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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Elisa Powell

Grimail Crawford, Inc.

WOW it is hard to believe this year is almost over!! This has been a very eventful year so far.....

A special Thank You goes out to Danny Lamb of the Florida Department of Transportation for speaking at our joint TBITE / WTS meeting. This meeting was a huge success with over **55** members in attendance. Danny shared his insight on how important the Goods Movement Study for improving safety on our roads and to improve traffic congestion to accommodate Goods Movement.

Thank you to TBAG for hosting part two of the Goods Movement Study with presentations from CSX, Tampa Port Authority and Tampa International Airport.

TBITE will be hosting a Laws and Rules class on November 14, 2008 at HDR, Inc.; all professional engineers are welcomed, so please make sure to register if you are interested. Space is limited and we are filling up fast!!!

At our Annual Banquet we will be presenting awards for Project of the Year, Professional of the Year, and Young Professional of the Year so make sure you send in your nominations.

President's Message Continued...

All paperwork is due to Oliver Rodrigues by November 12th, so get those nominations in ASAP!! If you have any questions about the nominations or the process, please contact Oliver at Orodrigues@baysideng.com.

We are also accepting applications for the Keith Crawford Scholarship recipient. If you know of a transportation engineering student who would be eligible for this scholarship, please forward an application to them. For questions about the scholarship please contact epowell@gc-inc.com.

We need a new Treasurer! If you are interested in serving on the TBITE board, we are now accepting nominations! Be on the lookout for the nomination information.

I would like to congratulate Steve McGinley (TBITE's current Vice President) for being elected Secretary/Treasurer of the Florida Planning Society (FLPLAN) of Florida Section ITE.

Also to be congratulated are TBITE members Rosana Correa and Rob Fulp who were elected to the Florida Section ITE executive board, joining TBITE member Matt Wey. Rosana was elected to the position of Treasurer and Rob will serve as the Secretary for the upcoming year.

CONGRATULATIONS ROB, ROSANA and STEVE!!!

ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS

Please contact Patrick O'Connor at patrick.oconnor@kimley-horn.com, or Elisa Powell at epowell@gc-inc.com with suggestions for the next TBITE Quarterly!

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Please note our new website address, with updates coming soon....

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KEITH CRAWFORD STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Several members have inquired about making a donation to the **Keith Crawford Student Scholarship fund** for 2008. We have given over \$2,000 in scholarships to date, and currently have approximately \$1,000 in the scholarship fund. We would like to let you all know that anyone can make a donation to this fund and it is tax deductible. In the past we have received anonymous donations, but you can also be recognized at the annual banquet for your donations, if you so choose. Please contact the TBITE Treasurer Oliver Rodrigues at ORodrigues@baysideng.com to make a donation.

Thank you!



2009 ELECTION UPDATE

We are looking for a Treasurer!

It's that time of year again. We need to elect a new Executive Board member to the Tampa Bay Chapter of the Institute of Transportation Engineers. Our election this year is for Chapter Treasurer. Becoming an Executive Board member is a great way to be involved with Tampa Bay ITE and the transportation community!

Nomination Guidelines

Members seeking consideration for nomination shall submit their written intent and qualifications to Oliver Rodrigues (information listed below). Qualifications for nomination would consist of a general resume outlining your qualifications and a half page campaign advertisement. Candidates must be in good standing with the Chapter and have the minimum grade of "member." **Letters of Intent must be received no later than November 7th.**

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Board.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TBITE Continuing Education Seminar

"2009 Professional Engineers License Renewal Laws and Rules Course"

HDR, Inc. 5426 Bay Center Drive, Suite 400, Tampa, FL 33609

November 14, 2008 12:00 p.m.

Pre-registration Required! Includes Box Lunch and refreshments

Space is limited and filling up fast. If you need additional information please contact patrick.oconnor@kimley-horn.com

BY THE NUMBERS...

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:

90 PAID MEMBERS

12 STUDENT MEMBERS

WTS/TBITE JOINT MEETING

ATTENDANCE:

55 REGISTERED

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... for additional membership and sponsorship information

TBITE ANNUAL BANQUET



Save the Date!

December 10, 2008

Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino (5223 North Orient Rd Tampa, FL 33610)

Cocktail hour poolside followed by dinner and awards.



USF STUDENT CHAPTER UPDATE

The ITE Student Chapter at the University of South Florida (USF) started a new fiscal year 2008-2009 in April. Our new official board wants to thank the support from several local firms, our knowledgeable advisors, and a cooperative executive board for the past year and hope that they can continue support the new official board.

For this year, our board will continue to work to support the students at USF to participate in several activities. Our bi-weekly seminars will provide students with the opportunity to learn from transportation professionals. The ITE general meeting and social will be held each semester to welcome new students, get together with our members and thank you, the people that help us. Additionally, our chapter still supports students taking part in numerous conferences and retreats throughout the year. This is an excellent chance for students to get involved in professional events.

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce the new board for this year:

Hongyun Chen, President:

Hongyun is a graduate research assistant at CUTR and pursuing a master degree in civil and environmental engineering, specializing in transportation engineering. After graduation, she will pursue her PhD in USF. Her research interests are transportation safety, traffic operations, and transportation planning and economics.

Jiguang Zhao, Vice President:

Jiguang is a Ph. D. student and graduate research assistant of the ITS group at CUTR. His main research interests are traffic safety and ITS equipment evaluation.

Saxena Meeta, Secretary:

Meeta is a graduate research assistant at CUTR and works in the Transit Program Areas. She is pursuing a Masters degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering, with research interests in traffic safety, access management, and traffic engineering.

Enrique Gonzalez-Velez, Treasure:

Enrique is a graduate research assistant at CUTR and works for the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) group. He is pursuing a Ph.D. degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering, with research interests in safety, simulation, and traffic engineering.



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Advertise your business or job postings in TBITE Quarterly Newsletter. Advertising space is available at \$50 per issue or \$150 for the year. The Newsletter is published the last week of March, June, September, and December of each year. For more information please contact any of the board members.

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.