



**Letter from the President**

I attended the District 6/International Meeting August 17-20 down in Anaheim, CA, and while it was filled with many interesting topics, what also struck me was how far reaching our industry is. Attendees were from all over the globe, and the presentations shed interesting light to innovations in our field, especially presentations by those from other countries. It was a wonderful time of sharing knowledge as well as interacting with other transportation professionals. It also was a good reminder of how large the ITE family is, and that there are many others who share the same passion and dedication to our vocation as we do. There were also opportunities to touch base with ITE on a District level, and to know that they are available to support and guide us as a Section.



Nick Ching  
WA Section President

Of special note, the Washington Section was recognized for our contribution to the

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**This Month: Downtown Bellevue as a Growth and Transportation Efficiency Center (GTEC)**

Our first meeting of the ITE year will be held on September 9, 2008 and we'll have Goran Sparrman give a presentation about Downtown Bellevue as a Growth and Transportation Efficiency Center (GTEC), which includes:

- A viable, livable, memorable, accessible, pedestrian-friendly area;
- Serving as the symbolic and functional heart of the Eastside region;
- Containing a dense, compact mixture of jobs and housing;
- Supported by a viable network of transportation infrastructure and services in order to move more people with fewer cars;
- Resulting in a human-scaled, active environment.

**LOCATION** Bellevue City Hall, rooms 1E-108 and 1E-113  
450 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA

**DATE** Tuesday, September 9, 2008, 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM

**COST** \$20.00 (\$5.00 for students), lunch box choices:

- 1) Grilled Salmon Wrap
- 2) Hearty Roast Beef Sandwich
- 3) Roasted Turkey and Bacon Croissant
- 4) Grilled Veggie on Focaccia

**NOTE** Space is limited, so registration is limited to the first 75 people, RSVP today!

**RSVP** By Friday, September 5 to Scott Lee at [scott.lee@transpogroup.com](mailto:scott.lee@transpogroup.com)

**Mark Your Calendars!**

Upcoming Washington Section meetings are planned for the following dates, so mark your calendars now and plan ahead for the remainder of 2008:

- October 21st — Sound Transit to review the upcoming ballot issue
- November 18th — PSRC Destination 2040 and our future with tolls
- December 9th — Training program after a breakfast meeting

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District 6 endowment fund at the District 6 annual meeting in Anaheim and Jim Bloodgood will bring the award to the Section meeting next week.

To recap, this year's elected Executive Board consists of Jim Bloodgood (Vice President/Treasurer), Katherine Casse-day (Secretary), Dave Alm (Past President), and myself. This year's committee chairs are as follows:

Newsletter:	Carter Danne (Parametrix)
Programs:	Edward Koltonowski (Gibson Traffic Consultants)
Hospitality:	Iris Cabrera (City of Kirkland)
Scribe:	Paul Cho (City of Redmond)
Membership:	Jan Ciganik (KPG Inc.) Hidemi Tsuru (KPG Inc.)
Webmaster:	Rory Cameron (City of Issaquah)
Annual Meeting:	Jerry Liu (Parsons) Bill Love (CH2M Hill) Sherman Goong (City of Bothell) Ryan Jahns (Jahns Engineering)
ITE/IMSA Meeting:	Tim Newkirk (CH2M Hill) Lawrence Guan (Parsons Brinckerhoff)
Student Activities:	Scott Lee (Transpo Group) Meagan Powers (DKS Associates)
University Liason:	Yinhai Wang (University of Washington)
Golf Tournament:	Terry Gibson (Gibson Traffic Consultants) Mark Poch (City of Bellevue)
Technical Committee:	Jamal Mahmoud (King County)
Advisory Board:	Wayne Wentz (City of Seattle) Torsten Lienau (CH2M Hill)
Social Committee:	Vacant

Our dedicated volunteers are what make this such a solid Section. Please remember to thank them for the efforts that they put in for this organization.

**Something new that we are attempting to do this year is to form a social committee.** The thought is to host some fun events for everyone in a casual environment. We are still looking for volunteers for this committee, so if you are interested, please let us know.

We've put together a schedule of excellent programs for the upcoming year, including this month's topic on the City of Bellevue as a Growth and Transportation Efficiency Center (GTEC). Our annual meeting will be west of the mountains again this year, and the yearly Quad meeting will take place in Vancouver, B.C. We're also working on some joint programs, such as the ITE/IMSA meeting in February. To find out more about our schedule of programs, as well as other news, updates, and other information, check out the Section website at <http://www.westernite.org/Sections/washington/>. I hope to see you at our upcoming City of Bellevue program in September!

Sincerely,

Nick Ching  
President, ITE Washington Section

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## **“The Campus Corner”**

By Scott Lee and Megan Powers

Things are just getting started for what looks to be another great year for Washington students involved in ITE. As your committee co-chairs we look forward to keeping you involved and up-to-date with the upcoming student activities. A few of the activities/opportunities to watch out for this year include:

- 17th Annual Traffic Bowl
- District 6 Data Collection Project
- Graduate and Undergraduate Scholarships
- Student Night Competition
- QUAD Conference (Vancouver, BC)
- Washington State Annual Meeting

We are looking forward to using another demonstration project for this year's Students Night and are looking for ideas from cities and counties within the region. If you have a project going on in your jurisdiction that you think would be interesting for the Student Night, please contact either Scott Lee or Meagan Powers.

### Student Activities Committee Co-Chairs:

Scott Lee, Transpo Group – (425) 821-3665 or [scott.lee@transpogroup.com](mailto:scott.lee@transpogroup.com)

Meagan Powers, DKS Associates – (206) 382-9800 or [mcp@dksassociates.com](mailto:mcp@dksassociates.com)

## **Business Card Advertising**

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## **Newsletter Contact Info**

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# Positions Available

## **POSITION: *Transportation Manager, City of Mercer Island, Recruitment No. 08-27***

POSTED: Wednesday, August 06, 2008

CLOSES: Friday, September 5, 2008 @ 5:00 pm

DEPARTMENT: Development Services

SALARY: \$85,000 – 90,000/annually DOE (plus excellent benefits)

### GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

The Transportation Manager ensures fulfillment of the City's transportation planning and concurrency obligations under the Growth Management Act; develops the six-year Street and Non-Motorized facilities portion of the Capital Improvement Program (TIP); evaluates the traffic and transportation impacts of development proposals; coordinates the City's participation in regional transportation issues; and oversees the City's response to requests for traffic control, residential street issues, and parking issues. This job is performed under the supervision of the City Engineer in a team environment with little administrative support.

### QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Requires a minimum of 5 years progressively responsible experience in transportation planning, engineering or closely related field.
- Municipal government experience preferred.
- Must be knowledgeable concerning transportation-related requirements of the Washington State Growth Management Act and concurrency management programs.
- Must be knowledgeable concerning grant funding opportunities and skilled in developing grant proposals.
- Education equivalent to a Bachelor's degree in planning, engineering or in a similar field. Must be skilled in problem solving and have the ability to make immediate decisions.
- Negotiation, arbitration and conflict resolution skills are essential to balance the needs of both internal and external customers.
- Must have excellent oral and written communication skills, including the ability to clearly express ideas to others and the ability to write clear and concise memos, reports, records and documentation.
- Must have strong organizational, planning and time management skills.
- Proficiency with personal computers, with experience using MS Office software products preferred. Experience with traffic modeling software preferred.
- Must be able to analyze and diagnose problems as well as research and interpret codes, regulations, standards, plans and specs, legal descriptions, and various governmental documents.
- Proven ability to establish and maintain good working relationships with customers, volunteers, department staff and City employees.
- Must be oriented towards community service and be sensitive to the public process.
- A driver's license, ability to drive a city vehicle, and a good driving record is required.
- Proof of citizenship and authorization to work in the United States.

### TO APPLY

To apply for this position, submit a cover letter, resume, and City of Mercer Island Application Form, available at City Hall or on-line at [www.mercergov.org](http://www.mercergov.org). If you would like a packet mailed to you, please call (206) 275-7794 and a packet will be mailed to you as soon as possible. Submit completed application materials to City of Mercer Island, ATTN: Human Resources, #08-27; 90611 SE 36th Street; Mercer Island, WA 98040-3732 or by email to [hr@mercergov.org](mailto:hr@mercergov.org). Position closes Friday, September 5 @ 5:00 pm.

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