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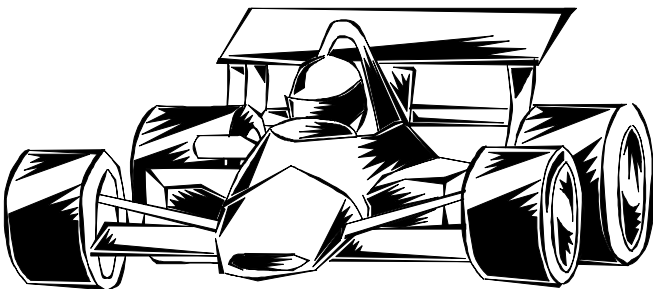
## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am pleased to announce that at the May Board Meeting, the Illinois Section Annual Scholarship was increased from \$1,000 to \$2,000. The Illinois Section of ITE awards the scholarship to a full-time undergraduate sophomore, junior, or senior student in an Illinois College or University with course work and career goal emphasis on Traffic Engineering or Transportation Planning. The scholarship is presented at the Illinois Section's annual dinner meeting in January. This increase has been possible from the hard work by a number of individuals over the last few years. Funding for the scholarship comes from a combination of your dues (\$3/member), the auction at the annual dinner, the basketball tournament, and donations from individuals or companies. In the future, the Illinois Section's goal is to offer a second scholarship to a deserving student.

The 1998 yearbook is now conveniently available online as a set of Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) files on our web site ([www.ilite.org](http://www.ilite.org)). Now you can download the yearbook at your convenience! This makes distribution more efficient, which means savings for all of us. The membership list is password protected

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The section wrote letters supporting the Illinois First infrastructure bill and sent them to the legislative leaders in Springfield.



This month's meeting will a joint luncheon with the APWA - Chicago City Branch and the speakers, **Joe Ferrezza** and **Rob DuBoe**, will discuss the traffic planning for the Chicago Motor Speedway. Our next luncheon will be in September. In the interim, join us at a Schaumburg Flyer's baseball game in July or a basketball tournament benefiting the scholarship fund in August.

Have a good summer!

**Your President**

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## **ITE - Illinois Section Joint May Luncheon with American Public Works Association (APWA)**

### **Please Join Us at Maggiano's!**

- Date:** Thursday, June 17, 1999
- Time:** Reception at 11:30 A.M.  
Luncheon promptly at Noon
- Speakers:** Joseph Ferrezza (Chicago Motor Speedway) and Robert DuBoe (Metro Transportation Group)
- Topic:** "The New Chicago Motor Speedway"
- Location:** Maggiano's  
516 North Clark Street  
Chicago, Illinois
- Reservations:** Please call Javier Millan at (847) 518-9990 or Mary Leising at (630) 213-1000 on or before June 14, 1999.
- Cost:** \$25 per person  
(\$12 for students)
- Next Meeting:** SEPTEMBER Luncheon  
Thursday, September 16, 1999  
Maggiano's on Clark  
Speaker: To be announced



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## ITE - ILLINOIS SECTION JUNE LUNCHEON PREVIEW

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The Chicago Motor Speedway is a one-mile auto racetrack being constructed at Sportsman's Park in Cicero, Illinois (at 3300 South Cicero Avenue). The facility, which will initially accommodate 65,000, is scheduled to open on August 22, 1999. The Chicago Motor Speedway will be one of the largest spectator's facilities in the Chicago Metropolitan area.

**Joseph Ferrezza**, Director of Public Relations for the Chicago Motor Speedway, will describe how the Speedway came to Chicago area and the types and number of events to be held at the speedway.

**Robert DuBoe**, Principal with Metro Transportation Group, will discuss the ongoing process to develop an operational traffic management plan for this major facility, which involve and impact roadways under the jurisdiction of the City of Cicero, the City of Chicago, the Cook County Highway Department, and the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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## 1999 ITS FORUM ITS - FYI (FOR YOUR INFORMATION)

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The Wisconsin Section ITE, in conjunction with ITS Midwest, Marquette University and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is co-sponsoring the 5th Annual Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems Forum "ITS - For Your Information".

**Date:** Wednesday, September 29, 1999

**Location:** Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**Main Topics:** FYI - Integrating People, Places and Technology through enhanced communications and information sharing. How can ITS be used to:

- share information for the safer clearing of incidents,
- warn travelers of hazardous weather conditions,
- support visitors for tourism and special events,
- provide and share enhanced roadway maintenance information.

For more information contact:

Larry Henson, TransCore  
Phone: (414) 797-6577  
Fax: (414) 797-6580

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## WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

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This month's website feature's a local ITS technology: Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's I-PASS. Over 170,000 users make 300,000 I-PASS transaction daily as of April, 1999. I-PASS may keep you from waiting in long lines at toll booths and keeps you from having to fish around for exact change in the car. More and more dedicated I-PASS lanes are being constructed with more planned in the future. High speed lanes currently exist at the Boughton Road and Edens Spur plazas. Future high speed lane locations include Army Trail Road, Aurora, and south tollway plazas.

To get a transponder for your car or motorcycle, pay the \$38.00 refundable depposit and fill out the necessary applications. You may complete an application at the Downers Grove tollway office, by phone, or download an application on-line.

To get the on-line application or to just find out more about the I-PASS program, hop on the internet and stop by: <http://www.illinoistollway.com/ipass.htm>

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## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

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The Illinois Section is pleased to welcome the following new member to the Section:

**Kimberly Kolody** with CH2M Hill.

The following application is currently being reviewed:

**J. Bryon Li** with Wilbur Smith Associates.

Congratulations to our new member of the Illinois Section! Please feel free to join any standing committees (see the back of the *ITEMS* for phone numbers) or if you want to create your own committee, call **Rolf Kilian** at (630)213-1000.

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## Illinois Section ITE Baseball Outing

TAKE ITE OUT TO THE BALLGAME! It's sign-up time! As promised in last month's issue, here are the details for the Illinois Section, ITE summer event:

**THE DATE:** Friday, July 23, 1999

**THE PLACE:** The new Schaumburg Baseball Stadium

**THE TIME:** 6:00 P.M.

Action starts promptly at 6:00 P.M., with an All-Star Pre-Game Picnic on stadium grounds. The meal will include one (1) specialty sandwich, all-you-can eat hot dogs, all-you-can eat chips and cookies, a soda. For the picnic, beer is extra, and tickets must be pre-purchased separately to get beer in the picnic area. So, if you think you want to drink, please indicate how much you may want on the sign-up form, so we can include this when we make our reservations.

The singing of the National Anthem will mark the end of the picnic. Game time is set for 7:20 P.M. If you can't make it for the picnic, then come and join us for the game!

This event is open to family and friends so bring the whole gang! The price will be approximately \$18.00 per person, which includes the picnic (excluding beer tickets), game tickets and lots of fun! Free parking is provided on the west and south sides of the stadium. If taking the train is more your style, then arrive at the Schaumburg Railroad Station and walk across the parking lot to the stadium.

The picnic area is on the north end of the stadium, however you must go through the stadium to get there. So, park your car, enter the stadium and follow the signs to the picnic area.

Come check out the new game in town! Let's root for the Home-team, as they battle the Winnipeg Goldeyes, Friday, July 23!

We have to make our reservations by mid-June, so send your slips (**see next page**) in now, mark your calendars, and plan on joining us for some summer fun!





**Baseball Outing Sign-up Sheet**

**Illinois Section ITE Baseball Outing at:**

Schaumburg Stadium  
1999 S. Springinsguth Road  
Schaumburg, IL 60193

Please return the bottom portion of this form, with payment, no later than **Friday, June 18, 1999.**

Mail to:

**Mary Leising  
Metro Transportation Group, Inc.  
1300 Greenbrook Boulevard, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Hanover Park, Illinois 60103**

**Tel. (630) 213-1000  
Fax (630) 213-3227**



Please indicate the number that will be attending the picnic and game, or just the game. If you will need beer tickets for the picnic, please indicate how many you think you will need. (Each ticket is good for one beer.) Make sure to include yourself in the number attending!

Return this portion by **Friday, June 18, 1999.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please list the best place to reach you at.)

	<u>Number Attending</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Picnic & Game (\$17.50/person)	_____	_____
Picnic Beer Tickets (\$2.50/each)	_____	_____
Game Only (\$6.50/person)	_____	_____
Total	_____	_____

Make checks payable to: **Illinois Section ITE**



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## CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

### Course Description for Fall 1999

Title: **CEMM 494 - Urban Transportation Planning Fundamentals**

Day/Time: **Tuesday, 6-9 p.m., at IDOT District 1, Schaumburg**

Instructor: **David Boyce, (312) 996-3430, [dboyce@uic.edu](mailto:dboyce@uic.edu)**

**Catalog Description:** Transportation technology, and its relation to travel and location phenomena in large urban areas, as a basis for planning, operating and designing multimodal transportation systems.

**Summary:** Concepts, legislative and legal requirements, and historical perspectives pertaining to urban transportation planning, as practiced in the United States since 1955. Case studies pertaining to the Chicago Region and other advanced examples in transportation planning practice. Emphasis on the role of transportation and traffic engineering in urban transportation planning.

To enroll in the course, admission to UIC as a non-degree student, or better, is required. The deadline for application is July 1. For assistance with the application process, please call **Marie Doorey** at (312) 996-3411.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Four on Four Basketball Tournament

Lace up your sneakers for the **ITE Illinois Section 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Four on Four-Basketball Tournament**. The event will be held on Saturday August 28<sup>th</sup> (10 am to 2 pm, location to be announced,) and will again support the **Scholarship Fund**. The cost will be \$15 dollars per player, which may be tax deductible.

Last year, **Team Edwards and Kelcey** were crowned champions. This year the competition should again be keen when they defend their title.

No gender, age, or height restrictions are required and family and friends are encouraged to attend also. Gatorade will be provided for refreshment.

To sign up, send, e-mail or fax your team line-up to:

Todd Fagen  
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1300 Greenbrook Blvd.  
Hanover Park, IL 60103-5482  
E-mail to [taf@metrotransportation.com](mailto:taf@metrotransportation.com)  
Fax to (630) 213-3227

Please make check or money order to **ITE Illinois Section**.

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### ITE 4-on-4 Basketball Tournament Sign-Up Form

**Team:** \_\_\_\_\_

Team Member

_____	@ \$15 = _____
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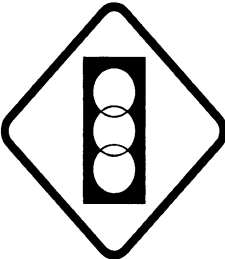
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



**ITE ILLINOIS SECTION CALENDAR**

June 9 - 11	District IV Annual Meeting - Branson, Missouri
June 17	ITE - Illinois Section Joint <b>June</b> Luncheon With The American Public Works Association (APWA) - Chicago City Branch
July 9	Deadline for advertisements and articles for <b>July/August</b> issue of <i>ITEMS</i>
July 23	Illinois Section ITE Baseball Outing at Schaumburg Stadium
August 28	Second Annual ITE 4 on 4 Basketball Tournament
September 16	ITE - Illinois Section <b>September</b> Luncheon at Maggiano's

Events are always welcome for this calendar, please contact the *ITEMS* Editors.



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