2004, examining pedestrian safety in the United States.

LINKS

ITE's Canadian Section on the Web.

Link to CITE7: <http://www.cite7.org>

ITE Traffic Signal Timing e-library

Link to ITE: <http://www.ite.org/signal/index.asp>

Link to ITS America: <http://www.itsa.org/>

Link to ITS Maryland: <http://www.itsmd.org/> (Mike Kinney, WDCSITE webmaster, is current president)

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 2005 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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