Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and had time to spend with family and friends. There was a great turnout at our annual Holiday Dinner Dance on the Hornblower Dinner Yacht cruise this past December. The elegant dinner cruise was a blast and had ever changing views of beautiful San Diego downtown skyline and Hotel Del Coronado views, drinks, raffle prizes, great music by the DJ, and dancing. (Check out some of the pictures in this newsletter or our website).

I am honored and excited to serve you as the ITE San Diego Section President for 2018! I would also like to welcome our distinguished 2018 ITE San Diego Section Board members and all the Chair members who assist in making it all happen, by continuing to volunteer their time and effort to help this organization.

As we head into another busy year of learning and networking with our local transportation professionals, San Diego ITE Section is able to organize successful workshops, luncheons, and other professional development opportunities for our section members. The San Diego Section continues to be one of the best sections with several well-attended events. Speaking of well-attended events, it takes a lot of effort to organize all the events throughout the year. A big hand to all the Chairs!!

I would like to extend a big “Thank you” to KC Yellapu for his leadership as the 2017 Section President. I am privileged to serve with our 2018 Executive Board to help lead our section:

Teala Cotter – Vice President
Mohammad Amin – Treasurer
Karen Jewel – Secretary

Our section also received tributes for organizing the very successful Western District Conference in San Diego at the Mission Bay Hilton last year, which was an enormous effort led by Joe De La Garza and all the ITE volunteers last year.
The San Diego chapter was also the winner in the 2016 Section/Chapter Activities Report for small sections authored by Ryan Zellers, our Past President for 2016. **And more Great News!** We have also won the 2017 Section/Chapter Activities Report for small sections authored by KC Yellapu.

Our student section is going strong! Monthly meetings are currently being held on SDSU campus on the student scheduled various Thursdays of the month. Matthew Zipagan (student chapter president) and Leonardo Flores (student chapter liaison) are working collaboratively. Leo also represented the ITE booth at ASCE-YMF Engineering day at the Mall. They did an excellent job in preparing the Annual Report for the student chapter that was submitted to Western District for consideration. The SDSU student chapter also won a proposal presented to the Western District and was selected from 13 applicants to be one of six chapters to perform the data collection.

The student chapter will be given funds to subsidize the data collection efforts and will be conducting the data gathering this year (2018). The focus is on a land use that has not been adopted by the Institute of Transportation Engineer’s Trip Generation Manual. The land use for this year’s proposal is on a tasting room – the Coronado Brewing Company.

The first quarter is already over, and the following are the events that took place:

- **January 11, 2018** - Monthly Luncheon at the City of Vista – Our first meeting to kick off 2018 was well attended (about 63 attendees plus 4 students) and included a presentation by Sam Hasenin of City of Vista. The presentation was on the topic “Vale Terrace Drive/Ponderosa Drive Roundabout.” SDSU students also received awards for their design project.

- **February 8, 2018** - Monthly Luncheon at the Four Points by Sheraton – This monthly meeting had a good attendance turn-out with 67 attending the luncheon. The presentation topic was “The Complete Street Myth: Can we get to AAA?” presented by Brian Genovese with the City of San Diego. It was a lively discussion on what the City is doing to reach AAA (All Ages & Abilities).

- **March 9, 2018** - Joint Workshop and Luncheon with the San Diego, SoCal and San Bernardino Sections was held at the Plaza de Magdalena, San Luis Capistrano (new location). The presentation topics were “SB 1 Funding Overview”, “SB 1 Funding Opportunities for the San Diego Region”, “Active Transportation Program”, “Transportation Funding Overview (The “Alphabet Soup”), and “Protecting State and Local Transportation Funding”.

- **March 15, 2018** - ITE Social Volunteer Mixer at Urban Pizza was well attended and we have a handful of new volunteers.

For 2018, in addition to our regularly scheduled monthly meetings (held on the 2nd Thursday of the month), here are some of the anticipated highlights for this year:

**The events looking ahead in 2018 are:**

- April 13, 2018: Annual Golf Tournament (Twin Oaks Golf Course, San Marcos)
- April 16th Transportation Capacity and Mobility Task Force Meeting
- SDSU Design Day May 2nd
- ITE Luncheon May 10th
- ITE Luncheon June 14th
- June 24th to 27th Western ITE District Meeting, Keystone, Colorado
- July (Summer Social)
- July 16th Transportation Capacity and Mobility Task Force Meeting
- August (DARK)
- September 13th Joint Meeting (SDSU Student Section at SDSU)
- **New** - ITE “Traffic Engineering for Public Officials Workshop” September 28th
- October 11th Workshop, Meeting, and Vendor Show
- October 15th Transportation Capacity and Mobility Task Force Meeting
- November 8th Lunch Meeting (Awards, Election Results, Swearing In)
- December 8th, 2018 Holiday Party
- Joint Holiday Luncheon (Mid December)

Please be on the lookout for these and other events via email announcements or by checking out our website at: sandiegoite.org as there may be updates to the dates and venues. Stay tuned!
The year started out with our web host being hacked and we are in the process of rebuilding our webpage and have switched to a new web hosting provider.

I would also like to extend a special Thank-you to all our numerous Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsors for their generous support. We had a stellar sponsorship drive this year with so many Gold sponsors! “There’s nothing left to make me feel small. Luck has left me standing so tall, I am proud of you. Always believe in your soul, because you are GOLD!” – Spandau Ballet.

In closing, I would once again express my appreciation to all the hard working professionals who make ITE a success every year. Without your on-going support and dedication, our Section would not be what it is today. I am looking forward to another successful, exciting, and fun year with ITE and I am looking forward to seeing you at our next event. Happy Spring!
California’s SB 743 (LOS to VMT) process is continuing to move forward. Recently proposed regulations will change the way that transportation studies are conducted for California environmental analyses. Roadway delay/level of service (LOS) will no longer be the performance measure for the evaluation of land development projects and vehicle miles travelled (VMT) will become the new performance measure. The SB 743 legislation does not preclude the use of roadway capacity analysis based on LOS for any purpose other than determining the significance of environmental impacts. Final guidelines were issued by the Governor’s Office of Planning and Research (OPR) in November 2017. The California Department of Natural Resources recently concluded a public comment period and is considering whether to adopt the amended California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines. Adoption is expected later this year and the target date for implementation statewide is January 1, 2020.

Information on the adoption of the amended CEQA guidelines can be found here: [http://resources.ca.gov/ceqa](http://resources.ca.gov/ceqa)

Information on ITE’s involvement in SB 743 can be found in the Legislation Around the District section of the Western ITE website: [https://westernite.org/news/legislation](https://westernite.org/news/legislation).

The ITE San Diego Section is currently working to prepare regional transportation impact study guidelines that would replace the current regional guidelines and incorporate SB 743. ITE members will be informed through periodic updates as this process moves forward. If you are interested in getting involved in the effort to update the guidelines, please contact Erik Ruehr at eruehr@vrpatechnologies.com.
PAST MEETINGS & EVENTS

JANUARY LUNCHEON

January’s lunchtime speaker, Sam Hasenin of the City of Vista, presented the latest project installation of a roundabout at the intersection of Vale Terrace Drive and Ponderosa Drive. The presentation included a power point presentation with photos of the project before, during and after construction. The project included enhanced pedestrian crossing, reconstructing two of the intersection corners, cub bulb-outs, push button activated RRFB’s, and the roundabout itself. He also provided the success of the project in reducing the speeds and improving the safety of the intersection.

FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

February’s lunchtime speaker, Brian Genovese of the City of San Diego’s Transportation Department, presented the strategy for fulfilling the City’s Bike Master Plan, how it supports the Climate Action Plan, and the ultimate goal of AAA. The City is using various strategies including repurposing roads with lane diets (reducing the widths of lanes) and road diets (reducing number of lanes) for inclusion of other modes of travel. He also informed us of new policies on crosswalk treatments, priority for bike lanes on uphill directions, and provided examples of various of these.
First Topic: Patricia Chen, LA Metro. SB-1 Funding Overview
Patricia, from Los Angeles Metro explained Senate Bill 1 passed in the spring of 2017, its implementation. In her role as Moderator for the Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPA) Group she facilitates discussions between planning and programming agencies throughout the state, the staff of the California Transportation Commission and Caltrans. This role gives her unique insight to how the state is developing policies and programs to achieve the goals of the Bill.

Second Topic: Dawn Vettese, SANDAG. SB-1 Funding Opportunities for the San Diego Region
Dawn is a senior programming manager with SANDAG and an expert on transportation funding and programming. She spoke on how SANDAG is approaching the different programs within SB-1 and how they are implementing them.

Third Topic: Louis Zhao, OCTA. Active Transportation Program
As the Section Manager of Discretionary Funding Programs at the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), Louis was able to provide his insight on OCTA’s Active Transportation Program for Orange County and how they are implementing it.

Fourth Topic: Philip Chu, SBCTA. Transportation Funding Overview (“Alphabet Soup”)
Philip manages various programs in the Department of Fund Administration with San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA). This includes Federal, State, and Local transportation funds. He provided an overview of a number of programs such as the Federal FAST Act, State Senate Bill 1 and San Bernardino County’s Measure I Transportation Sales Tax.

Fifth Topic: Kiana Valentine, California State Association of Counties. Protecting State and Local Transportation Funding
As a Senior Legislative Representative with the California State Association of Counties for housing, land use, transportation, and tribal gaming issues, Kiana performs legislative and budget advocacy (both state and federal levels) for the 58 counties within the state. Her discussion provided insight on how to protect the various state and local transportation funding.
KAREN JEWEL

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP?
San Diego

WHAT/SCHOOLS DID YOU ATTEND FOR YOUR DEGREES?
San Diego State University

WHAT/WHO INFLUENCED YOU TO CHOOSE TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING?
In high school, I liked math and engineering was recommended. I didn’t know what I was getting into until upper division classes.

WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST ABOUT YOUR ITE MEMBERSHIP?
Keeping informed of what is going on in the industry and relevant topics and projects in the County.

WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR HOBBIES OR INTERESTS?
Other than Dragon boating I enjoy outrigger canoe paddling in the ocean, whitewater kayaking, skiing, watching son compete and painting/sketching.

WHAT IS THE CRAZIEST (OR THE SCARIEST) THING YOU HAVE EVER DONE?
I once rode my whitewater kayak down the stairs at Garbage Point, Sunset Cliffs. The waves were washing the bottom of the stairs making it impossible to close the boat deck, so I set up on the landing above.

WHAT INTERESTING TALENT DO YOU POSSESS?
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UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

SDSU DESIGN DAY
DATE: MAY 2

ITE LUNCHEON: REGIONAL PLAN & EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES
DATE: MAY 10

ITE LUNCHEON: AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES
DATE: JUN 14

WESTERN ITE DISTRICT MEETING
KEYSTONE, CO
DATES: JUNE 24-27

ITE SAN DIEGO SUMMER SOCIAL
DATE: JULY 14

SDSU STUDENT SECTION JOINT LUNCHEON
DATE: SEP 13
PROGRAM MANAGER
CITY OF SAN DIEGO (SAN DIEGO, CA)

Under the direction of the Transportation Engineering Operations Deputy Director, this Program Manager position will assist with the management and execution of the Division programs and policies with an emphasis on the City's Vision Zero Program, Bike Share Program, transportation goals identified in the Climate Action Plan, the Bike Advisory Board, Downtown Mobility Plan implementation, and ensuring the programming of capital improvement projects support the goals of these programs. This position will provide oversight, coordination, and monitoring of the programs and will be responsible for tracking and reporting updates to the Mayor, City Council and stakeholders along with leading policy discussions resulting from the progression of these programs. The position will also supervise and manage a staff of approximately 35 employees overseeing the programs noted above. Knowledge of engineering solutions that encourage alternative modes of transportation along with enhancing safety within the public right of way is desired. Strong communication skills and writing skills is essential to communicate the Divisions efforts and successes.

Minimum Qualifications
- Bachelor's Degree in Transportation Engineering or related field,
- Minimum of five (5) years of professional transportation experience,
- Current registration as a professional Traffic or Civil Engineer with the State of California preferred,

Any combination of education and experience that demonstrates these qualifications may be qualifying.

Key Areas of Responsibilities
- Lead the Division's efforts on the engineering element of the Vision Zero Program and seek innovative engineering solutions that improve safety within the public right of way;
- Oversee staff working on the Bike Share Program, the Bike Advisory Board and the Downtown Mobility Plan implementation in an effort to encourage and promote safe cycling citywide;
- Manage and track transportation goals identified in the Climate Action Plan;
- Assist with prioritizing capital improvement projects that support the goals of the Division's programs;
- Provide oversight, coordination, and monitoring of the programs and will be responsible for tracking and reporting updates to the Mayor, City Council and stakeholders along with leading policy discussions resulting from the progression of these programs;

- Supervise and manage the staff overseeing the programs noted above;
- Consolidate the Divisions efforts that lead to the promotion of choosing alternative modes of transportation;
- Identify the Division's long-term funding needs and potential funding opportunities;
- Collaborate with stakeholders, other agencies, and City departments (e.g. Development Services, Public Works, and Planning) to ensure proper support for the Division's activities; and
- Provide operational support, budget-related analysis, and coordinate the development of communications correspondence.

Qualifications
The ideal candidate will possess the following qualifications:
- Knowledge of engineering solutions that encourage alternative modes of transportation along with enhancing safety within the public right of way.
- Ability to successfully lead teams and organizations through change;
- Ability to successfully build relationships and collaborate with multiple parties;
- Excellent writing and communication skills;
- Strong interpersonal skills;
- Ability to communicate complex and technical information in a simple, clear and straightforward manner, including the use of graphs and tables as needed;
- Ability to communicate effectively to different audiences, including elected officials, various levels of City management and members of the public;
- Ability to work both independently and as part of a team in a fast-paced, high pressure environment with tight time constraints;
- Interest in municipal activities and services and how they impact the community;
- Ability and desire to lead employees and enhance their professional development;
- Ability to set clear expectations, train employees, and hold subordinates accountable, and identify opportunities for improvement while evaluating overall performance;
- Highly ethical and objective, with the ability to navigate in a political environment without being political; and
- Energetic and motivated with the ability and desire to take initiative.

APPLY BY: Fri, 05/04/18 5:00 PM Pacific Time
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obbies and interests

- Aviation
- Building World War II airplane models
- Watching UFO videos on YouTube
- Vacationing in Hawaii with my family
- Superhero Comics
- Sci-Fi Movies

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