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Letter from the President

The month of February serves as a gracious host to a wide range of events, including Groundhog Day, St. Valentine's Day, and every fourth year, a 29th day that still does not give February an opportunity to lose its title as the calendar year's shortest month.

Kevin Chang
WA Section President

For the Washington State Section of ITE, we partner with our IMSA (International Municipal Signal Association) colleagues in February to host the

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SAVE THE DATE

ITE/IMSA Joint Conference & Vendor Exhibition

This conference will feature four technical sessions and over 50 vendor exhibits. Light refreshments and validated parking will be provided.

Please see pages 5-6 for additional details.

WHEN Monday, February 13, 2012
8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

VENUE DoubleTree Hotel
18740 Pacific Highway South
Seattle, WA 98188

COST $35 (Lunch); Sessions are free

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Tuesday, March 13th - March Meeting (Nonmotorized Safety, City of Seattle)
- Tuesday, April 10th - April Meeting (tbd)
- Wednesday, May 9th - ITE-Washington Student Night and Presentations
- Monday, June 11th - June Meeting and 2011-2012 Awards Presentation
- Monday, June 11th - June Meeting and 2011-2012 Awards Presentation
- Tuesday, June 12th - 2012 ITE-Washington Golf Tournament (Harbour Pointe GC)

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popular ITE/IMSA Joint Conference and Vendor Exhibition. This year's event, on Monday, February 13th, will feature over 40 exhibition booths and nearly 20 technical and vendor sessions. I hope you will find some time during the day to join us, or commit to spending the entire day if your schedule allows.

February is also the month to celebrate Presidents Day. This holiday, as I recently learned, previously fell on February 22nd, in conjunction with the actual birthday of our nation's first president, George Washington. For this reason, this holiday is still often referred to as Washington's Birthday. However, in 1971, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act that moved certain holidays from a fixed day to a designated Monday. As a result of this action, Presidents Day now has a permanent home on the third Monday in February, and has expanded in scope so that all of our past presidents are recognized. (I'll leave this space open so that you can draw your own conclusions as to how our nation's leaders from forty years ago found the time to address an issue like the Uniform Monday Holiday Act.)

While the calendar date of Presidents Day may have changed over time, the intent has never wavered. It serves as a chance to celebrate and honor the office of the presidency. Although this holiday remembers our country's leaders, let me take this opportunity to shift the focus over to my predecessors, namely all of the individuals who have previously served as President of the Washington State Section of ITE. You will find their names listed on the following page. It goes without saying that the success and growth of our section, in so many ways, can be directly attributed to the vision, leadership, and dedication of these past leaders. Each of these men and women has left their personal imprint on an organization that will continue to evolve in the years to come.

On that note, to each of our Past Presidents who have represented the Washington State Section, we thank you for your service.

Kevin Chang, President
itewapresident@gmail.com

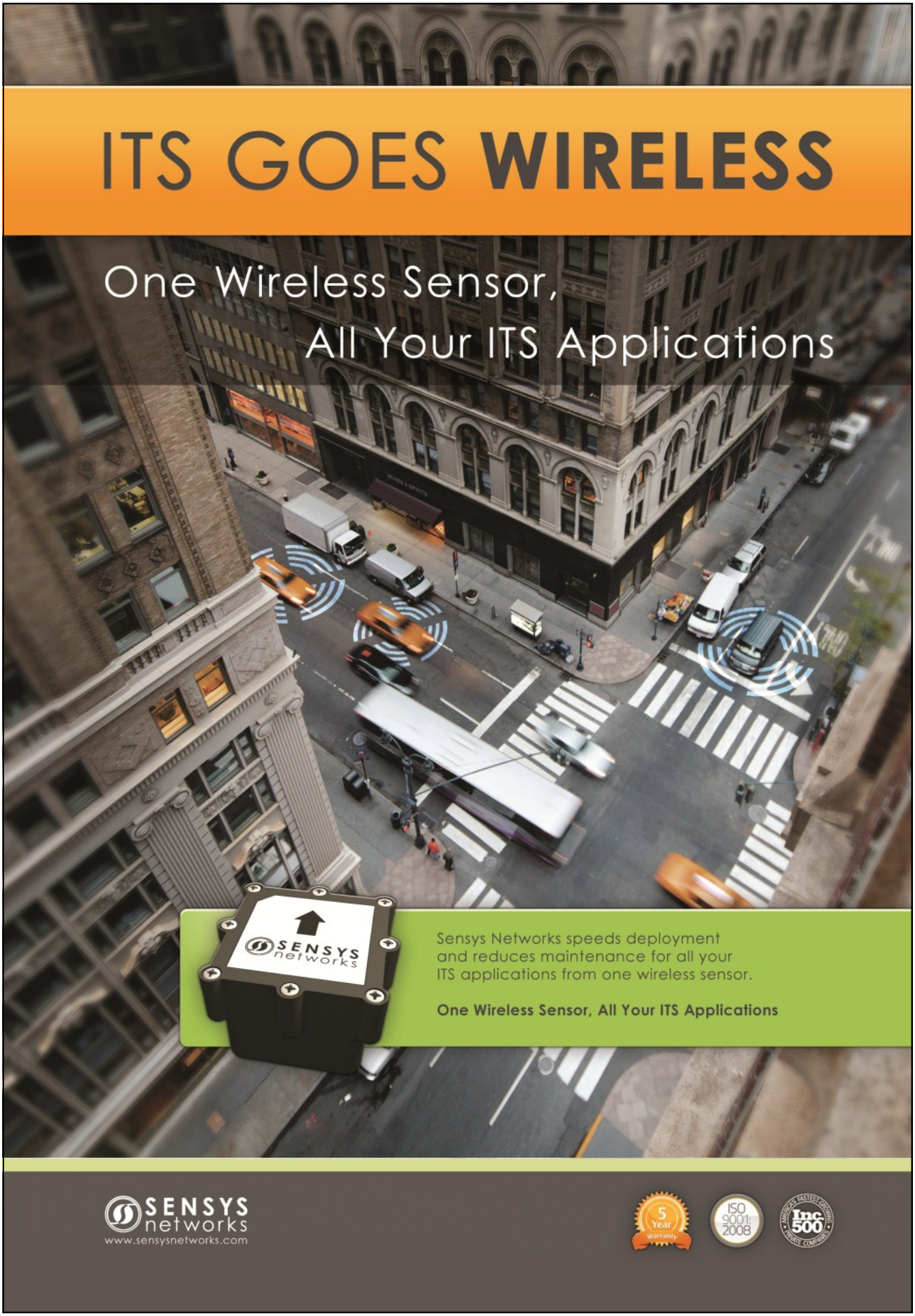
Washington State Section of ITE (Past Presidents)

2011	Katherine Casseday	1985	Gary Norris
2010	Jim Bloodgood	1984	Michael Mariano
2009	Nick Ching	1983	Dennis Neuzil
2008	David Alm	1982	Ron Cameron
2007	Kerensa Swanson Fromherz	1981	Sandy Rogers
2006	Seyed Safavian	1980	Darrel Chambers
2005	Torsten Lienau	1979	Lloyd Warren
2004	Gary Costa	1978	William Pugh
2003	Mark Madden	1977	Stanley Moon
2002	Joseph Couples	1976	G.R. (Bob) Parrott
2001	Holly Parsons	1975	George Fies
2000	Wayne Wentz	1974	Clifford Bedell
1999	David Enger	1973	Ronald Mattila
1998	Donald Cairns	1972	Victor Bishop
1997	Dale LeMaster	1971	Dennis Crumbley
1996	Rory Grindley	1970	John Phillips
1995	Donald Samdahl	1969	Christopher Brown
1994	Dave McCormick	1968	Charles Murray
1993	Erin Bard	1967	Paul Hooper
1992	David Crippen	1966	Donald Ernst
1991	Terry Gibson	1965	Larry Keyser
1990	Mujib Ahmed	1964	Jim Gallagher
1989	William Haro	1963	Bernard Cook
1988	Paul Masten	1962	Russ Albert
1987	David Markley	1961	Willa Wilcox Mylroie
1986	John Logan		

ITE Washington State Section 2011-2012 Membership Directory Notice

By Dongho Chang, State Section Secretary

The Washington State Section of ITE will be producing our 2011-2012 membership directory by next spring. The membership directory will be posted electronically on our website as a valuable resource to our members. The directory will be a reference for clients and peers and we want to have your most current contact information. If you had a recent change in your contact and membership information, please visit our website at http://www.westernite.org/Sections/washington/membership/membership.html and complete the update form. Please email Dongho Chang at dongho.chang@seattle.gov if you wish to be omitted from the directory.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Technical Sessions, Vendor Exhibits, and Free Light refreshments. Parking provided free of charge! $35 Lunch. Menu and registration information will be published shortly. Call 206-246-8600 for hotel accommodations; ask for the ITE group rate.

SESSION MORNING SCHEDULE

TIME	Northwest 3	Cascade Room 1 (2nd Floor)	Cascade Room 2 (2nd Floor)	Cascade Room 3 (2nd Floor)
8:30	**Technical Session 1** Asymmetric Double Cycle Signal Control by Robert Klug, Clark County 2009 MUTCD Update by Rick Mowlds, WSDOT	**IMSA General Membership Meeting 8:00 - 9:00** **IMSA Washington Division Meeting 9:00 - 9:30**		
9:30	**Technical Session 2** WSDOT-Asset Management, Maintaining Bridges, Pavement, Electrical Systems by Pat Morin and Matt Neeley, WSDOT	**IMSA Executive Committee Meeting 9:30 - 11:30**		
10:30	**Technical Session 3** ADA Requirement and ADA for Traffic Signals, 2011 PROWAG by Jodi Peterson, FHWA			
11:30	**Lunch in Northwest 2** **Luncheon Presentation:** **ITS Design: Latest Developments** **Michael Forbis, WSDOT**			

The afternoon schedule is shown on the following page.

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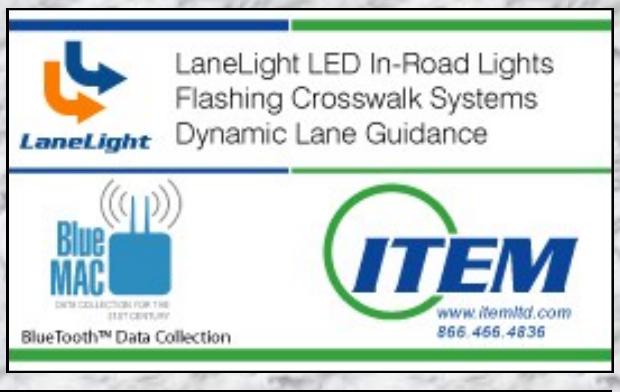
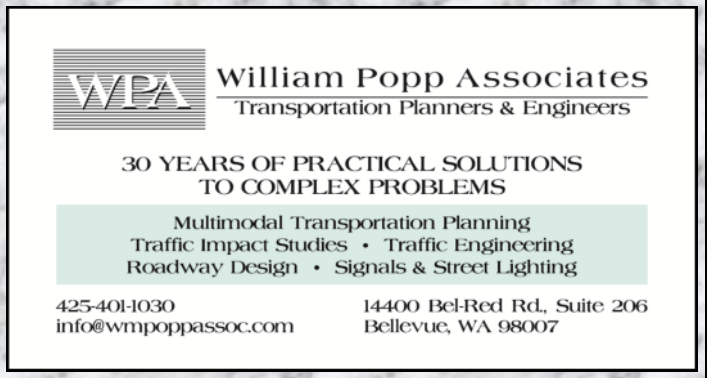
SESSION AFTERNOON SCHEDULE

TIME	Northwest 3	Cascade Room 1 (2nd Floor)	Cascade Room 2 (2nd Floor)	Cascade Room 3 (2nd Floor)
1:00	**Technical Session 4** Contact Voltage Testing (Energized Junction Box Lids and Poles) by Steve Crume and Emily Burns, Seattle City Light			
2:00	**Western Systems** Siemens Adaptive System Software by Mike Taylor & Mark Hudgins	**Zumar** Minimum Reflectivity Compliance Kit by Jeff LaSource	**Campbell** The 2009 MUTCD and Accessible Pedestrian Signals by Phil Tate	**Pacific Signal Supply** IQ-ATC1000 Controller / I-Q Connect The Replacement Controller for Legacy Traconex, Multisonics & Peek Controllers by Donald M. Maas, Jr., Peek Traffic Corp
2:30	**Western Systems** Iteris Vantage Vector Video & Radar Fusion Sensors by John Shearer, Iteris	**Western Systems** Intuicom Broadband Wireless Radios by John Brannan	**McCain** ATC Controller by Jim Fauconnier	**Reno A& E** Bicycle Detection by Tom Sutula
3:00	**FLIR** Optimizing ITS Applications Using Thermal Cameras by Dan Dietrich	**Western Systems** HSE RWIS Optical Road Condition Sensor by Zach Hoiting	**Spot Devices** Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons by Sandi Taylor-Dunmyer	**GarretCom** Hardened Outdoor Ethernet Equipment for Traffic Applications by Dennis Wong
3:30	**Rhythm Engineering** The Real-World Results of In-Sync Smart Traffic Technology by Steve Mager	**Advanced Traffic Products** Polara Accessible Pedestrian System by Mike Singson	**Kar-Gor** Traficon Video and FLIR Camera by Ed Salkaus	**Sea-Tac Lighting** PLC Multipoint: Tunnel & Underdeck Lighting Control by Norm Dittmann





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Scribe Report

By Paul Cho, City of Redmond

January Meeting (Wednesday, 01/11/2012)

I'll just have to say this month's ITE Washington section's luncheon meeting was held at one of my favorite locations. Not only is the drive towards the clubhouse a refreshing escape from the concrete jungle, the meeting room's views continued the calming effect. But the best part of meeting at the Nile Golf and Country Club is biting into the best fresh baked chocolate chip cookies straight out of the oven! The cookies themselves became a distraction as section president, Kevin Chang, started the formal part of the meeting in front of 44 registered participants and shared his passion for golf and his participation in the latest issue of Golf Digest as a tester. (For more detailed information, you'll have to inquire with Mr. Chang. For details on the cookies, please see me at the next meeting.)

Following general announcements on the upcoming survey to the members as well as the joint ITE/IMSA meeting in February, Mr. Chang asked for a round of self-introductions for this month's speaker, Tay Yoshitani, CEO Port of Seattle. Mr. Yoshitani began his talk on the 6th largest seaport and 15th largest airport in the United States by describing how engineers in his family and early work experiences influenced his career and how he would never forget the joke about the engineer and the guillotine.

Washington State's commissioner is elected rather than appointed by the mayor or governor. This provides a necessary disconnect for the potential success if the agency official does not share a strong vision of the port operations. Mr. Yoshitani focused on 3 key areas of the Port; Seaport, Airport and Real Estate. All three entities met or exceeded their targets in 2011. In fact, the seaport saw their best year in 2010 and their second best year in 2011. He continued by focusing on three E's; Economics, Environment and Social Equity.

Improvements to the airport include a consolidated rental car facility and shuttle service. This saves time and reduces delay and pollution. Power connections at the terminal allow airplanes to run their HVAC without running their engines. The Port supports the local community by providing information and input as well as employing local businesses for supplies, delivery, contractors and sub-contractors.

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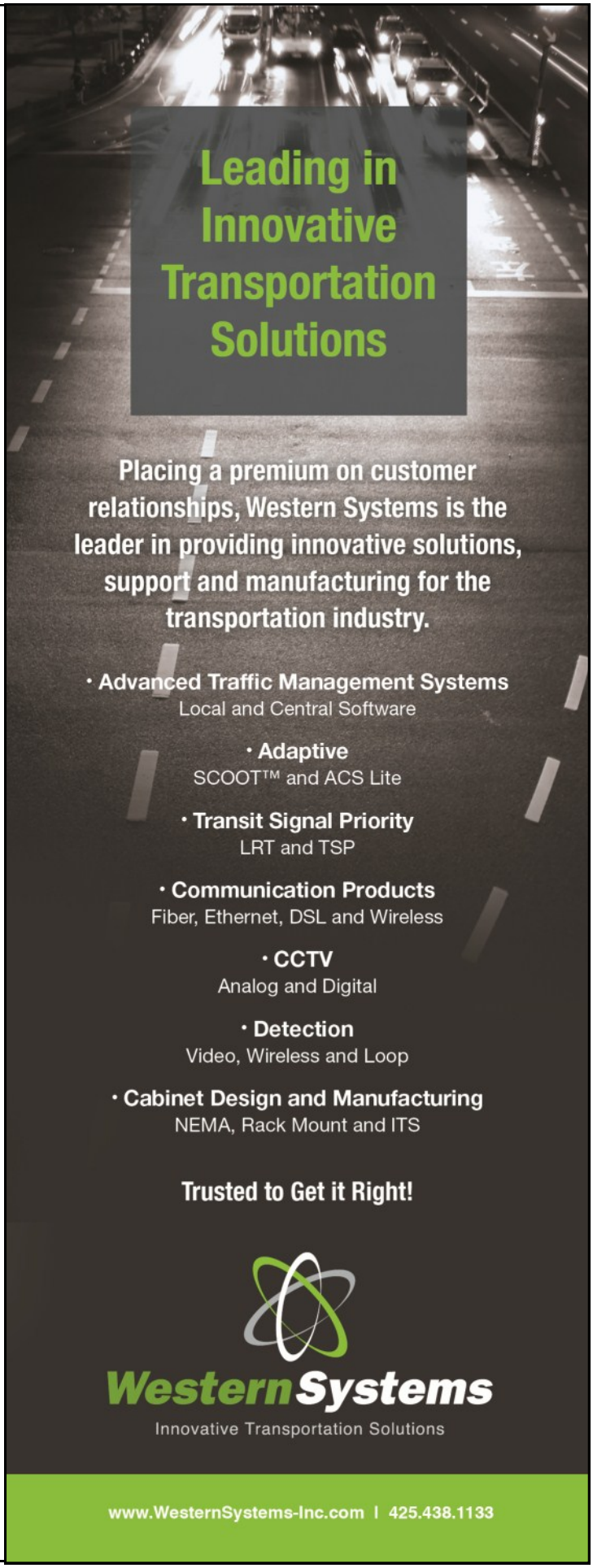
Most people will not drive 200-300 miles out of their way to use an alternate to SeaTac Airport. Yet, the seaport must compete against Portland and Southern California as well as Eastern and Central Seaports using the Panama Canal. Panama is working on reclaiming some of the lost business by digging deeper to allow the largest of vessels through their waterways. Ports in Canada are exempt from some of the taxes imposed on US imports that make unfair competition. It's almost impossible to go head to head with the competition. But there are ways to improve by focusing on how green the Port of Seattle is. Also, Seattle and Tacoma ports must align to work together rather than competing against each other into the ground.

Mr. Yoshitani continued with a long question and answer session before Kevin Chang reminded the members of the upcoming safety workshops, a job announcement for the City of Everett. We'll see you all at next month's joint ITE/IMSA meeting at the Double -Tree SeaTac with over 45 vendor displays. The meeting was adjourned immediately following the announcements.



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