

Institute of Transportation Engineers

GREAT LAKES NAVIGATOR

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International Director's Message

At the International level, ITE continues to bring new opportunities for you to grow professionally. The **Virtual Spring Conference** was a success with over 1,000 attendees. Those that registered can view all the materials through the end of May. The **TrafficWiki** was launched this year and is open to ALL members to access the **Traffic Engineering Handbook** online. Click here if you haven't

checked it out yet.

Thank you to everyone that responded to the **All-Member Survey**. The International Board of Direction will use this feedback to develop the next **Strategic Plan for ITE**. When we look at the first Goal of the current Strategic Plan, it was to be the preferred organization for members. A key component was to recruit and engage Planners. The **Planner Membership Initiative** offering free membership through 2023 has resulted in over 800 new Planners joining ITE. This is a Great accomplishment to strengthen ITE and our profession. All these great accomplishments have been with **Jeff Paniati** at the helm as our Executive Director and CEO. He has announced his retirement for the end of the year and he will be sorely missed but his hard work and dedication to ITE has left a lasting impression that will surely endure. Thank you Jeff! I look forward to seeing you all in **Grand Rapids in June**.



President's Message

It's hard to believe that we are almost halfway through 2023!! It has been a great year for all of our sections and the District Board. We have focused a lot of our discussions on how the sections can work together and be resources for each other. We are trying to support **joint section meetings** and add benefit to our membership. As we are all transitioning back to in person activities, we still are maintaining a hybrid work and life

balance. Being able to offer meetings, sessions, etc. in a virtual setting is opening the

door for a wide audience while giving our membership options for how they want to participate. This goes for volunteering and serving as well – we have many committees and other opportunities for you all to get involved! <u>See the Committee Section at the bottom of the newsletter.</u>

2023 GLITE Annual Meeting Grand Rapids, MI

We invite you to attend the annual **Great Lakes District Annual Meeting on June 11** – **13**, **2023 in Grand Rapids, Michigan**. The annual district meeting will be held at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in the heart of Grand Rapids' vibrant downtown. An exciting <u>program</u> including technical sessions, local tours and social events will provide ample learning and networking opportunities, such as:

- Duck Pin Bowling 6/11 @ 5 PM
- Dinner at the Museum 6/12 @ 6 PM
- 5K Monday 6/12 @ 6:30 AM
- GLITEy Race 6/11 @ 4 PM
- Vendor Display

Please click <u>here</u> to learn about all the exciting offerings and follow the Registration tab to join us in Grand Rapids in June!



Interested in Learning More?

Endowment Fund

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Student/Young Member Activities

Section News

Job Postings

2023 GLITE Leadership

- President Carissa McQuiston
- Vice President Ryan Bush
- Treasurer Michael Siffer
- Secretary Ryan Jacox
- Board Member David Addison
- Past President Scott
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- International Director -Jeff Young

- Administrator Colleen Hill-Stramsak
- ITE Illinois Representative Joshua Harris
- ITE Indiana Representative -Thomas Ford
- ITE Michigan Representative Lia Michaels
- ITE North Central Representative Nick Erpelding
- ITE Ohio Representative Neal Underwood
- ITE Wisconsin Representative -Kelly Trac

GLITE Committees - Get Involved!

District committees are a great way to get involved, assist the District, and enhance your ITE experience. Please contact the committee chairs below or reach out to your District Board Member **David Addison**, at <u>david@lanhamengineering.com</u> and he will get you in contact with the committee to learn more.

Endowment - John Mick/Tyler Krage Communications - Ryan Jacox Annual Meetings - Carissa McQuiston Technical Program - Kristi Sebastian Awards/Recognition - Ryan Bush Student/Young Member - Tyler Krage



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