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# MOVITE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**JASON HAYNES | 2015 MOVITE PRESIDENT**

Dear MOVITE Members,

As I write this message, I find myself thinking through the hot topics in Transportation. The list is too long to tackle in one message. So, I think it would be timely to discuss two important topics:

## **Changes in ITE and Transportation Funding.**

ITE is currently going through a **change** unlike any other experienced in its history. As many of you know, Tom Brahms is retiring from the ITE Executive Director position after a 43-year career with ITE. I am proud to know Tom and have had many interactions with him over the years. Tom truly fought hard for our profession and the advancement of a safe and efficient transportation system at all levels. Tom will be missed! ITE is fortunate to have found an outstanding [new Executive Director, Jeff Paniati](#). Jeff comes to ITE from Executive Director position of FHWA. I encourage all MOVITE members to read the ITE news story link above about Mr. Paniati – I believe you will be very impressed and know that ITE will continue to be the organization of choice for transportation professionals.

ITE has also made other welcome and exciting changes. Last year, ITE formed the ITE Advocacy Committee and Network to help educate and inform the members how they can get involved with educating politicians about transportation issues and funding. The goal is to provide politicians with accurate information so they can best make decisions to help our efforts in mobility and safety. If you ever speak with state or federal legislators, you might be a great candidate for the committee or even the training they are providing through webinars and presentations.

This leads into my next topic – **Transportation Funding**. Again, the new ITE Advocacy Committee and Network is a great step forward in matching up transportation knowledge with legislators who may be able to make a difference in securing long-term, sustainable transportation funding at both the federal and state levels. Obviously, we are all aware that the Federal Gas Tax is the same as it was in 1993 and the Highway Trust Fund has been propped up with numerous short-term stop-gap funding extensions at the same funding levels. The problem is well documented on the [Fix the Trust Fund](#) website, which I encourage you to

read for a clear depiction of the problem. If you are interested in learning more about the ITE Advocacy Committee and Network to help fix the problem, please contact ITE Information Technology Manager Zach Pleasant [at zpleasant@ite.org](mailto:zpleasant@ite.org). Please keep in mind that the information you can learn from this Network can be used to advocate for funding at the State levels as well. For changes to occur, we have to have a common, united voice and avoid lobbying. Our profession needs help right now and advocacy is another way to give back and help your own community at the same time. Please consider helping!

I would like to express my sincerest appreciation to the 2015 MidwesternITE/MOVITE Conference Local Arrangements Committee for their hard work and efforts in hosting a great meeting in Branson, Missouri (the Las Vegas of the Midwest). Hosting a District Meeting combined with a Section Meeting is extremely challenging as both organizations needs must be met. At this meeting, the Keynote Speaker, Ms. Samantha Thomas – from [Blue Zones](#), encouraged us to “Imagine” and provided a vision of a transportation system that balanced modes, lifestyle, and health. I think we should all strive for the model in Samantha's vision. On the second day, we had leadership training from Mr. Dale McCoy who discussed Personal Leadership. Mr. McCoy said this, “When I talk with Managers, I get the feeling they are important. When I talk with Leaders, I get the feeling I am important.” Are you a leader or a manager?

**Jason Haynes**

**2015 MOVITE President**



# OBITUARIES

## REMEMBERING BOB ALGUIRE - MOVITE PAST PRESIDENT 1987

BY EARL NEWMAN | MOVITE PAST PRESIDENT 1984



As I approach 70 years of age this year, I am beginning to realize that 70 can still be very young. However, I am realizing that age will catch up to all of us, as I am losing my friends nearly every day. We do not know when it will be our time as some of my friends have passed far too young, much

younger than me, and others who were only a few years older. Such was the case of **Bob Alguire** who passed on June 6, 2015 at the age of 77.

I am a huge sports fan. I wanted to go to Fayetteville on June 5 to see the first game of the College Baseball Super Regional with Missouri State University Bears playing the Arkansas Razorbacks, but I couldn't get tickets, so I had given up going. Then, about 10 pm the night before the game, my wife (who works at MSU) got tickets. Trying to find someone to go with, I almost called Bob Alguire to see if he would be interested in going. But it was late at night and would be short notice, so I did not call Bob. In retrospect, I wish I had called him as Bob passed the day following the game and I did not get to speak with him one last time. But if I had, I would have reminded Bob of the good times we had together over the years.

### WHERE'S ARKANSAS

"Where's Arkansas" became a standing outcry at MOVITE meetings in the early 1970's when there were virtually no MOVITE members in Arkansas. The Springfield MOVITE members took special interest in attempting to reactivate the membership in Arkansas as the area closest to Arkansas. The strategy was as follows: invite Ernie Peters, Traffic Engineer with the City of Little Rock, to be a speaker at the 1976 District 4 meeting in Springfield; mail special meeting invitations to potential MOVITE members in Arkansas (Bob Alguire, past president 1987, attended in response to this invitation); and schedule a meeting in Arkansas as soon as possible, regardless of the number of members in the state. The 1981 Little Rock MOVITE meeting was the first MOVITE meeting in Arkansas since 1965. By 1981, there were a number of MOVITE members present to support a meeting in Arkansas including **Ernie Peters, Don McChesney, Mark Lyons, Henk Koornstra, and Greg Simmons**, all of Little Rock,

and **Bob Alguire** and **Perry Franklin**, both of Fayetteville. These gentlemen became good friends as we worked together to reach out to potential members in Arkansas. By the end of 1984, there were 14 members of MOVITE from Arkansas. *Q: Does anyone know how many members of MOVITE are now living in Arkansas?*

### MOVITE BOARD OF DIRECTION

When I was president of MOVITE in 1984, Bob served as Treasurer. I was glad that Bob put Arkansas back on the map and I knew then that Bob would make an excellent President in 1987. We took serving on the Board seriously, but we also had fun. Bob made a lot of friends through MOVITE and he especially liked golf and staying up late to play cards (with John Rothrock, Paul Graves, and others). We have fun at MOVITE meetings now, but I'm not sure that we did not have more fun back in the day.

### MOVING ENGINEERING INTO THE COMPUTER AGE

Quote from Bob (in 1982), "Families with children that do not have a computer are depriving their children of a normal education." My kids were 7 and 4 and we had just gotten our first home computer (as a gift from their grandparents). The total cost was nearly \$3,000.

### TORT LIABILITY

I remember sitting in the hallway of a hotel (somewhere) outside of a vendor's hospitality room with several other conference attendees and talking about a major lawsuit against the City of Springfield regarding a young kid on a bicycle that rode out of the park into an adjacent street. Bob was really interested in Tort Liability issues and the City of Springfield was being sued for \$3 million for injuries to the young man. The suit was settled out of court but Bob was very interested in what effect the suit had on the engineering operations and how we were involved individually.

Quote from Bob (in 1980), "In jurisdictions which have uncontrolled intersections, it is assumed that the engineer responsible for traffic control devices has reviewed the intersection and determined that no control is needed."

### SPENDING TIME IN ARKANSAS

Bob thought of ways to get me to Arkansas and I was able to help with training of those in the profession as well as presenting to students at the University. Bob invited me to come to DeGray

# OBITUARIES (CONTINUED)

Lake Arkansas a couple of summers in the early 1980's to participate in workshops held by the University to train local jurisdiction employees in traffic control practices. One summer I presented the City of Springfield experience with the law suit affecting our Traffic Engineering operations. Another summer I presented a session on Work Zone Traffic Control after the City had prepared a Work Zone Traffic Control Manual for Local Jurisdictions based on the MUTCD Part 6 with consideration of urban work zone conditions.

## **1986 ITE ANNUAL MEETING IN INDIANAPOLIS, IN**

In 1986, Bob and I decided to drive to the ITE Annual Meeting held in Indianapolis, IN. It was a rare opportunity to get to attend an ITE Annual Meeting and we thought we could afford to go if we carpooled and shared a room. This practice was pretty common even when it came to attending MOVITE meetings.

We both served on the Traffic Operations Measures Division of the ITE Technical Council where we oversaw subcommittees that would study particular issues and pull together a State of the Practice Report for that issue. At the meeting, we met up with several professors that Bob knew through participation in ITE. Gene Wilson - University of Wyoming and Marty Lipinski - University of Memphis (TN) were two people I met, thanks to Bob, and one evening we went to see a Minor League Championship game between Indianapolis and Denver. What was memorable was we sat right behind the first base dugout with great seats but we swatted bees the whole game. You would think we would know to move, but we had great seats! Gene Wilson went on to be the Founding Father of the Transportation Professional Certification Board and I have called on Marty to come to several MOVITE meetings to make presentations.

## **WHERE'S THE CHARTER?**

"Where's the Charter?" was another common outcry at MOVITE business meetings. At the 1985 Fall MOVITE meeting in Davenport Iowa, several MOVITE "Old Timers" (**John Rothrock, Paul Graves** and others) were complaining that the meetings were not fun anymore so they decided to spice up the meeting by stealing the Charter from **David Woosley**. At the business luncheon, I was to present David with his past president's plaque. However, to add to his problems, I refused to give David his plaque because he had allowed the Charter to be stolen. Later that evening, I was setup to be chosen from the audience to

perform in the show on the riverboat. I had to leave the plaque unattended on my table as I went to perform and someone (**Bob Alguire**) stole the plaque. David finally got his plaque and the Charter was carried to the next meeting.

At the 1986 Fall MOVITE meeting in Tulsa, Bob made the mistake of rooming with me, again. After Bob was presented the Charter as the new incoming president, he took it to our room and left it there for safe keeping while he joined a card game somewhere in the hotel. I "stole" the Charter soon after Bob left the room, hiding it in my car. When Bob discovered the Charter had been "stolen", he was really angry with me because there was no one else who could have taken it. Despite really making me feel guilty for the deed, I refused to give it back, acting like I really did not know where it was. He returned to Fayetteville nearly in tears, without the Charter and mad at me. About a month later, I arranged to have the Charter delivered to Bob's house by a pizza delivery guy (Alan Snider, one of Bob's students at the University of Arkansas, and son of MOVITE Past President, **Dave Snider**).

*Q: Does anyone know where the original charter is now?* The tradition of passing along the Charter to the incoming president at the Fall MOVITE meeting ended quite a few years back.

## **2005 ANNUAL MOVITE MEETING IN LITTLE ROCK, AR**

The 2005 MOVITE Awards Committee selected Bob to receive the Educator of the Year Award which was presented in Little Rock. Bob's wife was present to see Bob receive the award and it was my honor and privilege to present the Award to Bob. The Award was in recognition of his long career in teaching Transportation Engineering at the University of Arkansas and to acknowledge the impact of his teaching on young professionals, but it was also to recognize his many years of contributions to MOVITE. Bob was humble in his acceptance and seemed to appreciate receiving the award six years after his retirement from teaching in 1999.

I am thankful to have known Bob Alguire. Through professional associations, we have opportunities to make friends, share knowledge with other professionals, and it really only takes a few minutes together at a professional meeting to develop lasting memories. Bob, I already miss you.

**Earl Newman, P.E., PTOE, PTP, PWLF**  
**MOVITE Past President 1984**

# OBITUARIES (CONTINUED)

## REMEMBERING DR. CHARLES E. DARE, PE



Dr. Charles E. Dare, P.E., joined ITE on January 1, 1968. He has been a member of MOVITE since 1977. Dr. Dare retired in 1997 after 20 years as a Professor in the Civil Engineering Department at the University of Missouri

at Rolla and 3 years working in the Traffic Engineering Division of the Missouri Department of Transportation.

While at UM-R, Dr. Dare was Faculty Advisor to the ITE Student Chapter, winning Best Section Student Chapter and District Student Chapter Awards between 1984 and 1990. The UM-R Student Chapter was named ITE Best Student Chapter in 1987. Dr. Dare also taught Civil Engineering courses at Iowa State University for 2 years and at the University of Colorado at Boulder for 3 years prior to joining the faculty at UM-R. In 1969, Dr. Dare received the ITE Past President's Award for his paper on "Control of High Speed Signalized Intersections."

Dr. Dare was recognized as an ITE Life Member at the 2003 MOVITE Meeting in Springfield.

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# MEET A MEMBER

## TYLER WILES

Tyler Wiles has been a member of MOVITE since 2011 upon his return to Iowa after living in Phoenix, Arizona for four years. Tyler is a registered Professional Engineer (IA, MN) and a PTOE as well as a LEED Accredited Professional. Tyler is employed with HR Green, located in Des Moines, IA as a Traffic Engineer and is currently attending night classes through the University of Iowa MBA program.



**What is a typical day in the life of Tyler Wiles?** My wife and I have a 15 month old daughter, and as one can imagine, it's never a typical morning. I enjoy feeding our daughter her sippy cup of milk, snuggling a little, and then to get ready for the day. I have a great commute to work, as a traffic engineer, I do not enjoy traffic! I am happy to say I only navigate through three traffic signals each way to/from work. Once arriving at work, I enjoy catching up on emails before diving into my to-do list. No two days are the same and the to-do list evolves throughout the day. For lunch, I sometimes drive home for a quick lunch to see my family, as my wife works from home. In the evenings, we try to grill out and enjoy activities outside including walks, trips to the park, and bike rides on the local trail network.

**Who or what has been the greatest inspiration in your career?** This goes back to my first job during high school at the Hy-Vee grocery store. Mr. Bruce Murman was the HR Manager at the time. He was an exceptional leader and a natural at making people feel at ease. He treated customers, vendors, and employees alike – as people! He invested in relationships with as many people as possible. He was known throughout the community as one of the kindest souls always available for a laugh in the good times, and a genuinely interested ear in hard times. He taught me to always look for positives, be thankful for our blessings, and to remember that we are all people with common life desires.

**What does MOVITE mean for you? What has being a MOVITE member meant to you?** Before moving back to Iowa, I was involved with the Arizona ITE chapter in Phoenix. Arizona ITE provided me not only an opportunity to network and meet other

transportation minded professionals, but also an environment to make friends in an unfamiliar city while starting my career. Since joining MOVITE, fortunately, a similar environment is present and I have many colleagues that I consider friends today. MOVITE also provides me an opportunity to keep current with the latest trends and research studies through publications and conferences.

**If you could have been in any other profession, what would it be?** By a land slide, a Commercial Pilot!! I have great respect for them as I see them traversing airports. I have always enjoyed the spirit of flight and seeing things from an aerial perspective. The idea of traveling, and seeing new places, is appealing. As a father, I do question if the profession would still be as appealing due to many out-of-town overnight stays. Maybe a private jet pilot?

**What is something interesting that few may know about you?** I really enjoy audio/video structured wiring in houses including video distribution and ceiling speakers with volume controls. I have completed whole-house wiring for a couple of different homes for friends/family and have added outdoor and ceiling speakers to our home. I really enjoy being able to listen to music after completion, and know that I planned, procured, and implemented the system; providing me a great sense of accomplishment.



# STATE NEWS- IOWA

## DIRECTOR UPDATE

**TODD KNOX, PE, PTOE | IOWA STATE DIRECTOR**

MOVITE members,

2015 has been an active year for ITE in Iowa. ICITE continues to provide informational opportunities for members in central Iowa by hosting webinars and joint meetings with other local organizations. Iowa State University's Transportation Student Association continues to invite local professionals to present to their students on projects.

I have been able to attend several of the ICITE events. On, February 10th, ICITE hosted an ITE webinar for members in West Des Moines. Several ICITE members attended to learn more on lagging left-turn phasing and share their experiences. On May 20th, I attended a joint meeting between ICITE and ASCE in West Des Moines. Members of both organizations presented on projects either in study/design or under construction.

I want to congratulate the Iowa State Students on their participation at the Midwestern District Meeting held in Branson, MO, June 29th through July 1st. They participated in the Student Design Competition, Traffic Bowl, and Student Poster Competition. Congratulations to the Traffic Bowl team winning the competition! They represented the Midwestern District at the Annual Meeting being held in Hollywood, FL, August 2nd through 5th; however, competition was strong and they were unable to win the event.

Iowa MOVITE Members, if you would like additional information on ITE or have thoughts/ideas for activities, please contact me at any time. I look forward to seeing you at future ICITE and MOVITE events. Thanks.

**Todd Knox, PE, PTOE**





# STATE NEWS (CONTINUED)

## CHAPTER UPDATE

### IOWA CENTRAL INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS

ICITE is off on our second full year of being a MOVITE Chapter. Our membership continues to make our events and information diverse among governmental agencies and private companies. We are continuing to try to expand and diversify our offerings by reaching out to other local organizations and having joint meetings. Our current board members include:

<b>President</b>	<b>Brian Willham</b>	City of Des Moines
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<b>Administrator</b>	<b>Doug Ripley</b>	Traffic Control Corp
<b>Past-President</b>	<b>Andy Swisher</b>	HR Green, Inc

In February, ICITE hosted an ITE Webinar on Lagging Left-Turn Phasing. Approximately 20 ICITE members / others in the field attended and had a good discussion on uses and potential implementation in central Iowa.

In March, ICITE, Central Iowa ASCE YMG, and the Des Moines MPO joined together to offer an ASCE webinar on Separated Bike Lanes. Approximately 35 ICITE, ASCE, and MPO member community representatives attended to learn and share experiences.

In May, ICITE and the Central Iowa ASCE YMG coordinated a project showcase in which several local engineers presented local projects that were either completed or in process. Approximately 35 people were in attendance for the showcase.

Future meeting topics include additional webinars, a joint meeting with the Iowa State Student section, and an activity/social event in conjunction with the annual Iowa DOT Traffic and Safety Conference.

Sincerely,

**Brian Willham, PE, PTOE | Iowa Central Chapter of ITE President**

## UPDATES

### FLOODING

Iowa hasn't been immune to the recent flooding. I-80 westbound was shutdown to a single lane and I-35 was close to being closed due to the Raccoon River flooding, both in the Des Moines area.

### GAS TAX

Iowa was able to increase the gas tax by 10 cents earlier this year. The gas tax bill passed the Iowa senate and house by a wide margin, was enacted into law the next day, and was in affect within four days. Read more about this monumental law in this issue's Feature Article.

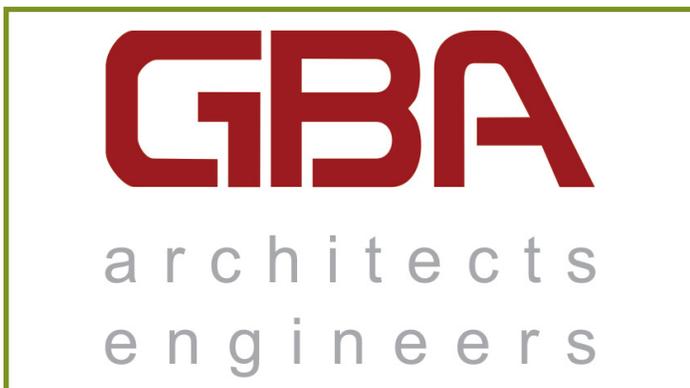
### RAGBRAI

The Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa (RAGBRAI) occurred July 19th to the 25th. This annual group ride across the state has a rich 40+ year history and draws riders from across the country, including a few MOVITE members!

[CLICK HERE FOR RAGBRAI WEBSITE](#)

### WEBSITE LAUNCH

The IowaDOT recently launched the Major Construction Projects website. This includes an interactive map of the 2015 major construction projects including bridge replacements, interstate reconstruction, and highway resurfacing projects. The website URL is [http://www.iowadot.gov/road\\_construction/2015Projects/index.html](http://www.iowadot.gov/road_construction/2015Projects/index.html)





# ADDITIONAL FUNDS BOOST IOWA'S TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

An outsider looking at Iowa's Senate File 257 might think it was smooth sailing for Iowa's 10 cent per gallon transportation funding increase. After all, the bill was approved through the Iowa House and Senate in seven days, was signed into law the very next day and took effect a mere four days later.

What may not be evident to the casual observer is the 13 years of effort behind the scenes to bring the funding increase to fruition. Countless committee and public outreach meetings over the course of more than a decade emphasized the need to invest in Iowa's infrastructure.

Lawmakers made it clear that the intent of the new law was for 100 percent of the additional funding to be put towards critical road and bridge projects, while continuing to look for ways to make the process more efficient. The bill calls for the Iowa Department of Transportation to identify \$10 million of efficiencies for fiscal year 2016 and other \$10 million in FY2017 and document those in a report to the legislature.

To get projects started following passage of SF 257, the Iowa Transportation Commission approved a \$33.2 million amendment to the 2015-2019 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program. In June, the Commission approved an updated [2016-2020 program](#).

The updated program includes historic advances in the investment of funding to improve state roads and bridges. A narrative of the revenue increase and details of projects funded with the revenue begin on page 99 of the program.

The Commission spent several months discussing how to assess and prioritize critical road and bridge construction projects to be funded with the additional revenue. There are several types of critical need projects that exist, including projects to address pavement and bridge condition issues, safety projects, and projects that are vital to grow Iowa's economy by lowering transportation costs

and supporting new developments.

Every year, the Commission determines funding targets for stewardship investments in pavement resurfacing, bridge repair/replacement, safety improvements, and Interstate projects. As a result of SF 257, the Commission increased those targets by \$80 million over this program period to improve safety and bridge/pavement conditions on critical projects. The Commission has also identified preliminary target levels for these categories for the five years following this program, and they continue to significantly increase over that time.

Beyond the types of projects that can be funded with the stewardship investment categories described above, there are several one or two-year critical projects that address more significant safety and condition needs. The Commission was able to add these projects totaling over \$50 million to this program.

Finally, the Commission was able to add construction for four-lane improvements to U.S. 20, U.S. 30 and U.S. 61 – the first time in three years that additional corridor work has been added to the program. These four-lane improvements include U.S. 20 in Ida/Sac Counties from Correctionville to U.S. 71, U.S. 30 in Tama/Benton Counties from the Tama Bypass to the west junction of U.S. 218, and U.S. 61 in Des Moines County from Burlington to 210th Street.

## SENATE FILE 257 DETAILS

Key provisions of SF257 effective March 1, 2015:

- Variable tax rate for ethanol-blended fuels extended until June 30, 2020.
- 10 cent per gallon (cpg) fuel tax increase
- Gasoline (21 cpg to 31 cpg then to 30.8 on July 1)
  - » Ethanol-blended gasoline (19 cpg to 29 cpg)
  - » Taxable diesel fuel (22.5 cpg to 32.5 cpg)

# ADDITIONAL FUNDS BOOST IOWA'S TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (CONTINUED)

- » Liquefied Petroleum Gas (20 cpg to 30 cpg)
- » Compressed Natural Gas (21 cpg to 31 cpg)
- » Liquefied Natural Gas (22.5 cpg to 32.5 cpg)
- Jet fuel tax increases 2 cpg (3 cpg to 5 cpg)

Effective July 1, 2015, there was an additional change in fuel tax rates for diesel. For the first time in the state of Iowa, there is a new tax rate for biodiesel blends of 11 percent or greater. That fuel is now taxed three cents per gallon lower than other diesel blends at 29.5 cpg.

Iowa historically has some of the lowest permitting fees in the nation for motor carries. As of January 1, 2016, some oversize/overweight permit fees will also change as part of SF 257.

- Annual Permit (from \$25 to \$50)
- Annual with Weight Permit (from \$300 to \$400)
- Single-Trip Permit (from \$10 to \$35)
- All Systems Permit (from \$120 to \$160)

## REVENUE ESTIMATES

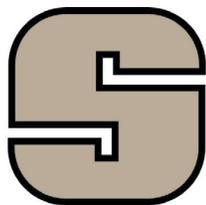
The fuel tax increase is anticipated to raise approximately \$213 million that will be deposited into Iowa's Road Use Tax Fund. The fund uses a formula for distribution to the Iowa DOT for the

state system, and cities and counties for the local system.

- DOT: 47.5 percent (\$101 million)
- County
  - » Secondary Road Fund: 24.5 percent (\$52 million)
  - » Farm-to-Market Fund: 8 percent (\$17 million)
- City: 20 percent (\$43 million)

The updated fee structure for oversize/overweight permits is expected to increase funds by \$1.5 million in the first six months. Most will be deposited into the Primary Road Fund for use on state and U.S. highways and Interstates. Additional funds expected from the change in jet fuel rates are anticipated to raise \$765,000 for the Aviation Trust Fund.

During the planning process, the Iowa DOT will be documenting and reporting all projects that were made possible by the increased revenue. The agency will work with cities and counties to identify their added projects so that information can be reported back to lawmakers as well. As required by SF 257, additional efficiencies will continue to be identified and included in the reporting process.



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## STUDENT CHAPTER NEWS

### IOWA STATE TRB SUMMARY

Iowa State's student ITE chapter had outstanding participation in the 94th Annual Transportation Research Board Meeting from January 11th to the 14th in Washington DC. Nearly 20 Iowa State students attended the meeting, almost all of which were members of the student ITE chapter. Throughout the conference, students had the opportunity to attend numerous workshops, lectern sessions, and committee meetings. The topics of these activities varied widely including everything from traffic microsimulation, to automated vehicles, to safety, to construction practices, and more. These presentations and meetings were not only extremely informative for our students with respect to the topics they covered, they also provided a valuable opportunity for us to network with current professionals in the public sector, private sector, and academia. We were



also able to network outside of conference activities, particularly when we met with other ITE members for a reception at the ITE office after the conference activities one night. Despite all of the learning and networking we were doing, we were still able to find some time to see the sights. Overall, it was a memorable experience for us and we are looking forward to returning next year.





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