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Letter from the President

As your new Section President, I am humbled to stand before you and excited to begin working with Jim Ellison, our incoming Vice President / Treasurer, and Dongho Chang, our newly-elected Secretary. A special thank you goes out to Katherine Casseday for her leadership and steady hand over the past twelve months as she now transitions into her new role as Past President.

Kevin Chang
WA Section President

The success of our Washington State Section would not be possible without the great work of our many committee and program chairs who have tirelessly volunteered their time to keep our organization moving forward. To Bill Love, Carla Nasr, Carter Danne, Edward Koltonowski, Hidemi Tsuru, Jamal Mahmoud, James Colyar, Jan Ciganik, Jerry Liu, Lawrence Guan, Mark Poch, Meagan Powers, Paul Cho,

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SAVE THE DATE

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WHEN Tuesday, September 13, 2011
11:30 AM - 2:00 PM Lunch Meeting

VENUE Salty's on Alki
1936 Harbor Avenue SW
Seattle, WA 98116
(206) 937-1600
Free parking in the restaurant lot.

COST To Be Determined

MENU *Lunch Buffet*

RSVP By 5 PM, Friday, September 9th, please e-mail Carla Nasr at: itewaregister@gmail.com

Please include company name, address, phone number & names of attendees; note that you will receive an invoice from ITE if you RSVP but are unable to attend.

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Rory Cameron, Scott Lee, Seyed Safavian, Terry Gibson, Tony Woody, Torsten Lienau, Yinhai Wang - thank you all for your service last year. All of your efforts deserve far more than this brief mention.

The summer months usually serve as a great opportunity for your section leadership to pause and to reflect on past events and achievements. It has been a short recess this year, as we have already cleared our program table from 2010-2011 and started finalizing our new transportation menu for 2011-2012.

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The board is committed to providing you, our Washington State Section member, with monthly meetings and programs that are informative and value-driven, and we will be continue to be thoughtful as we develop our meeting budgets and plan our meeting locations. We are excited to continue our partnership with the Traffic Simulation Roundtable, led by James Colyar and Tony Woody, and look forward to great things from our new Safety Committee headed by Gary Norris and Mike Dornfeld. Lastly, it gives me great pleasure to announce that we will be the first section in the ITE Western District to be recognized as an Emerald-Level contributor for its Student Endowment Fund. Our ability to support, mentor, and foster the growth of our student members as they become our next transportation professionals and leaders may ultimately be our most significant contribution to our profession.

Enjoy the summer. As a reminder, please remember to cast your vote for either Ray Davis or Zaki Mustafa as the next ITE International Vice President if you have not yet done so.

On the behalf of the Washington State Section, I look forward to reconnecting with you on Tuesday, September 13th, at Salty's on Alki.

Kevin Chang, President
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Chambers Bay
Site of the 2015 U.S. Open Championship

ITE Golf Classic #23

Chambers Bay Golf Course – University Place, WA
Tuesday, June 7th, 2011, 10:00am Shotgun Start

TOURNAMENT RECAP

The 23rd ITE Golf Classic was played on Tuesday, June 7th at beautiful Chambers Bay in University Place. This unique, walk only golf course gave the hardy men and women of the ITE all we could handle with the challenging terrain and wonderfully dry conditions. True to Chambers links style of golf, a stiff wind (but thankfully no rain) added extra challenge to the scramble scoring format.

Twenty four groups of golfers, the most in recent history, teed it up for a shotgun start at 10 am. It was great to see ITE friends from as far away as Idaho and British Columbia make the trip to join the competition and fun. Over 100 people participated in the event that was started 23 years ago by our very own Terry Gibson.

After the round, folks settled in for a great dinner in the event pavilion overlooking the course, which included recognition of our wonderful sponsors, a huge round of applause for Terry, competition awards, and raffle. Thanks to our sponsors, 12 great raffle prizes were handed out, including multiple box seats to a Mariner's game, and $50 gift certificates to Azteca and Home Depot. Raffle winners included Andrew Bellamy, Band Sittikariya, Kirk McKinley, Jerry McAlhany, Clark Williams, Dave Talcott, Steve Haugen, Jeff Thompson, Eric Shimizu, Rick Perez, and Paul Takamine.

The competition was exciting, and included a tie for first place between the longtime Seattle DOT team lead by Brian Kemper, and the team from Huitt-Zollars, which included long time ITE veteran Dan "this is better than hockey" Patsula. You may recall that Seattle tied for first last year, and like last year, they came up just short in the putt-off. So congratulations to our new champs, Huitt-Zollars (David Talcott, Dan Patsula, and Steve Maas). The long time Redmond team of Don Cairns, Bill Campbell, Ron Grant, and Jeff Thompson had another great showing and placed 3rd. Winners also included Kari Tomosada, Steve Haugen, and Tyler Boyer for long drives, and Redmond's Jeff Thompson with a closest to the pin.

This also marked the first year we have had an official photographer….a huge thanks to Deby Alm for spending the day getting those lasting memories of the competition! Thanks to Deby, all team captains received a complementary digital picture of their team on the golf course.

We just could not do this without our great sponsors! Our main sponsors this year included Mark Skaggs - All Traffic Data (BBQ), Robert Nims - Western Systems (Raffle), Mike Singson - Advance Traffic Products (Competition holes),

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and Scott Williams – TetraTech/INCA (Team awards). A big thanks also to Andrew Bellamy (Quality Counts), and the good folks at Zumar, Fehr & Peers, and TransCore ITS. Our sponsors not only participated in the event, but also enabled the Classic to offer great prizes and value to our membership.

23rd ITE Classic Results

1st Place – Huitt-Zollars

2nd Place – Seattle DOT

3rd Place – Redmond

Highest Score – DKS Ladies

Eagle on the 6th hole, literally

Terry, Mark, Jim and Wayne

We look forward to seeing everyone at next year's Classic….
Mark Poch, Tournament Chair

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"The Campus Corner"

By Meagan Powers and Scott Lee

Another great year for the students of the Washington Section of ITE has come to an end. This year included many great activities and opportunities for ITE students with participation from the University of Washington, Seattle University, and Lake Washington Technical College. We look forward to continue our outreach to students by providing them opportunities within the transportation profession. Below is a summary of the activities/awards that students were involved in this year.

18th Annual Traffic Bowl – UW competed for the third straight year.

District 6 Data Collection Project – The UW ITE Chapter has shown it is one of the elite chapters in District 6, winning a data collection project for three consecutive years. Good Job UW!!

Graduate and Undergraduate Scholarships – The graduate scholarship ($2,000) was awarded to **Runze Yu** from the University of Washington and the undergraduate scholarship ($1,500) was awarded to **Zhuohong Shen** from University of Washington. Congratulations to both winners!

Student Night Competition – The evening was a great success. We had four competing teams from three different universities, with the University of Washington, Seattle University and Lake Washington Technical College represented.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped contribute to the ITE student activities throughout the year. We appreciate your continued support. Thank you:

- City of Bellevue, specifically Hillary Stibbard
- Jane Vandenberg
- All Traffic Data
- Quality Counts
- Bob Wagar

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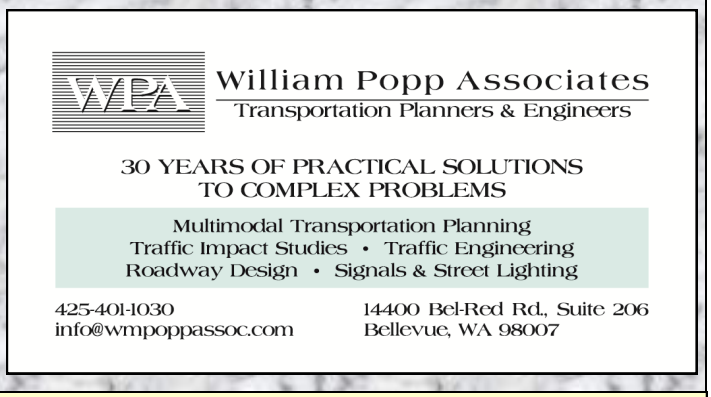

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Spot Light on Safety: Summary of the Safety Committee Meeting

By Gary Norris, ITE Washington State Section Safety Committee Co-Chair

May 11, 2011 marked the beginning of "Decade of Action" to eliminate traffic fatalities worldwide. The Institute of Transportation Engineers is taking a lead role in working with private and public entities to pursue this goal. During the last year, the Washington State Section has also begun activities to participate in this program. The initial step has been the reinstitution of the Washington State Section – Safety Committee. Initial activities included a review of what is happening in Washington State and evaluating how we as members of Washington State ITE may join with the international community in pursuing this worthy goal. Actions for the coming year include:

- Insuring all members of Washington State Section – ITE are informed of the program and pursuing projects to achieve the goal. As a beginning point, each member will be asked to wear the pin to be provided by our Section.
- The Safety Committee will be working with agency engineers to gain their agency commitment to this program. The goal would be to have all public agencies responsible for traffic safety sign this commitment.
- The Safety Committee will be working to develop an action plan to assist members in pursuing the development of programs and activities that will promote the goal.

I look forward to discussing this program with any interested party. If you are interested in joining the Safety Committee, please contact any of the Section officers.

Job Announcement

CITY OF SEATTLE

City Traffic Engineer (Mgr 3 - E&PR)

SALARY:	$38.70 - $58.06 Hourly
LOCATION:	Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 5th Ave., Seattle, Washington
JOB TYPE:	Classified Civil Service, Regular, Full-Time
SHIFT:	Variable
DEPARTMENT:	Seattle Department of Transportation
BARGAINING UNIT:	Not represented
CLOSING DATE	07/26/11 04:00 PM Pacific Time

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

The Seattle Department of Transportation is seeking to hire a City Traffic Engineer, a key advisor to senior officials, including elected officials and the City of Seattle's Attorney's Office on professional engineering matters related to traffic system design and operations. This position reports to the Director of the Traffic Management Division and supports departmental goals in promoting diversity, race and social justice.

For a description of Job Responsibilities and Qualifications, please click here:
http://agency.governmentjobs.com/seattle/job_bulletin.cfm?JobID=339939

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