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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to **Jim Morton** as the recipient of the 1999 Past President's Award. This award is considered the most prestigious award presented by the Illinois Section and is given to an individual who has contributed outstanding service over the years to the Illinois Section or the transportation profession. Jim continues to be involved in various areas. He was involved in bringing the International Meeting to Chicago next year and is currently serving as Vice Chair of the 2001 Local Arrangements Committee. Congratulations Jim and we look forward to a terrific program next year.

The 2000 Annual Banquet was, once again, a tremendous success. The food was good, the jokes were great and once again, **Chester** was able to retain his title as the Section's best jokester.

The Annual Banquet is primarily an occasion to thank the outgoing board and to swear in the new board. However, in recent years we've used this occasion to raise money for our scholarship program. This year, **John Mick** again served not only as MC but also as Auctioneer. We were able to raise approximately \$1,950.00. Thanks to all those who donated items for the auction and to those who participated so generously. The money raised at the auction will not only help us achieve our scholarship goals but will also help us avoid having to raise our Section dues.

Congratulation to **Mark Debowski**, this year's \$2,000.00 Scholarship winner. Mark is a senior, double degree student at Wheaton College and IIT in Liberal Arts/Engineering, respectively with a 3.99/4.00 GPA. Although his winning paper "Opedipus and Sir Gawain: Models of Humanity" was not a transportation topic, it was excellent nonetheless.

This entire program would not be as successful as it is, were it not for the tremendous effort by our Section committee members. My heartfelt thanks go to **Jeff Young, Mary Leising, Kim Kolody** and **John Sauter**.

Your President

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## IT'S ENGINEERS WEEK! JOIN US AT THE PALMER HOUSE

- Date:** Friday, February 25, 2000
- Time:** Reception at 11:00 A.M.  
Luncheon at 12:00 Noon
- Emcee:** Warner Saunders  
TV 5 Chicago
- Speaker:** Governor George W. Ryan
- Location:** The Palmer House  
17 E. Monroe Street  
Chicago, Illinois
- Reservations:** For more information,  
Contact David Powell at  
WYSE - 1-800-843-5410  
Reservations must be received  
Before February 18, 2000.
- Cost:**
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|-----------------|-------|
| Luncheon        | \$30  |
| Table for 10    | \$300 |
| Student with ID | \$20  |
- Next Month:** Illinois Section Luncheon  
at Maggiano's in downtown  
Chicago on March 23, 2000



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**ILLINOIS SECTION ITE  
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AUCTION DONATIONS RECEIVED**

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The following people/companies (listed at random) have donated either their valued, treasured items or monetary bids for an assortment of auction goodies. On behalf of the Scholarship Committee, thank you for your generous contributions. I believe we have exceeded last year's total. If there is anyone I may have missed, please let me know, and we'll add your name in the next issue of **ITEMS**.

- **Monte Chen** - Cook County Highway Dept
- **Dennis Dal Santo** – PACE
- **Matt Gauntt**
- **Steve Corcoran**
- **Joe Fazio**
- **Dorin Fera**
- **Fred Shattner** – Village of Skokie
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- **Rolf Kilian**
- **YoungJae Ju**
- **Hope Irwin**
- **Mark Debowski**

Just in case you wanted to know, according to my calculations, taking into account any prep, destination, and transportation fees, we will be depositing \$1950.00 into the scholarship account, give or take a few. This means the account can keep growing, and we can choose another excellent candidate next year. We should all be proud.

Sincerely,

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## 2000 ITE ANNUAL BANQUET WRAP UP

The ITE Annual Banquet reached new heights this year setting an all-time attendance mark of 96! We also raised the bar by collecting over \$1,950.00 for the scholarship fund through the auctions. Many thanks go to **Dorin Fera** for coordinating the auction.

For those of you who may not be aware of what type of items are auctioned off, we had several street signs, some signs custom made for ITE, blank signs that you could select what you want them to say, and operating traffic signals.

We also had a silent auction this year that went well. Wine & cheese and Victoria Secrets gift baskets, ITE publications, restaurant gift certificates, and more signs were part of the items auctioned.

The door prizes given away by the section this year were two \$50 gift certificates to Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants, a \$30 gift certificate to Second City, and two tickets to any Steppenwolf Theatre production (an \$84 value). To the lucky winners, enjoy!

Of course the evening would not have been complete without the wonderful services of **John Mick** as our emcee, who always manages to be more entertaining than the previous year.

A thank you to **Javier Millan**, **Mary Leising**, and **John Sauter** for your help behind the banquet scenes.

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## ACTIVITIES FOR 2000

From this past ITE election, my supporting staff has dwindled quite a bit. Congratulations on their new roles as Section Directors: **Todd Fagen**, **Javier Millan**, and **David Boyce**.

The committee members for this year are:

House and Special Events - **Steve Loveland**, **Joel Christell**, and **Joe Emry**

Programs - **Mike Magnuson** and **Kim Kolody**


Awards - **John Sauter**

We are looking forward to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual ITE Basketball Tournament and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual ITE Golf Outing where the proceeds go towards the Scholarship fund.

Lastly I would like to invite anyone who is looking to get involved with the Activities Group, whether you would like a small role or a large one, to give me a call. We are always looking for additional people to take part in the Illinois Section.

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## ITE STUDENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

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The student internship program of the Illinois Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) returns for the summer of 2000. The program provides information to college undergraduate and graduate students in transportation planning and engineering disciplines about internship opportunities at participating firms and organizations. By offering a part- or full-time position through the program, employers are exposed to a pool of enthusiastic students not only from Illinois, but also from around the Midwest.

An internship will benefit both the student and the employer. For the student, it provides on-the-job training, an opportunity to translate theoretical learning into practical experience, and an additional source of income. However, you as the employer will experience significant benefits as well. First, the program provides a convenient way to publicize your internship among a large student population. Second, as a recruiting tool, an internship puts your name before a large pool of potential permanent employees. The intern will publicize your firm or agency as a desirable place to work. Last but not least, an intern can help stretch project budgets and assist in numerous project activities.

If you are considering hiring an intern this summer for part- or full-time work, we invite you to participate in our program. Please fill out the attached sheet, even if you do not have a budgeted position available, and return it to us at the address shown. **Employment position descriptions are due by March 3, 2000.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes**, a summer position(s) is available:  
\_\_\_\_\_ Part-Time      \_\_\_\_\_ Full-Time  
Salary      or      Wages      Data: \_\_\_\_\_

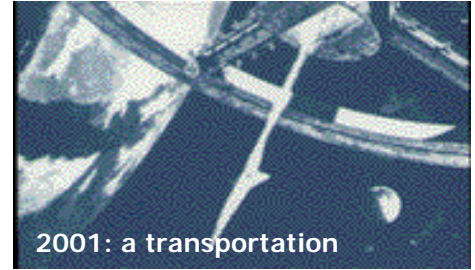
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Please mail or fax to: **Craig Moore**  
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*Odyssey – 1. A series of adventurous journeys usually marked by many changes of fortune, 2. An extensive intellectual or spiritual wandering or quest. (Webster's Third New International Dictionary, copyright 1971 by G. & C. Merriam Co., Springfield Massachusetts.)*

**As most of you already know, the Illinois Section has been chosen to host the 2001 Annual Meeting in Chicago. The theme of this annual meeting will be:**



As a lead-in to this exciting event, the Illinois Section hereby announces a logo contest for the ITE International Annual Meeting to be held at the Chicago Hyatt Regency on August 19-22, 2001. The logo should be thought of as a concept design to be adapted for various purposes and use on a wide variety of promotional materials. The principal use prior to the Annual Meeting will be as a 4-inch by 6-inch reflective sticker applied to signage using 3M® type materials. It also will appear on brochures, letterheads and programs, and may even include display on coffee mugs, apparel such as neckties or scarves, magazine covers, business cards, posters, and a variety of other printed material or media.

## LOGO CONTENT

Aside from a graphic element for the conference, the logo design should contain:

The logo for the Institute of Transportation Engineers .  
2001: A Transportation Odyssey (the conference theme).  
August 19-22, 2001 (the conference dates).  
Chicago (the conference city).



Color can be an important element in this concept design, but it should also be capable of being rendered in black-and-white for non-color media. A copy of the logo that was used to obtain the Annual Meeting for Chicago is attached as an example. Can you do better than this?

## SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Graphic artists and/or their companies are invited to submit designs for this important event to the ITE Illinois Section – Local Arrangements committee. The deadline for submittal is 11:59 P.M., Friday, February 25, 2000. Designs may be delivered to either:

Nancy Seeger  
Nancy Seeger Associates, Ltd.  
804 Forest Avenue  
Suite 3  
Evanston, Illinois 60202  
847/869-4449

Mark Rinnan  
c/o Edwards and Kelcey  
One North Franklin  
Suite 1800  
Chicago, Illinois 60606  
312/424-5419

Designs may also be submitted by e-mail to [mrinnan@ekmail.com](mailto:mrinnan@ekmail.com). Electronic copies should be submitted as a .gif formatted file. Fax submittals will not be accepted, as color graphics would not be properly rendered.

All submittals are to include the name of the designer (lead designer, if a collaborative effort), business name, address, phone number, e-mail address (if available). Receipt of all submittals will be acknowledged by 5:00 P.M. of the next business day. There is no limit to the number of logo designs that can be submitted per designer/design team.



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| February 20-26 | National Engineers Week  |
| February 25    | ITE - Illinois Section <b>February</b> Luncheon in conjunction with National Engineers Week                                      |
| March 9        | Deadline for advertisements and articles for <b>March</b> issue of <i>ITEMS</i>  |
| March 16-17    | Midwest Traffic Engineering and Parking Seminar<br>Brandywine Holiday Inn<br>Peoria, Illinois<br>Sponsored by Bradley University |
| March 23       | ITE – Illinois Section <b>March</b> Luncheon – Maggiano’s  |


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

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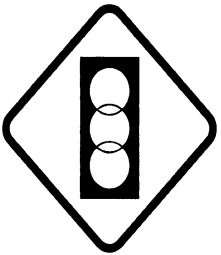
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