



# TBITE Quarterly

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## CHAPTER NEWS

On Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, the TBITE Social Committee hosted a technical tour of the TECO Bayside Power Station.



The station integrates seven combustion turbines, seven heat recovery steam generators and two of the plants' steam turbines to reliably and cost effectively produce over 1,800 megawatts of power!



We want to congratulate our President, Sara Hall, for welcoming a healthy baby girl in July! Maybe she'll follow in her mommy's footsteps to becoming our future TBITE President!



On Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, we hosted our second luncheon at the Rusty Pelican which featured guest speakers Cory Quinn, P.E., Director of Expressway Operations of the Central Florida Expressway and Charles Lattimer, P.E., PMP, Senior Project Manager with Atkins who presented wrong-way driving detection and prevention systems. This informative presentation described the pilot deployment of an innovative ITS approach to wrong-way driving detection and prevention at five key CFX off-ramps. This system, which went live in February 2015, employs radar activated rectangular flashing beacons at selected Expressway ramps to warn errant drivers of their wrong-way activity. The system also sends an alert to the traffic management center in real-time to allow rapid notification of law enforcement.



Many members were in attendance at the FDOT Design Training Expo held at the Buena Vista Palace in Orlando on June 9 – 12, 2015. The expo featured many excellent training sessions and abundant marketing opportunities.



Please contact Sara Hall at [sara.hall@dot.state.fl](mailto:sara.hall@dot.state.fl) or Danielle Joyce at [djoyce@gpinet.com](mailto:djoyce@gpinet.com) with suggestions for the next TBITE Quarterly!

## ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS

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## EXECUTIVE BOARD NEWS

The TBITE Board met for lunch on June 2, 2015 to strategize member and board meetings for the remainder of the year. Interesting ideas for speaker topics include I-4 Ultimate project, Autonomous Vehicles and a panel discussion with representatives from different modes of transportation. Additionally, we are inquiring about joint meetings with ITS FL, ASCE and WTS to facilitate coordination with other influential technical organizations within the Tampa Bay region.

Currently, the BOD is working towards automating all membership forms, sponsorship, registration and elections. We are also planning the next TBITE luncheon and a social Bowling joint event with WTS.

Furthermore, the Board members are assisting with the planning efforts for the District 10 / FSITE 2015 Annual Meeting to be held at the Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel on November 2 – 4, 2015. We are also assisting with the preliminary planning of E-week 2016.

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS!

It's time to celebrate another successful Tampa Bay ITE year! We'd also like to take a moment to celebrate the achievements of our members who have made a difference to Tampa Bay ITE and the transportation profession. We'll be soliciting nominations for the following honors:

- **Joseph J. Grimail, Transportation Professional of the Year Award** - This award will recognize outstanding contributions to Tampa Bay ITE and to the transportation profession.
- **Keith Crawford, Young Transportation Professional of the Year Award** - This award will recognize outstanding contributions to Tampa Bay ITE and to the transportation profession by members under 35 years of age.
- **Project of the Year** - This award is to recognize an outstanding transportation project that has applied innovative techniques and successful implementation.
- **TBITE Treasurer** – Every two years we need to elect a new Treasurer to the Tampa Bay Chapter of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (TBITE). The Treasurer is part of the TBITE Executive Board.

**More details along with the Nomination Applications to follow...**

## 2015 TBITE EXECUTIVE BOARD

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## 2015 TBITE COMMITTEES

### On-Site-& Pre-Meeting Coordination:

Karddy Rodriquez, E.I., Icon

Catalina Echeverri, Gannett Fleming, Inc.

### TBITE Awards/Nominations:

**Currently Vacant**

### TBITE Social Committee:

Deborah Snyder, P.E., Parsons Brinckerhoff

### Website Master:

Alex Anaya, P.E., PTOE, ESRP Corporation

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

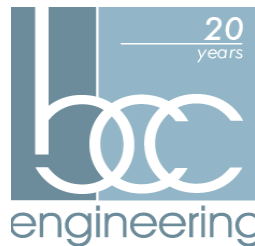
The TBITE Executive Board is currently seeking volunteers for assistance with both the Awards/Nominations Committee and the Social Committee. If you would like to know more about the Committee responsibilities or you are interested in volunteering, please contact a TBITE Executive Board Member ASAP.

## ARTICLES & SPEAKERS WANTED

Do you or a colleague have an interesting article regarding a transportation project or technical advancement? If so, we'd love to publish it in the next TBITE newsletter! Please submit your article to Danielle Joyce, [djoyce@gpinet.com](mailto:djoyce@gpinet.com), for publication consideration by the Executive Board.

If you would like to volunteer yourself (or someone else) to make a presentation at one of our TBITE quarterly meetings, please contact a TBITE Executive Board Member.

## THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!!!



## 2015 CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

**Wouldn't your company's logo look good in this newsletter?** The applications are available on the TBITE website, so make sure the proper marketing/management person in your organization is aware of the great opportunities available to sponsor **TBITE in 2015** and beyond!

### ADVERTISE IN TBITE NEWSLETTER

Advertise your business or job postings in TBITE Quarterly Newsletter. Advertising space is available at \$50 per issue or \$150 for the year. For more information please contact any of the board members.

### TBITE STUDENT SPONSORSHIP

The University of South Florida has a very active student chapter of ITE. We'd like to invite them all to be part of the TBITE family as well, but we need your help. You or your firm can sponsor a student for \$75 per year. This will cover the cost of student attendance at each TBITE meeting as well as the Annual Banquet. For more information please contact any of the board members.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



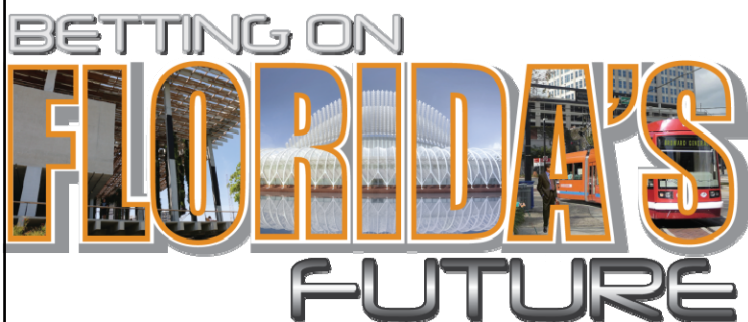
### 2015 Florida Transportation Data Symposium

August 18-20, 2015  
Omni Orlando at Champions Gate  
FLTDS.COM



### Technical Tour of Top Golf! Free Admission

August 22, 2015, 7:00 – 10:00 AM  
Top Golf, Palm River Road, Tampa  
<http://www.asce-wcb.org/yimg/>



### APA FLORIDA CONFERENCE

September 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
The Diplomat, Hollywood, FL  
<http://floridaplanning.org/conference/>

### SAVE THE DATE!!!



### Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup> Joint WTS and TBITE Social

Don't miss the opportunity to network with your fellow professionals during a game of Bowling at Splitsville!  
Details to follow.



### 2015 District 10 / FL Section ITE Annual Meeting

November 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Tampa Marriott Waterside  
<https://www.floridasectionite.org/district-10-annual-meeting-2015>

### Professional Engineer Legislative Days

Hosted by the Florida Engineering Society and the Florida Institute of Consulting Engineers

November 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Tallahassee, FL

### TRYING TO ADVERTISE YOUR TRANSPORTATION EVENT?

TBITE would be happy to share your event with our Transportation colleagues via the Newsletter. Please contact Danielle Joyce at [djoyce@gpinet.com](mailto:djoyce@gpinet.com) to make it happen!