PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE:
by Ali Shahzad, PE

We certainly had an extremely busy and eventful quarter and then some, which included a golf tournament, monthly luncheons, a volunteer mixer, summer social, the traffic engineering workshop for public officials, our annual vendor show and the summer Western District Conference in Keystone, Colorado. As we get closer to the end of the year and the holiday season, and our always fabulous Holiday Party, I want to take a moment to thank you for all of your hard work so far. Thank you all for our countless volunteer hours at ITE San Diego events lunch meetings, and the successful workshops and vendor show. Keep up the great work!

It would not be possible without all the hard work and contribution from all the volunteers. And we could not be more proud of our San Diego Section being chosen as Western District’s best small section of the year two years in a row, and the best website award! As always I will commend this with one of my favorite 80’s song lyrics by Howard Jones “Things can only get better”.

“We’re not scared to lose it all security throw through the wall
Future dreams we have to realize
A thousand skeptic hands won’t keep us from the things we plan
Unless we’re clinging to the things we prize
And do you feel scared, I do
But I won’t stop and falter
and if we threw it all away
Things can only get better”

Also a huge Thank you to all of our members, sponsors, co-chairs and board members for contributing to the section activities. Special thanks to KC Yellapu for helping us produce a great looking report that won the small section activities award, and Matt Cox developing a new web page that won the “new” and future soon to be coveted best web site award, if the trend catches on. IKR!
As the second quarter rolls into the third and the forth, the following are the events that took place. If you have been living under a car, and missed them.....then crawl out and attend some ITE San Diego events, it’ll put you on inside track of the fast lane to transportation!

- **April 13, 2018** - Golf Tournament Month. We held the tournament at the Twin Oaks Golf Course in San Marcos on April 13th. There were about 80 players, and it was a great day to be outside. The weather was beautiful with a great turnout of members and fun was had by all. The day ended with a delicious BBQ dinner and many Raffle prizes! Big thanks to Saul Kane for organizing such a well-attended event. Thanks to attendees and our sponsors, this event was very profitable, and therefore San Diego ITE section was able to donate $1,000 to the SDSU ITE Student Chapter. Check out the pictures on our website.

- **May 10, 2018** - Monthly Luncheon at the Four Points by Sheraton – This monthly meeting had a large last minute attendees (67) with a presentation by Philip Trom with the San Diego Association of Government (SANDAG). The presentation topic was on ITS and the Regional Transportation Plan Updates. It was thorough discussion on how the RTP process and the approach for considering the transportation system of the future.

- **June 14th, 2018** - Autonomous Vehicles in the San Diego Regional with Proving Grounds & Chula Vista’s Smart Transportation Future presented by Eddie Flores City of Chula Vista’s City Traffic Engineer. It was a great update of ITS Technology and the City’s ITS Masterplan.

- **July 14, 2018** - Our annual Summer Bay Social was a hit this year. Held at Mission Bay in San Diego, we had a great turnout of over 50 attendees with our catered Taco Stand. Family and friends joined in on the fun with games and a jumper for the kids.

- **August** – Dark. Vacation Season.

- **September 13, 2018** – Joint Monthly Luncheon at the Scripps Cottage at San Diego State University Joint Workshop and Luncheon with the San Diego our Points by Sheraton – This monthly meeting had a good attendance turn-out with 51 attending the luncheon. The first topic was presented by Zoubir Ouadah, County of San Diego: Introduction and Update on the MUTCD Manual. The second topic was by presented by Marcelo Peinado, Caltrans Deputy Director for Traffic Operations: Traffic Engineering – A Designer’s Perspective.

- **September 28, 2018** – Traffic Engineering for Public Officials held at the County of San Diego – This workshop had a good attendance turn-out of 52. The presentation topic was “Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Device by Zoubir Ouadah (County Traffic Engineer), Roadway Design by Ryan Zellers – Traffic Engineer from Michael Baker International, and Legal Liability and Enforcement by Christopher Welsh - County Sr. Deputy Counsel.

- **October 11, 2018** - Joint Workshop and Luncheon this year’s topic, “Multi-Modal Transportation and Beyond”.

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 for the remainder of 2018 are:**

- Board Member Elections – Please Vote it only takes a few seconds!
- November 8th Lunch Meeting (Awards, Election Results, Swearing In)
- December 11th, Joint Holiday Luncheon
- December 15th, 2018 Holiday Party @ Stone Brewery Liberty Station

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!

We also had Neelam Dorman come to San Diego and present the One ITE Initiative, and the Western District Task Force is working on potential transition timelines. San Diego Section provided their feedback via a request from members and a survey.

I look forward to a fun and successful remainder of the year 2018 for ITE San Diego, and hope to see you all at our Awards Luncheon event!
I would also like to extend a special Thank-you to all our numerous Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsors for their generous support, and looking forward to your support for the Holiday Party. Look for our Party Sponsorship drive letter and Invitation!

-Ali Shahzad

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May's lunchtime speaker, Philip Trom of SANDAG, presented Integrating Emerging Technologies into the Regional Plan. Mr. Trom explained where SANDAG is in the four year cycle of updating the County's Regional Transportation Plan. He then discussed what the next steps are in considering technology in the next update. The meeting was attended by 60 people at The Four Points by Sheraton.

ITE’s Summer Social was held at Ski Beach in Mission Bay. It was a beautiful, warm, and sunny day. It was an afternoon full of ITE members and their families hanging out, eating the yummy street tacos and desserts, and having fun. There was a balloon toss where many toes....and clothes....got soaked. Kids had fun in the jumpy and people played horse shoes. It was a great environment to relax and enjoy the Saturday afternoon. Thank you, Mario Flores for helping set up another great Summer Social.
The Traffic Engineering Workshop for Public Officials was held at the County of San Diego and was attended by 52 people. The topics covered at the workshop were the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, Roadway Design, and Legal & Enforcement.

Session 1: Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices - Zoubir Ouadah, the County Traffic Engineer for the County of San Diego, presented on the Introduction and Update for the California Manuel on Uniform Traffic Control Devices Manual. Zoubir when through what the MUTCD Manual is and how it came to be. He then provided an update of recent changes in the manual and how it effects transportation engineers.

Session 2: Roadway Design - Marcelo Peinado, the Caltrans Traffic Operations Branch Chief of Caltrans District 11, presented on Traffic Engineering – A Designer’s Perspective. He provided insight into what new safety and operational products Caltrans is implementing. He also explained where they are being used and the results to date of their success.

Session 3: Legal and Enforcement - Explained basic public roadway liability and Design Immunity. This session also included a discussion on enforcement and how important this is for public roadways.
WHAT/WHO INFLUENCED YOU TO CHOOSE TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING?

When leaving the Marines, I knew I wanted to go into Civil Engineering. I chose transportation because it’s a field where I felt I could make more of a difference to people’s everyday lives.

WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR HOBBIES OR INTERESTS?

Soccer, bicycling, photography, and random road trips. I have a lifetime pass for the National Parks and need to visit them all!

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP?

Portland, Oregon

WHAT SCHOOLS DID YOU ATTEND FOR YOUR DEGREES?

San Diego State University

WHAT IS THE CRAZIEST (OR THE SCARIEST) THING YOU HAVE EVER DONE?

While rock climbing in Utah, I free climbed a 70 foot wall. I made it to the top and immediately slipped on some loose debris but was just able to catch myself with one hand before sliding off.

WHAT INTERESTING TALENT DO YOU POSSESS?

I used to shoot photos for weddings and graduations. Weddings are extremely fun to photograph.

WHAT DO YOU VALUE MOST ABOUT YOUR ITE MEMBERSHIP?

I always enjoy meeting and other local transportation professionals and ITE provides me a great way to stay in touch as well as helping to stay up to date on new projects and products.

DESCRIBE A MEMORABLE/UNUSUAL EXPERIENCE/EVENT IN YOUR LIFE.

While taking an overnight train from Madrid to Paris, we wanted to see how many people we could fit in one 4 person sleeper car. The answer was 23. I was amazed how easy it was to get other riders to join in, although being one car down from the bar probably played a role.
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Candidate for this position must demonstrate strong independent thought and decision-making abilities; possess demonstrated leadership and supervisory skills; exhibit management ability; be adept in establishing and maintaining strong and positive working relationships with clients/public-agency personnel, and in-house staff.

Candidate shall have recent Southern California experience, preferably in the San Diego County Region.

Candidate’s managerial experience shall also include the following: supervision of traffic engineering design teams; management of project schedules and budgets; preparation of contracts, fee proposals, and scopes of work; and experience in client and public-agency interactions.

Candidate’s technical experience shall include the following: providing municipal traffic engineering services, preparation/processing of final traffic engineering plans (traffic signals, traffic control plans, signing/striping plans, etc.), preparation of Traffic Impact Analysis, and various traffic related studies and reports. Experience in transit planning and design is a plus.

Position generally requires extensive experience and demonstrated engineering abilities in all aspects of traffic engineering and planning projects; and in interacting comfortably and productively with clients and public agencies. It is desired that the Candidate be experienced in HCS, Vistro, Synchro, and other traffic related software, as well as the California Vehicle Code (CVC), MUTCD, and familiar with Highway Capacity Manual.

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