



Wisconsin Section News

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Upcoming Newsletter

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New: ITE Wisconsin Complete Streets Council

By: Jeffrey S. Polenske, PE

Chair, Complete Streets Council



With the ITE Wisconsin Section having developed technical councils that align with the national structure, I am excited to have the opportunity to chair the Wisconsin Complete Streets Council (WI-CSC) and announce that we will be holding the first WI-CSC meeting of the year on Tuesday May 23rd.

ITE's website indicates that the Complete Streets Council represents and promotes the needs of pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, freight, autos, and other forms of travel in the planning, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of complete, multi-modal transportation systems. Further established with the **Guiding Principle** of "Transportation professionals collaborating to plan, design, and operate streets **for all users of all abilities in a safe and equitable manner.**"

As a bicyclist, a pedestrian, a transit user, a motorist, and a transportation professional, Multi-Modal Transportation has always been a passion of mine. After having worked for the City of Milwaukee for over 30 years, I feel fortunate to have been integrally involved with the transition from a more car-centric urban design philosophy to the eventual development and adoption of the City's Complete Streets Policy.

Complete streets are often associated with specific street designs, but it is important to keep in mind that there is not a singular design that defines a complete street. The City of Milwaukee's Policy does not prescribe a design, but it sets the expectation that complete streets principles will be considered and applied on all public way improvements. It also established the foundation of a complete streets approach to consider the community's needs in all phases

of a project, from programming, development, and construction to the ultimate operations. The City's policy also established the expectation for significant community engagement and for annual progress reports on policy implementation.

During the May WI-CSC meeting we will learn more about the City of Milwaukee's Complete Streets Policy and the implementation of such. I hope to also discuss the frequency of meetings and future agenda items. The May 23rd meeting will be virtual, Microsoft Teams, from 12p-1p. If you're interested in joining the WI-CSC please email me (jeffrey.polenske@mbakerintl.com) and you'll be added to the invite list.

President's Message

By Andre Ost

I am honored to be the new ITE Wisconsin Section President this year. This is an exciting time to be in the transportation profession, and I am privileged to work with an excellent group of professionals on the Wisconsin Section Executive Board this year. For 2023, you will be served by the following board members:

- Andre Ost - President
- Brian Scharles – Vice President
- Eric Frailing – Treasurer
- Stephanie Sward – Secretary
- Derrin Wolford – Member Director
- Jess Billmeyer – Past President
- Kelly Trac – District Representative
- John Bruggeman - Administrator

We had a great start to the year with a successful Public Service Appreciation meeting in Madison on January 19th. Among the highlights were presentations on "Developing Planning Tools for Dane County Studies" by Jerry Shadewald of HNTB and the distribution of the Harvey Shebesta Scholarship Awards to Dalton Peters of UW-Platteville and Yifan Yao of UW-Madison.

I also wanted to take a moment to talk about the Transportation Planning Forum and Traffic Engineering Workshop that took place at the Ingleside in Pewaukee on April 6th. Over 180 transportation engineering professionals came together for the event, which was amazing turnout. This year's workshop was exceptional, featuring notable keynote speakers, insightful technical breakout sessions, and a motivating lunch speaker that encouraged thought and reflection. I want to thank the Traffic Engineering Workshop Committee for their exceptional organization and coordination of the workshop. The overwhelmingly positive feedback received from attendees is a testament to their hard work and dedication in providing a remarkable experience.

Please be sure to mark your calendars for these upcoming meetings:

- May 3rd – UWM/Marquette/MSOE Student Night Student Meeting (MSOE - Milwaukee)
- July 19th – Joint meeting with ITS Wisconsin

I look forward to seeing you all at these future events.

Through my involvement with ITE, I have gained a profound appreciation for the transportation industry and have strengthened my engineering skills by attending section meetings, acquiring new knowledge, and engaging in discussions with colleagues during social events. I have come to understand that active involvement in committees and volunteering is a rewarding experience. Therefore, I urge everyone to embrace these opportunities and explore some of the many opportunities to be actively involved in ITE!

Last year's President, Jess Billmeyer, started the ITE Wisconsin Technical Councils, where people can get involved and learn more about various transportation topics including Complete Streets, Planning, Safety, SimCAP, Traffic Engineering, and TSMO. If you aren't involved, join a council today! You can find out how to join a council in this newsletter. If you have any questions or comments about the section, please contact me at andre.ost@graef-usa.com.

Sincerely,

Andre Ost
ITE Wisconsin Section President

Recent Meetings & Events

Traffic Engineering Workshop and Transportation Planning Forum; April 6, 2023

On Thursday, April 6, ITE Wisconsin held its annual Traffic Engineering Workshop and Transportation Planning Forum at the Ingleside Hotel in Pewaukee. The meeting was well attending with over 180 individuals in attendance.

The meeting kicked off with opening remarks from ITE Wisconsin Section president, Andre Ost.

Additional opening remarks were made by the new conference chair, Laura Schroeder, who is now assuming the role from John Bieberitz. Thank you, John for being the conference chair for the last 25 years!

Wisconsin Department of Transportation Secretary, Craig Thompson, provided an update on the various programs and news from WisDOT including funding opportunities and how we can use engineering to help curb crashes and reckless driving.

After Secretary Thompson, Alex Gramovot (WisDOT Urban and Regional Planner) provided updates on the new plans being worked on by WisDOT including the State Freight Plan, Wisconsin Rail Plan 2050, Active Transportation Plan 2050, and the Strategic Highway Safety Plan.



Anne Reshadi (Bureau of Traffic Operations Director) was next to speak about the organization and people within BTO and their various roles and responsibilities. She also spoke about some of the recent successes from BTO including the Flex Lane in Madison and projects to look forward to in the future like the Autonomous Truck Mounted Attenuator (ATMA) pilot, the Video-Based Conflict Analysis (VBCA) project, and the Nextgen Traffic Video Management System to name a few.

The morning presentations were split into two tracks and covered both traffic engineering and transportation planning topics. Track A included presentation on Accommodating Freight on WI Roadways and Joint Annual Preemption Inspections: Enhancing Safety in Your Community. Track B included presentations RCUT, RRCUT, ILAC, Roundabout – Which Alternative Intersection Geometry Should I Use? and Cycling Infrastructure in the Netherlands – Sustainable Safety Applications.

The lunch meeting included an update on ITE International from ITE International's newly elected President for 2024, John Davis, along with ITE Great Lakes updates from District Director, Jeff Young.

Andre was able to formally present the 2021 Distinguished Service Award to John Bieberitz and the 2022 Distinguished Service Award to Yang Tao. Andre also presented the Ken Voigt Rising Star Award to Derrin Wolford.



Upon completion for the award presentations, Mark Norman gave a presentation on Bridging the Gap from Where You are and Where You Want to Be.

The after-lunch presentations were also split into two tracks. Track A included Putting the Safe System Approach to Work for YOU! and Outagamie County Intersection Crash Analysis – Safety Improvement Strategies at the Local Level. Track B (ITE SimCAP Sessions) included Gas Station & Convenience Store Trip Gen in WI, Individual Vehicle Record Data Collection: Benefits and Usage in Simulation, and SimCAP Business.

After the afternoon break, two more tracks commenced. Track A included The Power of Traffic Performance Measures and Operations Certification Process. Track B included Real-Time Crash Likelihood Prediction Using Deep Learning Methods in the Context of Connected Vehicles and Living with Better Crash Data: Enhanced Safety Screening Use Cases.

If you missed any speaker or would like to take another look at any of the presentations, you may find them on the TEW/TPF webpage here:

<https://itewisconsin.org/2023-Traffic-Engineering-Workshop-Presentations>

Thanks to the Traffic Engineering Workshop & Transportation Planning Forum committee for organizing the great event!

ITE Wisconsin Technical Councils

This section of the newsletter will provide you with contact persons for the various councils and upcoming meetings. There's still time to join one of the technical councils! If you're interested, email the council chair(s) listed below.

- Awards Committee – Jess Billmeyer & Eric Frailing (jess.billmeyer@aecom.com, efrailing@msa-ps.com)
- Communications Committee – Stephanie Sward & Derrin Wolford (swards@cityoflacrosse.org, dwolford@waukesha-wi.gov)
 - Next meeting scheduled for May 8th
- Meetings Committee – Kevin Wehner, Adam Walter, & Jessica Lee (kwehner@klengineering.com, adam.walter@strand.com, jessica.lee@rasmith.com)
 - Next meeting scheduled for May 3rd
- Traffic Engineering Workshop and Transportation Planning Forum Committee – Laura Schroeder (laura.schroeder@rasmith.com)
- District Conference – Jeff Held & Rebecca Szymkowski (jeff.held@strand.com, rebecca.szymkowski@dot.wi.gov)
 - Next meeting scheduled for May 15th
- Public Agency Council – Rebecca Szymkowski (rebecca.szymkowski@dot.wi.gov)
- Education Council – Susan Paulus (susan.paulus@lakesideengineers.com)
- SimCap Committee – Rob Beuthling (rbeuthling@hntb.com)
- Traffic Engineering Council – Kevin Wehner (kwehner@klengineering.com)
 - Next meeting scheduled for May 11th
- Safety Council – Christian Sternke (csternke@tadi-us.com)
 - Next meeting will be in June or July
- TSMO Council – Todd Szymkowski (tszymkowski@gfnet.com)
- Planning Council – Jerry Shadewald (jshadewald@HNTB.com)
 - Next meeting scheduled for April 27th
- Complete Streets Council – Jeff Polenske (jeffrey.polenske@mbakerintl.com)
 - Next meeting scheduled for May 23rd

Volunteers Needed for:

- ITE Wisconsin Section Meeting Committee
- ITE Great Lakes District 2024 Conference Planning Committee

Contact Andre Ost (andre.ost@graef-usa.com) or any of the chairs if you are interested.



LinkedIn Group

Remember to join the ITE Wisconsin LinkedIn group. The intension of the group is to post any upcoming news and updates from ITE Wisconsin, Great Lakes ITE, ITE International, and other relevant business and perspectives.

ITE TrafficWiki

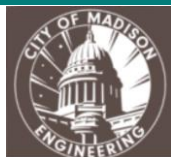
Recently, ITE has transitioned from published editions of the Transportation Engineering Handbook to an online, living Wiki of the Handbook. This allows for the updating of the Handbook on a regular basis instead of waiting for many years before the next publication. The TrafficWiki is available exclusively for ITE members. The TrafficWiki can be accessed at the following link:

<https://www.ite.org/connect/wiki/login>

Job Postings



The City of La Crosse is seeking a Civil Engineer PE. For more details, see links on the ITE Wisconsin home page, highlighted below.



The City of Madison is seeking a Signal and Lighting Section Head (Traffic Engineer). For more details, see links on the ITE Wisconsin home page, highlighted below.

If you have a job opening and would like to be listed in the newsletter and brought up at upcoming section meetings, contact Derrin Wolford (dwolford@waukesha-wi.gov).

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Announcements

MAY 2023 SECTION MEETING

Please join us for our next Section Meeting on Wednesday, Ma...
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SECTION AWARDS UPDATE

The Wisconsin Section has recently modified their annual awa...
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JOB POSTINGS

Be sure to check out the latest job postings on our classifi...
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UPCOMING EVENTS

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Milwaukee Student Night

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Helpful links from GLITE & ITE International

Looking for the Great Lakes ITE website or their newest newsletter? <https://greatlakesite.org/>

Don't forget that amazing amount of information on the national level of ITE. Publications, events, trainings, resources and so much more! <https://www.ite.org/>

Upcoming ITE Events

Below is the list of upcoming ITE Wisconsin meetings for 2023 additional details will be provided as the event gets closer.

Date	Location	Event
May 3, 2023	MSOE Grohmann Museum	UWM/Marquette/MSOE Student Night
June 11-13, 2023	Grand Rapids, MI	ITE 2023 Great Lakes District Annual Meeting
June/July 2023	TBD	Social Event TBD
July 19, 2023	TBD	Joint with ITS Wisconsin (ITS to host)
August 13-16, 2023	Portland, OR	ITE 2023 Annual Meeting and Exhibit
September 13, 2023	WisDOT SE Region	Joint with WTS (ITE to host)
October 11, 2023	TBD	UW- Platteville/UW-Madison Student Night
October 19, 2023	Pewaukee, WI	ITS Wisconsin Transportation Conference
December 6, 2023	TBD	Annual Section Meeting, Distinguished Service Award, Harvey Shebesta Award, and Young Professionals Award
January 7-11, 2024	Washington, D.C.	2024 TRB Annual Meeting
January 17, 2024	TBD	Public Service Appreciation
June 16-18, 2024	Green Bay, WI	ITE 2024 Great Lakes District Annual Meeting
July 21-24, 2024	Philadelphia, PA	ITE 2024 Annual Meeting and Exhibit



THE LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!
Please contact Carissa McQuiston (McQuistonC@michigan.gov) for more information



ite GREAT LAKES DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING 2023
GRAND RAPIDS, MI // JUNE 11-13







Portland 23
Annual Meeting and Exhibition
August 13-16, 2023

**Joint ITE International and Western District
Annual Meeting and Exhibition**



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ITE Wisconsin Membership

As of April 2023:

This report covers the period of January 6, 2023 – April 3, 2023

New International and Wisconsin Section Members:

- Public Agency (8)
 - Lisa Miller
 - Lucas Beckwith
 - Andrew Levy
 - Anne Reshadi
 - Brenna Root
 - Dena Ryan
 - Charlene Schmid
 - Christopher Wells
- Private (10)
 - Jason Atchison
 - Robert Beuthling
 - Steve Carver
 - Ashok Dontireddy
 - Jason Kessler
 - Nathan Lipinski
 - Jeffrey Polenske
 - Benjamin Quintero
 - Angela Rinaldi
 - Pliny Smith
- Student (3)
 - Clare Dejewski
 - Jack Pirwitz
 - Kieran Walsh

239 International and Wisconsin Section Members

Treasurer's Update

Treasurer's Report March 1, 2023 - April 2, 2023																											
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Prepared By: Eric Frailing, Treasurer

April 6, 2023 - TEW&PF Meeting

Transportation Funny Photos



Do you have some information to share? The ITE Newsletter is an excellent medium for reaching Section members. If you would like something published in the upcoming newsletter, please contact the 2023 Wisconsin Section Member Director, Derrin Wolford at dwoford@waukesha-wi.gov.

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