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President's Message

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On Thursday, August 24, 2006 we had our first joint meeting with the Tampa Bay Applications Group (TBAG) at the FDOT D7 office. Over 90 members from both organizations participated in the meeting to discuss the subject of "Maximizing Capacity with Limited Right of Way." Marty Stone, from the Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority, talked to us about the reversible lanes concept and operations for the Lee Roy Selmon Expressway. Bill Ball and Joel Rey, from Tindale-Oliver and Associates talked about the Bus Rapid Transit projects in West Central Florida.

On September 28, 2006, over 500 transportation professionals gathered at the Tampa Bay Convention Center for the 17th Annual Transportation Supersession. This year event was hosted by the American Society of Highway Engineers (ASHE) in collaboration with members of TBITE, Florida Engineering Society (Tampa and Pinellas Chapter), American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), and the Women Transportation Seminar (WTS).

The event started at 4:30 pm with a reception and exhibition. The featured speaker was Denver Stutler, Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation. Also there was a panel moderated by Ed Mierzejewski that talked about regional corridors, urban sprawl, and public-private partnerships. The panelist were Stan Cann, Secretary FDOT D1; Donald Skelton, Secretary FDOT D7; Ralph Marvine, Executive Director of the Tampa Highway Expressway Authority; James Ely, Executive Director of the Florida Turnpike Enterprise; and Joe Smith, Tampa Bay Partnership – Transportation Task Force. (pictures in subsequent pages...)

Upcoming Meetings:

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The next TBITE lunch meeting will take place on Tuesday October 17th at Landry's Seafood Restaurant. Don Skelton, FDOT D7, will be our featured speaker.

Our Annual Banquet is on December 12, 2006 at the Doubletree Hotel on Cypress Street in Tampa, the **Mayor of Tampa, Mrs. Pam Iorio**, will be attending and will be our featured speaker! We will keep all of you posted with any updates with regards to upcoming meetings.

Also, please keep an eye out for our poll of the success of the joint meeting with TBAG we held last August. We want to know what you thought of the meeting...more later...

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ITE Students Start Fall Semester

Stephanie Bromfield

Secretary, USF ITE Student Chapter

The University of South Florida (USF) ITE student chapter began the new school year by teaming up with the Center for Urban Transportation Research and the USF Civil and Environmental Engineering Department to present a seminar on *Enhancing Older Adults' Everyday Performance through Cognitive Training* by Dr. Jerri D. Edwards, Assistant Professor of Gerontology at the USF School of Aging. The seminar presented an alternative to revoking the license of older drivers who experience a decline in cognitive abilities.



Students and Faculty listen attentively at the first seminar for the semester

Older drivers could improve their useful field of view and response time by going through cognitive training. The current studies show that cognitive training could be use to improve the cognitive decline seen in many older ...

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Supersession Pictures



CUTR's Director Ed Mierzejewski



FDOT Secretary Denver Stutler



Panel Speakers from left D7 Secretary – Don Skelton, THCEA Executive Director – Ralph Mervine, Florida's Turnpike Executive Director Jim Ely, D1 Secretary Stan Cann, and Joe Smith of the Tampa Bay Partnership



ITE Students (continued)

...drivers. A total of 42 students came out to the first seminar for the year as well as 5 faculty.

On September 15, 2006 the ITE student chapter also held a picnic for all students interested in transportation. The picnic saw a good turn-out of both new and returning students as well as faculty. It was held outside of the Center for Urban Transportation Research at USF.



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Want to join us?

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Senior Transportation Engineer/Planner and Transportation Engineer/Planner:

Minimum of a bachelor's degree and prior experience in the following areas: • Project management of transportation planning projects • conducting and managing technical analyses for DRI's • traffic impact analyses, • sub-area studies, • signal warrant analyses, • corridor studies • public hearings and workshops • Good writing and communication skills are a must. Proficient in HCS, Synchro, and SimTraffic. Professional certification highly desirable

Highway Design Engineer:

- minimum of a B.S. in Civil Engineer and a PE License,
- including civil/roadway design, traffic engineering, and transportation planning.
- Proficiency with CADD (AutoCad and/or Microstation), Inroads, Geopak, or other similar civil/roadway design software application is desired.
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BAYSIDE ENGINEERING

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Requirements: Must have 3 – 8 years experience in the preparation of traffic operations studies. Knowledge of FDOT's MUTS and TEM required. Experience in the preparation of design traffic reports and/or traffic impact studies beneficial. Knowledge of traffic software beneficial including HCS, CORSIN and/or Synchro. P.E. is preferred but is not mandatory.

Traffic Operations Design Engineer

Requirements: Must have 5 – 10 years experience in the preparation of traffic operations plans including traffic signal, signing and marking, and/or lighting elements. Knowledge of Microstation, FDOT criteria and standards required. P.E. is preferred but is not mandatory. P.E. is preferred but not mandatory.

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TBITE STUDENT SPONSORSHIP

The University of South Florida has a very active student chapter of ITE. We'd like to invite them all to be part of the TBITE family as well, but we need your help. You or your firm can sponsor a student for \$75 per year. This will cover the cost of student attendance at each TBITE meeting as well as the Annual Banquet. For more information please contact any of the board members.

Please contact Drew Roark at (drew.roark@rsandh.com), or Rosana Correa at (rcorrea@vanusinc.com) with ideas or suggestions for the next TBITE Quarterly!