34th Annual RSBITE Golf Tournament

The RSBITE March Meeting will be the 34th Annual Golf Tournament at Menifee Lakes Country Club. The Event is March 17th and starts at 8am.

- Everyone is welcome to play in the golf tournament.
- Lunch will be a delicious BBQ buffet. If you can’t join us for golf you are welcome to have lunch with us. Sign up for lunch using the golf flyer. Cost is $30.00.
- Each person who signs up for the golf tournament will be entered into a special raffle for a chance to win a raffle prize.
- Consultants and vendors …please bring an item for the raffle to be held after lunch. If you can provide items to go in the goodie bag for each golfer please contact Dennis Acuna at 951-955-6820.
- See the attached golf flyer (Page 9) for more details.

Early bird registration ends March 6th and all team registrations need to be received by March 10th.
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This month RSBITE hosted their lunch meeting at Coco’s Bakery Restaurant in Ontario, CA. There were approximately 36 people in attendance for this meeting. The attendees were greeted by an introduction from Past-President Gianfranco Laurie and were given the opportunity to introduce themselves. JR Morgan announced that the 34th Annual Golf Tournament will be taking place on March 17th at Menifee Lakes Country Club and played a golf trivia game with the attendees in which the winner won a gift card to In-N-Out.
The presentation this month was provided by Hamid Bahadori, the Manager of Transportation Policy and Programs for the Automobile Club of Southern California (AAA). He provided the group with a legislative overview, discussing what happened in 2016, and what is in the horizon in 2017. Mr. Bahadori disclosed that the amount of new legislation that is expected to be introduced in 2017 is lower than previous year, but reassured that this is a good thing. Ideally, Mr. Bahadori mentioned that AAA likes to see the amount of new legislation for the upcoming year come in at a minimum. There will be changes to the vehicle code regarding handheld cell phone devices as it has been observed that there is an increase in cell phone use while operating vehicles causing distracted driving. There were amendments on legislation regarding DUI’s, as it was mentioned that all vehicles that are registered to the DUI offender will now be required to have an Ignition Interlock Device present in the vehicles. Mr. Bahadori touched on how the state will interact with “Vision Zero” initiative, which goal is to have zero pedestrian and bike fatalities by the year 2020. Hamid discussed the changes in methods for obtaining speed limits in regards to Vision Zero include engineers and planners taking an increasingly involved role in deciding an areas speed limit rather than the conventional 85th percentile method. Mr. Bahadori ended his discussion by fielding questions from the attendees. We thank Mr. Bahadori for taking the time to deliver an insightful presentation on his knowledge on the current and forthcoming transportation legislation. Until next time!
-Daniel David
RSBITE Vice President

Thank you to our speaker Hamid Bahadori for an informative presentation on the legislative changes that were made in California this year relating to traffic and transportation and what we can expect for 2017!

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RECENTLY ISSUED FEDERAL POLICY AND GUIDELINES

Building a 21st Century Infrastructure
The transportation and infrastructure committee of the House launched its #Building21 initiative with a new website (linked above) to bring attention to polices that will help build a “21st century infrastructure.” The website has links to the initiative’s vision and opening statement. The house committee invites everyone to tell them at #building21 what “Building a 21st Century Infrastructure look like to you.”

LEGISLATION UNDER CONSIDERATION OR DEVELOPMENT

SB 1 / AB 1
Proposal to increase the state gas tax by 12 cents/gallon.

AB 63
Proposal to extend provisional licensing requirements to 21 years old.

AB 87
Proposal of changing the violations in the use of autonomous vehicles.

OLD APPROVED LEGISLATION MOVING FORWARD

CEQA & SB 743
There is no recent news to report.

IN THE NEWS

Federal Highway Administration: 3.2 Trillion Miles Driven on U.S. Roads in 2016
“New estimates released today by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) show that U.S. driving topped 3.2 trillion miles last year. It is the fifth straight year of increased mileage on public roads throughout the nation, and underscores the demands facing America’s roads and bridges, and reaffirms calls for greater investment in surface transportation infrastructure.”

CityLab: When Street Parking Becomes a Pop-Up Bus Lane
“One morning last December, cones and small signs popped up along Broadway, the main drag in working-class Everett, Massachusetts. The modest change, replacing a mile of curbside parking with a temporary bus lane, had big implications. After a week, city officials said riders were saving so much time on their morning commutes that the bus lane would become permanent.”

SDITE, SoCalITE and RSBITE Joint Workshop

Friday March 10th at El Adobe Restaurant, San Juan Capistrano

- Vision Zero San Diego - Kathleen Ferrier, Circulate San Diego
- Speeding Towards Zero Deaths - John Lower, Iteris
- Vision Zero efforts at Los Angeles County of Public Works – Dean Lehman, LA County Public Works
- LA Vision Zero – Tim Fremaux, LADOT

Register at https://itemarch2017.eventbrite.com/
The primary objectives of Complete Streets Safety Assessments are:

- To improve safety for all modes of travel in a city or county, with emphasis on pedestrian and bicycle safety
- To create safe, comfortable, accessible, and welcoming environments for all road users
- To enhance the walkability, bikeability, and economic vitality of local districts

To achieve these objectives, Tech Transfer provides free Complete Streets Safety Assessments to California local agencies. We send expert evaluators to review traffic, pedestrian, and bicycle safety conditions, programs, and needs of your agency, and suggest new strategies to improve safety for all road users, with emphasis on pedestrians and bicyclists. Tech Transfer provides highly-focused, in-depth, expert safety reviews of problem areas and specific suggestions for pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements. This free technical assistance service also helps local agencies identify potential sources of funding to make the suggested improvements, and justification to use in grant applications for state and federal funding.

Who can request a Complete Streets Safety Assessment?

California communities with populations over 25,000 with significant pedestrian and bicycle safety issues may request a Complete Streets Safety Assessment from Tech Transfer. Priority is given to applicant agencies that appear in the highest collision rates (top ten lists) for OTS collision rankings. California agencies can review their OTS collision ranking online.

How can I request a Complete Streets Safety Assessment?

To learn more about Complete Streets Safety Assessments and to request one for your community, email safety@techtransfer.berkeley.edu or see link below. A limited number of assessments are available each fiscal year, so send in your request early.

http://www.techtransfer.berkeley.edu/services/complete-streets-safety-assessments

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2017 International ITE Meeting

This summer's International Annual Meeting in Toronto, Canada, July 30 to August 2, is shaping up to be a big one. A record number of paper submittals have been received already. It's not too early to book your room, especially if you want one of the limited number of government rate rooms. The room rate is $258 in Canadian dollars, currently under $200 US, or less with government ID. If you book the room on the ite.org website at the Accommodations link, you'll be entitled to a $100 discount on the meeting registration.

Are you debating whether to go to Toronto or to the Western District meeting in June? Go to both! The US dollar is strong and the Western District meeting will be in San Diego, so this is the year you can afford it. Make Toronto your summer vacation trip. It's finally time to visit Niagara Falls . . . and the Toronto Blue Jays are home that weekend, playing the Angels.

Check your passport expiration dates. If you're from a country that requires a visa to enter Canada, look into getting one. Student members should think about how to get their team to Toronto in case they win the Western District Traffic Bowl in June. You don't want to be stopped from entering Canada or, worse yet, from re-entering the USA.
Ken Ackeret, P.E., PTOE, Ph.D.
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Volunteers Moving ITE Forward

I am passionate about our ITE members who volunteer for the success of our profession. They are the backbone of the ITE Community and ensure the sustainability, visibility, strength, and growth of our organization. With my strong focus on volunteerism, backed by my 30+ years of active ITE membership, together we will Move ITE Forward as a leader in the global transportation community. I will support and encourage our volunteer efforts to be focused on the four cornerstones of ITE—Recognized, Relevant, Value-added, Connected.

I have been fortunate to serve at all levels of ITE leadership including, Western District Technical Chair and President, International Director, and Traffic Bowl Chair and Transportation Professional Certification Board Chair. This experience has given me the knowledge, ability, and excitement to effectively work with our volunteers to ensure we are:

- Recognized as leaders in the transportation community
- Focused on work relevant to our profession
- Adding value to our members and the profession
- Connecting globally to strengthen our worldwide community

As a principal at Kimley-Horn for 25 years, I have brought diverse groups together to work toward common goals by applying my unique blend of academic and applied transportation knowledge. This experience will serve as my foundation to ensure our volunteers at all levels are working to Move ITE Forward.

In addition to my ITE volunteerism, my community volunteerism includes serving as Scoutmaster with Boy Scout-Wood Badge, Leadership Las Vegas, and Corvette Club President to name a few. As your International Vice President, I will be a servant leader to our diverse volunteers and will successfully implement plans, programs, and ideas at the international level to ensure that ITE grows as a leader in the global transportation community. Thank you for your support.

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Who am I? I am a devoted transportation professional with over 25 years of experience and passionate about ITE. I have served ITE at the Section, District, and International levels. My involvement includes recently completing a three-year term on the International Board of Direction. Further, I give back to the engineering community as an adjunct professor at the University of Regina. I intend to build upon the hard work and initiatives already started, and continue to develop ITE as a leading organization in operating and delivering services to members.

Goals:

1. Communication – we need to reflect how members like to communicate and receive information today. Whether it’s through the ITE Community, social media platforms, or cloud-based document sharing, we need to ensure that information is timely, relevant, and readily accessible by our members.

2. Collaboration – we need to work more closely with other transportation organizations. By sharing knowledge and resources, we can produce technical reference documents faster, at a shared cost, and with full recognition of our members’ contributions.

3. Knowledge – we also need to streamline the approval and release of technical documents so that valuable resource materials are in our members’ hands quicker.

4. Growth – we need to grow our membership to remain a healthy, vibrant organization. Key to this growth and our long term stability is developing new student chapters and encouraging highly active sections. We also need to start new sections outside of North America where there is growing interest in ITE membership.

5. Member development – we need to develop the skills of members, including technical skills, soft skills, and leadership skills. We need well-rounded transportation professionals in our industry; ITE can lead in the growth of members’ skills.

I have the desire to see ITE grow and succeed. Simply, I have something to contribute.
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Company logo placement in each newsletter and on the RSBITE website, and during the meeting social period

➢ GOLD—$600
Vendor table at a regular luncheon meeting (one of six available meetings), and all Silver benefits

➢ PLATINUM—$1200
Preferred placement at Vendor Show, pre-paid table at show with electrical, and all Gold benefits

NEW OPPORTUNITIES

➢ Newsletter Featured Sponsor
Company name/logo featured in the newsletter header with hyperlink to your company website. Newsletter Featured Sponsors will also be mentioned in transmission e-mail. $100 per newsletter

➢ Newsletter Business Card Advertisement
Advertise your company with a business-card sized ad in one or as many of the RSBITE newsletters as you would like. $25 per newsletter

➢ Lunch Meeting Gift Card Giveaway Sponsorship
Add more excitement to the RSBITE lunch meetings by donating gift cards to be raffled at each of the meetings. Value of gift card(s) from $50 - $100 (min of $25 each)

➢ Vendor Show Prize Sponsorship
Two opportunities to donate a gift and receive recognition as a prize sponsor both during the show and in RSBITE newsletter following the meeting. One $300 Grand Prize

➢ Golf Tournament Grand Prize Sponsorship
Donate a gift and receive recognition as a grand prize sponsor both during the tournament and in the RSBITE newsletter following the meeting. One gift ranging in value from $250 to $300

➢ Holiday Social Sponsorship – Opportunities Coming Soon!

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Invites you to play in our

34th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

| When:      | Friday, March 17, 2017 at 8:00 am - Shotgun Start, Scramble Format |
| Where:    | Menifee Lakes Country Club |
|          | 29875 Menifee Lakes Dr. Menifee, CA (951) 672-4824 |
|          | I-215 to Newport Rd. East on Newport Rd to Menifee Lakes Dr. |
|          | WWW.Menifee-Lakes.com |
| Who:      | Everyone is welcome to play. You need not be a member to participate. |
|          | Dress Code: Slacks or Bermuda-length shorts only. NO Denim. Shirts must have collars. Wear green. It’s St. Patrick’s Day. |
| Cost:     | $75- Early bird special if received by Monday March 6, 2017 |
|          | $85- if received by deadline date Friday March 10, 2017 |
|          | Includes green fee, cart, and buffet lunch. |

Golfing Awards and Raffle prizes will be made possible by money and items donated by our vendor and consultant friends. If you would like to make a donation or you have any questions, please contact JR Morgan, at (951) 780-8435.

Make checks payable to “RSBITE” and send to:

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List Names of Golfers You Will Be Playing With

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