



## Letter from the President

By: Bonnie Wood, PE, PTOE

Greetings and Happy New Year ITE Michigan Section! Your Board of Directors were able to meet to establish meeting dates and approve a budget for this year and I am excited to share with you the upcoming events we have to look forward to in this first part of 2026. I would first like to thank all the people involved in making our section great. The newsletter staff has done a wonderful job providing a document that showcases the people and committees behind the scenes. Use this document, emails and our website shared to stay informed.

February begins with a joint outing to a Pistons Game on February 3, 2026. This is hosted by our Young Professional Committee (YPC) and you can find the link to get signed up on the ITE Michigan Section Calendar on the website. On February 24th ITE Michigan Section and the YPC will be hosting our popular Trivia Night. This year we are increasing the fun to four (4) locations! Kalamazoo will be added to the Detroit, Lansing and Grand Rapids mix. Also in February, the 2026 Award Submittals are due on February 13, 2026. This date is earlier so worthy section award applicants can be considered for district awards.

On March 1, 2026, the Great Lake District Awards are due. Then on March 21, 2026, YPC is scheduled to assist in the Science Olympiad. This is being held at Haslett High School near the City of East Lansing. This will be the 3rd year YPC has volunteered at this event. If you are interested in helping, please contact Cole Villalobos for more information.

Our Spring Technical Session will be held on April 15, 2026, at the MSU Union Ballroom. This event is hosted by the MSU Student Chapter and along with the expertise of our technical committee, I am sure we can look forward to a great program. Membership will be notified when registration is open. Our spring Adopt-a-Highway cleanup date is April 11, 2026. And as always, donuts will be provided.

May brings our Annual Scholarship Golf Outing and the date has been set for May 28, 2026. So, plan on attending or volunteering and being a part of the fun that day at Mystic Creek Golf Course in Milford.

This summer June is open so we can save our strength for July when we will host the Joint ITE International and Great Lakes District Annual Meeting. The conference dates are set for July 19-22, 2026, at the Huntington Place Convention Center in downtown Detroit. Our Local Arrangements Committee co-chaired by Lia Michaels and Carissa McQuiston-Perry have been putting together activities and tours to showcase what Detroit has to offer. You can be a part of the conference and volunteer by contacting the committee chair or any of the section board members. Just prior to the Annual Meeting on July 17-18, 2026, the ITE Michigan Section Student Chapters, will host the ITE Student Leadership Summit. This event will be on the Wayne State University campus. Our section secretary, Cole Villalobos is the event coordinator for this event. Please contact him if you are available to volunteer.

I hope to see you soon at one or several of the upcoming events. As you know, all that we do is by volunteers – if you see a place where your talents can make a difference, please let us know and we will be happy to have you. We are always looking for those willing to lend a hand and provide more to our members.



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**UPCOMING DATES:**

ITE, ASCE, APWA Pistons Event - February 3

ITE Trivia Night - February 24

Spring Technical Session - April 15

ITE Golf Outing - May 28

ITE Great Lakes District Student Leadership Summit - July 17-18

ITE International Meeting - July 19-22

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## 2025 Summer Technical Session

By: Matt Keyes, EIT, RSP<sub>1</sub>

This past July, ITE Michigan held its Summer Technical Session in Kalamazoo. The event took place at the Student Center building within Western Michigan University's ever-evolving campus. The day was packed with presentations and activities from professionals within the Southwest Region of Michigan.

The day both kicked off and wrapped up with presentations on research projects conducted by students of Western Michigan University's civil engineering program. The first presentation, by student Sia Mwende, examines how lighting affects nighttime pedestrian safety. While lighting is already recognized as being critical to nighttime safety, this study suggests that smart lighting, specifically LED systems paired with RRFBs, has a significant effect on lowering K and A-level crashes. The second student presentation at the tail-end of the session was presented by Diana Al-Nabulsi on Advanced Demand Prediction for Demand-Responsive Transit (DRT) Systems. The DRT System is used to predict transit demand by using Graph Convolutional Networks. This system was applied and accurately predicts demand across 251 traffic zones across Kalamazoo County. This framework offers a tool to optimize mobility systems, which can be scaled based on the size of the system.

This technical session also featured local speakers to discuss the state of transportation in Kalamazoo. Raina Skeels of Discover Kalamazoo provided a new perspective on the impact of local businesses in lieu of road construction, and highlight how critical access management is to tourism. Meanwhile, Jeff Spoelstra, WMU Office of Sustainability Director, spoke on efforts made by the university to reduce reliance on single-occupancy vehicles. Investing in programs such as a bike repair shop, bike rental, and more have proven to be effective on WMU's campus.



Wording and how to present news on future projects is key, as it may not always be easily accepted by those in the affected community. Nick Schrippa of the Southwest Region Communications at MDOT led a rather casual discussion on how to engage the public, since they should be "in the know" about upcoming improvements in their own backyard. While virtual meetings have been popularized since the 2020 pandemic, Schrippa emphasized how those who are "unplugged" from technology may be unintentionally left out of the discussion if virtual meetings are the default way to communicate.

Active Transportation Management Systems, or ATMs, are becoming increasingly popular to adjust traffic in real time. Abdullah Nafakh with Parsons presented on their deployments in Michigan as well as out-of-state applications. ATMs have proven to be cost effective in managing congestion and incidents, and have been programmed to automate detour plans to guide vehicles around incidents immediately after they happen. Nafakh makes a strong case for Active Transportation Management Systems and their help in improving traffic operations.

Finally, Lisa Whitehead of Collier's Engineering and Ellen Nightingale of MDOT led a hands-on activity regarding STEM Outreach. Attendees of the Technical Session rotated in groups to try out four STEM activities intended for students of varying ages. The purpose of this exercise is to familiarize attendees with potential ways to engage the next generation in Transportation topics, including MOTs, Conflict Points, and planning a city layout with a strict budget. Look out for these types of activities at outreach events!

A big thanks goes out to the Technical Committee for planning the first ever Summer Technical Session and the WMU's ITE Student Chapter for hosting the venue!

## YPC Activities

### Marshall Tubing & Camping Trip

By: Matt Keyes, EIT, RSP<sub>1</sub>



Members of the ITE Michigan YPC assembled in Marshall, Michigan on July 18 for a weekend of camping and tubing! Members spent time together Friday night around the campfire, and spent Saturday floating down eight miles of the Kalamazoo River. While they were hit with some rain on the tail-end of the route, members had an all-around great time on this camping trip!



### Annual Tigers Outing

By: Jordan Hankin, PE


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Young Professional Committee (YPC) had a great time hosting the 2025 edition of the annual Detroit Tigers outing! The event was held on August 19, 2025, for an evening game vs the Houston Astros. Before the game, the YPC met up at Bookie's Bar and Grill for pre-game appetizers and networking. Nearly 20 ITE members, friends, and family attended the event, making for an excellent Tuesday night out in downtown Detroit. The Tigers beat Houston 1-0 in a classic pitching duel featuring 10 strikeouts by Detroit's Tarik Skuba! The YPC is already looking forward to the 2026 Tigers Outing!



### Adopt-A-Road Cleanup

By: Austin Detweiler, EIT



On September 13, 2025, YPC members took some time out of their Saturday morning to participate in the Road Commission for Oakland County's Adopt-A-Road program. Members were responsible for cleaning up both sides of Avon Rd between Rochester Rd and John R Rd.

After the cleanup, members met up at the nearby Yates Cider Mill for donuts and cider. If you are interested in helping out with future YPC Adopt-A-Road volunteering events, even if you're not in the YPC, feel free reach out to Cole Villalobos or Lauren Hull!

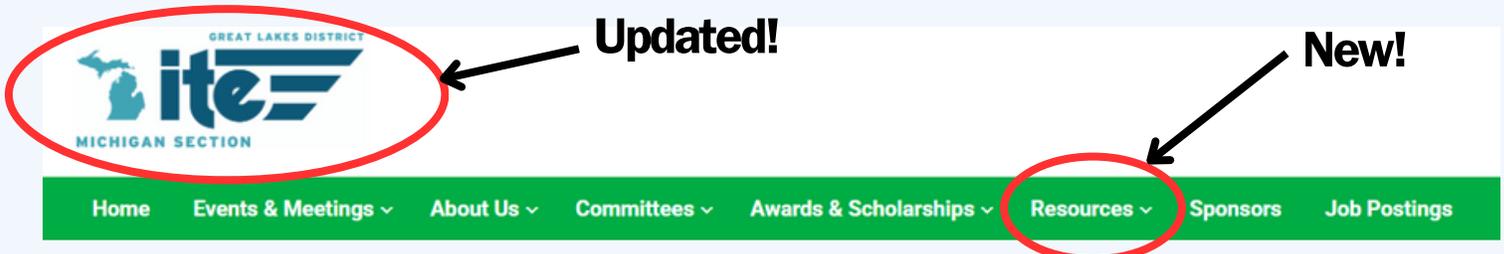
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## Website Updates By: Austin Detweiler, EIT

If you've been using the ITE Michigan Section website lately, you've probably noticed a couple significant changes, including logo updates across the website. The menu bar was reconfigured to pave the way for some new things to be highlighted at the top of the page. The ITE International webpage link was moved to the sidebar and the new Resources dropdown took its place in the menu bar. The Resources tab contains two new pages (so far). If you have ideas for anything else that could be useful under the Resources tab, reach out to Austin Detweiler at [adetweiler@hrcengr.com](mailto:adetweiler@hrcengr.com) or Max Smith at [smithm173@michigan.gov](mailto:smithm173@michigan.gov).

The first new page is the FE/PE Study Guide, which was developed by Lauren Hull. It contains a plethora of information, ranging from what the exams are, to study resources, and even where the various testing locations are in the state of Michigan. If you are thinking about taking the FE or the PE exam, be sure to check out some of the information Lauren generously put together!

The second new page is the ITE Branding and Logo Center. On this page, there are various pre-made logos that comply with ITE International's branding guidelines (discussed in the following section). This page allows for ITE Michigan Section members to quickly access various logos to ensure that uniform and professional logos are utilized for ITE-related events, publications, posts, flyers, etc. As of now, there are full color, white, and black logos for the section, the section educational fund, and all five section student chapters.



## Branding Updates By: Austin Detweiler, EIT

ITE is standardizing logos and naming conventions across the board.

Here is what **YOU** need to know about ITE International's branding update!

- [www.itemichigan.org](http://www.itemichigan.org) > Resources > ITE Branding and Logo Center
  - Contains link to ITE International's Brand Evolution webpage
  - Contains link to ITE's Brand Guidelines Document
  - Contains pre-made compliant logos for:
    - ITE Michigan Section
    - ITE Michigan Section Educational Fund
    - All five ITE Michigan Section Student Chapters
- Proper naming convention is as follows:
  - Parent name: ITE International
  - District name: ITE Great Lakes District
  - Section name: ITE Michigan Section
  - Student chapter name: ITE [University/College] Student Chapter
  - Common examples of improper naming conventions include: Great Lakes ITE, Western Michigan University ITE Student Chapter, etc.



## ITE Michigan 2025 Annual Meeting

By: Lauren Hull, PE, RSP<sub>1</sub>

Once again, the ITE Winter Technical Session was held at the HAWK in Farmington Hills. This session had various presentations as well as Michigan Section awards and a new ITE Michigan board.

The session kicked off with a presentation from Jocelyn Garza from MDOT Public Affairs. Jocelyn reminded us that it's important to show the public all the good work that is being done, since public perception of road work tends to be more negative than positive. Make sure to highlight ribbon cutting ceremonies, how quickly MDOT acts after a catastrophic event, and positive public interactions. Attendees also learned that MDOT has a podcast available on most streaming services called MDOT Talking Michigan Transportation.

After that, Shafiq Bari from the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity gave an update on that status of electric vehicles in Michigan. As it turns out, Michigan currently has about 1% electric vehicles on its roadways. While this increase is great, Michigan has to ensure that there is enough infrastructure to support it. As most EV's enter the roadway, more charging stations need to be installed to keep up with the growing demand. Shafiq also shared the use of hydrogen and how Michigan potentially has an abundance of it. This could lead to hydrogen-powered vehicles as another source.

Julie Kroll from Fleis & VandenBrink gave the last session before lunch on the ITE Trip Generation 12th Edition. All data from before 1990 was removed from this new manual and new data was incorporated, including nine new land use codes and data from over 550 new study sites. One of the new land use codes is the High-Volume Fast-Food Restaurants, which includes data from Michigan! Queuing data is also included in this new land use code. This will help particularly for sites such as Chick-Fil-A or Cane's. This new trip generation manual can be purchased and will come in five volumes or can be accessed through the online platform.

After a buffet style lunch and catching up with new and old friends, Steve Stramsak, the Michigan Section President gave updates and his outgoing President's speech. Bonnie Wood gave her speech as the incoming ITE Michigan President after serving as Vice President. The new ITE Michigan Section Director was announced to be Alex Rucinski from the Road Commission for Oakland County, congratulations Alex. Julie Kroll, Michigan Section Treasurer, gave a budget update. Fun fact – most of our section's income comes from the ITE Golf Outing! See Pages 7-9 for the awards and scholarships presented, and to learn more about this year's scholarship recipients.



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### ITE Michigan 2025 Winter Technical Session (cont'd)

ITE International has also been working on rebranding for the past year. This change works to provide consistency throughout each ITE chapter, section, and district. The most notable change will be shown in the ITE logos, which will be more uniform. Each chapter/section/district was provided a color palate to select from. The ITE Michigan logo now has Michigan as a bluish greenish color next to the ITE logo.

The lightning round returned again for its second annual appearance. Members of nine different organizations gave quick seven-minute presentations. This fast-paced style presentation gave listeners an opportunity to learn about different projects and topics, which often turned into full conversations after the technical session. Presenters include: Maureen Peters (AECOM), Sam Bell (Cincar Consulting Group), Tony Geara (City of Detroit), Leigh Burgess (Clark Dietz), Jacob Swanson (Fleis & VandenBrink), Chuck Keller (National Transportation Safety Organization), Chris Zull (Progressive Companies), Viranch Shah (Spalding DeDecker), and Bridget Bienkowski (Wade Trim).

John Estill from the Michigan Department of Civil Rights and Department of Technology, Management and Budget, taught us about digital accessibility. Big changes are coming in April 2026 for most communities. All digital documents will need to meet accessibility requirements otherwise there may be legal consequences. Accessibility changes include, but are not limited to, ensuring there are sufficient color differentials, bolding/italicizing words or phrases in addition to highlighting, and ensuring all images/charts/graphs have not only different colored symbols, but also different shaped symbols.

Lastly, the technical session wrapped up with moderator Brad Strader from Cincar Consulting Group presenting alongside Andrea Brown from the Michigan Planning Association, Jeromie Winsor from AECOM, and Lauren Warren from Cincar Consulting Group. These individuals spoke on the importance of engineers working with planners. Although engineers and planners don't always see eye to eye on everything, each provides valuable insight into making a project better for all users. For best results, ensure engineers and planners sit down together early on in the project and learn about each other's requirements, ideas, and goals.



## ITE Michigan Annual Meeting Awards

### Young Member of the Year Award

*Sam Bell, PE, PTOE, RSP<sub>1</sub>*

Sam Bell is a Traffic and Safety Engineer with Cincar Consulting Group, where he focuses on designing safer and more efficient transportation systems across Michigan. A proud Michigan State University graduate (Go Green!), Sam also completed ACEC's Emerging Leaders Program in 2024.

He has been actively involved in the engineering community throughout his career, serving as President of the ASCE Cincinnati Section, Communications Chair for WTS Michigan, and currently as a member of the ITE Technical Committee.



### President's Award

*Aimée Giacherio, PE*

Aimée Giacherio has been involved in ITE since joining the student chapter at Michigan Tech, where she earned her bachelor's degree in civil engineering. Upon graduation, Aimée joined Wade Trim where she now serves as a Senior Project Manager and Vice President, leading traffic engineering projects out of the Grand Rapids office.

Aimée has provided many years of service to the Michigan Section ITE. Early in her career, she served as the newsletter editor for the section. For over 20 years now, she has served as Chairperson of the Michigan Section Scholarship Golf Outing Committee. Under her leadership, the committee has raised more than \$238,000 for the section scholarship fund.



### Transportation Achievement Awards

*City of Grand Rapids - Bicycle Facilities Dashboard and Project Interface*

*City of Kalamazoo - "Safe Streets for All" Initiative*



**Nominations are being accepted for the above section awards for 2026!**

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**The deadline is February 13, 2026, so don't wait to apply!**

## 2025 Student Scholarship Recipients

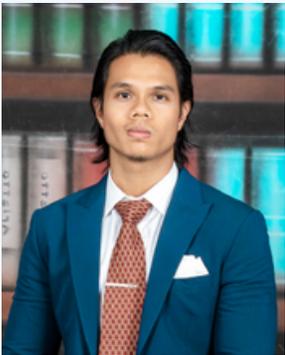
It is an annual tradition at the ITE Michigan Annual Meeting in Farmington Hills, to award \$2,500 scholarships to six student members of ITE. These funds come primarily from the Annual ITE Golf Outing in May and generous donations of members. Congratulations to this year's recipients!

### Evan Pollet

Evan is a third-year civil engineering student with a focus in water resources at Michigan Tech. On campus, he has worked as a Writing Center tutor for the past 2 years and a Resident Assistant in Wadsworth Hall for the past 3 years. Professionally, he has worked as a transportation engineering intern for the Michigan Department of Transportation and a water resources engineering intern for a private consulting firm. In the future, he plans to work in the water resources and municipal divisions of civil engineering, focusing on constructing new stormwater management systems and upgrading existing infrastructure.



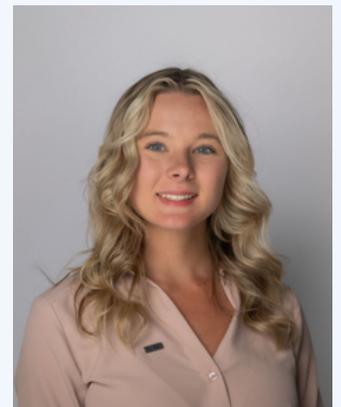
### Farish Jazlan



Farish Jazlan is a Doctoral student in Civil Engineering at MSU, specializing in Transportation Systems and Public Policy. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering and Economics from MSU. He was inducted into the Phi Kappa Phi (PKP) Honors Society and the Chi Epsilon (XE) Civil Engineering National Honors Society, and was awarded the John A. Focht National Scholarship. Over the past 5 years, Farish has contributed to over 13 state and federally funded transportation research projects, and published over 12 publications, advancing work in transportation policy design, mobility governance, and infrastructure investment planning. His research has been recognized through a Community-Engaged Scholarship and Practice Award for exemplary integration of research and public service. A travel aficionado, he has visited 6 continents and 46 countries to date.

### Naomi Elliot

Naomi is a senior Civil Engineering major at Michigan Technological University who is entering the workforce in the summer of 2026. She began her career in water resources but realized her passion lay elsewhere, leading her into a broader focus. After her most recent internship in transportation, Naomi discovered how much she enjoyed the field and projects that allow her to solve problems that directly impact communities, and confirmed her interest in becoming a transportation engineer. Growing up in the suburbs of Detroit exposed Naomi to a mix of environments like lakefront areas, rural communities, and urban cities. She gained a broad perspective on how construction projects affect places differently. Naomi's long-term goal is to become a project manager who understands diverse stakeholders and delivers equitable, sustainable, and people-centered projects.



## Student Scholarship Recipients (cont'd)

### Samuel Goodluck

Samuel is a Research Assistant in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Michigan State University. He is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Civil Engineering, with a concentration on transportation safety and traffic operations. His research is centered on enhancing roadway safety by minimizing crash risk and lowering travel speeds to reduce the severity of injuries in the event of collisions. Samuel contributes significantly to multiple high-impact research projects supported by the Michigan Department of Transportation, the Minnesota Department of Transportation, the Washington Department of Transportation, and the National Cooperative Highway Research Program. Samuel is also a Council of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) scholar and holds a scholarship from the Stacy Welbeck Foundation in recognition of his academic excellence and research contributions to the Transportation industry. Samuel received his bachelor's degree with honors in civil engineering from the University of Lagos, Nigeria



### Upendo Bitaliho



Upendo Gerald Bitaliho is a graduate student pursuing a Master of Science in Civil Engineering at Western Michigan University, specializing in Transportation Engineering. A native of Tanzania, she holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Dar es Salaam. She is currently working as a Research and Teaching Assistant in the Department of Civil Engineering, College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. She is passionate about enhancing mobility and safety through traffic engineering, intelligent transportation systems, and sustainable transportation solutions. Her research focuses on crash data analysis and AI applications in traffic management, with the goal of improving transportation accessibility in underserved communities. Upendo is also the Treasurer of the ITE Student Chapter and a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) at Western Michigan University.

### Yuxi Shen

Yuxi Shen, the recipient of our Sarah Premo Scholarship, is a Ph.D. student in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Michigan State University. Her research focuses on sustainable transportation systems, with particular emphasis on transportation safety, travel behavior, and equity in mobility. She works on integrating behavioral modeling, health-related travel analysis, and housing and equity perspectives to better understand how built environments shape mobility and safety outcomes. Her recent projects include examining gender differences in walking behavior and health using large-scale survey data, as well as applying deep learning to street imagery to study how perceptions of transit environments relate to social isolation. Yuxi also investigates electric vehicle charging behavior and grid impacts through behaviorally informed simulation. She received her M.Sc. in Spatial Planning and Transportation Engineering with honors from Aalto University, Finland, and her B.Eng. and M.Eng. in Transportation from Southeast University, China.



## Meet Your Director



Alex Rucinski, PE, PTOE serves as the Traffic Safety Engineer for the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC), bringing more than 18 years of specialized experience in traffic engineering and roadway safety. He leads RCOC's Traffic Safety Engineering Division, overseeing traffic data analysis, safety studies, and the development of traffic control plans, signal warrant reviews, pavement marking, signing, and guardrail programs. In addition, he provides engineering support for permitting, design, and maintenance operations, ensuring that all projects advance roadway safety and operational efficiency.

In his role, Alex represents RCOC in collaboration with governmental agencies, law enforcement, community partners, and private developers to deliver evidence-based safety solutions. Prior to joining RCOC in 2007, he gained valuable engineering experience with Orchard Hiltz and McCliment (OHM), the City of Birmingham, and Professional Services Inc. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Lawrence Technological University in 2003.

Throughout his career, Alex has been extensively involved in traffic engineering, including traffic signal systems and field operations. He has developed and implemented traffic signal plans, coordinated construction projects, and supported the deployment of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) across the RCOC network. His responsibilities have included overseeing signal construction, coordinating with municipalities and businesses, and engaging stakeholders to balance technical requirements with community needs. His expertise spans a wide range of safety programs, including roundabout design (single- and multi-lane), diverging diamond interchanges, and Safe Streets for All (SS4A) plan development.

Alex is an active presenter in his field, having shared his work at the ITE Michigan Section Annual Meeting, the 2025 ITE Great Lakes District Conference, and the County Road Association of Michigan's Annual Meeting and Road Show. He was also selected as a member of the Leadership ITE 2026 class. In addition, he has served as a judge for the AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition for more than 20 years and has guest lectured at Lawrence Technological University.

### Newsletter Throwback - Winter 1975

Take a look at this snippet in the "MichiganITE" 1975 Winter Newsletter, reporting the introduction of a 'controversial' bill permitting Right-Turn-On-Red (RTOR) at signalized intersections.

In that same newsletter, two traffic engineers, William Lebel and Robert Pohl, argue opposite sides regarding this contentious law. Doesn't seem so controversial now, does it?

See our full newsletter archive at [www.itemichigan.org](http://www.itemichigan.org)

#### Right Turn On Red Bill Introduced

On January 9, House Bill 4057, carrying 76 sponsors, was introduced and referred to the Committee on Public Safety. The bill provides for the basic right-turn-on-red law amending Section 257.612 of the Michigan Vehicle Code as follows:

*Vehicular traffic facing a steady red signal, after stopping before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or at a limit line when marked or, if none, then before entering the intersection, shall be privileged to make a right turn only, unless prohibited by local ordinance, sign, signal, marking, light or other traffic control device. The vehicular traffic shall yield the right of way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.*

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## Section Fund Balance

**\$36,711.29**

## Treasurer's Report

PayPal Account	\$ 5,402.35
Chase Account	\$ 33,309.77
Section Fund Balance as of November 30, 2025	\$ 36,711.29

### ACTIVITIES for January 1 through December 31, 2025

<b>Income - Section Regular Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 97,498.73</b>
Membership Dues - Paid by Int'l ITE	\$ 4,579.25	
Sponsors	\$ 8,000.00	
Meeting/Tech Session Registrations	\$ 11,075.00	
ITE Great Lakes District Mtg - Registrations & Misc	\$ -	
Road Safety Audit Class (Fall Tech Session)	\$ 25,925.00	
Member Contributions and Donations (not Dues)	\$ 125.00	
G.L.D. Endowment Fund Contributions	\$ 560.00	
GOLF OUTING: Golfer & Sponsor Fees	\$ 29,630.00	
GOLF OUTING: Flagging Tape, 50/50, etc	\$ 2,496.00	
ITE HQ Scholarship Fund Transfer	\$ 15,000.00	
OTHER (reimbursement, e.g.)	\$ 108.48	
Regular Fund Revenue Subtotal	\$ 97,498.73	
<b>Expenses - Section Regular Fund</b>		<b>\$ 88,473.61</b>
Postage and 'Office' Supplies	\$ 48.72	
Website	\$ 355.14	
Constant Contact Fees	\$ 495.00	
Meeting Expenses - Site Rental / Catering / Misc.	\$ 12,473.99	
Meeting Expenses - Road Safety Audit Class	\$ 28,275.00	
BOD Meeting Expenses	\$ 463.81	
ITE Great Lakes District Meeting - Hosting Expenses	\$ -	
Int'l Mtg. Travel Expenses (Mich Section President)	\$ 1,706.11	
G.L.D. Mtg. Travel Expenses (Mich Section President)	\$ 645.84	
Travel Expenses for G.L.D Section Rep from Mich	\$ -	
Travel Expenses for G.L.D Board Member from Mich	\$ -	
Travel Expenses for L.A.C. for Int'l Mtg. in Detroit	\$ 2,145.59	
ITE Leadership - Scholarship for Registration	\$ 3,500.00	
Plaques/Awards/Prizes	\$ 670.00	
General Liability Insurance and Administration	\$ 1,671.00	
GOLF OUTING: Seed Money	\$ -	
GOLF TOURNAMENT: Gifts/Prizes	\$ 1,392.37	
GOLF TOURNAMENT: Course Fee (Golf/Cart/Lunch)	\$ 13,919.90	
\$ Transferred to Int'l for Student Scholarships	\$ -	
G.L.D. Contributions from Section to Endowment Fund	\$ 1,060.00	
Student Chapter Funding (mtgs, travel, etc)	\$ -	
Student Paper Awards paid by Section	\$ 500.00	
Student Scholarships paid by Section	\$ 15,000.00	
Young Professional Committee (e.g. Trivia)	\$ 1,915.32	
OTHER (reimbursement, e.g.)	\$ 491.17	
Public Agency Dues - for board members	\$ 705.00	
Bank Charges /PayPal Fees	\$ 1,019.65	
Payments to LARA	\$ 20.00	

## Save the Date!



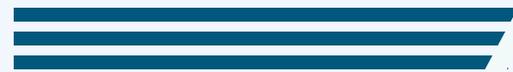
# Detroit 26

Annual Meeting and Exhibition

July 19–22, 2026

The 2026 Joint ITE International and Great Lakes District Annual Meeting will be taking place in Michigan's own Motor City, Detroit! Keep your eyes out over the course of the year for more details as the event inches closer.

Contact Lia Michaels at [LMichaels@hrcengr.com](mailto:LMichaels@hrcengr.com) if you are interested in helping.



## Student Leadership Summit

The 2026 ITE Great Lakes District Student Leadership Summit (SLS) will take place July 17–18, 2026, in Detroit, immediately preceding the International and Great Lakes District Annual Meeting (July 19-22). The Summit is proudly co-hosted by Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, University of Michigan, and Wayne State University ITE student chapters. The SLS is open to all ITE student chapters across the Great Lakes District and is designed to support student professional development, leadership growth, and technical learning. Programming will include technical presentations, interactive workshops, student-focused sessions, and opportunities to connect with transportation professionals from both academia and industry. Several major student competitions will take place during the SLS, including the Design Competition, Student Poster Competition, and the Great Lakes Traffic Bowl, offering students a unique opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills on a larger stage while engaging with peers from across the region. Additional details regarding registration, programming, accommodation, and funding opportunities will be released in the coming months. Please stay tuned for updates on the ITE Great Lakes District and ITE Michigan websites.



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AN EVENT PLANNED BY STUDENTS, FOR STUDENTS!  
TWO DAYS OF LEADERSHIP, LEARNING,  
COMPETITION, AND NETWORKING.

## New Certifications

The following ITE Michigan members gained new ITE Certifications at the end of 2025:



Member	Certification Obtained
Daniel Helou	PTOE
Haneefuddin Mohammed	PTOE
Kelvin Msechu	PTOE
Alyssa Wambold	RSP <sub>1</sub>
Lori Pawlik	RSP <sub>1</sub>
Matt Keyes	RSP <sub>1</sub>

## New Members

Joined July-December 2025

### Student Members

Abby Dykstra  
 Ankith Ram Mohan  
 Ardeshir Fadaei  
 Behdad Ghafarnezhad  
 Coraima Tejeda  
 Evan Pollett  
 Jacob Snyder  
 James Vanhekken  
 Jungbum Cho  
 Livia Gotham  
 Matthias Casier  
 Mohsen Naghdi  
 Naomi Elliot  
 Nicholas Carlson  
 Sajjad Vosoughinia  
 Samuel Goodluck

Takudzwa Muparuri  
 Thomas Lansana  
 Trevor Wabbi  
 Vincent White  
 Yuxi Shen

### Private Sector

Collin Wilson  
 Payton Cousins

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