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President's Message

Colin Kinton , P.E.



It is my pleasure to invite you to the 55th Annual Southern District ITE Meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee April 22 through 25, 2007. The folks in Knoxville and the Tennessee Section have worked hard to assure that this meeting has all of the camaraderie, entertainment, and educational opportunities you've come to expect from a Southern District ITE meeting ~ in beautiful Southern Appalachia. I hope you will enjoy the rich heritage of the area as you have lots of fun, and find ways to advance your professional career.

I've been fortunate to attend 13 SDITE Annual Meetings. I've learned that you can always count on a relaxing and inviting atmosphere to share experiences with fellow transportation professionals, renew old friendships and make new ones.

Many people have worked countless hours and made financial contributions to ensure that this meeting meets your expectations. First, I'd like to thank our Co-chairpersons, Cindy Pionke and Hollis Loveday, along with their committee members for the terrific job they've done. Second, I'd like to thank all of the consultants that have made contributions towards the expenses of the meeting. These contributions allow us to keep the registration fee reasonable and yet, maintain a high quality meeting. Third, I'd like to thank the ABD for their enormous contribution. They host the Hospitality Suites, exhibit new products and technologies, support the Traffic Bowl, and allow us to relax and be entertained at the annual Monday night event. Of course, the Monday night ABD event has become a highlight of the Annual Meeting; this year should be no exception as we participate in a tailgate party, Rocky Top style. Last, I'd like to extend special thanks to our students who participate as attendees and/or Traffic Bowl competitors. This is always a great opportunity to cultivate future colleagues in their pursuit of a career in transportation engineering.

The Annual Meeting will also provide opportunities to hear from the District's Strategic Plan leadership and how we will move the plan to the next level. International ITE leadership will also be on hand to bring us up to speed on the latest advancements and activities in Washington and elsewhere.

I sincerely hope you will join me in the city where I was born and home to my alma mater at the 55th Annual Southern District ITE Meeting. See you in Knoxville.

Colin Kinton, 2007 Southern District ITE President

SDITE Officer Candidates

The SDITE Nominations Committee is pleased to present this year's candidates for the office of Secretary/Treasurer. Watch for more information on these men and your voting ballot in the mail soon. Voting will be closed at the District Meeting in Knoxville.



WILLIAM J. CASHMAN, JR., AICP
Office Manager & Principal Transportation Planner, URS Corp.

With over 33 years of experience in conducting and managing transportation planning and analysis, Mr. Cashman has been involved in many of the major transportation issues in Virginia. He has provided professional transportation planning expertise for roadway, transit and land use planning studies. Much of Mr. Cashman's recent experience has been as a consultant for the Virginia Department of Transportation and for various municipalities and transit operators.

In addition to transportation analysis, he has worked on comprehensive planning studies and updates of counties, municipalities and corridors.

Institute of Transportation Engineers (Member)

President, Virginia Section (2005 & 2006)

Outstanding Individual Activity Award: Virginia Section ITE – 2002

Distinguished Service Award; Virginia Section ITE - 2006

American Institute of Certified Planners

URS Corporation

Office Manager: Richmond, Virginia office.

Principal Transportation Planner: Responsible for the management and direction of the transportation planning practice in Virginia and provide support for other corporate disciplines as needed

LandMark Design Group, Inc.

Principal & Director of Transportation: Responsible for the management and direction of the transportation design practice for a regional civil engineering firm in southeastern Virginia. Provided supervision to project planners, engineers and technicians, directed marketing activities, as member of Board of Directors, participated in overall management of firm of 120 employees.

City of Virginia Beach

Transportation Planner: Conducted long-range transportation planning activities as part of the comprehensive plan and capital improvement program development process.

Transportation Planner: Administered the metropolitan planning program for five MPO in Michigan.

Program Specialists: Administered urban renewal planning and relocation program.



JIM WESTMORELAND, P.E.
Director of Transportation, City of Greensboro, NC

Jim is the Director of Transportation for the City of Greensboro, North Carolina. He has served in this role since December of 1999 and has been with the City of Greensboro, Department of Transportation since June of 1996. In his role as Director he leads four Operating Divisions (Public Transportation, Engineering, Planning, and Business/Operations), directs a staff of 85 full time employees, and manages the department's annual operating and capital budgets. Prior to joining the City of Greensboro, Jim worked with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for 5 years and at Kimley-Horn and Associates for 3 years prior.

Member – International ITE, SDITE, and NCSITE (1988 – Present)

International ITE Service:

Executive Committee Member, Pedestrian and Bicycle Council (2002 – 2006)

Authored/Co-Authored Annual Meeting Discussion Papers (1992 and 1995)

SDITE Service:

Strategic Planning, Work Force Development Goal Area Member (Present)

North Carolina Section District Representative (2004-2006)

Nominations Committee (2004)

LAC Committee and Technical Council (2003)

NCSITE Service:

Past President, Vice President, Secretary (2001 – 2003)

Section Activities Award Recipient (International ITE) and Section of the Year Award (SDITE) – (2004)

Numerous Leadership Positions: Past Council Director, Section Director, Membership Committee Chair, Scholarship Committee Chair, Student Chapter Meeting LAC Chair, etc. (1988 – Present)

Other Professional and Civic Activities:

Advisory Council Member, Institute for Transportation Research and Education, NC State University

Executive Committee Member, NC Executive Committee for Highway Safety

Executive Committee Member, Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation

Focus Area Chair, Greater Greensboro United Way

55th Annual Meeting of ITE's Southern District



Technical Sessions

Each year, the SDITE Annual Meeting showcases the latest in transportation happenings across the southeastern US. This year's meeting is certainly no exception with over 40 professionals from nine states discussing common issues and innovative strategies used in our profession.

Marshall Elizer, Gresham Smith & Partners, ITE Past President: Transportation Futures- Is Our Profession Ready?

TDOT's "SmartFix" Solution – Jeff Mize of Wilbur Smith Associates (double session)

The Decision to "Restore 64" Using a Full Interstate Closure MOT Plan—Scott Walker and Shawn Dikes of PB Americas, Inc.

The Genesis of Transportation Planning Myths and Their Unintended Adverse Effects—Jonathan Byrd of Gonzalez-Strength and Associates

Rezoning Analysis Study (Not a Traditional Traffic Impact Study)--Steve Bryan of Gresham Smith & Partners

NCSITE Shopping Center Trip Generation Task Force — Will Letchworth of Wilbur Smith Associates

Controversial Solutions for Downtown Traffic—John Edwards, Transportation Consultant and Roger Dyar of City of Spartanburg, SC

Road Diet Implementation in Charlotte, NC – The East Blvd. Experience—Joshua Saak of City of Charlotte, NC

Creation of a Downtown "Main Street" by Reducing Arterial Travel Lanes—Lynn Allsbrook of City of Hampton, VA

Planning ITS Implementation in an Urban Environment – Metro Nashville—Mark Washing and Dowell Hoskins-Squier of Gresham Smith & Partners

Improving DMS (Dynamic Message Signs) Legibility – Lessons from the Field—Steve Metcalf of Skyline Products, Inc.

Vehicle Infrastructure Integration -- Traffic Engineering Council TBD

System Development Charges for Roadways—William Seymour of Gresham Smith & Partners, and Paula Wahl of Louisville, KY

Public-Private Partnerships in Transportation – What's Happening in the District—Victor Poteat of PBS&J

Enhancing Connectivity and Mobility: Evaluation of the U.S. 64/N.C. 49 Corridor—John Adams of PBS&J

Evaluation of Access Points Near Intersections in North Carolina—Reza Jafari of Chas. H. Sells, Inc. and North Carolina State University

Road Safety Audit Reviews—Steve Allen, Tennessee Department of Transportation

Synthesis of Sign Retroreflectivity Deterioration Rates Across the U.S.--Elizabeth Harris and Dr. William Rasdorf of North Carolina State University

US 17 Corridor Study and the SuperStreet Concept—Andy Lelewski of PBS&J and Ben Jetta Johnson of North Carolina Department of Transportation

Strategies to Successfully Marry Smart Growth and Context-Sensitive Transportation Initiatives—Wade Walker of Kubilins Transportation Group

Greensboro Street Design Standards Update—Jan Anderson of RS&H and Carrie Reeves of Greensboro DOT

An Evaluation of the Safety Effects of Speed Enforcement Cameras in Charlotte, NC—Chris Cunningham of North Carolina State University

Roundtable on Photo Enforcement (double session)

Traffic Signal Operation Alternatives for Congested Corridors—Adam Kirk of Kentucky Transportation Center

Adaptive Control Software-Lite (ACS-Lite)--Eddie Curtis of FHWA

Adaptive Traffic Signal Control in Georgia—Betsy Williams of Transcore ITS

Signal Designs Across the Southeast—Sreekanth Nandagiri of Earth Tech, Inc.

Creative Solutions for Urban Goods Movement—Marsha Anderson Bomar of Street Smarts

Evaluating High Capacity Transit in Middle Tennessee—Tim Rosenberger and Preston Elliott of Parsons Brinckerhoff

SDITE Strategic Planning Effort – Workforce Development—William Seymour of Gresham Smith & Partners

Funding America's Transportation Future—AASHTO's Perspective

The last time Congress undertook a national transportation policy study you were on society's cutting edge by squeezing into your Calvin Klein's, donning your brand new Walkman, and grooving down the street to the Village People's "YMCA". It was 1979 and Congress acted on the study's recommendations for deregulation of the aviation, trucking, and rail systems and inadequate levels of investment.

"Our generation inherited the world's best transportation system made possible by the commitment of the past two generations to invest in the country's future. We have spent that inheritance."

Last year, Congress created the National Surface Transportation Policy and Revenue Study Commission to examine the future surface transportation system needs in light of continuing demographic and economic changes in our country. In turn, AASHTO plans to provide the Commission with six reports documenting these transportation needs and how to get them fulfilled. Last month, the first of these reports was published. It contains a comprehensive assessment of transportation needs today and in the future, and the demographic and economic changes that will shape that future.

A "Call for Action" from AASHTO to the Commission made last fall read in part, "Our generation inherited the world's best transportation system made possible by the commitment of the past two generations to invest in the country's future. We have spent that inheritance." The report backs up that claim by illustrating America's transportation needs, looking at funding issues in comparison to other high-growth countries, and explaining societal shifts that have changed our travel needs.

Some of the numbers from the report:

Highway Investment. In 2005, highway capital investment was \$75 billion, \$33 billion or 45 percent of the total in Federal assistance, and \$42 billion from the state and local level.

Transit Investment. In 2004, transit capital investment was \$13.2 billion, \$5.2 billion or 40 percent of the total in Federal assistance, and \$8 billion from the state and local level.

Construction Costs. Between 1993 and 2015 highway and transit construction costs will have increased 70 percent.

Restore Purchasing Power. To restore the program's purchasing power, Federal highway assistance will have to increase from \$43 billion in 2009 to \$73 billion in 2015, and transit assistance will have to increase from \$10.3 billion to \$17.3 billion.

Highways. The "cost to improve" highways and bridges in the United States to the levels needed in 2007 is estimated at \$155.5 billion.

Transit. The "cost to improve" transit in the United States to the levels needed in 2007 is estimated at \$31.4 billion.

Freight Rail. The "cost to maintain freight rail's current market share," in 2007 is estimated at \$12 billion—\$2.75 billion annually in public support and \$9.25 billion annually in railroad private capital investment.

Intercity Passenger Rail. The "cost to bring 21 intercity passenger rail corridors to a good state of repair," is \$3.3 billion in annual rail capital investment.

Population. Between 1955 and 2005, the U.S. population grew by 130 million to 295 million. Over the next 50 years, it is expected to grow by 140 million to 435 million.

Vehicles. In 1955, our highways carried 65 million cars and trucks. They carry 246 million today, and that number is expected to reach nearly 400 million by 2055.

Travel. Highway travel in the United States measured in "vehicle miles traveled," increased from 600 billion in 1955 to 3 trillion in 2006. FHWA forecasts that it will grow by 2.07 percent per year through 2022. Travel may exceed 7 trillion vehicle miles by 2055.

Truck Freight. Truck tonnage is expected to increase 114 percent between 2004 and 2035. Trucks are expected to carry 79 percent of total tonnage.

Truck Traffic. Today's Interstates carry an average of 10,500 trucks per day per mile. By 2035, this figure will increase to 22,700 trucks per day, per mile. Today only 30 miles on the Interstate carry more than 50,000 trucks per day per mile. By 2035, that number may reach 2,500 miles.

Container Cargo. U.S. container traffic increased from 8 million units in 1980, to 42 million in 2005. By 2020, container volume is expected to hit 110 million units.

Interstate Highways. The 47,000-mile Interstate Highway System contains only 1 percent of total U.S. highway miles, but carries 24 percent of all traffic and 41 percent of large truck traffic. Interstate vehicle miles traveled are expected to double from 690 billion in 2002 to 1.3 trillion 20 years from now.

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What's on Your Mind?- Survey asks for SDITE member input

Bill Martin (NC)

As many of you know, the Southern District of ITE is in the process of implementing the 2010 Strategic Plan. This Plan was approved by the SDITE Board of Directors and articulates a future Vision and Mission for SDITE. To assist in realizing the objectives of the plan, it is further broken down into five Strategic focus areas for work and follow-up:

- * Member and Section Services
- * Information, Communications, and Outreach
- * Leadership Development
- * Technical Services
- * Workforce Development

In order to more completely and effectively gather the input and ideas of the membership, leaders of the strategic planning effort have developed a web-based survey. The purpose of this survey is to seek SDITE member and affiliate input and ideas on each of these focus areas. It is broken down into sections for each focus area and should only take you between 10-15 minutes to complete.

You do not have to complete the survey in a single session. You can exit the survey at any time. You can pick back up where you left off. Survey developers have tried to make it as easy as possible for members and affiliates to complete this important survey. The questions are easy to answer and will provide the strategic planning team with invaluable information on what makes our organization beneficial to its members and how we can improve.

As an additional incentive for your participation, you will be eligible for a drawing of an iPod Nano (to be given away at the Annual Meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee, April 22-25, 2007).

Watch for the survey to come to your email inbox soon. Then, click the link to go directly to the on-line survey and fill it out.

Answer multiple-choice questions like this:

Rate how you value SDITE's technical services or knowledge areas.

Rate the technical services provided by your Section.

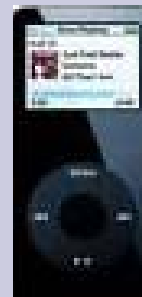
How much would you or your agency be willing to pay for leadership training materials?

How would you rate the overall level of communications between the District and the membership?

If you use the website, what information do you find most useful?

What workforce development services, programs, or activities should SDITE develop in the future to help fulfill the mission of the Workforce Development Strategic Goal area?

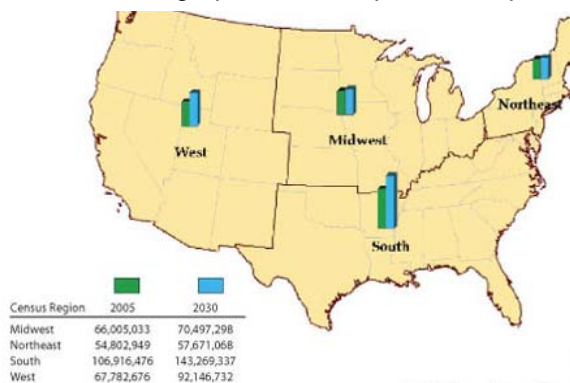
And win this:



[Survey-takers will be eligible in a drawing for an iPod Nano to be given away at the Annual Meeting in Knoxville.]

From Page 4.

"The surface transportation system for the future must address the economic and demographic changes that have taken place over the past 50 years, and deal effectively with the changes expected for the next 50 years." So, demographic data are a large part of the report. Perhaps not surprisingly, our region is expected to experience some of the highest growth in the next 25 years. And, "between 2000 and 2050 more than 70 percent of the nation's population growth and 80 percent of its economic growth are expected to take place in metropolitan areas."



For more information on the AASHTO report, visit

Future Annual Meetings

- April 22-25, 2007 Knoxville, TN
- 2008 Charleston, SC
- 2009 Birmingham, AL
- 2010 Hampton Roads, VA
- 2011 Louisiana
- 2012 North Carolina
- 2013 Kentucky

News from the Sections

Kentucky Section

KYSITE Annual Meeting, Traffic Bowl, Dinner and Awards. The KYSITE Annual Meeting/Awards Dinner was held on November 10, 2006, at the Old Stone Inn in Simpsonville. The silent auction raised \$995 for the scholarship fund. A total of 31 members, spouses/guests and students were in attendance – 16 members, 10 spouses/guests and 5 students. The KYSITE Young Member Award was presented to Scott Walker, who served KYSITE as Secretary in 2006, and who did an outstanding job as Communications Chairperson. Jo Anne Tingle was presented the Individual Activity Award, in part for her years serving as scholarship coordinator for the KYTC. Traffic Bowl participants were Erin Bachman, Huafeng Gong, Chris Clemmons, Jason Yeager and Meiwu An. Jason was from the University of Louisville; all others were from the University of Kentucky. Scholarships were awarded based on the Traffic Bowl results. Recipients were: Meiwu An - \$750, Jason Yeager - \$500, and Erin Bachman - \$250; these three students will represent KYSITE at the Traffic Bowl competition in Knoxville; Chris Clemmons will be the alternate.

KYSITE's Annual Officers' Planning Meeting was held on January 5th, 2007 at Chili's restaurant in Frankfort. Including officers, directors, section representative and immediate past president, eight people were in attendance; 2007 is off to a good start!

ITE Websites

International ITE: <http://www.ite.org/>

Southern District ITE: <http://www2.ncsu.edu/sdite/>

Alabama: <http://www.alsite.org>

Deep South:

Georgia: <http://www.ite.gati.org/>

Kentucky: <http://www.kysite.org/>

North Carolina: <http://www.ltre.ncsu.edu/ncsite/>

Tennessee: <http://www.tsite.org>

Virginia: <http://www.vasite.org/>

Deep South Section

If you missed the last meeting, you missed a very good one. With about 40 members in attendance, Deep South ITE returned to New Orleans on October 26-27 for the first time since the hurricanes that seriously damaged the City. The meeting was held at the New Orleans Marriott Hotel on Canal Street near the French Quarter. A social sponsored by Urban Systems was held at Gordon Biersch near the hotel and the Breakfast Business Meeting was held at Harrah's Casino nearby. It was good to see New Orleans.

On Thursday, the meeting started with Registration and a Technical Tour at 10:00 AM, with a Canal Streetcar Ride to show and tell "Rebuilding New Orleans Transportation Network".

After lunch, the Technical Sessions began. Dan Magri, William Marshall, Carmelo Guterrez, Donna Lum, Marie Walsh, and Jeff Smith all participated.

On Friday, the Breakfast Business Meeting was held at Harrah's.

While it was not a specific Student Chapter function, Brian Wolshon of LSU had a Traffic Bowl in one of his classes recently. With the cooperation and participation of Doug Robert, Brin Ferlito, Jeff Smith and Cyndi Pennington a class of about 15 students participated in this Traffic Bowl.

Preston Denson, 2005-06 ITE Chapter President, University of Mississippi, won the SDITE Best Undergraduate Student Paper Competition 2006 with "A Study of Road Safety in Mississippi". Bikila Wodajo, 2006-07 ITE Chapter Secretary and civil engineering doctoral student at the University of Mississippi was awarded the prestigious 2006 Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Graduate Fellowship.



Students at LSU prepare for the Temple Scholarship Challenge.

North Carolina Section

So far this year the NCSITE Transportation Planning Council has hosted one lunch & learn in Raleigh titled *Engaging the Public in Transportation and Environmental Planning*. The luncheon was attended by 36 people and special thanks to Anne Morris for presenting and Terry Arellano and Melissa Cooney for their help in organizing the event. The TPC hopes to hold at least two more lunch & learns in the Triangle this year. In addition to the Triangle lunch & learns, due to the diligent work of Radha Swayampakala., there are plans for quarterly lunch & learns in the Charlotte area.

The Charlotte area will also host two evening meetings with many thanks to Rob Hume for his work in organizing these events. The TPC has a strong desire to develop at least one lunch & learn per year in the Triad area.

One of the primary items that the TPC is responsible for is holding the mid-year meeting. The planning for this year's meeting to be held in Asheville on June 14 and 15th is well underway. The success of the midyear meeting would not be possible without the help of Russell Dalton, Terry Arellano, Beth Royall, Todd Delk, James Voso and Reuben Moore. We are hoping for a fun and informative couple of days.

In addition the normal TPC functions, we provide support to the model users group and are looking to expand NCSITE through outreach efforts to environmental planners. Missy Dickens has been leading this effort and we hope to expand our technical programs to meet the needs of environmental planning professionals.

A new focus for the TPC in 2007 is to try to provide additional opportunities for training to expand the technical offerings for our membership. We are currently looking at providing both instructor led sessions and web seminars for the coming year.

One last area that the TPC is trying to become more actively involved in is the Future Cities program. This program is for middle school students to learn about engineering and includes writing an essay, designing a city using the Sim City program and building a scale model of a portion of their city. NCSITE has sponsored an award for the past two years for the best transportation system. NCSITE members have been engineering mentors, judges and have provided support at the competition. This January the following NCSITE members participated:

Eric Lamb, Kristina Solberg, Beth Royall, Lori Cove, Terry Arellano, Todd Delk, Russell Dalton and Peter Trencansky. We are looking to expand this effort and will be soliciting members to act as mentors this fall.

Alabama Section

The Alabama Section has several meetings scheduled for 2007 and we would like to encourage everyone to attend and *Get Involved with ITE!*

Our first meeting of the year was held on March 1st in Montgomery.

In June, the Alabama Section Annual Meeting will once again be held in Gulf Shores, AL the 6th through the 8th. This year's meeting will be held at the Beach Club (the same place as last year) on Fort Morgan Road. More details about the meeting will be forthcoming by email and in the next installment of the ALSITE newsletter.

And finally, the Alabama Section Fall Meeting will be held at the Barber Motorsports Museum in Birmingham, Alabama on Thursday, October 4, 2007. The meeting will include a continental breakfast, lunch, and an opportunity to tour the museum at will. The meeting is anticipated to last from 8:30 – 2:00, and the museum will remain open until 5:00 p.m. Family/friends/guests can also visit the museum for \$10 adults/\$6 children, but not until 10:00 a.m. The meeting room has a view of the track and we have been informed that the Porsche Driving Experience will be operating on the meeting day. Please visit their website at www.barbermuseum.org for more information.

On November 13, 2006 UAB ITE student chapter members and the faculty advisor Dr. Sisiopiku traveled to Tuscaloosa for the University Transportation Center for Alabama symposium. During the event three UAB students were recognized as the winners of the UTCA student paper competition award and received funding to attend the 86th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board. These include Stephanie Watson, Walter Anderson and Ian Hosch.

As part of the program Johnnie Waid offered a presentation on "Available Options for Financing Highways" and a poster on the "Development of a Dynamic Traffic Assignment Model to Evaluate Lane Reversal Plans for I-65". Stephanie Watson presented a poster on "Critical Transportation Infrastructure Protection in Alabama" and Dr. Sisiopiku gave a presentation on "Assessment of Transit Options in Birmingham, AL and the Potential Impact of Transit Priority".

Moreover, UAB organized a half-day workshop on "Dynamic Traffic Assignment" as part of the program.

South Carolina Section

2006 SCITE Officers:

President Eric Tripi

Vice President Hesha Gamble

Secretary/Treasurer Jae Mattox

Past President Mike Ridgeway

Section Representative Dipak Patel

Affiliate Director Tom Dodds

Virginia Section

Recent and upcoming meetings for VASITE:

March 21-22 2007: VASITE Spring Seasonal Meeting, Hilton Garden Inn, Glen Allen, VA included VASITE Board Meeting and VASITE Spring Seasonal Meeting.

June 26-29, 2007: 2007 VASITE Annual Meeting, Sheraton Oceanfront Hotel, Virginia Beach

September 27-28, 2007: 2007 VASITE Fall Seasonal Meeting, Wintergreen Resort, Wintergreen

Tennessee Section

Tennessee's young ITS Chapter got a boost in September as TSITE and the ITS Chapter from Georgia converged in Chattanooga for a three-day meeting. Held at the Chattanooga, sessions included topics like Rural ITS in Tennessee, US/Canadian Border Truck Traffic, Vehicle Infrastructure Integration, and the role of ITS America. Special thanks to the presenters from Tennessee: David Stansell, Don Dahlinger, Gupta Borra, Keith Materi, John Benditz, Rodney Chester, Bob Weithofer, Ken Flynn, Steve Meyer, and John Hall.

ITSGA holds one meeting a year, so by no means was it limited to the session room. A golf tournament was held on Sunday afternoon prior to the meeting. On Sunday evening, a reception/meal was hosted at the historic Bluff View Arts District River Room overlooking the Moccasin Bend of the Tennessee River. On Monday evening, attendees took advantage of good weather to walk to the Chattanooga Choo-Choo's Station House Restaurant. Here, the singing servers brought the food and the entertainment including one that demanded Craig Hanchey take another little piece of her heart.

TSITE wishes to congratulate the winners of this year's section awards. These awards were presented in

Chattanooga at the TSITE/ITSGA joint meeting.

Jack Humphreys Young Member Award: Chris Kirby, P.E.

Chris has served TSITE faithfully since 1999 as the Section's liaison to the UT student chapter. The involvement and success of that chapter is among the best anywhere and Chris has played a large role in that. During the past year, he has been chair of the Workforce Development Committee, overseeing all student chapters across the state. Chris is an engineer with Wilbur Smith Associates in Knoxville.

Tennessee Section Outstanding Individual Award: Anthony Todd

Anthony has been a member of ITE since 1988 and has served the Section in many capacities over the past few years, culminating in President in 2003. He currently works for the City of Johnson City where he is the City's Traffic Engineer. Anthony also graciously served two stints as Past President in 2004 and 2005, completing the significant duties of that office.

Volunteer Distinguished Service Award: Marshall Elizer, Jr., P.E., PTOE

Marshall is well known across all aspects of this organization having held membership since 1974. He served as ITE's International President in 1995 and is also active in leadership roles in other professional organizations such as APWA. Marshall works for Gresham Smith Partners in Nashville.

Georgia Section

GAITE is in the process of organizing a brand new committee, the Young Members Committee, to increase the involvement of our young and new members. This committee will be chaired by Andrea Kennedy. The committee members will be formulating a program to energize and invest in the development of the future leaders of our organization.

All of the following 2007 Section goals are related to this year's theme of "Moving from Good to Great":

- Increase involvement of young and new members in Section activities
- Strengthen the roles and activity levels of all Section committees
- Promote transportation engineering to middle school, high school and college age students
- Improve the Section's outreach program to local and state agencies
- Win Section of the Year Award for 2007

News of the South — Newsletter of the Southern District (5)

“News of the South” is the official publication of the Southern District (5) of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE). Any comments or suggestions are welcome and should be submitted to Jeff Hammond, Editor (615) 370-8410, jeffhammond@rpmtraffic.net

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