



# WDCSITE

## February 2009 Newsletter

**Congratulations** to our awardees for this year:

**Morris J. Rothenberg Past President's Award**

Emil Wolanin

**Appreciation Award**

Tim Ryan

**Transportation Service Award**

Richard Retting

**Community Transportation Award**

Michael Dresser of the Baltimore Sun

For more details about these awards and their history, see page 2.

WDCSITE members,

We are excited to get busy in 2009 with some great technical and social events. Before we look forward, here is a quick look back at our last event:

**December 2008 Section Business Meeting**

Thursday, December 11, 2008

Market Inn Restaurant, Washington, D.C.

At our last event, we had an informative presentation about the District of Columbia's Great Streets Program by Karina Ricks of DDOT's Transportation Policy and Planning Administration. We also welcomed our newly elected slate of Section Officers for 2009:

- President** .....Paul Silberman
- Vice President**.....Abi Lerner
- Secretary-Treasurer**.....Josh Smith
- Washington Area Director** .....Dan Goldfarb
- Baltimore Area Director**.....Brandon Nevers
- District 2 Representative** .....Emil Wolanin

The Section Board recently met with the District Board, as well as the Mid-Atlantic Section Board (our neighbors to the north) to kick off the new year and plan a full slate of local ITE events.

Our next event:

**March Awards Dinner & Technical Meeting**

Please join your fellow WDCSITE colleagues **Tuesday March 3, 2009**, for our annual awards dinner honoring the contributions and achievements of local members in the transportation profession.

There will also be a technical presentation from **Leonard Wolfenstein of Fairfax County Department of Transportation**. He will be speaking on the future **redevelopment of Tysons Corner** from a suburban job and retail center to an urban central business district.

When: Tuesday, March 3, 2009

Where: Holiday Inn, College Park Maryland  
10000 Baltimore Avenue  
College Park, MD 20740

Time:

- 5:30 PM Registration & Social Hour
- 6:30 PM Dinner
- 7:30 PM Awards & Technical Program

Cost: \$25/member, \$30/non-member,  
no cost for full-time students

Directions: **From Southbound I-95/I-495:** Take Exit 25A. The College Park Holiday Inn is the first building on left after the exit.

**From Northbound I-95/I-495:** Take Exit 25. Turn right at signal at the end of ramp then immediate left into hotel.

RSVP: Please RSVP by noon, February 27, 2009 to:

Dan Goldfarb  
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(301) 347-9136

Notes: Payment at the door  
Make checks payable to WDCSITE  
When making reservations indicate whether or not you are an ITE member.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mark your calendars for the following upcoming ITE local events:

### Early April

Tour of the Turner Fairbanks Highway Research Center in McLean, VA with the GMU Student Chapter

### April 29 - May 1

Annual District Meeting in Baltimore, MD

### First Week of June

Technical Meeting in Northern Virginia

### July

Younger Member Event with Maryland SHA

### August

Baseball Game Night Out

### Third Week in September

Technical Meeting in Baltimore

### October

Joint Meeting with ASHE and/ or on-campus meetings at GMU and U of MD

### First Week in December

Section Business Meeting in District of Columbia

Stay tuned for more details and more events to come!

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## WDCSITE Section Awards:

The Section initiated an awards program in 1983 to recognize outstanding contributions of local professionals to the community, the profession, and the Section. The qualifications for the various awards are described below.

**Morris J. Rothenberg Past President's Award** - Candidates should be: (1) a Section member in good standing; (2) a past or currently active member of Section committees; (3) an officer or former officer of ITE at the Section, District, or International level; and (4) one who has demonstrated continuing interest in Section activities. **This year's award will go to Emil Wolanin.**

**Appreciation Award** - Nominees should: (1) have been a Section member in good standing for at least ten years; (2) be an active or past member of Section committees; (3) have a history of regular attendance at Section meetings; (4) participate in Section activities other than formal committees or elected offices; and (5) otherwise unrecognized for his or her contributions to the Section. **This year's award will go to Tim Ryan.**

**Transportation Service Award** - This award is intended to honor those members of the Section who have made outstanding contributions to the profession. Candidates must: (1) be a current active member in good standing; (2) have made a significant contribution to the transportation or traffic engineering profession through active service over a ten-year period with a public agency, private company, or college/university in the Section area; or (3) have made a significant contribution to the transportation or traffic profession through a single unusual or outstanding act to advance the traffic, transportation, or educational programs within the Section area. **This year's award will go to Richard Retting.**

**Community Transportation Award** - The purpose of this award is to recognize those who have made outstanding contributions to transportation systems in the area. Nominees: (1) may be either a member or non-member of ITE; (2) must have made a significant contribution to transportation in the Section area through long term work with a public agency or private company involved in traffic operations; or (3) must have made a significant contribution to transportation in the Section area through a single unusual or outstanding act. **This year's award will go to Michael Dresser of the Baltimore Sun.**

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