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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



with city residents heading for higher ground. I would also hope to see Amtrak, Greyhound buses and even airliners giving "free" rides as part of the evacuation process. Only a close examination of the mass departure after this terrible storm will determine how we can do better next time to serve all of our citizens. Traffic engineers and planners must play a critical role in not only supporting transit and ITS funding, but to play an active role in advising our community leaders how to prepare for inevitable events such as these. It is imperative that we heed this event as a test for how our communities are prepared not only for natural, but future man-made disasters.

Sincerely yours, Todd Fagen President

As I write this letter this morning, New Orleans and the US gulf coast are under siege by hurricane Katrina. We are all hoping and praying that the area escapes with minimal loss of life and property and although the outcome is uncertain, the great City of New Orleans and its surrounding communities and rural areas will be the first major test for our emergency evacuation preparedness after 9/11. It appears that many were able to flee the City by automobile, but many others with no means of transportation were forced to stay and risk their lives. As terms such as "contra-flow" were highlighted on news broadcasts, I noted most roads were full and using only half their built-capacity. The photographs I saw did not show buses on these roadways and I am concerned that our focus on roadway construction and the automobile has left the poor in our communities once again vulnerable to shelters of "last resort". With a solid regional transit system, I would envision local and regional buses loaded



SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON

STUDENTS, WELCOME BACK!

Join us at U of I Chicago Circle,
Chicago Circle Center Building,
Chicago, IL

Date: September 28, 2005

Time: Reception - 11:30 A.M.
Luncheon - 12:00 P.M.

Cost: \$30 members
\$12 Students

Speaker: Dr. Piyushimita Thakuriah and Dr. Kouros Mohamadian, UICC

Topic: An introduction to the Urban Transportation Center and a discussion on travel data simulation



MEET THE NEW INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

EARL E. NEWMAN, P.E., PTOE (F)

The ITE Illinois Section would like to congratulate Earl Newman, from the MOVITE Section, on his election to the post of ITE International Vice President. Earl has worked extremely hard for District 4 over many years and we wish him much success at his new position.

The following are quotes from Earl Newman after the election.

"With great respect for the members of the Institute of Transportation Engineers, I willingly accept election to the office of International ITE Vice-President for 2006. I am excited about this opportunity to serve our membership and look forward to working with Tim Harpst and Rich Romer on the Executive Committee, the International Board of Direction, Tom Brahms and the ITE Staff.

I would like to thank Alf Guebert for a great campaign. Alf and I experienced much together. We covered over 25,000 miles, presented 12

campaign speeches to over 2,200 persons, earned over 100 PDH's, spent over 50 days on the campaign trail, and attended numerous Board Meetings.

We witnessed the strength of our District and Section organizations and received many ideas from members on how to improve ITE. I am committed to supporting our members at all levels by "Bringing ITE to You".

"I am committed to bringing ITE to the Sections of District 4. Without the strong support of District 4 voters, I would not have won the election. I plan to attend the D-4 planning meeting in Minneapolis in November. Also, I want to try to attend a section meeting in each section of District 4 each year while I am an officer. I'll be getting in touch with each Section to determine a good time to visit. I also plan to attend the District 4 meetings as well as next year attending the ITE Annual Meeting in Milwaukee. I welcome your ideas, comments and questions at any time."



International Vice President
Elect Earl E. Newman's Specialty
Council Memberships include:

Expert Witness Council;
Intelligent Transportation
Systems Council; Public Agency
Council, and Traffic Engineering
Council

Awards and Recognition include:

Distinguished Member - MOVITE
(2003)

Transportation Engineer of the
Year Award- MOVITE (1995)

Best Section and District
Technical Activities Committee
Report (1982)

President's Award for Best
Technical Paper - MOVITE
(1981)

ILLINOIS STUDENT BEST PAPER—\$1,000 AWARD

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Illinois Section is seeking papers from students who were members of ITE during the period between April 2005 and December 2005 and enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program in Illinois. The award consists of \$1,000 and a plaque presented at the ITE—Illinois Section Annual Dinner Banquet in January, 2006.

In order to be eligible for the award the student must have completed the work that provides the basis for the paper while a student member of ITE and must be the only author. No co-authors are permitted.

The manuscript must address a transportation-engineering subject and be submitted in English. The maximum length of the manuscript is 15 double-spaced, typed pages. The page limit also includes title page, table of contents and

any attachments; the pages must be equal to or less than 15. The title page must have the title of the paper plus the author's name, ITE District Number (District 4), and mailing address where you can be contacted between December 2005 and January 2006. Evaluation criteria consists of Originality - 20%, Significance - 20%, Scope and Format - 20%, Validity - 20%, and Applicability - 20%.

The deadline for submittal is midnight, Saturday, December 3, 2005. Manuscripts should be submitted to:

Tim Sjogren, Illinois ITE Scholarship Chair
c/o Metro Transportation Group, Inc.
3100 West Higgins Road, Suite 100
Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60195
(630) 213-1000

Or e-mail your submittal to:
tps@metrotransportation.com



APPLY FOR THE ILLINOIS SECTION STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

Application are now being taken for the ITE Illinois Section Scholarship Award . The Scholarship is an award of \$2,000, which is to be used to offset education costs. Applications must be received by midnight Central Standard Time, Saturday, December 3, 2005. To The award is presented annually to encourage students to consider Transportation Engineering or Transportation Planning in their studies and career aspiration, and to provide partial financial support to students who have demonstrated an interest and are likely to work in the transportation field. be eligible for the Scholarship, you must be a full-time undergraduate sophomore, junior, or senior in an Illinois College or University, with course work and career goal emphasis on Transportation Engineering or Transportation Planning. Candidates will be evaluated on the basis of academic performance, education plans, career goals, activities, and record of leadership. Final evaluation will be made on the basis of a complete application, a statement of career objectives and past accomplishments, and two letters of recom-

mendation (at least one from a Transportation or Planning faculty member). The Scholarship is for one academic year and is not renewable. The winner of the Scholarship Award will be introduced at the January 2006 meeting of the Illinois Section to be held in the Chicagoland region. The recipient must make arrangements to attend this meeting. The scholarship check will be issued at that time upon verification of enrollment in a full-time program conforming to stated educational objectives. To apply for this scholarship contact:

Tim Sjogren, Illinois ITE Scholarship Chair

c/o Metro Transportation Group, Inc.

3100 West Higgins Road, Suite 100

Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60195

(630) 213-1000

tps@metrotransportation.com

Additional information is also available on the web at <http://www.ilite.org/studentaffairs/scholarshipinfo.htm>

SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

Starting this November, the Illinois Section will begin soliciting donations for the scholarship and student paper to be awarded in January 2007. If you or your organization is interested in making a tax deductible donation, contact:
Tim Sjogren via e-mail at tps@metrotransportation.com or telephone 630.213.1000.

FUTURE CITIES COMPETITION - CHICAGO REGION

STUDENT TEAMS AND VOLUNTEER MENTORS NEEDED

The Chicago Area Regional Competition has begun and we are looking for volunteers to help mentor, judge and sponsor the event. We are also looking for teams to participate in the upcoming competition. Teams consist of 7th and 8th grade students from Chicagoland area schools. The competition is occurring in thirty-seven cities across the nation and provides the students with an exciting hands-on way to learn engineering, math and science with a personal, real world connection. Chicago has been the only city to compete every year since the program began.

The competition is scheduled for Saturday, January 28, 2006 at the University of Illinois - Chicago.

For more information or to receive information about signing up for the 2006 competition, contact Don Wittmer at 312-930-9119 or dwittmer@hntb.com.

Also visit: <http://www.futurecitychicago.org/>

To register: <http://www.futurecity.org/>





PAPER MAIL DISCONTINUED

ITEMS IN LIVING COLOR

Some of you are receiving ITEMS via electronic delivery for the first time. That's because delivery of ITEMS via U S Postal Service is being discontinued. The advantages of electronic deliveries include:

- ! Timely receipt of information
- ! Full color editions
- ! Reduced distribution costs

The Board and Records and Mailing committee have been busy updating the distribution list. **HOWEVER WE NEED YOUR HELP KEEPING THIS LIST UPDATED.** Please inform the Section and

National office of any changes to your e-mail address. A change of Personal Information Form is posted on the section website at <http://www.ilite.org/public/membership/ChgInfo.pdf>

Use of the electronic mailing list is restricted to disseminating section announcements and ITEMS and will not be made available to third party vendors. Paper copies will be distributed to those members who do not have an e-mail address or who request an exception to electronic delivery.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



PROFESSIONAL TRAFFIC OPERATIONS ENGINEER CERTIFICATION

Certification as a Professional Traffic Operations Engineer (PTOE) is a powerful demonstration of requisite knowledge, skill and ability in the specialized application of traffic operations engineering. The certification process which has been adopted for Professional Traffic Operations Engineers requires that the holder be a licensed professional engineer if he or she practices in the United States, Canada or any other country that provides governmental licensing of engineers. This certification process builds on and supports the practice of professional engineering registration. It is a long-term investment in one's professional career, which can be presented with pride!

To sit for the exam, you will need to complete and submit the application form, which can be found on the PTOE website at http://www.ite.org/certification/certification_application.pdf. The application deadline is September 22nd.

Northwestern University is the primary resource for PTOE exam preparation in Illinois. Leading up to the exam date, the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety is offering a PTOE refresher course on September 23rd. To sign up for the course, go to <http://>

server.traffic.northwestern.edu/course/course_more.asp?id=669 or call 847-491-5476. Course details include:

Location: Northwestern University, 600 Foster, Evanston, IL 60204

Date: Sept. 23rd, 2005

Cost: \$175

Credits: 7 PDH

Northwestern has also published a Professional Traffic Operations Engineer study guide, which is now available for purchase for \$25 on the ITE Online Bookstore (<http://www.ite.org/cgi-bin/searcht.cgi?wh=S&kw=refresher&sw=1&de=0&it=>).

ITE supports an online practice course, which can be accessed at https://www.castleworldwide.com/tds_v5/asp/purchase_package.asp?package_id=106. This course consists of 50 questions similar to those on the exam. The practice course fee is \$40.

For more information about the PTOE, including a searchable database and frequently asked questions, please visit the Institute of Transportation Engineers PTOE website at <http://www.ite.org/certification/index.asp>.

On October 22nd of this year, the PTOE Exam will be given at seven locations across the country, including several located in the Midwest:

- Columbus, OH
- Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN
- Milwaukee, WI
- St. Louis, MO



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ITE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MODULES

TARGETED TRAINING FOR SMALL OR LARGE GROUPS

As a result of the ITE Technical Conference in Las Vegas, there are several resources available to you. These resources are:

- Three new professional development CDs:
 1. Managing High Technology Projects,
 2. Introduction to Systems Engineering,
 3. Road Weather Management.
- The Action Kit for Transportation Systems Management and Operation

The kit was distributed at the conference is now available on the ITE web site. Look

under "Technical Information", then "Management and Operation" and you'll see the image of the cover on the right side of the page. Hard copies will be available through the ITE bookstore shortly.

- Four white papers developed for the conference and FHWA Administrator Mary Peter's remarks.

These documents are also available on the ITE web site. You can link to them from the ITE home page - just underneath the icon for the 2005 Annual Meeting.

For your easy reference, the ITE web site is: www.ite.org



ITS STANDARDS TRAINING

SEPTEMBER 13-15, 2005

As a The Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) and Siemens ITS are pleased to offer the ITS Standards Outreach, Education and Training courses at the Hampton Inn & Suites, 33 W. Illinois Street, Chicago, IL, 60610, phone (312) 832-0330 <http://www.hamptonsuiteschicago.com/>

This program has received the 2003 ITS America "Best of ITS Award". Participants will receive a Certificate for Completion and earn PDH/CEU credits by attending a course for the entire day, completing the course evaluation form, and returning the form to the instructors.

The course runs from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. each day. Tuesday, September 13 will include an ITS Standards Overview. Wednesday, September 14 will present Actuated Traffic Signals/Advanced Transportation Controllers, ASC/ATC (aka ITS Standards for Traffic Signal Controllers). Thursday, September 15 will cover Integrating ITS and Center-To-Center Standards by Siemens ITS.

Break service provided each day. Lunch provided Thursday, Sept. 15th.

REGISTRATION: There are two registrations required— 1) Please register using the enclosed form so that meeting room and catering accommodations can be made. ALSO 2) If you are attending Sept. 13-14, you MUST register at the ITE Website <http://www.ite.org/otr/index.asp>. Contact Ralph W. Boaz with any questions. Email rboaz@pillarinc.com, Office/ Fax 714-779-2164.

COST: Free. Pre-registration required. Break service provided each day. Lunch provided Thursday only.

GUEST ROOMS: Contact the hotel directly. Mention the Institute of Transportation Engineers for a discounted rate.

SITE REFERENCES:
<http://www.ite.org/standards/CourseSchedule.asp>
<http://www.ite.org/standards/index.asp>
<http://www.itssiemens.com/>





THROW YOUR HAT IN THE RING

The ITE Illinois Section is seeking candidates for election to Group Director positions for service during 2006 and 2007. Also sought are volunteers for Committee Chair positions that would become vacant as a result of the elec-

tions or discontinued service. You earn PDHs by serving. If you are interested contact Dennis Del Santo by phone at (312) 793-2267 or via e-mail at: dalsantodg@dot.il.gov

**IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT**

TRAFFIC SIGNAL DESIGN COURSE RECAP

By Greg Gedemer and Matt Letourneau

On June 2nd and 3rd, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign hosted a Traffic Signal Design & Operation course administered by the National Highway Institute (NHI) and co-sponsored by the Illinois Section of ITE and ITS Midwest.

The course was dividing into four major parts: signal planning, operational design, physical design, and operations. The signal planning portion of the course detailed the data that is required to do signal planning and MUTCD signal warrants. One of the main points that was stressed is that MUTCD warrants do not justify a signal, but are a threshold for further consideration and supplement an engineering analysis. The instructors also noted that other treat-

ments to the intersection should be considered before recommending the installation of a traffic signal. The operational design portion got into phasing, timing, detection, and controllers. These topics covered the ring diagram, doing signal timing by hand, types of detection, and actuated controller settings. The physical design portion gave information on how to place signal heads and detection devices along with the types of detection devices. Finally, the operations portion gave the steps for turning on a signal and observing the signal after it was in operation.

If you have ideas for future technical course topics, please contact Kim Kolody, Seminars Committee Chair, at Kim.Kolody@CH2M.com or 773.693.3800.

One of the main points of the Traffic Signal Design Course is that MUTCD warrants do not justify a signal, but are a threshold for further consideration and supplement an engineering analysis.

PUBLIC COMMENT REQUESTED

CATS FY 2006 CMAQ PROGRAM

The Chicago Area Transportation Study (CATS) has released the proposed FY 2006 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) program and the draft Transportation Conformity Analysis for the PM_{2.5} and 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards for public review. Written comments will be accepted until 4 p.m. Saturday, September 10, 2005.

The proposed FY 2006 CMAQ program consists of \$105 million in transit, bicycle/pedestrian, traffic flow improvement and innovative projects that help to reduce vehicle emissions and traffic congestion. A summary of the proposed CMAQ Program can be found at <http://www.catsmpo.com/prog-cmaq.htm> or by calling

the CATS Communications Division at 312/793-3460.

The northeastern Illinois region was designated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as being in non-attainment of the annual fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) air quality standard. CATS has produced a draft analysis showing that our transportation plan and program pass emissions tests required at this time. The analysis is available at <http://www.catsmpo.com/prog-conformity.htm> or by calling the CATS Communications Division at 312/793-3460.

Instructions for submitting comments are at <http://www.catsmpo.com/announcements.htm#comments>



SECTION BY-LAW CHANGE

The Section Board has approved by-law changes. Some changes conform to District and Nation by-laws that allow electronic means for voting and communication. Others

conform to District board membership changes and the Section voting process. Look for these by-laws to be posted on the Section web-site soon.

CATS SHARED PATH 2030 RTP

DOES ANYONE YOU KNOW NEED TO KNOW?

If there are people in your agency, community, or organization who should be receiving notices about the Process and Update to the 2030 Shared Path Regional Transportation Plan, kindly let them know about this service. Instructions for signing up automatically are at

<http://www.sp2030.com/process/index.html#Listinst> Alternatively, contact, Tom Murtha, Chief Transportation Planner, Chicago Area Transportation Study, Voice: 312-793-3466, Fax: 312-793-3481, Email: tmurtha@catsmpo.com, Post: 300 W Adams St 2nd Floor, Chicago IL 60606 and he will inquire whether they wish to receive these notices.

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Regional Transportation Authority has recently released its Regional Transportation Asset Management System (RTAMS) Web site to the public. The site is located at <http://www.rtams.org>. The site was developed by the RTA with the assistance of other regional agen-

cies. The site contains, among other data, such information as asset inventories, transit ridership statistics, tollway volumes, an interactive map, capital programs, and information regarding planning studies. The site is open to the public, though user registration is required.

REVING UP TO 50

INTERSTATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM WILL BE 50 YEARS OLD ON JUNE 29, 2006

Marking the 50th anniversary of the date President Dwight David Eisenhower signed the Federal-Aid Highway Act, the legislation credited with creating the 46,717-mile ribbon of concrete and asphalt that links and moves America — the U.S. Interstate Highway System (known then as the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways).

Legend has it that the Interstate began with President Roosevelt drawing three lines East and West and three lines North and South on a map of the United States and asking the Bureau of Public Roads to build it.

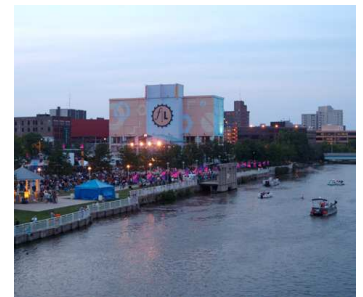
In the 1950s, there were 60 million vehicles.

Americans couldn't travel from one state capital to the next very easily. There were traffic jams. Almost 40,000 people a year were killed on the roads, which is about how many die today but we have triple the number of vehicles.

The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has created a website to help celebrate the approaching 50th anniversary of the 1956 federal law that brought America its Interstate Highway System. AASHTO will use the website as a means to share the history of the Interstate Highway System, announce plans to "Celebrate the Interstate!" both nationally and in individual states, and examine some of the policy questions the nation faces as it looks to the next 50 years in U.S. transportation. Visit the website at www.interstate50th.org.

REFER A FRIEND

The Illinois Section will send a complementary issue of ITEMS to your friend or business acquaintance who may be interested in joining ITE. E-mail the contact information to your ITEMS editor at: mrinnan@ekmail.com or fax the information to 312.251.3015. The contact will be provided membership information and acknowledgement of your referral.



Davis Park, located on the riverfront in downtown Rockford, is a popular spot for concerts and festivals. Plan to attend the Illinois Section November Luncheon in Rockford.

CALL FOR PAPERS

APWA 2006 INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS AND EXPOSITION

Speakers are wanted for the American Public Works Association 2006 Congress to be held September 10-13, 2006, in New Orleans, Louisiana. The APWA Congress audience is interested in the broad topic areas listed below as they relate to the variety of public works functions and the provision of infrastructure services. Think about how your knowledge and experience will help other public works professionals more successfully lead their agencies, manage their operations, and serve their communities.

Leadership and life skills
Operational nuts and bolts

Best practices and innovative approaches
Practical applications for technologies and methodologies
Process and system enhancements
Emerging regulatory and legal trends
Future visions for the profession

The deadline for proposal submission is September 30, 2005. Proposals must be submitted using the on-line submission form or the Official E-mail submission form. No faxed or mailed submissions allowed.

For submittal information and additional information on the Congress visit <http://www.apwa.net/SuperPush/index.asp?ID=41>
Contact Karen Wilson at (816) 595-5210 if you have additional questions.



CALL FOR ENTRIES

35TH ANNUAL ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE AWARDS COMPETITION

The American Council of Engineering Companies of Illinois (ACEC-IL) is seeking entries for the Engineering Excellence Awards Competition. The deadline for entry is Friday, November 4, 2005. The \$350 entry fee for ACEC-IL members and a \$1,000 fee for non-members must accompany each project. Entries will be judged on the basis of the work performed by the entering firm only. Awards will be presented on Friday, February 3, 2006 at the

ACEC-IL Winter Conference, in Springfield, IL.

The address for submittals is:

ACEC-Illinois
5221 South 6th Street Road
Suite 120
Springfield, IL 62703

There are additional submission and eligibility requirements. For additional information contact Barb Dirks at (217) 529-7430. The Entry Form and Guidelines are available on line in PDF and Word format at www.acec-il.org/exawards.cfm.

SPEAKERS SOUGHT

The DuKane Chapter of the ACEC-IL is looking for presentations at their future meetings. If interested call Todd Merrihew at 312.384.6322. For more information on the Chapter visit their website at <http://www.ispe-dukane.org/>

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

BURNHAM AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PLANNING

For the past 16 years, the Metropolitan Planning Council has presented its Burnham Award for Excellence in Planning to projects that have exhibited superior quality in process and results. It is once again time to nominate for this prestigious award. Nominations are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 30,

2005. The Burnham Award Committee will evaluate the nominations and select a recipient based upon the project's response to the listed criteria. A \$5,000 cash prize will be awarded to the organization responsible for the planning effort and presented at MPC's Annual Meeting Luncheon on October 26, 2005. For more information and to download a nomination form, visit <http://www.metroplanning.org/articleDetail.asp?objectID=2863>.

METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL
2005
BURNHAM AWARD
for Excellence in Planning

CONFERENCE CALL

A list of conferences is provided for your consideration:

2005 APWA INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS CONGRESS AND EXPOSITION

Sunday to Wednesday, September 11 to 14
Minneapolis Convention Center, Minneapolis,
MN. For event information and to register on
line see [http://www.apwa.net/Meetings/
Congress/2005/](http://www.apwa.net/Meetings/Congress/2005/)

11TH ANNUAL ITS FORUM 2005— "ITS: A TO Z"

Tuesday, September 13 Alumni Memorial Hall,
Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI. To regis-
ter, use the ITS Forum website ([its-
forum.itewisconsin.org](http://itsforum.itewisconsin.org)). For event information,
please email itsforum2005@dot.state.wi.us.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT— EMERGING MARKET FOR ENGI- NEERING FIRMS

Wednesday, September 14 Hilton Lisle Hotel,
Lisle IL. [http://www.acec-il.org/CE-
6_Sust_Dev_Sept13_14.pdf](http://www.acec-il.org/CE-6_Sust_Dev_Sept13_14.pdf).

INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, TUNNEL AND TURNPIKE ASSOCIATION 73RD ANNUAL MEETING AND EX- HIBITION

Saturday to Wednesday, September 17 to 21 at
the Renaissance Cleveland and Marriott
Downtown hotels, Cleveland, OH. [http://
www.ibtta.org/website/article.asp?id=523](http://www.ibtta.org/website/article.asp?id=523)

AMERICAN PUBLIC TRANSPORTA- TION ASSOCIATION EXPO 2005

Sunday to Wednesday, September 25 to 28 at
the Dallas Convention Center, Dallas TX.
[http://www.ntpsow.com/shows/apta2005/
about.php](http://www.ntpsow.com/shows/apta2005/about.php)

LEGAL ISSUES UNDER THE ADA AND THE REHABILITATION ACT: TRANSITION PLANNING AND PE- DESTRIAN ACCOMMODATION IN

EXISTING FACILITIES

Sunday through Tuesday, October 9 to 11 at
the Radisson Hotel, Chicago, IL. [www.http://
www.catsmpo.com/bikeped/
APBP_PDS_RAADA_Flyer.pdf](http://www.http://www.catsmpo.com/bikeped/APBP_PDS_RAADA_Flyer.pdf)

DESIGNING PEDESTRIAN FACILI- TIES FOR ACCESSIBILITY

Wednesday, October 12 at the Chicago Area
Transportation Study, 300 West Adams, 2nd
Floor, Chicago, IL [http://www.catsmpo.com/
bikeped/dpfaforminfo.pdf](http://www.catsmpo.com/bikeped/dpfaforminfo.pdf)

54TH ANNUAL ILLINOIS TRAFFIC ENGINEERING AND SAFETY CON- FERENCE

Wednesday to Friday, October 19 to 21 at the
University of Illinois Urbana—Champaign, Ur-
bana, IL [http://www.conferences.uiuc.edu/
conferences/conference.asp?ID=151](http://www.conferences.uiuc.edu/conferences/conference.asp?ID=151)

TRANSPORTATION DESIGN FOR COMMUNITIES

Thursday and Friday, October 20 and 21 at the
Georgia Tech Global Learning Conference Cen-
ter, Atlanta, GA. [http://www.coa.gatech.edu/
cqgrd](http://www.coa.gatech.edu/cqgrd) or by calling (404) 385-5133.

RAILROAD ENGINEERING 2005

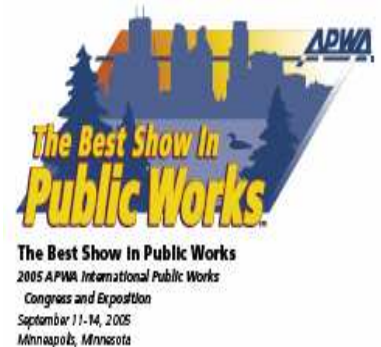
Wednesday to Friday, November 2 to 4 at the
University of Wisconsin campus, Madison, WI
<http://epd.engr.wisc.edu/webG600>

REGIONAL ELECTRONIC PAYMENT SYSTEM WORKSHOP

Monday and Tuesday, October 24 and 25 at
the Doubletree Guest Suites, Chicago, IL con-
tact ITS America, Tom Costello 202-721-4215

TRICKS, TRAPS AND PLYS USED IN CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULING IN ILLINOIS

Tuesday, November 15 at the Hyatt Regency
Chicago, 151 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL
<http://www.lorman.com> or phone 866-352-
9539



ITE MIDWEST AWARD WINNERS

On April 28, 2005 the Midwest
District (previously District 4)
announce the winners of the
District awards. They are:
Section Activities - MOVITE
Section Website - Wisconsin
Student Chapter Award -
University of Wisconsin-
Madison
Student Paper Competition -
Dazhi Sun
Visit The Midwest District on-
line at [http://
www.midwesternite.org/](http://www.midwesternite.org/)

54th Annual



Illinois Traffic Engineering & Safety Conference



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Metro Transportation Group

Metro Transportation Group, Inc. is a 30-person traffic engineering and transportation planning firm located in Hoffman Estates and Chicago, Illinois and Fort Myers, Florida.

WE ARE SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS IN OUR HOFFMAN ESTATES OFFICE.

SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER

We are looking for an individual with an interested in assuming a leadership position within the firm and taking on the challenge of developing a civil engineering practice to augment our traffic engineering, signal design, and signal systems practice.

Essential Job Functions:

- ! Develop and manage a civil engineering practice in roadway and roundabout design.
- ! Client management.
- ! Marketing.
- ! Staff supervision.
- ! Coordination with other consultants.
- ! Skills/Education/Experience:
- ! Bachelor's degree in civil engineering
- ! Professional engineer registration in Illinois
- ! Ten years experience
- ! AutoCAD, Microstation, GeoPack

TRAFFIC ENGINEER (ENTRY-LEVEL)

This position requires a 4-year degree Civil Engineering with some transportation related coursework. In addition, the ability to work in a team environment on engineering and planning tasks and strong written, verbal, computer and organizational skills are required.

These positions offer competitive wage and a comprehensive benefits packages. If you are interested in working for a growing firm, send a letter of interest and a resume to:

Rolf P. Kilian
Executive Vice President
Metro Transportation Group, Inc.
3100 W. Higgins Road
Suite 100
Hoffman Estates, IL 60195-2093
E-mail rpk@metrotransportation.com

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October joint meeting at MPC with VIP panel! Watch your E-mail for DETAILS!

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- September 12-15 - ITS Standards Training offered through the ITS Standards Outreach, Education and Training Program. To register, use the ITE website (http://www.ite.org/otr/index.asp?DEPARTMENT_ID=87). For more information, contact Ralph Boaz at rboaz@pillarinc.com or 714.779.2164.
- September 21 - American Society of Civil Engineers Luncheon. Speaker: Dr. Michael Schiffer, Chicago Transit Authority 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM Chicago Athletic Association
- September 28 — Illinois Section luncheon
- October 4 to 6—Bentley Training, Moving to MicroStation, Wyndham Northwest, Itasca, IL. <http://bentleyinstitute.bentley.com/>
- October 13 & 14—21st Annual IDOT Fall Planning Conference at the Millennium Knickerbocker Hotel in Chicago. For more information call Kelly Murray at (217) 528-5331
- November 8 to 11—Bentley Training, Managing MicroStation, Wyndham Northwest, Itasca, IL. <http://bentleyinstitute.bentley.com/>
- November 15—ITEMS Deadline
- November 17 (Tentative)— Illinois Section luncheon, Rockford IL



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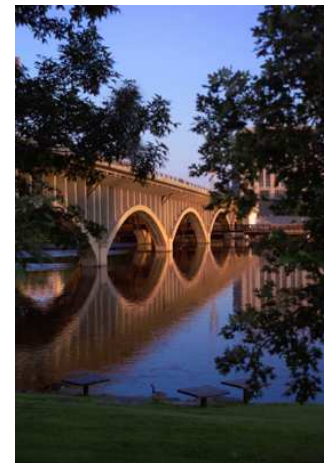
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- January 27 Annual Awards Dinner at Wellington, Arlington Heights (TENTATIVE)
- February 24 Engineer's Week Washington Banquet
- March 16 Monthly Luncheon at Downtown Chicago Maggiano's
- April 20 Monthly Luncheon at Downtown Chicago Maggiano's
- May 18 Monthly Luncheon at Downtown Chicago Maggiano's
- June 8 Joint Luncheon (with ASCE, WTS, APA, APWA, WSE or other), location to be determined
- June 14 to 16 District 4 Annual Conference, Rochester Minnesota
- August 6-9 ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibit , Milwaukee WI
- September 21 Monthly Luncheon at Downtown Chicago Maggiano's
- October 19 Monthly Luncheon at Downtown Chicago Maggiano's
- November 16 Monthly Luncheon at Suburban Location to be determined
- December 14 Year End Luncheon at Downtown Chicago Maggiano's

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