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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By John Wirtz, Jacobs Engineering Group

Hello Fellow ITE Members,

I hope you have enjoyed a great summer at work, at home, and possibly on vacation. The Illinois Section has stayed busy with several great events over the last few months, including a presentation from IDOT and CDOT about the North Lake Shore Drive project, a Traffic Signal Operations Technical Workshop in August, and an update on IDOT's roundabouts program in October. We also co-hosted two events with our friends at WTS: our annual golf outing on August 18 and an End of Summer Social at the Hofbräuhaus in Rosemont on September 29.

I love exploring new places and meeting new people, so two of the highlights of the summer for me were attending the Midwestern District Conference in Madison and the ITE International Conference in Toronto. I've been to Madison a few times in the past, but I had a blast exploring more of the City on a bike tour and by competing in (and winning) the "MiteY Race," a combination of a scavenger hunt and trivia contest where several teams raced between different stations scattered throughout the compact and walkable downtown. It was a lot of fun, and a great way to get more familiar with the host city and to make some new friends. Try it out in Minneapolis in 2018!



John Wirtz, P.E., PTOE

Smart Cities, autonomous and connected vehicles, and technology were hot topics at both conferences. One of my favorite technical presentations in Madison was called Understanding and Improving Multi-modal Travel with Big Data. Vendors such as Airsage, Teralytics, and Streetlight all offer data sets that can allow us to improve our understanding of travel patterns when working on various projects.

There were just a few of us from the Illinois Section among the 1,300 attendees in Toronto, but it was great to see many others from the Midwestern District as well as familiar faces such as former Illinois Section Board Members Chris DeRosia (now in Colorado) and Tracy Shandor (now in Georgia). In Toronto, I particularly enjoyed the Tuesday "Power Lunch" with Dr. John Leonard, who is a professor at MIT researching the problems of navigation and mapping for autonomous mobile robots. He previously led a DARPA Urban Challenge team and is now on sabbatical working with Toyota. Dr. Leonard gave us a more practical and realistic understanding of the multitude of challenges to implementing fully autonomous vehicles than I am used to hearing at conferences. Tasks such as turning left onto a busy street, negotiating right-of-way through driver-to-driver eye contact, and following the instructions of a police officer (instead of a traffic signal) on the street are relatively simple tasks for humans, but major challenges for autonomous vehicles. He believes we are still two to three decades away from having widely available autonomous vehicles.



Did I mention that the Illinois Section won the ITE International Section Communications Award? This is a major achievement for the Section, including Public Affairs Director Monica Shei, former ITEms Editor Ashley Hochstatter, and Operations Director Katelyn Bleach. If you haven't already liked our [Facebook](#) page or followed

us on [Twitter](#), it's a great way to stay in touch with the Section's current events. I particularly made an effort to tweet frequently from the conference in Toronto.

Next year, the ITE International and Midwest/Great Lakes District Annual Meeting and Exhibit will be held jointly in Minneapolis on August 20-23. Submit those requests to attend to your managers now so you don't miss out!

Keep an eye out for e-mails about our annual elections and the Annual Banquet, at which the new officers will be initiated.

Sincerely,

John Wirtz, PE, PTOE  
Illinois Section President  
Jacobs Engineering Group

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## Illinois Section News and Announcements

### Student Affairs News and Announcements

*By Student Affairs Director Ashley Hochstatter, P.E.*

#### 2017 Student Scholarship and Student Paper Competitions

The ITE Illinois Section is proud to announce that we are continuing the Scholarship and Student Paper Awards this year. The awards will be presented at the ITE Illinois Section Annual Banquet in January 2018.

- **Scholarship** - The ITE Illinois Section Scholarship Awards are presented annually to one graduate student and one undergraduate student who have demonstrated a strong interest in the transportation field through their coursework, a personal statement, faculty recommendation, and several other criteria. The awards, in the amount of \$2,000 each, are to provide partial financial support to students considering Transportation Engineering or Planning in their future career aspirations. **To apply, fill out the application found [here](#). Additional details are also available with the application.**
- **Student Paper** - Graduate students are also provided the opportunity to submit a written paper on a transportation engineering or planning topic for the chance to be awarded \$1,000 in the 2017 ITE Illinois Section Student Paper Award Competition. The papers are judged on scope and format, originality, applicability to the field, validity, and significance. The student paper award recipient for the Illinois Section is also automatically entered into the Midwest ITE Student Paper Competition. **Additional details can be found [here](#).**

The applications and general information for these awards were sent earlier in October to all participating universities, existing ILITE student members, and will be posted on the Illinois Section website ([www.ilite.org](http://www.ilite.org)). The forms can also be downloaded from the links presented above. All submittals for the scholarships and paper competition will be due **Friday, December 1, 2017** by 11:59 PM. Please contact Ashley Hochstatter at [illinoisite+studentaffairs@gmail.com](mailto:illinoisite+studentaffairs@gmail.com) for more information or if you have any questions.

### Public Affairs News and Announcements

*By Public Affairs Director Monica Shei*

#### ITE International Liaison Committee Members:

Illinois ITE is interested in expanding our coordination with ITE International Committees and to expose more members to these volunteer opportunities. If you are interested in an opportunity to serve as a liaison member or have had experience in an ITE International Committee, please contact Monica Shei at [monica.shei@jacobs.com](mailto:monica.shei@jacobs.com) for further coordination. More information can be found here: <http://www.ite.org/councils/index.asp>.

#### New Illinois ITE Website:

Have you checked out our newly revamped website? Click [HERE](http://www.ilite.org/) (<http://www.ilite.org/>) to browse through our new website and to see what Illinois ITE has been up to. Comments regarding the website can be forwarded to Monica Shei at [illinoisite+publicaffairs@gmail.com](mailto:illinoisite+publicaffairs@gmail.com)

### Operations News and Announcements

The Illinois Section is lucky to have a new ITEms Editor starting. Patrick Jordan has taken over the role of editor and brings a great enthusiasm for the role and furthered involvement in the section. Patrick recently joined AECOM this past January after completing his graduate studies at the University of Texas at Austin. While at UT, he served as the ITE student chapter treasurer.

Please join me in welcoming Patrick!

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## Activities News and Announcements

By Activities Director Thomas Szabo, TOPS, TSOS

### November 2017 Lunch Program - Jane Adams Memorial Tollway (I-90) Smart Road

**When:** Tuesday, November 14, 2017; 11:30 am - 1 pm

**Where:** Giovanni's, 610 N. Bell School Road, Rockford, IL 61107

**Why:** The Illinois State Highway Toll Authority recently completed a project to rebuild and widen 62 miles of the Jane Adams Memorial Tollway (1-90) as a 21st century, state-of-the-art transportation corridor. The \$2.5 billion project has increased capacity, reduced traffic delays and will strengthen economic activity between the Chicago and Rockford metropolitan regions. The new roadway incorporates the latest ITS technologies in support of active traffic management and integrated transit to make the roadway safer and more efficient for Tollway customers

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## Technical News and Announcements

By Technical Director Jenna Brose

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# What Has The Illinois Section Been Up To?

## ITE Webinar: Street Space - Not Just for Moving Cars

By Technical Director Jenna Brose

Illinois Section of ITE hosted a snack and learn for the webinar titled "Street Space - Not Just for Moving Cars" on September 26th at the Chicago Department of Transportation. The webinar featured three guest speakers: Daniel Ashworth from Alta Planning + Design, Matt Lewis from Simple City Design and Larry Marcus on behalf of NACTO. The webinar covered various examples of cities across the United States recreating their streetspaces into more walkable livable spaces bringing communities together.

In Memphis, a skewed intersection was realigned and wide 60-70 ft. right of ways were reconfigured to include dedicated bike lanes, bump



Figure 1. Memphis Medical District Streetscapes



Figure 2. San Marcos - Rhythm of the Street



outs and a large hanging art piece for the intersection focal point as shown in Figure 1. In San Marcos, local transportation officials and volunteers completely transformed a downtown roadway cross-section in chalk for a weekend trial period. The pilot project was low cost and very successful in demonstrating to the community how beneficial bike lanes and people spaces can be in reviving public spaces. Before and after photos of this project can be seen in Figure 2.

On a broader scale, the third speaker, Larry Marcus, placed emphasis on managing curb space to prioritize bicyclists and transit by providing them with the space necessary to travel safely and efficiently even if this means removing or relocating parking. Overall the webinar focused on relaying the message that alternative modes should be viewed as a priority and hierarchically automobiles come last in these urban environments. ITE Illinois section technical group would like to thank all of the attendees for participating and the Chicago Department of Transportation for being such a gracious host for this event.

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## Illinois ITE Section Elections

Illinois ITE Section elections are approaching. Write-in candidates will be accepted through Friday, November 10th with the ballot officially opening on Monday, November 13th. Soon members will receive more detailed instructions to submit their ballots. A summary of this years candidate bios are included below in alphabetical order.

### President Candidate

#### Ryan Jacox, P.E., PTOE

Ryan is running for President of the Illinois Section Board. He has been an ITE member for over 10 years. He previously served the Illinois Section as Director of Student Affairs, Treasurer, Secretary and Vice President. Ryan oversaw Vendor and Sponsor Coordination for the 2012 ITE Midwestern District Conference and was the Room & Board Chair for the 2016 ITE Midwestern/Great Lakes Joint District Conference. He is looking forward to the opportunity to continue to serve the Illinois Section of ITE. Ryan intends to focus his presidency on responding to the evolving role professional organizations such as ITE play in the careers of its members and looks forward to continuing to increase membership, particularly amongst public sector employees and new graduates.



Ryan is currently a Senior Traffic Engineer with Lochmueller Group. Taking on this new career opportunity in May 2017, he is seeking to expand the traffic and transportation engineering services of the firm's Chicago office. Prior to Lochmueller Group, Ryan was with TranSystems for over 10 years as a Project Manager and Traffic Engineer. He was also previously with Harry O. Hefter Associates in Chicago and before that was with IDOT District 1 in Schaumburg, in the Bureaus of Traffic, Local Roads & Streets, and Land Acquisition. Ryan also previously served a 2-year position as one of nine commissioners on the City of Elgin's Sustainability Commission.

Ryan holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering from Washington University in St. Louis. He also holds an MBA with a concentration in finance from the Olin School of Business at Washington University in St. Louis.

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### Vice President Candidate

#### Brian J. Roberts, P.E., PTOE

Brian has been an ITE member since graduating from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil & Environmental Engineering over 10 years ago. Over the last 6 years, Brian has become increasingly more active with the Illinois Section of ITE (ILITE), taking on the following positions within the organization:

- ILITE Secretary
- ILITE Treasurer
- ILITE Director of Student Affairs
- ILITE Liaison to the Midwest ITE Student Affairs Committee
- ILITE Section Sponsorship Chair
- ILITE Chair of Records & Mailings
- 2016 Midwestern District ITE Conference Planning Committee



Brian currently manages a transportation/traffic engineering group at the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) that focuses on multimodal safety and roadway operations along the 4,000 miles of streets and 25,000+ intersections in Chicago. Prior to joining CDOT full-time, Brian was a transportation engineer with Sam Schwartz Engineering, mainly serving as an in-house traffic engineering consultant at CDOT. During his extended tenure at

CDOT, Brian primarily focuses on safety and congestion countermeasures on both an intersection and corridor-wide scale, developing, designing, and implementing projects ranging from intersection geometrics, traffic signal timing/phasing improvements, road diets, and bike facilities, to review of traffic impact studies and Phase 1 plans. Brian began his career with Metro Transportation Group, working on traffic impact analyses, traffic signal timing projects, transportation planning studies, and parking and safety studies.

Brian looks forward to continuing his commitment to the Illinois Section of ITE as Vice President in 2018.

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## Secretary Candidate

### Josh Harris, P.E., PTOE

Josh has been an Illinois Section of ITE (IL Section) member since graduating in 2007. His responsibilities to the IL Section have increased over his membership as shown by the positions he has fulfilled:

- 2017: Treasurer
- 2014-2016: Co-Chair of 2016 Midwestern/Great Lakes Districts Conference
- 2016: Technical Event Development Committee Member
- 2014-2015: Technical Group Director
- 2011-2012: Student Affairs Director
- 2007-2010: House and Special Events Committee Member



Josh graduated from the Valparaiso University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. He currently works for Willett, Hofmann & Associates, and has previously worked for Civiltech Engineering and Clark Dietz during his ten years within the transportation engineering profession. He has worked a variety of traffic and transportation projects that include highway and roadway design, environmental and location design studies, traffic engineering and impact studies, traffic signal design, and safety studies.

Josh looks forward to the opportunity to continue his service to the Illinois Section as Secretary in 2018.

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## Treasurer Candidate

### Jenna Brose, P.E., PTOE

Jenna Brose, P.E., PTOE graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Civil Engineering and a Certificate in Business. A transportation engineer with AECOM for the past 9 years, she has a strong traffic engineering background with expertise in traffic microsimulation modeling, operational and capacity analyses, traffic signal and interconnect design and safety studies.



An actively involved member of ITE since college, Jenna has assumed increasing responsibility within the organization throughout her professional career. In 2013, she assisted in planning the Midwestern ITE conference held in Milwaukee. More recently, she was part of the Media/Lasting Connections group and helped orchestrate the technical tours for the 2016 Midwestern/Great Lakes District Meeting in Chicago. Since being with the Illinois Section of ITE, she has served on the activities committee and is currently the Illinois Section Technical Director. Jenna greatly values being part of the ITE community and is excited for the chance to increase her involvement in the organization as the Illinois Section's Treasurer.

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## Director Candidates

### Curtis Cornwell, P.E., PTOE

Curtis is currently a Project Manager with the Thomas Engineering Group. After graduating from The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, he began his career at the Illinois Department of Transportation where he worked in the Bureau of Programming's Geometric Studies Unit. Throughout his career, Curtis has had the opportunity to work on several innovative intersection designs including roundabouts, continuous flow intersection (CFI), Green-T, and currently a Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT). He is most passionate about searching out creative solutions to ordinary problems with the goal of improving safety for all users.



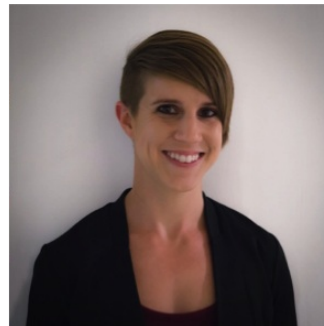
Curtis is also a member of ASCE, ACEC and IRTBA, where he recently took part in the Emerging Leadership Program. He is a member of both the ACEC-Chicago Agencies committee and the IRTBA/CDOT Co-op Committee. Curtis lives on the northwest side of Chicago with his wife and two boys.

As a member for 6 years, Curtis has enjoyed the benefits of ITE both nationally and locally. He is looking forward to the opportunity of increasing his involvement with the association and getting to know more ITE members. If elected, he intends to further promote the value of ITE to fellow engineers with the hope on expanding and diversifying membership.

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### **Kelly Dunne, P.E.**

Kelly first became a part of ITE during her undergraduate years at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, serving as the student chapter president during graduate school. She received her M.S. degree in Transportation Engineering and worked for a consulting firm before transitioning into her current position as Project Engineer for the City of Naperville. Within the City's Transportation, Engineering, and Development Department, Kelly has a variety of responsibilities ranging from development review, addressing residents' traffic and safety concerns, and overseeing Naperville's 95 traffic signals.



Kelly has been involved with the Illinois Section of ITE for three and a half years, most notably as a member of the Activities Committee, as well as the Planning Committee for the 2016 Midwestern District Conference. She has enjoyed organizing numerous luncheons, social events, and the annual golf tournament and annual banquet.

Kelly's enthusiasm for transportation engineering extends beyond ITE. For the past year, she has served as chairwoman of Downers Grove's Parking and Transportation Commission, hearing out transportation issues in the community and forwarding recommendations to Village Council. She has also been a long-time participant in the annual DuPage Area Engineers Week, as well as an event supervisor for the Illinois Science Olympiad. Kelly is excited about the opportunity to increase her involvement in ITE and will use her experience as a member of the public sector to bring valuable insight to this role.

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### **Charles Fawcett, P.E., PTOE**

Chuck is a Project Manager and Traffic Engineer with DLZ. He has over 15 years of experience including the past 8 years with DLZ (including 4 years with Regina Webster & Associates prior RWA's acquisition by DLZ 4 years ago). Prior to that, Chuck worked for Gorove/Slade Associates in Washington, D.C. as a Traffic Engineer for 7 years and for T.Y. Lin in Alexandria, VA as a Design Engineer for 2 years. During his time in Chicago, he has worked as an in-house consultant in the IDOT District 1 Traffic Studies Unit, completed various Traffic Impact Studies, Intersection Design Studies, Crash Analyses and has managed large scale traffic data collection efforts throughout Chicagoland, Illinois and the Midwest.



Chuck graduated from the University of Akron in Ohio with a B.S. in Civil Engineering in 2000. In addition to being an ITE Member since 2006, Chuck is also active in ACEC where he recently completed the 2017 ACEC IL Leadership Series.

Chuck is excited to get more involved with the Illinois Section of ITE in a Director Position!

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### **Jim Kane, E.I.T.**

Since graduating from Saint Louis University in 2014 (B.S. Civil Engineering), Jim has worked as a transportation studies specialist with CBB in St. Louis, Missouri. At CBB, Jim has completed several traffic impact and parking studies for a variety of uses including schools, hospitals, and commercial developments. He has also been involved with a number of projects through MoDOT's Traffic Engineering Assistance Program (TEAP), in which specific traffic issues are studied and addressed for local cities and counties. Examples of such projects include road curve inventories as well as intersection safety and operational analyses. In addition to his ITE membership, Jim has been involved with the Transportation Engineering Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (TEAMStL) since 2014. Jim is currently EIT-certified and plans to obtain his PE license when eligible in 2018.



Before his time in St. Louis, Jim was born and raised in the Mount Greenwood neighborhood on Chicago's south side, and he plans to relocate to Chicago in January 2018 while remaining with CBB. As a native Chicagoan and a temporary St. Louis resident, Jim considers himself quite familiar with the major metropolitan areas at either end of the state of Illinois and much of the area in between.

In his spare time, Jim likes to sing, plays a few instruments, and performs in the occasional musical theatre



production. He also enjoys watching the White Sox and Blackhawks, traveling to different cities, and eating cheeseburgers.

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### **Monica Shei, P.E.**

Monica has been involved with ITE since UCLA, serving as student chapter president and helping UCLA ITE become an official recognized student group on campus. Since moving to Chicago in 2013, Monica has become increasingly more active in Illinois ITE. Monica served as the Media/Lasting Communications Chair for the Midwest ITE 2016 Conference Planning Committee. Monica served as the ILITE Director of Public Affairs from 2015-2017 and helped update the ILITE By Laws in 2016. Monica also redesigned the ILITE website in 2016, increasing the section's social media presence. She has also initiated involvement with local Girl Scout chapters to promote transportation engineering at their annual Tinker Girls event and annual STEMpalooza. Her contribution to ILITE's 2017 Communication Plan helped ILITE win the District/Section Communications Award at the Joint ITE/CITE 2017 Annual Meeting in Toronto, ON, Canada.



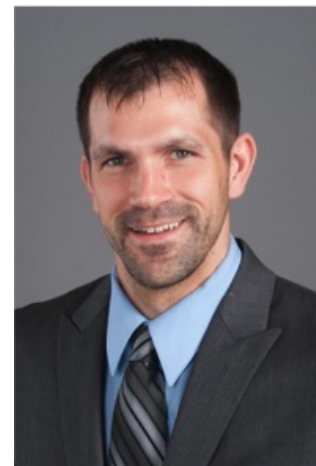
Monica is a transportation engineer at Jacobs Engineering and serves as an in-house traffic engineering consultant at the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT). Monica has worked on a variety of projects at CDOT that focuses on safety and congestion countermeasures on both an intersection and corridor-wide scale. Monica has lead projects ranging from road diets, intersection geometrics and redesigns, to review of planned developments and Phase 1 roadway plans. Throughout her position at CDOT, she has maintained a focus for improving safety and operations for all modes of travel. Monica began her career with Thomas Engineering Group, working on intersection design studies and traffic analyses. Monica holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering from UCLA and an M.S. in Transportation Engineering from Northwestern University.

Monica is looking forward to continue her work as a Director for ILITE.

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### **Bryce Wegner**

Bryce has been involved in ITE since 2012, starting as an undergraduate student at Western Michigan University (WMU). At WMU, he received his Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering in 2013 and a Master's Degree in Civil Engineering specializing in Transportation Engineering in 2015. While at WMU Bryce held multiple transportation related positions. He worked as a Research Assistant on the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) funded research projects entitled "Development of Performance Measures for Non-Motorized Dynamics" and "Cost & Benefits of MDOT Intelligent Transportation System Deployment". Also, Bryce was the Teaching Assistant for the undergraduate class of Traffic Design where he educated students in diverse transportation software, data collection and analysis methods. Finally, Bryce worked part-time at the Road Commission of Kalamazoo County as Traffic Engineering Intern and assisted in diverse transportation related tasks. He participated in the 2012 ITE Traffic Bowl and was a recipient of the ITE Michigan Section Scholarship in 2013.



After graduation, Bryce accepted a position as a Civil Highway Engineer with TranSystems. While at TranSystems, he has used his transportation background to assist in multiple project tasks such as signal design, trip generation, capacity analysis, crash analysis, and cost & benefit analysis for intersection and highway facilities. Since accepting a position at TranSystems, Bryce has wanted to network and build his career more in the transportation industry and what better way to do that than by becoming a Director on the ITE Illinois Section Board.

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## **ITE News and Announcements**

### **Joint ITE International and Midwest/Great Lakes District 2018 Annual Meeting and Exhibit**

**What:** ITE 2018 Annual Meeting and Exhibit

**When:** August 20 - August 23, 2018

**Where:** Minneapolis, Minnesota

**Theme:** Inspiration. Connections. Knowledge

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## Legislative Corner

*Compiled by Monica Shei, Jacobs*

### Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee's AV START Act Advances

In a unanimous vote on October 4, the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation voted the "American Vision for Safer Transportation through Advancement of Revolutionary Technologies Act" out of committee. This act is a response to the growing consensus that regulatory changes at the federal level are necessary to promote the development of automated vehicle technology. [Article Link](#)

### Caution ahead: The growing challenge for drivers' attention

A new study found In-Vehicle Information Systems take drivers' attention off the road for too long to be safe. [Article Link](#)

### Trucking Problems Slow Aid Delivery in Puerto Rico

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damage to Puerto Rico's roads. Three weeks after the storm, terminals are operating at about 70% of its normal rate. [Article Link](#)

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## Upcoming ITE Events

Check out our ILITE Event calendar for ILITE events and other transportation events happening!

[ILITE Event Calendar](#)

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### Annual Banquet

More information on this year's annual banquet to follow.

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