Passing comments from . . . the President

It is a great honor for me to serve as the 20th President of the Alabama Section. I have a deep respect for the individuals who have preceded me during the Section's twenty-year history. Most of the Past Presidents continue to be active and provide outstanding leadership within the Alabama Section. I plan to work diligently this year along with ALSITE Board Members, committee Chairmen and members, and meeting participants toward making 1992 another outstanding year for the Section.

Under the leadership of President Harold Raynor, 1991 was an award winning year. ALSITE NEWS was selected as the 1991 International District and Section Newsletter Award recipient. The Section received the "Outstanding Section Award" from the Southern District for Year 1990 activities. In 1991 we experienced a 12.0% growth in total membership, and attendance at our technical programs averaged 33.6% of the total membership. Also, a Section Membership Recognition Program was established. Thank you, Harold, for your excellent leadership.

A list of committee appointments for this year is included in this issue of the newsletter. I have been extremely impressed by the willingness and spirit of dedication expressed by those who have agreed to serve during 1992. If anyone else is interested in serving on a particular committee, please let me know at your earliest convenience.

I am happy to announce that John Koniar has agreed to serve as editor of ALSITE NEWS again this year. Since I served as newsletter editor several years ago, I have a special appreciation for the outstanding work produced by John and his staff. Please let John know your reaction to the newsletter.

Bob Vecellio has agreed to serve as Chairman of the Past Presidents' Committee. Bob and his committee will be setting the framework for the implementation of a state-wide Career Guidance Program to increase awareness of career opportunities in transportation engineering among high school and/or junior high school students. This is a great way to give something back to a profession that has been rewarding for each of us. You may want to contact Bob to express your ideas on this important program, or better yet, volunteer to help out.

The Membership Committee chaired by Paul Weldon has spent a significant amount of time reviewing our membership requirements and structure. Since the Fall Meeting, Paul's committee has been canvassing other Sections regarding membership requirements, levels of membership and dues structures. This item will be one of the topics on the agenda for the upcoming Spring Meeting. Although the number of Affiliate Members has increased dramatically

( Please see President, page 2)
1992 Southern District Annual Meeting Preliminary Agenda
Managing Traffic Congestion in the 1990's

The 4th Southern District ITE Annual Meeting is scheduled for Columbia, South Carolina, on April 27-29, 1992 at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Contact Michael C. Sexton (803) 251-2026 for details. The preliminary agenda is as follows:

Monday, April 27

9:00 am - 10:30 am Technical Session I:
Traffic Engineering Innovations
* Charleston's Closed-Loop Traffic Signal System
* Reducing Traffic Accidents Thru Traffic Engineering
* Alternative Measures to Reduce Congestion in Virginia

10:30 am - Noon ABD Exhibition
Noon - 1:30 pm Keynote Luncheon
Keynote Speaker - Les Lamm-HUF; Transportation in the 90s

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm ABD Exhibition
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Technical Session II: Transit and Trucking
* Charleston's Transit and Tourism Programs
* Loading Docks and Good Planning

4:15 pm - 5:15 pm Technical Session III: Miscellany
* GIS Applications to 1990 Census and Traffic Zones
* Open for Technical Paper Winners

Tuesday, April 28

8:45 am - 10:15 am Technical Session IV:
Factors Influencing Travel Demand
* Clean Air Act Amendments and the Surface Transportation Act of 1991
* Demand Management

10:30 am - Noon Technical Session V:
IVHS - Today's Practical Applications
* Implementing IVHS Technology
* IVHS Project Development in Charlotte

Afternoon Business Meeting

Wednesday, April 29

8:30 am - Noon Professional Development Seminar:
Improving the Image of Transportation Engineering
* Traffic Engineers Being Believed
* Effective Writing
* 21st Century Task Force

Spring Meeting set for Decatur...March 12, 1992

The Alabama Section ITE Spring Meeting will be in Decatur on March 12, 1992. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, 1101 6th Avenue North.

Robert Adams, the meeting General Chairman, and Vice President Nancy Hudson have organized an outstanding Technical Program. For additional information please contact Robert Adams at (205) 353-8861.

The tentative Program is as follows:

Thursday, March 12

REGISTRATION
8:00 - 9:15 Registration
9:15 - 9:20 Welcome

TECHNICAL SESSION I
9:20 - 10:00 Forum on Alabama Section and International ITE Membership Requirements
10:00 - 10:30 "Commercial Drivers License Program and Its Implementation by AHD" Charles Garrett, Alabama Highway Department

BREAK
10:30 - 10:45

TECHNICAL SESSION II
10:45 - 11:15 "Huntsville's Solution to Public Transportation" Tommy Brown, City of Huntsville Department of Transportation

LUNCH
12:00

SECTION BUSINESS MEETING
12:45 Spring Business Meeting

President (Continued from page 1)
during the last several years, the number of Section Members has remained constant. We need to continue to increase our membership base and encourage Affiliate Members to join International ITE. Many of our Affiliate Members are well qualified for full Section Member status. My goal for this year is that we realize a modest 10% increase in Section Members.

The Alabama Section Board welcomes your comments and suggestions. I look forward to working with all of you during the coming year and hope to see you in Decatur on March 12th.

Jim

ALSITE 20th Annual Meeting
Gulf Shores: June 11-12

Make your plans early!
Contact: Gary Dennis
(205) 943-1541

ALSITE NEWS
The Fall 1991 Meeting of the Alabama Section Institute of Transportation Engineers was held on October 17, 1991, in Montgomery at the Ramada Inn on East Boulevard. The meeting consisted of a morning technical session, a luncheon and a Section Business Meeting.

PROGRAM AND MEETING ARRANGEMENTS:
Jim Meads and Dale Lenoir

AGENDA:
Registration
Welcome
James A. Meads
E.T. "Bud" Chalmers

Technical Session
"Current R.R. Crossing Passive Signing Studies"
Raghu R. Kowshik,
Auburn University Graduate Student

"Safety Belt Promotions - Community Traffic Safety Programs"
Chester Jordan
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Break

"Fog Accidents in Alabama"
Jay Lindley
University of Alabama

"The Super Street Design Concept - Getting Maximum Traffic Flow Benefits From a Reconstruction Project Through Geometrics and Traffic Signal Optimization in Combination"
Richard Kramer
Director of Transportation, Huntsville

Luncheon

Business Meeting

ATTENDANCE:
32 Members
52 Affiliates
9 Guests
2 Speakers

FINANCIAL:
Receipts:
Registration Fees (90 @ $25.00) $2250.00
Disbursements:
Luncheon and Refreshments $1490.85
Postage 73.95
Alabama Section Scholarship 450.00
Net Meeting Proceeds $235.20

BUSINESS MEETING:
1) Call to Order:
The Business Meeting was called to order by President Harold Raynor at 12:40 pm. Dale Lenoir awarded the door prize, $50.00, to James Pollock.

2) Minutes:
President Raynor called for corrections/additions to the minutes of the Annual Meeting as published in the Fall 1991 Newsletter. There being none, Vic McSwain made a motion, seconded by Dick Garner, to accept the official minutes. The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.

3) Secretary/Treasurer's Report:
The Secretary/Treasurer's Report was presented by Nancy Hudson, detailing the expenditures and receipts since the Annual Meeting. It was reported that the receipts since the Annual Meeting were $5,616.68 and expenditures totaled $5,072.61, leaving a current balance of $3,778.53. She also reported membership activity since the Spring Meeting, noting the admission of one (1) Member and eleven (11) Affiliates. The resulting current membership was reported to be 67 Members, 201 Affiliates and 2 Retired Members for a total membership of 270. She also reported on dues status. There have been 117 of the membership that have paid dues, leaving 138 owing $6.00 each. Charles Alexander made a motion to accept the report as presented, seconded by Dale Lenoir. The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.

4) Vice President's Report:
Jim Meads reported that an Ad Hoc Membership Committee will canvass other Sections regarding their membership requirements, dues, etc... We also plan to have a topic on the Spring Meeting agenda to discuss the differences in membership grades.

The Highway Conference is planned for February 12 and 13 in Montgomery.

The 1992 Scholarship Award will be $1500.00

5) Southern District Report:
Bob Vecellio reported that the District is working on a program to honor members who retire and have given years of service to the District. Also, Bob said serving as our Representative for the last two years had been a rewarding experience. However, he did say he was looking forward to handing over the Operation Procedures Manual to the new Southern District Representative, Vic McSwain.

6) Committee Reports:
Affiliate Director: No Report
Past Presidents: The committee hopes to have information on the Career Guidance Program by the end of the year.

Newsletter Report: Dan Turner congratulated John Koniar and the Newsletter Staff for being voted Outstanding Newsletter in our category within the ITE. The International President of the ITE complimented our group for publishing the most professional looking newsletter worldwide.

Technical: No Report

Membership: See comments in Vice Presidents report.

Scholarship: Dan Turner reported that we have raised nearly $38,000.00 in 5 years and 4 months. The committee is making the following recommendations to the Board:

1) The scholarship continue to honor Charles Alexander;
2) A committee be formed to act as stewards to thank contributors; account for money and seek good young people to enter the profession;
3) Determine size and number of scholarship(s) to be given;
4) Keep size of the endowment competitive; and
5) Continue to raise money and create an additional endowment.

Legislative: Dan Turner covered the following topics:

1) No Highway bill has been passed since September 30;
2) A Highway bill adopted by the Senate penalizes states that increase highway capacity for single occupancy vehicles;
3) The use of toll roads will likely increase;
4) ITE International is concerned about the expense of their meeting registration fees and are looking at ways to reduce the cost.

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Spring 1992

(Please see Minutes, page 4)
Minutes (Continued from page 3)

Site Selection: Special thanks to Dale Lenoir, Linda Harrison, Pat Alford and Cecil Colson for preparing an outstanding meeting. This meeting set another record with 95 members in attendance.

7) Old Business:
President Raynor urged all in attendance to complete the professional activity questionnaires that were mailed out in the Fall Newsletter. This information is important to the selection of the Outstanding Section Award and we would like to make it two in a row.

There is still no final resolution to the Section gaining IRS tax exempt status.

8) New Business:
Our Spring Meeting will be held March 12, 1992, at the Decatur Holiday Inn. Robert Adams is our Local Arrangements Chairman for this meeting.

President Raynor presented "Exceptional Service Certificates" to Bob Vecellio for his outstanding work as our Southern District Representative and to David J. Turner, the recipient of our 1991 Scholarship Award.

9) Adjourn:
The Fall Meeting was adjourned at 1:15 P.M.

Southern District News
by Bob Vecellio
ALSITE Representative

The Southern District Board met in Richmond, VA, on November 22, 1991, for its End-of-Year Board Meeting. The Board approved paperwork to be sent to International ITE to obtain tax-exempt status for the Southern District.

The Board contributed $250 to the Burton W. Marsh Fellowship fund in honor of J. Quinn. The board will award $1,000 scholarships to 3 Sections (chosen randomly) at the 1992 Annual Meeting.

Karla Posedeply and her Publications Committee are working on the 1992 edition of the Membership Yearbook.

Finally, the gavel was passed to the new Southern District Officers:

President: J. Richard Atkins
Vice President: Gaye G. Sprague
Secretary-Treasurer: Daniel S. Turner
International Director: James W. Yarbrough

Bob Vecellio completed his term as Alabama Section Representative. Vic McSwain was duly elected and will serve for 1992 and 1993.

Southern District Award Candidates Needed . . .

THE MARBLE J. HENSLY OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITY AWARD

Definition of Award - The award shall be presented to an individual who, over the previous year, has contributed outstandingly to the advancement of traffic engineering and the Southern District Institute of Transportation Engineers.

Name of Award - Because of its very nature and importance of the Award, it is named after an individual who has untringly and unselfishly given of his time and talents to the furtherance of his profession and his professional organization. An individual who by his personal integrity, leadership and example will aspire all of his fellow professionals to greater service. The Award shall be named the "Marble J. Hensley Outstanding Individual Activity Award".

Evaluation of Candidates - This evaluation shall include such personal traits as integrity, morality and leadership, individual accomplishments such as traffic engineering innovations, technical research and paper writing and organization service such as meeting participation and committee work.

Selection of Award Recipient - Each year only one individual shall be selected for this high award. Recommendations for recipients shall be made to the District Board by a Special Awards Committee. This Committee shall be chaired by a Past President of the Southern District.

1. If, in the opinion of the Awards Committee and the District Board, no individual qualifies for this very high award, none shall be given for that year.
2. Southern District Sections may be used as a source of nominations for possible recipients of this award.

Form of Award - This Award shall be a plaque.

Presentation of the Award - This Award shall be presented at the Annual Meeting Banquet.

HERMAN J. HOOSE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

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Secretary/Treasurer's Report ... October 17, 1991

FINANCIAL REPORT
Treasury balance on June 14, 1991 ....................... $3,234.46

Receipts since June 14, 1991
Membership Dues ........................................... $144.00
Annual Meeting (Dues, Proceeds, etc.) .................. 5,472.68
TOTAL RECEIPTS $5,616.68

Expenditures since June 14, 1991
David J. Turner (Annual Meeting Expenses) ............ 160.00
Auburn Student Chapter .................................. 125.00
Bancroft Enterprises (Plaques) .......................... 136.36
ITE Endowment Fund ................................... 4,254.00
Jim Meads (Posting for Fall Meeting) .................... 73.95
Waller Business Forms (Printing Fall Newsletter) .... 323.30
TOTAL EXPENDITURES $5,072.61

Treasury balance on October 17, 1991 .................. $3,778.53

MEMBERSHIP REPORT
Membership on June 14, 1991

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- Totals 0

People and the Profession ...

WILLIAMS RETIRES
After 47 years with the State of Alabama Highway Department, DeWitt Williams retired on December 31, 1991. DeWitt was a Civil Engineer VI and Assistant Division Engineer for Pre-Construction for the 5th Division.

BROOM RETIRES

PROMOTION
On February 8, 1992, Billy Joe DeRamus was promoted to Civil Engineer V in Maintenance Bureau as Assistant Traffic Operations Engineer. Congratulations and good luck with your new duties!

1991 ALSITE Membership Activity Summary

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Averages 88 | 47 | 262 | 33.6% 

* Includes 12 non-resident Members

ITE Urban Traffic Engineering Achievement Award

Nominate an Urban Traffic Engineer or Agency for outstanding contributions and/or excellence in urban traffic engineering.

ELIGIBILITY: To be an eligible recipient for the award, the award candidate shall be an individual member of the Institute; or an urban traffic engineering organization of a public jurisdiction, having at least one official who is a member of the Institute.

NOMINATION PROCESS: Nominate an individual or an agency who has achieved any of the following as a special project, one-time activity, over one-year period, or over a long period of time or lifetime:

- Development of innovative urban traffic engineering concepts; or
- Innovative application of proven concepts to problems unique in urban traffic engineering; or
- Implementation of a "difficult" urban traffic engineering program through perseverance in its development and promotion; or
- Developing and carrying out a complete and effective program of urban traffic engineering activities and services to the public (i.e., traffic engineering agency with responsibility for all functions considered necessary for an effective program).

Submit nominations (original plus three copies) with the nominee's name and with supportive documentation of the nominee's outstanding contributions and/or excellence in urban traffic engineering by April 1, 1992 to UTEC Urban Traffic Engineering Achievement Award, Institute of Transportation Engineers, 525 School Street S.W., Suite 410, Washington, D.C. 20024-2729.

SELECTION: The Urban Traffic Engineers Council will review the nominations and select the award recipient(s).

NATURE OF AWARD: Recognition of recipient(s) by the Institute membership and presentation of a citation and plaque at the ITE Annual Meeting.

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Annual Secretary/Treasurer's Report

FINANCIAL REPORT
Treasury balance on January 2, 1991 ............................................ $4,603.46

Receipts since January 2, 1991
Annual Meeting Favors ................................................................. 817.50
Annual Meeting Proceeds ......................................................... 276.68
Credit for Bad Check .................................................................. 42.50
District 5 Scholarship Grant ....................................................... 1,000.00
Dues Payments ........................................................................... 2,064.00
Fall Meeting Proceeds ................................................................. 235.20
Fall Meeting Registration ............................................................ 1,564.80
ITE Institute Affiliate Dues Debate ............................................... 60.00
Newsletter: Professional Services Directory .................................. 1,000.00
Scholarship Fund: Registration & Auction .................................... 5,024.00
Spring Meeting Proceeds ............................................................. 448.63
TOTAL RECEIPTS ....................................................................... $12,533.31

Expenditures since January 2, 1991
ACE/AL ......................................................................................... 200.00
Auburn Student Chapter .............................................................. 125.00
Awards: Plaques ....................................................................... 136.36
Debit for bad check ................................................................... 42.50
Dues Overpayment ..................................................................... 6.00
Dues Refund .............................................................................. 6.00
Fall Meeting: Ramada Inn .......................................................... 1,490.85
JHH Check Order ....................................................................... 40.94
Martiguid, Inc. (key rings, pins, etc.) ......................................... 2,241.00
Microcassette Recorder .............................................................. 71.59
Postage: Ballot Mailouts .............................................................. 97.15
Postage: Dues Notices ................................................................. 142.10
Postage: Meeting Mailout ........................................................... 73.95
Postage: Newsletters ................................................................ 430.09
Printing: Letterhead ................................................................. 258.11
Printing: Masthead ................................................................... 202.46
Printing: Newsletters ................................................................. 969.90
Scholarship Fund ITE ................................................................. 6,024.00
Supplies: Certificates, Envelopes, Clip Boards ......................... 364.58
Travel Expense: Scholarship Recipient ..................................... 160.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES ............................................................. $13,082.58

Treasury balance on December 31, 1991 .................................... $4,054.19

Annual Membership Report

Membership on January 1, 1991
Members ................................................................. 69
Affiliates ................................................................. 180
Retired Member ................................................................. 1
Totals ................................................................. 250

Admission and Reinstatements
Members ................................................................. 2
Affiliates ................................................................. 44
Retired Member ................................................................. 0
Totals ................................................................. 46

Conditional Reinstatements
Members ................................................................. 0
Affiliates ................................................................. 0
Retired Member ................................................................. 0
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Deceased
Members ................................................................. 0
Affiliates ................................................................. 2
Retired Member ................................................................. 0
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Resignations and Expulsions
Members ................................................................. 1
Affiliates ................................................................. 14
Retired Member ................................................................. 0
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Transfers
Members ................................................................. 1
Affiliates ................................................................. 0
Retired Member ................................................................. 1
Totals ................................................................. 2

Membership Status as of December 31, 1991
Members ................................................................. 70
Affiliates ................................................................. 208
Retired Members ................................................................. 2
Totals ................................................................. 280

Seat Belts Save On Hospital Cost?

A new study conducted by the Hillsborough County, FL, Trauma Agency reveals that hospital costs are six times higher for unbelted motorists injured in traffic crashes than those who buckle up.

The average hospital costs for crash victims wearing safety belts were $719. For those not wearing belts, the costs rose to $4,370.

The study was based on the medical records of 232 victims of auto crashes in Hillsborough County between May 24 - July 7, 1991. It includes 212 persons admitted to St. Joseph's Hospital, a level 11 trauma center in Tampa, FL and 20 fatalities who were sent to the Hillsborough County, FL Medical Examiners Office. The study period included both the Memorial Day and Independence Day holidays.

The study also revealed that 19 of the 20 auto crash fatalities during the period were not wearing belts. "The 20th victim, a male, died of crush injuries for which no safety belt could offer protection," said P.A. Norris, RN who conducted the study. At the time, Norris was coordinator of the Hillsborough County Trauma Agency.

"This data convincingly confirms that the use of safety belts and infant car seats has a very significant impact on the type of injury sustained by crash victims," said Norris. "We feel very good about the validity of this study because the safety belt usage rate of those involved in our study almost exactly mirrors the statewide (Florida) usage rate."

Norris emphasized that hospital costs are "only the tip of the iceberg" in calculating total medical expenses for crash victims. "The reason," she said, "is that they do not include significant costs such as physician fees and long-term rehabilitation expenses which can quickly add up to many thousands of dollars. We would expect, however, that these additional medical costs would be at least six times higher for the unbelted motorists, paralleling the hospital costs."

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### Annual Membership Report...
#### Admissions and Reinstatements

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- Donald W. Schmanski (A) 03-06-91
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- Dan Clower (A) 06-12-91
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### TEENS: Seat Belts Boring, Parties Preferred

Sociologists are seeking answers to why younger drivers tend to use safety belts less frequently than any other age group. This is the group that demonstrates the greatest risk-taking driving practices and would thus seem to potentially benefit the most from safety belt use.

According to a new study funded by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, young drivers know and understand the value of safety belts and even use them under specific circumstances. In the "time out" party time spirit of the adolescent subculture, however, sociologists report that the feelings of autonomy, emancipation, and youthful energy are antibetical to seat belt use, particularly among students where peer approval and presentation-of-self are primary. This "time out" behavior usually includes drinking within a festive and convivial situation where conventional norms of responsibility are replaced by "party time" norms...a time when persons commonly derive pleasure from behavior that is otherwise prohibited.

The study found that among college-age drivers, seat belt use varied dramatically according to the driving context or situation...a solo or social trip, long or short distance, highway or local street driving, front or rear seat position, driving a smaller or larger car, and driving in a conventional car as compared to a van.

These drivers also indicated they have different feelings about safety belts within the different contexts. They are inclined to wear belts when they are alone or with parents, on a long trip, or freeways, in small cars, and when they are passengers in the front seat of a car. These meanings, say sociologists, demonstrate that young drivers have learned all the good reasons for safety belt use, but their attitudes reflect their beliefs about the degree of danger within varying contexts as well as their presentation of self to their peers. Students seem more concerned about being perceived as masculine, cool, not boring, a free-spirit, not wimpy or nerdy than protecting themselves in all driving situations.

Recognizing all these variables, sociologists say the emphasis on safety belt education should be placed on the tragic side of non-compliance by citing, for example, the life-long costs in terms of disability and disfigurement from accidents. When targeting younger drivers, the message should be that non-use of safety belts can result in a radically different presentation of self...permanent disability or disfigurement from an accident.
1992 Alabama Traffic Safety Conference

Just a few days remain before the 1992 Alabama Traffic Safety Conference, scheduled for Thursday, February 20, 1992, in Birmingham. An exciting lineup of topics and speakers is scheduled, capped off with the Awards Banquet where several awards, including the 1991 Capt. John G. Henderson Memorial Traffic Safety Award and the 1991 Nellie B. Mobley Women's Traffic Safety Award, will be presented. Featured speaker for the Awards Banquet will be Irwine Mandrell, younger sister of Barbara Mandrell. Ms. Mandrell will share her perspective of Barbara's near fatal auto accident, how it affected the entire Mandrell family, and changed their attitudes toward safety belt usage. Since the accident, Irene has become quite active in the fight to improve U.S. safety belt usage rates.

If you have not yet received a registration form for the 1992 Conference, please call the Committee office at (205) 242-3288, and one will be rushed to you. Feel free to make copies for others who might want to attend or call our office with names and addresses so additional forms can be sent.

Mark your calendar...we look forward to seeing you at the Conference!

Southern District Meeting...Special Spouse Activities

Each day will begin at 8:00 AM with fellowship and a complimentary buffet breakfast. At 8:30 drawings will be made for exciting door prizes. (Comfortable shoes are suggested both days) Upon return, a hospitality room will be available for your relaxation with soft drinks and coffee.

Monday, April 27, 1992
9:30 - 2:30 PERSONAL IMAGING DAY

Your group will be escorted to a lovely private home for coffee. There you will be introduced to the Personal Imaging concept by one of Columbia's favorite fashion consultants. Next SURPRISE!! One of your group will be selected for a complete makeover at a Columbia modeling school.

The group will then go to a leading ladies' boutique for a Personal Imaging Seminar.

A delicious luncheon at A.J.'s will be enjoyed by all.

Dessert will be served in another private home. There you will have an enlightening program on gardening in the South.

Tuesday, April 28, 1992
9:30 - 2:30 CONGAREE VISTA HISTORICAL TOUR

Walk out of the doors of your hotel and step on board a vintage trolley for the heart of Columbia's Arts and Antiques district, the Congaree Vista, and have a chance to explore quaint shops sitting behind the doors of centuries old buildings.

Built inside the historic Mount Vernon textile mill building, the South Carolina State Museum houses everything from early Spanish and English artifacts to an exhibition of renowned S.C. women artists. You will see a brief but very enlightening film of Columbia's history.

Next, a visit to Trinity Cathedral, a historic Gothic Revival church built in 1846 as an exact replica of Yorkminster Cathedral in England. Six former South Carolina Governors lie buried on the grounds. Just across the street is the State House where you will have a privately guided tour.

An elegant lunch will be served in the Laco House. Afterwards, a tour through the Governor's mansion as a docent recounts its fascinating history. You'll take a private walking tour of the gardens and grounds of this 9 acre complex which also includes the historic Boylan House (1830) and the Governor's Mansion Gift Shop.

Nothing Could Be Finer...Than To Be In South Carolina

Kick off the Annual District Meeting with a weekend visit to the South Carolina Coast! Find out why the "Lost Colony" wasn't lost - just relocated to Myrtle Beach, Charleston & Hilton Head: Carl and Helena Albert will be your hosts for a recreational weekend in Charleston, prior to the District Meeting in Columbia. Arrangements have been made for Saturday golf at the Shadowmoss Country Club and a Sunset Harbor Cruise aboard the schooner "Pride". In between, shop, eat, and tour the most beautiful city on the east coast. Sunday we'll serve up tennis at the Charleston Tennis Center. Call Helena for assistance in setting up your own special vacation at other destinations.

Meanwhile, in Columbia, Leif - "The Silver Viking" Maseng will referee the first full contact, captianschoiceITEE Golf Tournament at Oak Hills, Columbia's

( Please see South Carolina, page 9)
State Troopers Issue Over 13,000 Safety Belt Warning Tickets

Alabama's State Troopers have a way of reminding their fellow Alabamians about the law . . . TICKETS!

Between September and November 1991, troopers issued 13,066 warning tickets to violators of Alabama's mandatory safety belt law, according to the Alabama Department of Public Safety. The law requires the use of safety belts by drivers and front seat passengers. Alabama joined forty other states and the District of Columbia with mandatory safety belt laws, when the law passed in the 1991 session of the Alabama Legislature.

Until July 18, 1992, troopers are giving only warning tickets when motorists are stopped for other traffic violations or at drivers license checkpoints. After July 18, 1992, however, violators can be fined up to $25, plus court costs, under the new law.

Highway safety officials believe the number of people ticketed will decrease as motorists become more aware of the law and begin wearing their safety belts.

South Carolina (Continued from page 8)

newest, most treacherous golf course, on Sunday morning. Of course, as an alternative you could hire a guide and test your skills against world famous Lake Murray strippers. For the more sedate among you, try the incredible, full atrium branch at our headquarters in the Embassy (Suites that is). Then head out to watch the Tennessee Vols play the USC Gamecocks in baseball.

Because we know that the recession is still lingering, we are preparing an Annual Meeting which will astound you with both Quality and Value! For the price you usually pay for an ordinary hotel room you will enjoy the luxurious comfort of a "Garfield Suite". And get this - aside from Sunday dinner and Tuesday lunch - keep your wallet in your pocket. There are all-you-can-eat full course breakfasts included in the room price and Monday's lunch is part of the registration, with a keynote address by Les Lamm of the Highway Users Federation. Don't forget to wear your Weejuns to the Riverbanks Zoo Monday night. The ABD's Annual Dinner will be held in one of the top ten zoos in the country. A disc jockey will be there to play your favorites.

The Spouse's Program, under Mary Fant's and Vonnie Raff's care, should be recognized as the finest program ever established. Each day spouses will board a bus for:

- Admittance to the SC State Museum
- Lunch at a Fashionable Restaurant and The Governor's House
- A Seminar by Gaye Sprague's Mother
- Shopping - Antiques, Clothes and More
- Personal Imaging Seminar
- Tour of the State House
- Door Prizes
- Tours of Private Homes
- Lots More

Meanwhile, the Technical Program entitled "Managing Traffic Congestion In the 1990's" will be in full swing within Embassy Suites plus convention center. Topics will include: Traffic Engineering Innovations, Transit and Trucking, Factors Influencing Travel Demand, IVHS - Today's Practical Applications, and on Wednesday, a special Professional Development Seminar, specifically tailored for the Traffic Engineer. Speakers have been carefully selected for each topic based on their knowledge of the subject and presentation skills.

Based on these preparations you have no excuse to pass up the Fourth Annual Southern District Meeting in Columbia, S.C. The dates are April 26 through 29. Look for meeting mailings coming soon to a mailbox near you!

Student Chapter News

The Auburn University Student Chapter sponsored a field trip to the Alabama Highway Department on November 22, 1991 to benefit the Geometric Design students. Thanks are extended to Don Arkle, Rex Bush and Bob Portiera for their explanations of GPS and CADD operations.

The Student Chapter hosted a technical presentation on December 4th. Bobby D. Smith of Smith-Alsbrook and Associates of Opelika spoke on "Computer-Aided Accident Reconstruction". Mr. Smith used slides to identify current accident reconstruction programs and to illustrate accident case histories. He showed videotapes on courtroom accident re-creations involving cars, trucks, motorcycles, pedestrians and airplanes.

Dr. Vecello attended the Student Chapter Faculty Advisors Meeting in Washington, D.C. in January. He learned that the Auburn Chapter has the sixth largest enrollment of student members in the country with 42. The lead university is Texas A & M with 111 student members. Seventy schools have ITE Student Chapters.

The Student Chapter will receive the Southern District's runner-up Student Chapter Award based on 1990-91 activities. A certificate will be presented at the Annual Meeting in Columbia, SC.

Current Student Chapter officers are Josh Holland (Statesville, NC) President; David Ousley (Demopolis) Vice President; Paul Battle (Greensboro, NC) Secretary-Treasurer; and Keith West (Hodges) Engineering Council Representative.

ITE Levels of Government

Throughout this Newsletter, as well as subsequent issues, you will see many references to Districts, Sections, Divisions or Areas. This may create some confusion to the reader since these terms may often appear to be used interchangeably.

Prior to 1989, the general hierarchical organizational structure of the society was as follows:

- **ITE** - International Membership (world wide)
- **District** - Multiple Sections (large geographical area)
- **Section** - Multiple States (regional area)
- **Division** - Single or multiple State organization.

During 1989 a restructuring of District Boundaries by ITE went into effect. As a result, what basically had been the Southern Section became the Southern District, eliminating one level of regional government. This organizational concept was first proposed by Southern Section Delegates to ITE's Constitutional Convention held in Hot Springs, Arkansas in 1971.

The current organizational structure is:

- **ITE** - International Membership (world wide)
- **District** - Multiple Sections (large geographical area)
- **Section** - Single or multiple State organization
- **Area** - Geographical group within a Section

For example, the Southern Section is now the Southern District and the Alabama Division is now the Alabama Section. We hope this helps clarify any confusion.

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