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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to express my sincere appreciation to you for giving me the opportunity to serve you this year as your president. We have a very exciting year in the makings with the Section hosting the ITE International 2001 Annual Meeting. I also want to thank **Rolf Kilian** for his leadership as last year's president and to last year's Board of Directors for their tireless and dedicated efforts to provide unparalleled services to each member in the Section.

There are many other reasons why this year will be exciting for the Section's members. We are lucky to be in strong financial shape. We are starting with a very workable general fund balance and the largest scholarship balance in the Section's history. We are also very fortunate to have many hard working members serving on Section Committees. They prepare ITEMS each month, keep the WEB site current, organize and schedule the Section's luncheon programs and activities. The list goes on and on; please see the back sheet of ITEMS. The cash on hand and the dedicated members will provide us an opportunity to expand member services.

Some ideas we have in mind to expand services this year are:

- Hosting the ITE International 2001 Meeting in August. **John LaPlante** and **James Morton**, Co-Chairman, are organizing what will be the largest and best Annual Meeting. The technical program is set and the committee is working on the technical tours and the social programs
- Outreaching to all the Section's members with outstanding technical programs statewide. Our luncheons will move around Illinois to Bradley University in March, Champaign-Urbana in October, and a Chicago Suburban location in November
- Expanding the Section's scholarship and student paper awards to provide greater incentives to attract new student members to the Section

- Becoming more active and proactive about transportation issues in the State. Since the transportation professional is a fabricator of some of the foundations of modern society and the protector of the quality of the environment, we should provide a vision to public policy makers about the State's transportation system.
- Growing the Section's "Agency Membership." The staffs at FHWA, FTA and others are now members through ITE's agency program. The Section should provide this same opportunity to Illinois agency personnel in organizations such as IDOT, CDOT, County Highway, Municipalities and others
- Participating with other professional societies to promote transportation. Joint programs with ASCE, WTS, APWA, IAHE to name a few will give all of us an opportunity to share experiences and concerns

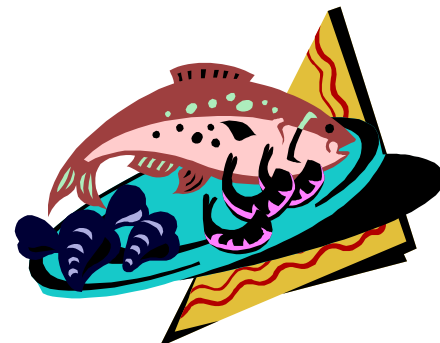
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ITE - Illinois Section Annual Banquet

*Please Join Us at
The Wellington of Arlington Heights*

Date: Friday, January 19, 2001

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of ITEMS for more details.**



**Next Meeting: February (National Engineers Week)
Friday, February 23, 2001**



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- Creating a Strategic Plan and Vision for the Section. The Section has had an excellent history since its beginning in 1947, but its planning is from year to year. We need to take a look into the future to improve the Section.

As a reminder, don't forget to join all of your fellow transportation professionals and guests at the Section's Annual Meeting and Banquet. It will be held on Friday, January 19, 2001, 6:00 PM at the Wellington of Arlington in Arlington Heights. Please call **Jeff Young**, **Joel Christell** or **Joe Emry** with questions and your reservation.

And finally, I welcome your input on how the Section can do a better job for you. The Section is for you, and if you let us know what you want, we can strive to achieve it. Please contact me with your ideas.

Have a healthful, safe and prosperous New Year.

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3RD ANNUAL ITE 4-ON-4 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT WRAP-UP

The 3rd Annual ITE 4-on-4 Basketball Tournament was held on Saturday, November 4, 2000 at the Elmhurst YMCA.

We have again crowned a new champion, **NET**, as they went undefeated dominating the two previous champs, **PTG (Parsons Transportation Group)** and **Edwards and Kelcey**, and the perennial doormat, **Civiltech**. Maybe next year the sun will shine on the Civiltech gang. A special thanks to all those who participated, and the family and friends that gathered to root on their heroes.

Good luck with the off-season trades and we'll see you next year on the court!

ITE ILLINOIS SECTION 2001 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

At the December 2000 Illinois Section Luncheon, the new Board of Directors for 2001 was announced. The Board of Directors for 2001 are:

- **Dominick Gatto** President
- **Dawn Marincic** Vice President
- **Karen George** Secretary
- **Jeff Young** Treasurer

In addition to these four positions, the Illinois Section of ITE also elects five directors to serve as chairpersons for its standing committees (groups). As many of you know, **Todd Fagan** and **Javier Millan** were elected to directorship positions at the end of 1999 and are currently beginning the second year of their two year terms. For 2001, three directorship positions were vacated. **Jeff Young** and **Jim Powell's** duties as directors were concluded at the end of 2000 and **Professor David Boyce** stepped down as Affiliate Director because he will be on Sabbatical in 2001. Jim Powell had opted to run for a directorship position and was re-elected. The Section welcomes two new directors who will serve two year terms. The new directors are:

- **Reid Fellows** Director
- **P K Gandhi** Affiliate Director

The Board of Directors for 2001 will be installed at our Illinois Section Annual Banquet on Friday, January 19, 2000 at The Wellington in Arlington Heights.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing president, **Rolf Kilian** and outgoing director, **Professor David Boyce** for their service and leadership on last year's Board of Directors. We would also like to extend our congratulations to our Board of Directors for 2001 and wish them the best of luck!

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ITE DISTRICT 4 – CALL FOR SPEAKERS

The Wisconsin Section will be hosting the 2001 Annual District meeting in the Wisconsin Dells family resort area on Thursday/Friday, **June 20-22**. The Meeting conference theme is **Planes, Trains, Trucks and Ducks**. We are looking for speakers in the following topic areas:

- Neighborhood Traffic Solutions/Experiences
- Roundabouts and New Urbanism Experiences
- Signals and Parking Systems
- Public/Political Involvement
- Access Management
- Pedestrians, Bicycles, Transit and Rail
- Travel Demand and System Operations Models
- Unique Arterial Design Projects
- ITS Traveler Information and Vehicle Location Systems
- Special Event Facility Traffic/Parking Management

Anyone interested or if you have questions should contact **Ken Voigt** at Kvoigt@hntb.com or (414) 359-2300.

Speakers do not have to prepare papers for this conference but should submit a brief abstract of their topic. Please respond with your interest by **January 31, 2001**.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

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

David W. Angelakis Metro Transportation Group
Jason R. Martin Strand Associates, Inc.


Congratulations to our new members 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 **Dawn Marincic** at (847) 467-1415.



CHICAGOLAND ENGINEERS WEEK 2001

Chicagoland Engineers Week 2001 is rapidly approaching! This year, it will be held February 18th through 24th, coinciding with National Engineers Week. To keep informed about the activities planned for the Chicagoland area, please visit the Chicagoland Engineers Week website at:

<http://www.ujima.org/new>



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ITE Illinois Section Annual Banquet

** FEATURING **

- Masters of Ceremonies: John LaPlante and Tom Kaeser
- Auction to Benefit the Annual Scholarship Fund
- Joke Competition
- Great Food

** New Additions For This Year **

- Hors d'oeuvres during the cocktail hour
- Our own room, the *Arlington Room*, private from the main restaurant



Please join us for the 2001 ITE Annual Banquet

This year's banquet will be held at the Wellington, in Arlington Heights, IL. We will be in the *Arlington Room*, which is completely private from the remainder of the restaurant. The *Arlington Room* has a separate entrance to the left of the main restaurant entrance. Details are as follows:

Friday, January 19, 2001

6:00 PM - Cash Bar

With Hors d'oeuvres

7:00 PM - Dinner

Combination Boneless Breast of Chicken and Prime Rib*

With soup, salad, vegetable, potato,
and Crème De Menthe Parfait for dessert

* Vegetarian meal available upon request at time of reservation

WELLINGTON OF ARLINGTON
2121 South Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, Illinois
(847) 439-6610

Cost: \$30 per person
in advance or at the door

To make reservations, call **Joel Christell** or **Joe Emry** at (630) 773-3900. You can either mail your check or bring it to the door, but we must have all reservations in by **Monday, January 15, 2001**.

Directions: The Wellington is conveniently located just north of I-90 on the east side of Arlington Heights Road. Take I-90 to the Arlington Heights Road exit, and go north. Proceed though the Algonquin Road intersection and the restaurant will be on your right. Please refer to the map.



RESERVATION FORM FOR THE ANNUAL BANQUET

Yes, I, _____ will attend the 2001 ITE Illinois Section Annual Banquet. (\$30.00 per person)

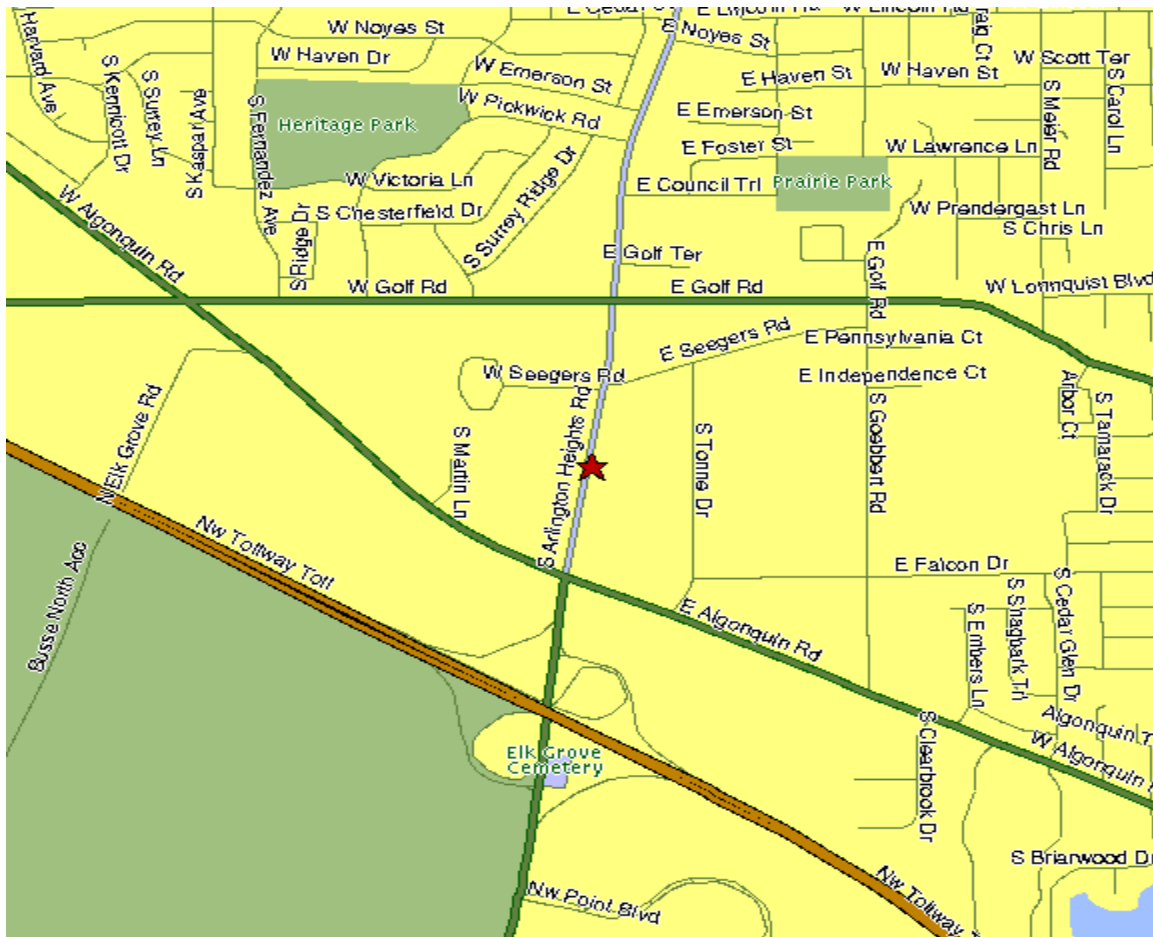
I will be bringing _____ guest(s), _____.

My check is enclosed for the total amount of \$ _____. (\$30 per person)

Please make checks payable to: *ITE Illinois Section*

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ITE ILLINOIS SECTION CALENDAR

January 19	ITE - Illinois Section Annual Meeting – The Wellington, Arlington Heights
January 25	Deadline for advertisements and articles for the February issue of <i>ITEMS</i>
February 18-24	Illinois Engineers Week
February 23	ITE – Illinois Section February Luncheon in conjunction with National Engineers Week
March 29 – 30	Midwest Traffic Engineering and Parking Seminar Peoria, Illinois Sponsored by Bradley University (ITE – Illinois Section March Luncheon to be held in conjunction with the Seminar. Date TBA)

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

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