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TSITE WINTER MEETING TO BE HELD IN JOHNSON CITY

The Tennessee Section ITE will hold its Winter Meeting in Johnson City on March 6, 2000, at the Centre at Millennium Park, which is located at 2001 Millennium Place directly across from ETSU on State of Franklin Road. Contact Anthony Todd at (423) 975-2733 for more information. On Monday morning, registration will be from 9:00 to 10:00 AM and 3 technical sessions will follow from 10:00 AM to 12:00 NOON. A buffet lunch will be provided, followed by the business meeting. The cost of registration will be \$20.00.

Three hotels are offering room rates for ITE members. The room rate at the Hampton Inn (423) 929-8000 will be \$61.00 per night. Hampton Inn is located at 508 North State of Franklin Road. It is approximately one mile from the Centre. The Garden Plaza is \$65.00 per night and is located at 211 Mockingbird Lane next to the mall. It is approximately 10-15 minutes from the Centre. They can be reached at 1-800-342-7336 or (423) 929-2000. Fairfield Inn is \$39.00 per night and is located at 207 East Mountcastle Drive, which is close to the mall. It is also about 10-15 minutes from the Centre. Their numbers are 1-800-228-2800 or (423) 282-3335.

The tentative agenda is listed below:

Registration: 9:00 to 10:00 AM EST:

Technical Program: 10:00 to 12:00 EST:

“MeadowView Development - I-181/J.B. Dennis Parkway Corridor Access Study - Kingsport, Tennessee” by *John Gould, Wilbur Smith and Associates*

“Johnson City Advanced Traffic Management System” by *Anthony Todd, City of Johnson City*

“Tennessee ITS Initiatives” by *Marshall Elizer, Gresham Smith and Partners*

Lunch and Business Meeting

Technical Tour after Business Meeting - *Johnson City Advanced Traffic Management System (including video detection and fiber optics communications)*

TSITE GOES ONLINE!

Thanks to the efforts of Greg Judy, the Tennessee Section now has its own web page. The web page has been under development for the last six months. Check it out at www.tsite.org. Various pages on the site include general information on the Tennessee Section, meeting information, copies of newsletters and the Section history, and information on how to join TSITE.

1999 TENNESSEE SECTION AWARDS

The Tennessee Section ITE has two awards that can be presented to members for outstanding service to the Section and to the profession. The Tennessee Section Award is presented to a member who demonstrated outstanding service to the Section or the profession over the past year. The Volunteer Award is presented to a member who has demonstrated outstanding service to the Section or the profession over time. TSITE also has a student scholarship that can be given out each summer and requests papers for a student paper contest each year.

The 1999 TSITE award winners were announced at the Summer Meeting in Alcoa. The recipients are:

Tennessee Section Award: **Allen Cantrell**
Volunteer Award: **John Van Winkle**
Student Scholarship Award: **Jeff Hammond**

Allen Cantrell was awarded the Tennessee Section Award for 1999 because of his continuing efforts in improving the Section and his devotion to making the Student Scholarship Auction a success. Allen is a Past President of TSITE. John Van Winkle was presented the Section’s Volunteer Award because of his long-term dedication to the traffic engineering profession and his continued involvement in the Tennessee Section. He is a Past President of TSITE and the Secretary/Treasurer elect of the Southern District. Jeff Hammond, was a graduate student at the University of Tennessee, received the 1999 student scholarship. He received his degree and is employed with a consulting firm in his hometown of Nashville.

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TSITE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2000

The TSITE Executive Board met in December to finalize plans for Section Meetings in the year 2000. Typically, TSITE holds four meetings a year; a winter meeting early in the year; a spring meeting in May or June; a summer meeting with a banquet and auction in July or August; and a fall meeting in October or November. Because the International ITE Annual Meeting will be held in Nashville in August, the Board decided not to have a separate summer meeting, but rather hold a business breakfast meeting during the ITE Annual Meeting. This years three major meetings will be March 6th in Johnson City, June 1st-3rd in Pigeon Forge, and a joint TSITE/APWA meeting October 28th-31st in Memphis.

This year, the June meeting will likely be preceded by an FHWA sponsored ITS seminar. The awards banquet and the auction for the student scholarship will also be held at the June meeting. Last years meeting had many good items donated for the auction, including a weeks stay at a condo in Florida, Tennessee Titans tickets and Nashville Predators tickets. The money raised goes to benefit TSITE's student scholarship fund, so make plans to bring you family to Pigeon Forge in June and attend the meeting. Check out the TSITE web site for details as the meeting approaches.

TSITE HISTORY NOW AVAILABLE

We have been working on compiling the history of the Tennessee Section since 1998. Many Past Presidents have contributed information and reviewed the data collected. It has been put together in an Adobe Acrobat file that can be downloaded from the Tennessee Section web page at www.tsite.org. Please review it if you have time and send any corrections or missing data to chancey@neel-schaffer.com and we'll update it. Thanks to all who helped.

NEW TSITE OFFICERS FOR 2000

Elections were held for new Tennessee Section ITE Officers for the 2000 calendar year at the Summer Meeting in Nashville. Lori Cove was elected Secretary/Treasurer, but later accepted a new job out of state. Because she never took office, the TSITE Executive Board appointed Cindy Pionke as the new Secretary/Treasurer.

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TSITE MEETING SUMMARIES

TSITE HOLDS JOINT MEETING WITH APWA IN OAK RIDGE

The Tennessee Section ITE held its Fall Meeting in Oak Ridge on October 23-26, 1999. The meeting was a joint meeting with the Tennessee Chapter of the American Public Works Association. Technical presentations included a new budget procedure, "Mission Driven Budgeting", in use in Clarksville. Other technical presentations included "Tornado Damage and Recovery in Clarksville" by Jim Durrett with City of Clarksville, "Oak Ridge's Computerized Traffic Signal System" and "Risk Management for Local Governments" by TML. A business meeting was held and the new officers for 2000 were installed. The Tennessee Section Award was presented to Allen Cantrell and the Volunteer Award was presented to John Van Winkle.

TSITE 1999 SUMMER MEETING IN NASHVILLE

The TSITE Summer Meeting was held in Nashville at the Hilton Hotel on July 23-24,1999. An FHWA seminar on "Using the National ITS Architecture for Deployment" was held prior to the meeting. The Annual Dinner was held on Friday night. It included an auction to benefit the scholarship fund. Over \$1,500 was raised at the dinner for the scholarship fund.

The technical program was held on Saturday morning and included a presentation on Nashville's ITE activities. Mark Macy presented slide shows on "Nashville's Traffic and Parking Guidance System" and "Nashville's Automated Collision Database System".

NASHVILLE LAC ATTENDS LAS VEGAS MEETING

The Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) for the upcoming International ITE Meeting in Nashville attended the 1999 ITE International Annual Meeting in Las Vegas last August.



The LAC manned a booth in the registration and display areas of the Las Vegas Convention Center. The booth touted Tennessee as a destination to encourage attendance at this year's Annual Meeting. The display highlighted the Opryland Hotel, site of this year's meeting, country music, and cultural and historic sites.

Prizes such as Jack Daniels memorabilia and goo goos were given out every hour for those visiting the booth. Co-Chairmen Bob Murphy and Bob Stammer are busy working on this year's arrangements.



MEMBER NEWS

Lori Cove has moved to North Carolina, where she will be working for the North Carolina Department of Transportation. She previously worked for the Tennessee Department of Transportation in Nashville.

Glenn Beckwith retired from the Tennessee Department of Transportation and joined Wisner Group. He was the Planning Director for TDOT.

John Van Winkle was elected Secretary/Treasurer of the Southern District ITE at the District Annual Meeting in Montgomery, Alabama. His three-year term began January 2000. He is currently the City Traffic Engineer for the City of Chattanooga. It's a big job and we know John will do well and we all need to offer him any help we can.

Y2K SOUTHERN DISTRICT MEETING IN GREENVILLE

You are invited to attend the 48th Southern District Annual Meeting to be held April 16 – 19, 2000, at the Hyatt Regency in Downtown Greenville, South Carolina. Activities planned so far include:

- Informative technical sessions on such topics as
 - Greenville CBD Traffic Plan Implementation
 - Parking Program Development
 - Reducing Collisions Using Camera Technology
 - MUTCD Revisions
 - Traffic Safety
 - Uses of ITS Data for Planning and Operations
 - Professional Development Seminar
 - Panel Discussions
 - Innovations and Projects
- Sunday kicks off with a golf tournament at Verdae Greens golf club, Home to an annual Nike tour event.
- Sunday evening there will be a reception in the hotel atrium as well as sponsored hospitality suites.
- The ABD is planning a "Carolina-style Beach Party" for a relaxing good time Monday night. Learn the "shag", the official South Carolina State dance.
- Spouses will be kept happy and busy. Shopping the boutiques of downtown Greenville, browsing the local antique shops and a visit to the Bob Jones Art Museum are some of the activities planned.

For those of you who would like to come in early or stay an extra day, the beautiful and historic Biltmore House is only one hour away in Asheville, North Carolina.

Special registration rates are available for those who pre-register: \$140 for members, \$165 for non-members. This year, two-day registrations are also allowed (Sun/Mon or Tues/Wed) at a cost of \$85 per person. Spouse registration is \$90 for the entire meeting or \$65 for two days. Special hotel rates will also be available for attendees.

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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

“Tennessee Transportation News” is the official publication of the Tennessee Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), which is the professional society for transportation engineers in Tennessee. It is affiliated with the Southern District 5 ITE and International ITE which are the regional and international professional engineering societies.

“Tennessee Transportation News” is published three times per year. Any comments or suggestions on the format or content are welcome. News on members, the Section or the profession should be submitted to the Editor. E-mail address: chanchey@neel-schaffer.com

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TRANSPORTATION ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

March 6, 2000	TSITE Winter Meeting Johnson City, Tennessee
April 2-5, 2000	International ITE Conference <i>Transportation Operations</i> Irvine, California (202) 554-8050
April 16-19, 2000	Southern District Annual Meeting Greenville, South Carolina
June 1-3, 2000	TSITE Spring Meeting Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
August 6-9, 2000	International ITE Meeting (TSITE Business Meeting) Nashville, Tennessee (202) 554-8050
October 28-31, 2000	Joint TSITE/APWA Meeting Memphis, Alabama