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Dear Members,

As we head into the summer months, it's exciting to see the momentum and energy our section has built so far this year. We are off to a great start, with two successful and engaging events over the past couple of months and many more opportunities ahead to connect, learn, and engage with one another.

Our March technical event focused on pedestrian simulation at LRT stations and showcased the importance of pedestrian modeling in creating safer, more efficient, and user-friendly pedestrian spaces.

In April, members came together for our ITE Trivia Night — a fun evening with food, competition, and great conversations outside of the workplace. A special thank you to the Social Committee for putting together such an enjoyable event. We kicked off this month with ITE Student Night, which was a great success.

I'm excited for the months ahead as we continue with several important upcoming events, ITE Washington Golf Classic and the ITE Western District Annual Meeting in Bellevue, and we are excited to connect with members and colleagues from across the region. The Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) has been working hard to help deliver an outstanding conference experience featuring high-quality technical sessions, engaging speakers, excellent vendor exhibits, and numerous networking opportunities, along with social and family-friendly activities.

Thank you once again for your continued support, participation, and ideas that help strengthen our section and its community. I encourage you to continue sharing your feedback and suggestions as we work together to better serve our members throughout the year. ■

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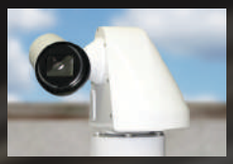

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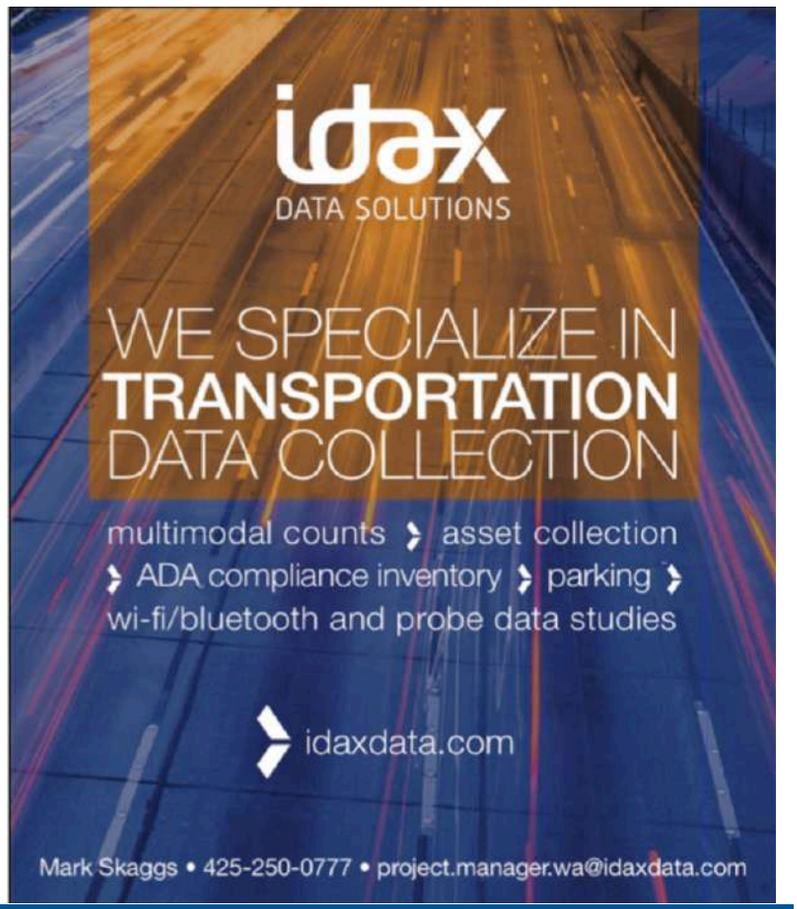

ITE WA Golf Classic #38

The Golf Club at Redmond Ridge

The Golf Club at Redmond Ridge – Redmond, WA
Thursday, June 4th, 2026, 8am Shotgun Start
$132/player ($528 team of 4)

The Golf Club at Redmond Ridge offers 18 holes of championship golf designed by celebrated architect Gary Panks. The course is a testament to the contemporary Northwest golfing experience blending the natural beauty of the area with pristine course conditions and demanding water features. Winding through a network of dense, native forests, and skirting a series of carefully preserved wetlands during the early part of the round, the course ultimately treats players to spectacular views of the Cascade Mountains as they make their way back to the clubhouse. The Golf Club at Redmond Ridge is sure to be a great setting for our 38th Classic.

Our tournament will have tee times starting at 8am on Thursday, June 4th, 2026, with groups teeing off in a shotgun format. Please arrive no later than a half hour before your tee time to register and warm up with included range balls. Registration for this event will be only **$132 per person (due Tuesday, May 19th)**, and will include use of the range, power cart, competition prizes, raffle, drink tickets, and banquet after the round. So be sure to be a part of our famous day of golf, food, and fun!

Register and pay either individually or for a team on Eventbrite: HERE

Only one or two players? Contact us and we'll try to match you up to make a foursome. Questions? Call or email Will Hanson (425.530.8754, whanson@westernsystems-inc.com). And remember, 2 players from each team must be ITE members.

Teams – The Executive Board has requested that 2 or more team players be ITE members - call Will for exceptions – thanks!

Sponsors - We need you! Please contact Elena Bertolucci (ebertolucci@seataclighting.com) about sponsoring this year's ITE Classic!

Format – Popular "Scramble" format, each player hits/putts best ball from tee to green.

Awards – ITE traveling trophy to team with low score. Special hole competitions (kp/long drive). Lots of great raffle prizes!!

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Date	Event	Location
June 4	Golf Classic	Redmond Ridge GC
June 28-July 1	ITE Western District Conference	Bellevue

5 Reasons Why You Shouldn't Miss the ITE Western District Annual Meeting

1. Educational Opportunities

No matter how experienced you are, everyone can learn. The Annual Meeting can provide educational opportunities that can expose you to new ideas and trends, as well as, further your professional development. Some of these opportunities include:

- Engaging in discussions about emerging topics in transportation with professionals throughout the west
- Earning PDHs for your PE
- Exploring innovative transportation solutions
- Participating in Leadership mentoring
- Gathering with committees on leading edge initiatives and technical products
- Discovering first hand experiences in other communities on how they have advanced vision zero, smart mobility, transportation health and equity, autonomous vehicles, access for all modes of travel, complete streets and livable communities
- Obtaining information about changes in transportation performance measures/measures of effectiveness and the advancing tools and data to bring to your agency/employer

2. Networking Opportunities

The Annual Meeting provides ample opportunities to establish relationships and network with your peers. You may meet someone at a meal, in the exhibit hall or wherever and within a few minutes, you can make a connection with someone that could dramatically impact your professional career. This is especially important since these peers can become valuable resources for information, referrals, and best-practices.

3. Interaction with Solution Partners

Discovering innovative products and services for our industry is necessary to stay competitive in today's fast-paced

world. The Annual Meeting provides a casual venue in which to interact with exhibitors who provide products, software and services for our industry. They may have innovative solutions to share or insight on emerging trends that could provide valuable to you in the future.

4. Professional Recognition

Presenting at conferences like the Annual Meeting is a way to establish/increase your credibility and expertise in our field. When you actively participate in a conference, you can develop a reputation as an expert to your peers and your clients, and develop leadership skills. In addition, presenting will make you more confident about the work that you do, and give you new perspective about your work as people may ask questions that make you think about your project differently. At a conference you have the opportunity to get feedback on your work from people who have never seen it before and may provide new insight.

5. Have Fun

Conferences like the Annual Meeting can add a layer of enjoyment by mixing a social aspect into your educational and career growth efforts. The Annual Meeting has a number of fun activities such as family friendly events, themed banquets, and tours (technical or otherwise) of the local area where the meeting is hosted. Take the opportunity to jump on a bike and experience all kinds of transportation applications in a new community. When people can have enjoyable experiences combined with professional learning experiences, companies often see benefits from improved moods, increased motivation and higher productivity.

Call for Nominations – ITE Secretary/Treasurer Position

Looking to get more involved with ITE and make a meaningful impact on our section? The Secretary/Treasurer position is still open, and we encourage interested members to consider stepping into this leadership role. Serving on the board is a great opportunity to help shape the future of our section, bring new ideas forward, and contribute to programs and initiatives that benefit our members and the transportation community. It's also a valuable way to build connections with transportation professionals across the state and expand your professional network. In addition to leadership experience, board members have opportunities to represent the section at ITE Western District and ITE International conferences, collaborate with industry leaders, and support students and young professionals entering the field. Whether you are looking to grow professionally, give back to the industry, or simply become more involved, this is a rewarding opportunity to make a difference while working alongside a great group of colleagues. If you are interested or would like to learn more about the position, please reach out to the board. We would love to hear from you!

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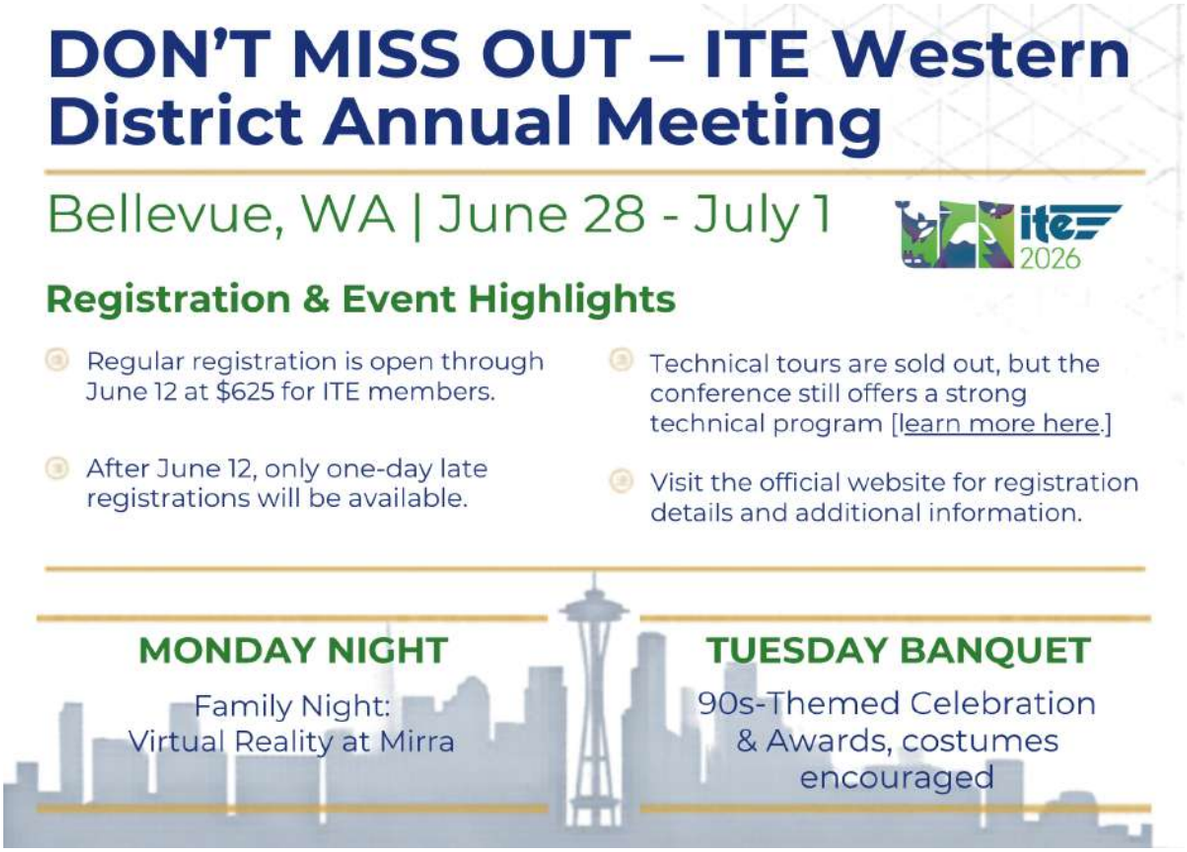
2026 ITE Washington Trivia Night

The ITE Washington Section gathered on April 21 st for an engaging evening of trivia competition. This year's Trivia Night was hosted by WSP at the Safeco Plaza in Seattle. The event brought together transportation professionals for a mix of networking, learning, and lighthearted competition. The event kicked off on a high note with the presentation of the 2025 ITE Washington Project of the Year Award to WSDOT's April Delchamps and Josh Shippy for the SR 99 Lynnwood and Unincorporated Snohomish County Complete Streets Pre-Design Study. The recognition highlights WSDOT's commitment to advancing multimodal transportation solutions and increasing safety, accessibility to transit and mobility for all modes of transportation. Following the award presentation, attendees jumped into the trivia event, where questions spanned a wide range of topics, including traffic control at railroad crossings, the new MUTCD, traffic operations, WSDOT Design Manual, and a round of popular culture questions to keep everyone on their toes. Pizza and beverages were provided during the event with the pizzas making a memorable late arrival after the third round of trivia, giving participants something extra to celebrate midway through the competition. Three teams battled it out for bragging rates. In the end, Team Ped Scramblers (Jess Brackin, Jan Ciganik Jr, Dave Enger and Chithira Unnikrishnan) emerged victorious as the highest scoring team. Each member of the winning team received a $50 Amazon gift card, courtesy of SeaTac Lighting & Controls.

The event was a great success, with a strong turnout and enthusiastic participation. A big thank you to WSP for hosting and to everyone who participated in making the evening fun and memorable. A very special thank you to event sponsors Jeanne Acutanza and Zack Grubb with WSP, Brian Brooke with AIwaysion, and SeaTac Lighting & Controls for their support of the event!



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March 2026 Technical Seminar

Our March technical seminar series featured Tino Jonga, PE, PTOE & Jiamin Tan from Fehr & Peers, who presented on their work in pedestrian simulation for a multi-level light rail transit station. This was a chance for our members to learn about how detailed pedestrian simulation looks at metrics such as walk times, routing behavior, and transfers between light rail and bus lines may cause bottlenecks in a proposed station layout, and helps inform the design iterations and operational decisions that make complex station areas safe, efficient and enhance the overall transit passenger experience.These technical seminars give our members a chance to ask about lessons learned from this project and see what our peers in transportation engineering and planning are working on; they are also a great chance to network with other professionals in areas we might not usually come by in our day to day work. We had several attendees in person at WSP's office in downtown Seattle, as well as many joining via Teams virtually.

A big thank you to Tino and Jiamin for presenting to our group, thank you to WSP for hosting our event, and thank you to Jackson Hwang with Fehr & Peers for facilitating the seminar and making sure the presentations went smoothly!

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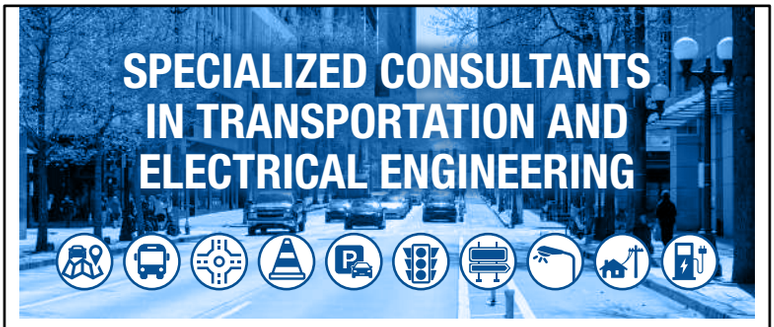

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