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## President's Message

**Sandra Gorman, PE**  
Kimley-Horn & Associates

I was going to use this space to talk about the ITE International Meeting in Orlando, the Transportation Supersession that just passed, or even our upcoming Continuing Education Programs for PE renewal. But that just didn't seem appropriate. As you all are aware, it's been a rough couple of months for the State of Florida. Starting in August with Tropical Storm Bonnie, the state has been hit with five named storms and hurricanes. Lives have been lost, homes have been destroyed, and there's utter devastation in every corner of the state. People used to use dates and times in conversation, now it's "Before Charley", "During Frances" or "After Jeanne". I think we all still have gallons upon gallons of bottled water and canned goods stacked in our garage just waiting for the next strike. Drive around the area and you'll see homes and businesses still boarded up, just in case Matthew, Nicole or Otto decides to roar through. Some of you may have been hit harder than others and we should all think of our friends, family and colleagues in the Winter Haven area that were hit with the triple play. In light of the situation across the state, we are asking each of our members to help those who were hit the hardest. For the rest of the year, TBITE will be collecting donations to present to the American Red Cross to aid in the hurricane relief efforts. You can donate at any of our

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*Part of the group that participated in the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Transportation Supersession*

## TBITE 2004

**Rosana Correa, PE**  
URS Corporation

TBITE and other five professional organizations (ASCE, FES Tampa, FES Pinellas, ASHE, WTS, and SWE) hosted the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Transportation Supersession on September 29, 2004 at Wyndham Westshore Hotel. Twenty exhibitors, 20 sponsors, and over 380 transportation professionals participated in the event. Kenneth Hartmann, FDOT D7 Secretary, and Stan Cann, FDOT D1 Secretary were our special guests providing very good information on the direction that FDOT is moving, especially concentrating more money on SIS (Strategic Intermodal System). Senator Jim Sebasta, Chairman of the Florida Senate Committee in Transportation was the keynote speaker and he stressed early participation in transportation legislation.

TBITE wants to acknowledge the Transportation Supersession Committee for their work and for making the event a very successful one: Jackie Vallejo Toledo, Sandra Gorman, Matthew Wey, Stacy Burgess, Stephen McGinley, Elisa Powell, Oliver Rodrigues, Raelene Quintero, Darcy Watson, Philip Erbland, Don Fairbairn, Richard Claybrooke, Jeff Arnold, Lucilla Ayer, and Cassandra Ecker.

TBITE will be offering the 4-hour video course "Laws and Rules" to fulfill the laws and rules continuing education requirement for PE renewal (more information on page 3). Stay tuned for information about the dates and locations.

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## ITE International Meeting in Orlando

**Matthew Wey, P.E., PTOE**

Carter & Burgess

ITE's Annual Meeting and Exhibit was held at the Disney's Coronado Springs Resort from August 1-4, 2004. More than 2,000 transportation professionals from around the world traveled to Lake Buena Vista, Florida to take part in 66 technical sessions organized in six tracks: Intersections; Traffic Engineering/Innovative Tools; Partnerships/Livable Communities; Operations/Transportation Management; Safety; and Transportation Planning/Transit.

Steven Hoefener, ITE International President, opened the meeting and presented the Burton W. Marsh Award for Distinguished Service and the Theodore M. Matson Memorial Award to Leon Goodman and James Pline, respectively. Mr. Doug Lipp, an internationally acclaimed expert on customer service, leadership and global competitiveness captivated the audience with his motivating and challenging keynote address. Mr. Lipp shared his experience as a key leader within the Walt Disney World® organization. One of several insightful topics he discussed during his speech pertained to measuring success by "our level of comfort". Mr. Lipp emphasized that by identifying our weaknesses we are better able to cultivate our strengths. As an example exercise, he asked the attendees to write their names with their right hands and then with their left hands. The exercise illustrated that the loss productivity and quality we experience with new challenges affords us an opportunity to strengthen ourselves through change. We should not limit ourselves by only doing things that are comfortable to us, but instead we should strive to explore new opportunities, and be willing to change to be successful.

The opening ceremonies concluded with the loud beat of drums (or banging together of trash can lids) signifying the procession to the exhibition hall to view transportation products and services from more than 120 companies. A noteworthy exhibitor's display, sponsored by Kimley-Horn and Associates, was operated by a pair of "dummies". Dave Muntean, Jr. and his "partner in crime", Selby Thannikary, sported their crash test dummy outfits as their demonstration that highlighted the importance of highway safety.

The TBITE contingency was well represented by the exemplary efforts of three members who presided over exceedingly informative technical sessions: Ken Sides – "Roundabout Safety and Operations"; Michael Moule – "Folks and Spokes: Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety"; and Peter Yauch – "Traffic Signal Design and Operations." Additionally, 16 professionals in the Tampa Bay ITE Chapter area presented: Kristine Williams, Brian Johnson, Jeffery Kramer, William Ball, Jerry Dabkowski, William Roll Jr., Herman Huang, Sage Kamiya, Abdul-Rahman Hamad, Bruce Landis, Joel Rey, Pei-Sung Lin, Jeffery Armstrong, Bill Wilshire and Larry Hagen. Let's all congratulate them on a job well done!



In addition to our member's contributions to the ITE Annual Meeting, the TBITE Board was fortunate to attend the Elected Leadership Forum. At the Forum, the International Board of Directors affirmed district, section, and chapter leaders in attendance that ITE is a vibrant organization, constantly growing, with a current membership of more than 16,000 professionals around the world (87 percent from the United States). The TBITE Board took this opportunity to get acquainted with the ITE Directors, learn more about the inner workings of this large organization and what the ITE Headquarters had to offer to enhance services of the Chapter. Overall the meeting was very educational, and it was truly a great experience for the TBITE Board members!

A big thank you to the Local Arrangements Chairperson, David Gwynn Jr., (an active member and past president of the Florida Section of ITE) for his, and the ITE committee members from Central Florida, efforts in organizing the Annual Meeting. All members should mark their calendars for the 2005 Annual Meeting and Exhibit to be held in Melbourne, VIC, Australia, August 7-10, 2005, which celebrates the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ITE.



### OUT AND ABOUT

Transportation professionals are keeping busy with various events! Check it out!

#### TBAG MEETING

FDOT DISTRICT 7 OFFICES  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

The Tampa Bay Applications Group will host several guest speakers to cover a range of ideas concerning Multi-Modal Planning. For more information, contact Christopher Hatton at 813-620-1460. Next Meeting: October 28, 2004

#### TBITE MEETING NOVEMBER, 2004 !!!

CASTAWAY RESTAURANT, COURTNEY CAMPBELL CAUSEWAY  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

#### TBITE ANNUAL BANQUET

HILTON AIRPORT HOTEL  
DECEMBER 15, 2004

#### WOMEN TRANSPORTATION SEMINAR

Ybor History Saved, House of Two Sisters  
1901 N. 19th Street, Tampa, FL.

October 28, 2004 4:30 – 6:00 pm

I'm sure most of you have seen the massive construction of Interstate 4 through Ybor City - - and most of you know that the historic homes that used to be there were moved - - but what really happened to them? Ken Hardin from Janus Research will discuss the process involved in moving all those homes to their new locations and the restoration involved in the preservation of Ybor history. For more information contact **Cassandra Ecker (813) 975-7241** or [eckercx@c-b.com](mailto:eckercx@c-b.com)

If your organization would like to advertise their upcoming events, please email the details to Rosana Correa ([rosana\\_correa@urscorp.com](mailto:rosana_correa@urscorp.com)). ☐

## CONTINUING EDUCATION LAWS AND RULES MODULE

TBITE will offer a 4-hour video course to fulfill the laws and rule continuing education requirement for PE renewal. Dates and times have not been set yet but stay tuned for more information.

**Cost: Members - \$45**

**Non-Members - \$55**

Contact the TBITE's President Sandra Gorman at [Sandra.gorman@kimley-horn.com](mailto:Sandra.gorman@kimley-horn.com) for more information

### President's message

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upcoming events, or send your donation (made out directly to the Red Cross) to one of the board members. TBITE will be donating \$400 dollars to American Red Cross to help with the hurricane relief efforts, and it would be great if our members could help us match that. If you've already donated to the hurricane relief effort, that's great, if not, now's your chance. If you don't feel comfortable donating money, please consider donating your time to help the recovery, even if it's only helping an elderly neighbor clean up their yard. Now is the time where we need to come together as Floridians to help our fellow Floridians. I thank you for your thoughtful consideration on this matter, and please, let's keep all the victims and their families in our thoughts and prayers.

### GET INVOLVED WITH TBITE!

We are still looking for volunteers to serve on the various TBITE committees through out the year. If you like to volunteer, please contact the chairperson of the committee or any of the board members.

#### Activities and Web Page Committee

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#### Newsletter Committee

**Chairperson: Sadiq Pirani, Gray-Calhoun & Associates**  
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We are currently looking for a new Annual Banquet/Awards Committee Chairperson. Please email TBITE President Sandra Gorman at [Sandra.gorman@kimley-horn.com](mailto:Sandra.gorman@kimley-horn.com)

**For more information!**

We look forward to working with you!

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TBITE will be electing a new secretary for the year 2005. Candidate nomination information will be emailed soon. Also ballots for nominations for Best Transportation Project Award, Young Transportation Professional Award, and Transportation Professional of the Year Award will also be e-mailed soon. The winners will be announced at the TBITE Annual Banquet on December 15, 2004.

## 15th ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION SUPERSESSION



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**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE EXHIBITORS OF THE 15<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION SUPERSESSION**

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#### ADVERTISE IN TBITE NEWSLETTER

Advertise your business or job postings in TBITE Quarterly Newsletter. Advertising space is available at \$75 dollars per issue or \$200 for the year. The Newsletter is published the last week of March, June, September, and December of 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 \$90 dollars a 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.

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