

# MichiganITE



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## Letter from the President By Christopher Zull, City of Grand Rapids



Welcome to the MichiganITE 2011! With a new Governor and a rejuvenating economy, Michigan and ITE are poised for change. Student Traffic Bowl, Continuing Education Credits, technical program committee, and a Transportation Workshop are all under development for this year's activities. But let's not forget the staples. State, District, and National meetings are scheduled as usual and include some interesting venues from Walt Disney World to St. Louis to the Air Zoo in Kalamazoo. See the 2011 Schedule of Events for details (page 12).

Warmer weather is coming which means the spring and fall golf outings are just around the corner and we'll be looking to raise student scholarship funds. As of the end of 2010 the Michigan Section Educational Fund balance was \$153,889.72. This continued investment in our future transportation professionals is fast approaching becoming self sustaining for four annual student scholarships of \$2,000 each. It is my hope that we will continue to grow this effort and expand the number of scholarships we can sustain to assist more and more students.

The ITE Michigan Section is co-sponsoring the 2011 ITS Michigan Annual Meeting and Exposition, "Managing Transportation Systems for Optimal Performance" on June 1, 2011, at the Ford Conference and Event Center in Dearborn, Michigan. Everyone is being asked to do more with less these days and this event will explore technologies and ideas which can assist us in gathering information to help us make educated decisions while enhancing roadway safety and efficiency. The event will also feature vendors and consultants from all over the world displaying the latest in ITS and other traffic technologies. ITE

members are an essential part of this event and attendance is encouraged.

Look for a new event on the ITE schedule later this year. A task force has been developed to bring to Michigan a transportation workshop for some hands-on learning and interactive training exercises. While the details are still in the works, it is anticipated that this event is proposed to include transportation training, information on new technologies, and presentations on public policy. Stay tuned for more details.

Have you stopped by to see us online yet? The Michigan Section of ITE has its own website at [www.itemichigan.org](http://www.itemichigan.org). Sarah Binkowski, from Parsons Brinckerhoff, continues to oversee our web development and has been doing a great job. You can find meeting announcements,

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## Letter from the President

membership applications and contact information for the Board. More information is being added all the time and we would love to hear your ideas for additional content.

In closing, I would like to extend my gratitude to you, the dedicated ITE members, who are helping to advance our profession by supporting transportation students, pre-

senting at our technical sessions, and engaging others in our social activities. The strength and well being of our organization is made possible by the commitments of our members and those who choose to volunteer. Thanks to all that make what we do possible.

*Chris Zull can be reached at (616) 456-3065 or czull@grcity.us.*

## December Annual Meeting Synopsis By Steven Loveland, P.E., PTOE, Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment, Inc.

The Annual ITE Meeting was held on Thursday, December 2, 2010 at the William Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills. The meeting was hosted by Kevin McCarthy from the City of Farmington Hills and facilitated by Kelly Ferencz of the Wayne County Airport Authority. Lunch was provided during which the new Executive Board was announced (see page 13), Kelly Ferencz was presented with an award for her dedicated years of service with ITE Michigan (see page 3) and student scholarship winners were announced (see page 4). Colleen Hill was also presented with a plaque to acknowledge her distinguished service as President of the Michigan Section of ITE.



**Christopher Zull presenting Colleen Hill with Award for Distinguished Service as President**

The following presentations were spread throughout the day:



### Potential Problems Using ITE Trip Generation to Determine Impact Fees, Two Case Studies

*Eric Tripi, P.E., PTOE,  
Director of Operations,  
South Carolina – Iteris, Inc.*



### Innovative Interchange Design – Common Problems, New Solutions

*Stephen Dearing, PE, PTOE,  
Manager of Traffic  
Engineering Services – OHM, Inc.*

*Steven Loveland can be reached at (734) 522-6711 or Steven.Loveland@ohm-advisors.com.*

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### Uninterruptible Power Supplies for Traffic Signals

*Anita Katkar, P.E.,  
Traffic Project Engineer –  
OHM, Inc.*



### 4-to-3 Lane Conversions – National/State Perspectives

*Dave Morena,  
Highway Safety Specialist,  
FHWA Michigan Division*



### Complete Streets – What Does it Really Mean?

*Norm Cox,  
The Greenway Collaborative, Inc.  
&  
Sherrin Hood,  
LSL Planning*



## February Lunch & Learn By Colleen Hill, P.E., PTOE, Hubbell, Roth and Clark, Inc.

The Lunch & Learn took place on February 23, 2011 at the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEM-COG). Pizza and salad lunch was provided by Dan Carrier from Carrier & Gable. After lunch, a brief pitch was given about the upcoming District meeting, at which the Directors of the three States' Department of Transportation will all be speaking. More information about the meeting is available at [www.greatlakesite.com](http://www.greatlakesite.com).

The Student Traffic Bowl Practice was next (see page 8) and the Lunch & Learn ended with the ITE Webinar entitled "Overview of the 2009 MUTCD: Traffic Signs and Pavement Markings". The Webinar focused on the significant revisions that have been made to the standards, guidance, and options that are included in the 2009 MUTCD regarding regulatory, warning, guide, and school signs plus pavement markings.

The Webinar was presented by Dr. Gene Hawkins who is an Associate Professor and Division Head of the Transportation and Materials Division in the Zachry Department of Civil Engineering at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas. He is a member of the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (NCUTCD) Council, chair of the Markings Technical Committee, chair of the ITE delegation, and a member of the Executive Committee.

Some of the topics covered included signs (regulatory, warning, and guide), Changeable Message Signs, markings, roundabouts, toll roads, school areas and grade crossings. Information about Street Name Sign (SNS) compliance dates as noted in the Webinar are provided in the following slide:

SNS Compliance Dates	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2009 MUTCD changes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mixed case font – no compliance date, implement on replacement</li> <li>– SNS color – no compliance date, implement on replacement</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>2003 MUTCD</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– SNS minimum retroreflectivity – 1/22/18</li> <li>– 8 inch letter height for multilane &gt;40 mph – 12/22/18</li> <li>– 12 inch letter height for overhead – 12/22/18</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>2000 MUTCD</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– 6 inch letter height – 1/9/12</li> <li>– 4 inch okay if speed limit ≤ 25 mph</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	 <small>Table I-2</small>

The Webinar turned out to be very informative and an excellent Lunch & Learn for the Michigan Section of ITE members!

*Colleen Hill can be reached at (248) 454-6571 or [chill@hrc-engr.com](mailto:chill@hrc-engr.com).*

## Thank You Kelly Ferencz!!

During the December annual meeting, Kelly Ferencz, P.E. was presented with an award to acknowledge her distinguished service as Technical Programs Coordinator for the Michigan Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers. Kelly has provided service to ITS for many years and the members of the section wanted to extend their gratitude for this dedicated service.

Kelly Ferencz is currently a Project Manager in the Planning, Design and Construction Department of the Wayne County Airport Authority.

*Thank you Kelly for all your hard work!!*



**Colleen Hill, ITE Immediate Past President, presenting Kelly Ferencz with Award for Distinguished Service**

## ITE Michigan Section Student Scholarship Winners

Each year, members of the Education Scholarship Committee select students to receive four \$2,000 scholarship from the Michigan Section of ITE. This year there was a tie for fourth place. The 2010 winners include:

- Zachary Potter, Michigan Technological University
- Daewoon Park, Western Michigan University
- Bilal Malik, Michigan State University
- Samantha Cook, Wayne State University (\$1,000)
- Jennifer Shalk, Wayne State University (\$1,000)

Congratulations to the winners! Information about each of them is provided in the following paragraphs.



### Zachary Porter, Michigan Technological University



Zachary Porter is a senior in Civil Engineering specializing in Transportation Engineering at Michigan Technological University. He is from Jackson, Michigan and will graduate in May 2011. Zachary is an outstanding student and has been on the the Dean's List since he arrived as a freshman. He has also been very active on campus. He is the current President of the Michigan Tech ITE Student Chapter and last year was the Secretary for Michigan Tech's ASCE Student Chapter. Zachary has participated in several intramural sports and is a member of the Blue Key Honor Society which one of their major events is the famous Michigan Tech Winter Carnival. He has worked two summers with the Michigan Department of Transportation and is looking forward to starting his career as a Transportation Engineer.



### Daewoon Park, Western Michigan University



Daewoon Park is a Civil Engineering Graduate student at Western Michigan University specializing in Transportation Engineering. He received a Bachelor's Degree in Transportation Engineering from the University of Seoul in Korea. Daewoon has worked on the Federal Highway Administration funded research project entitled "Application of TRANSIMS for Highway Work Zones: Travel Pattern and Mobility Impacts" and presented a paper entitled "Analysis of Departure Time Shifts Responding to Highway Work Zone Delays" at the Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting in January 2011 as the second author. Daewoon is a student member of the Michigan Section and International ITE.



### Samantha Cook, Wayne State University



Samantha Cook received a Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics from Central Michigan University and then went on to Wayne State University and received another Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering. She had an internship with the Farmington Hills Engineering Division for three years and then another internship at Wayne State University's Transportation Research Group until she graduated in December 2010. Samantha is currently employed at Opus International Consultants in West Bloomfield.

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## ITE Michigan Section Student Scholarship Winners

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### Jennifer Schalk, Wayne State University



Jennie Schalk is a graduate student at Wayne State University (WSU), completing a Master's Degree in Civil Engineer specializing in Transportation Engineering. In May 2011, she will graduate, in addition to obtaining licensure as a Professional Engineer (PE). Jennie previously received her Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from WSU. She then spent four years working for as a consultant before returning to school for her Master's Degree. She is a currently a Graduate Research Assistant

in the WSU Transportation Research Group where she has taken leadership roles in several ongoing research projects. In addition to these activities, Jennie is also a member of the International and Michigan Section of ITE, ASCE, SWE, and Chi Epsilon. She recently traveled to Washington D.C. to attend the Transportation Research Board 90th Annual Meeting.

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### Bilal Malik, Michigan State University



No information provided.

## Educating the Public to Use Roundabouts

### By Dr. Peter Savolainen, P.E., Wayne State University-Transportation Research Group

Roundabouts are becoming a much more common sight for Michigan travelers as evidenced by the nearly 100 roundabouts currently in operation, with several more in the design and construction stages. These current-day "modern roundabouts" are distinguished from earlier "traffic circles" by a yield-at-entry rule, requiring entering vehicles to wait for a gap in circulating traffic before entering the roundabout. Both within the circulating roadway and at the entry and exit points, slow speeds are maintained by the deflection of traffic around the center island and the use of smaller radii at the entrance and exit approaches. While past research has demonstrated that appropriately designed roundabouts provide both operational and safety improvements over traditional signalized and stop-controlled intersections, experiences both in Michigan and nationwide have shown that road users are often uncomfortable during the infancy stages of these unique intersections. Driver confusion and a general lack of familiarity have been primary contributing factors in crashes at some of these roundabouts.

To mitigate these problems, the Wayne State University-

Transportation Research Group (WSU-TRG) is currently conducting research for the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to educate the public on the safe and effective use of roundabouts. As a part of this study, the WSU-TRG has investigated driver behavior in roundabouts through an examination of police-reported crash data and a series of field studies through which high-definition video cameras were used to examine factors that impact operations and safety. These efforts were supplemented by a statewide survey of public perceptions on roundabouts. Collectively, the data were used to develop a series of public awareness materials that will be implemented statewide by MDOT upon project completion.

Further details of the study can be found in a video from Fox 2 Detroit, which includes an interview with Dr. Savolainen:

<http://www.myfoxdetroit.com/dpp/news/local/roundabouts-how-do-you-like-them-20100512>.

*Dr. Peter Savolainen can be reached at (313) 577-9950 or [savolainen@wayne.edu](mailto:savolainen@wayne.edu).*

## Student Traffic Bowl Practice - “Young Broncos” vs. “Old Guys & Adam” By William Zipp, P.E., Parsons Brinckerhoff Michigan

For the second year, Western Michigan University (WMU), will participate in the Annual ITE Student Traffic Bowl. The competition starts at the District Meeting in Columbus on April 14, 2011 and the winners get a trip to compete in St. Louis as part of the ITE Annual Meeting. Practice for the District level competition was held at the Michigan Section’s February Lunch & Learn Meeting, hosted by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) on Wednesday, February 23, 2011.



**Overview of Student Traffic Bowl Practice**

The Michigan Traffic Bowl competitors were the students from WMU, Omar Kanaan, Chelsea Griffith and Daewoon Park (the “Young Broncos”) versus a team of professionals assembled from the audience consisting of Richard Beaubien from Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc. (HRC), Adam Merchant from Macomb County Department of Roads and Tom Bruff from SEMCOG (affectionately known as the “Old Guys & Adam”).



**“Old Guys & Adam”  
From Left to Right: Adam Merchant,  
Richard Beaubien & Tom Bruff**

The Jeopardy-style competition was hosted by Bill “Alex Trabek” Zipp from Parsons Brinckerhoff. Colleen Hill, from HRC acted as official judge and buzzer operator and Steve Loveland from Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment, Inc. (OHM) kept score. The event even had an official photographer, Scott Emmons from Mannik and Smith Group, Inc.



**Bill “Alex Trabek” Zipp**

Now for the results you’ve all been waiting for . . . the “Young Broncos” beat the “Old Guys & Adam” by an astonishing score of 9999 to 9798. The students prepared well and it paid off. They are now very confident that they will do well in Columbus and hope to go on to St. Louis and bring home a trophy. Good luck to the Young Broncos!

Thanks to everyone who helped pull this fun event off. Thanks to all who provided questions. We got some real good ones . . . some that even stumped the professionals (sorry guys, we couldn’t hold back any longer)!! Go Broncos!!



**“Young Broncos”  
From Left to Right: Chelsea Griffith,  
Daewoon Park & Omar Kanaan**

*William Zipp can be reached at (313) 963-4114 or [Zipp@pbworld.com](mailto:Zipp@pbworld.com).*

## Save-the-Date!! 19th Annual ITE Education Fund Golf Outing

Thursday, May 26, 2011  
At Mystic Creek Golf Club inside Camp Dearborn  
in Milford, Michigan  
Look for the flyer in early April for more information!!

In the meantime, if you have any questions on  
hole sponsorship or would like to submit a foursome,  
please contact Aimee Giacherio at  
agiacherio@wadetrim.com or (616) 363-8181.

### For Your Entertainment . . . Adapted From OddlySpecific.com



## Candidates for ITE International Vice President



**Zaki Mustafa, P.E.**  
**Bureau Chief, City of Los Angeles**  
**Department of Transportation,**  
**Los Angeles, CA, USA**

### **Together We Are the Best**

I truly believe that we can accomplish more goals in more meaningful

ways when we work together with each other. In preparing my vision statement for this campaign, I contacted all ITE presidents and many past presidents to learn about the issues our leaders are facing throughout the world. I found that there are common themes in all regions and generations of the ITE family: We need to work together to make ITE more **accessible, visible, and affordable.**

My experience gained from more than 30 years of ITE involvement has provided me with a valuable tool: I can recognize the needs and expectations of our members in the many different levels of our organization, and I know how our organization can meet these needs.

I have worked for the City of Los Angeles, Department of Transportation for the last 27 years. As the Chief of Field Operations, I am responsible for crews that install and maintain all traffic control devices for the City. I manage more than 280 employees with a budget of approximately \$30 million. I have been very fortunate to serve at all levels of ITE leadership: as a Student Chapter President, Section President, District President, and recently as a member of the International Board. This experience has allowed me to contribute my ideas, programs, and enthusiasm throughout the full spectrum of the ITE organization. My ITE career highlights include:

- International Director: 2008, 2009, 2010
- Western District President: 2005
- Initiated the Presidential Proclamation Award Program
- WesternITE newsletter editor
- WesternITE web-site manager
- LAC Chair Anaheim Annual Meeting: 2008
- Traffic Bowl Committee Member

I established the District's Student Endowment Fund and helped establish my local Section's Student Scholar-

ship fund. I also established eight new student chapters throughout the Western U.S.

### **Please vote for me!**



**Ray Davis, P.E., PTOE**  
**President, RED3Consulting,**  
**Emeryville, CA, USA**

"ITE is a multi-million dollar, multi-faceted, volunteer based professional organization. During these fiscally challenging times we need to make

sure that the leadership of ITE has a thorough understanding on how ITE operates, and how it impacts our private and public sector members.

We are all affected by fiscal, time, and travel constraints. We need to develop and implement strategic actions to make ITE more accessible to all of our members and to keep them engaged in our professional organization."

### **My Vision for Bringing ITE to You:**

**Use of existing technology for all ITE Committees, Councils, and Task Forces** to enable all members to participate without having to travel. This will increase participation and enable ITE's use of smaller meeting venues and save on meeting costs.

**Create a Subscription Based On-Demand Electronic Library** of ITE's technical publications, compendiums, best practices, recommended practices, and web training that will provide transportation engineers and planners worldwide to have immediate access to the best information to assist them in developing solutions to the issues with which they are dealing.

**Implement Professional Development and Mentoring Programs** that will provide members with leadership training that will help them in both their ITE and professional careers.

**Enhanced Advocacy for Roadway Safety** to achieve ITE's goal of zero deaths on our highways. Advocate for

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## Candidates for ITE International Vice President

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stronger legislation to reduce driver distractions.

**Promoting Sustainable Transportation** and making sure sustainable transportation, including pedestrian and bicycle facilities, transit, complete streets, incident management, and ITS, are an integral part of our transportation system.

### Don's Wait - Sign Up Today for the ITE Great Lakes District Annual Meeting

The ITE Great Lakes District Annual Meeting is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, April 14-15, 2011 in the Ohio Department of Transportation Conference Room at 1980 West Broad Street in Columbus, Ohio. The day's schedule includes the following:

**Conference Proceedings** - The Department of Transportation leaders from all three of the member states will be attending and giving presentations including a DOT roundtable to finish the conference proceedings. The International ITE President and VP candidates will also be in attendance. The conference was designed to be informative including a training workshop from the National Complete Streets Coalition.

**Second Annual Great Lakes District Traffic Bowl** - The second annual Great Lakes District Traffic Bowl will be held after the conference presentations on Thursday afternoon. The winning ITE Student Chapter will have the chance to represent the District at the International ITE Annual Meeting in St. Louis in August. Door prizes will be awarded with other fun events to keep the audience engaged.

**Student Resource Center** - An area at the conference will be set up where conference attendees and students can interact, exchange business cards, resumes, etc...

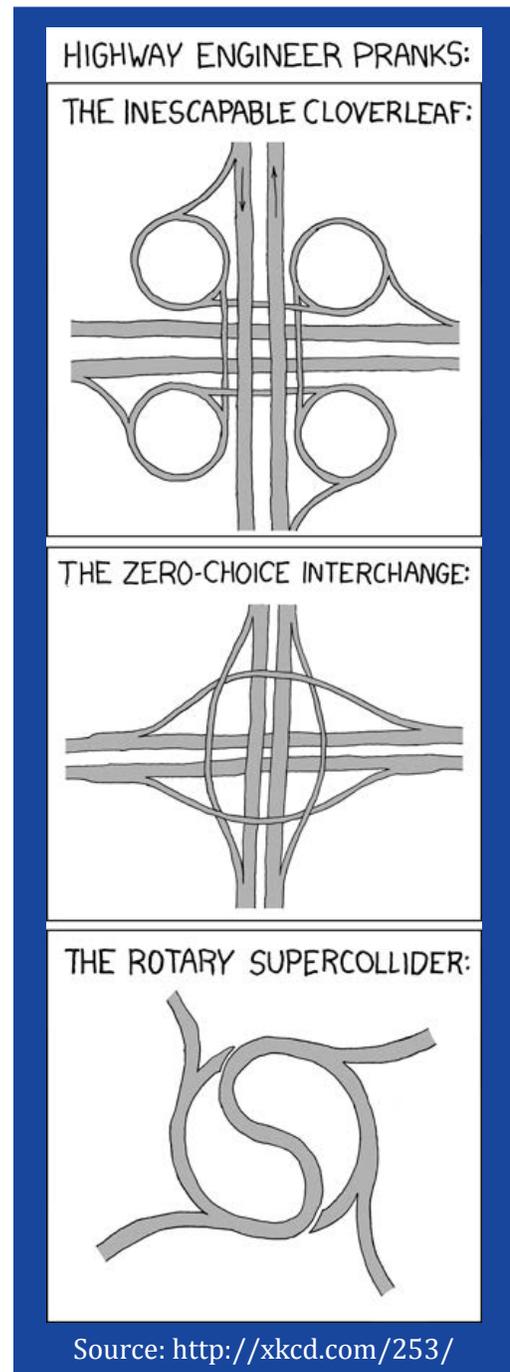
**Vendor Displays** - Over 20 vendors are expected to have displays at the expanded vendor display area this year.

Check out the Great Lakes District website at [www.great-lakesite.com](http://www.great-lakesite.com) in the Upcoming Events section for registration information and agenda.

### Why Elect Ray Davis?

My vision, passion, commitment, 37 years of active involvement (21 years in elected or appointed leadership positions) at all levels of ITE, strong management and budget skills, and the time to commit, will help ensure that **We will bring ITE to you.**

Please visit [www.ite.org/candidates/raydavis/](http://www.ite.org/candidates/raydavis/)



## Update on the Newly Introduced and/or Moving Traffic Safety Legislation Provided by the Michigan State Police Executive Division (10/04/2010)

### **PA 175 OF 2009 Operating an ORV on Shoulder**

(Rep. Espinoza)

Expands the counties eligible for operation of ORV's on road shoulders

*Effective 12/16/09*

### **PA 194 of 2009 Driver License: Child Support**

(Rep. Kurtz)

Modifies procedures for suspension and reinstatement of driver license due to child support arrearage.

*Effective 12/30/09.*

### **PA 10 OF 2010 Quick Clearance** (Rep. Byrnes)

Requires drivers involved in accidents to move their vehicles off the traveled portion of the roadway in certain circumstances.

*Effective 3/9/2010*

### **PA 16 of 2010 Driver's Training: Organ Donation**

(Gleason)

Include instructional block on organ donation in driver's training curriculum.

*Effective 3/23/2010*

### **PA 93 of 2010 Bus Driver's Medical Certificates**

(Rep. Haines)

Adopts the Federal Regulations for Medical Certification of Bus Drivers

*Effective 6/22/2010*

### **HB 6350 Child Restraint Penalties** (Rep. Tyler)

Provides for enhanced penalty for child seat violation if offender does not provide proof of purchase/installation of child seat.

*In House Transportation*

### **HB 6233 School Bus Zones** (Rep. McMillin)

Defines school bus zone and enhances penalties for moving violations in school bus zones.

*In House Transportation*

### **HB 4747 Helmet Repeal** (Rep. LeBlanc)

Abolish motorcycle helmet requirement.

*Passed in House 03/25/10*

### **HB 5913/SB 1106 Passenger Seat Belts**

(Rep. Lipton/Sen. Switalski)

Requires all passenger of a motor vehicle to wear seat-belts.

*In House/Senate Transportation*

### **HB 4948 Use of Television/Electronic Device While Driving** (Rep. Geiss)

Increases penalties for motor vehicle accidents causing death/serious impairment if at-fault driver was using television or similar electronic device.

*In House Transportation*

### **HB 5746 Highway Signs** (Rep. Calley)

Eliminates moratorium on highway signs.

*In House Transportation*

### **HB 5961 Drunk Driver: Reasonable Cause**

(Rep. Lemmons)

Observations of anonymous tipster would amount to reasonable cause for arrest of a drunk driver without a warrant.

*In House Judiciary*

### **HB 5005/HB 5006 Drunk Driving: Snowmobile**

(Rep. Tyler and Schuitmaker)

Lowers permissible BAC while operating a snowmobile to .08. Also, adopts same standard for OWPD as that of a motor vehicle.

*In House Tourism*

### **HB 5007 Drunk Driving: Off Road Vehicle**

(Rep. Kandrevas)

Lowers permissible BAC while operating an ORV to .08. Also, adopts same standard for OWPD as that of a motor vehicle.

*In House Tourism*

### **HB 6057 Driver's Training: Dangers of Texting While Driving** (Jones)

Include instruction on dangers of operating a vehicle while sending a message on an electronic wireless device.

*In House Transportation*

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## Update on the Traffic Safety Legislation

### **HB 4862 Driver's Education Instructor Course**

(Rep. Agema)

Removes the requirement that a driver's ed. instruction course last at least three weeks.

*In House Transportation*

### **HB 5053 Motorcycle Education** (Rep. Leblanc)

Waives Secretary of State motorcycle knowledge written test for cycle endorsement applicants who have completed an approved motorcycle safety course.

*In House Transportation*

### **HB 5054 Motorcycle Safety Training Act** (Rep. Jones)

Creates the motorcycle safety training act: provides for the approval and certification of motorcycle training programs/instructors; establishes training requirements/standards.

*In House Transportation*

### **HB 5507 Driver's Training: Environmental Attributes** (Rep. Johnson)

Requires driver's training curriculum to include instruction on fuel economy and fuel efficient vehicles.

*In House Transportation*

### **HB 5805 Driver's Training: Observation Period** (Meadows)

Eliminates the four hour backseat observation period for drivers training students.

*In House Regulatory Reform*

### **HB 6164/HB 6165 Establishment of Speed Limits** (Reps. Jones and Scott)

Specifies that all speed limits must be based on standard and accepted engineering standards.

*In House Committee on Urban Policy*

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### **HB 5742/HB 5743 /SB 1009 School Bus Inspection**

(Rep. Leblanc/Sen. Kuipers)

Modifies state police requirements for school bus inspections.

*HB's reported from House Approps 06/30, SB in Senate Education*

### **HB 6277 Mopeds** (Rep. Nerat)

Allows more than one persons on a moped if the moped is designed to accommodate two persons.

*In House Transportation*

### **HB 6159/HB 6160/HB 6161/HB 6162 Off Highway Vehicles** (Reps. Lindberg, Sheltrown, Schmidt, and Caul)

Allows operation of OHVs on local roads, streets, and highways under certain circumstances.

*In House Tourism*

### **HB 6125 Roller Ski's** (Rep. Lindberg)

Authorizes the use of roller skis on streets, highways, and paths under certain circumstances.

*In House Transportation*

### **SB 728 Postal Vehicles** (Sen. Stamas)

Requires drivers to use due care and caution when approaching and passing postal delivery vehicles.

*In Senate Transportation*

### **HB 5784 Proof of Insurance** (Lori)

Requires drivers involved in accidents to report to SOS and show proof of insurance when involved in a crash.

*In House Insurance Committee*

Have you checked out the ITE Michigan Section website ([www.itemichigan.org](http://www.itemichigan.org)) lately?

Is there anything you want to see added to make it more useful?

Contact our webmaster: Sarah Binkowski at (313) 963-5760 or [binkowski@pbworld.com](mailto:binkowski@pbworld.com)

Are you looking for a qualified candidate to fill a position at your organization??

Advertise in the *MichiganITE* and reach hundreds of Michigan Transportation Professionals and their colleagues!!

For rate information, or to begin your search for candidates, contact Lia Michaels at (248) 454-6812 or [lmichaels@hrc-engr.com](mailto:lmichaels@hrc-engr.com).

## 2011 Schedule of Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Host</u>
February 23, 2011	SEMCOG	ITE Webinar and Student Traffic Bowl exhibition	Tom Bruff 313.324.3340
March 10, 2011	Lansing	Technical Session	Kim Lariviere 517.373.3889
April 3-6, 2011	Walt Disney World - Buena vista, Florida	ITE Technical Conference and Exhibit	National ITE
April 14-15, 2011	Columbus	Great Lakes District Annual Meeting	Great Lakes District
May 26, 2011	Mystic Creek GC, Milford	Education Fund Golf Outing	Aimee Giacherio 616.363.8181
June 1, 2011	Dearborn	"Transforming Transportation through Collaboration"	ITS Michigan, ITE, WTS, IMSA, and ASCE
August 13-16, 2011	St. Louis, Mo America's Center	Annual International ITE Meeting	National ITE
September xx, 2011	Willow Wood GC, Portland	Fall Golf Outing	Tim Haagsma 616.242.6923 Aimee Giacherio 616.363.8181
October xx, 2011	Kalamazoo	Technical Session	Matt Hill 313.310.8239
December 1, 2011	Farmington Hills	Annual Meeting/ Technical Session	Mark Saksewski 248.871.2554

## 2011 National Meetings

*April 3 – 6 ITE Technical Conference and Exhibit, Walt Disney World, Florida*

*Aug. 13-16 - ITE Annual Meeting  
St. Louis, Missouri*

The Board of Directors is looking for someone to take over Kelly Ferencz's position as Chairperson of Technical Programs. If interested, please contact Christopher Zull at (616) 456-4639 or czull@ci.grand-rapids.mi.us

## Industry News

John Abraham has moved back to Michigan!  
John recently accepted a position at Iteris as Associate Vice President of the Michigan Office. In 2008, John left the City of Troy and spent some time working in Arizona then California. Welcome back John!!

*Do you have news about an ITE member that you would like to share with the Section? Please contact the MichiganITE Editor, Lia Michaels at (248) 454-6812 or [lmichaels@hrc-engr.com](mailto:lmichaels@hrc-engr.com).*

## New Members of ITE Michigan Section

Dan Robyns, URS Corporation  
Mark Clemence, Birmingham Police Department  
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## Treasurer Report - January 2011

**By Adam Merchant, P.E., Macomb County Department of Roads**

As of January 31, 2011, the Michigan Section of ITE account balance for the General Fund is \$29,517.03. This amount is typical for this time of year. Major account activity usually involves annual membership dues, technical sessions, and the golf outing.

We look forward to raising money at future events. Thank you to everyone for your financial support!

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