Last Spring I had the privilege to attend the annual SDITE meeting in Charleston, South Carolina. The meeting and location was outstanding. The Alabama Section will be hosting the 2009 SDITE meeting this year in Birmingham at The Ross Bridge Resort. If you are not working on a committee and would like to participate, please email Scott Rumble or Becky White. There are plenty of opportunities available for every member of ALSITE to participate in the planning and organization of this meeting. If you have never attended a SDITE meeting, mark your calendars for April 19-22 and do not miss this one. The technical programs and social activities associated with this meeting by far exceed any other professional organization around.

The joint ALSITE/DSITE meeting held at Gulf Shores this past June was a huge success. Thanks to Doug Peterson and Dr. Vecellio for an excellent job in organizing the technical programs; to Tommy Lee and Jim Stewart for all they do every year with the local arrangements at this venue; and to Dr. Dan Turner for being the scholarship auctioneer this year. The 2009 ALSITE annual meeting will again be held at the Beach Club in Gulf Shores, June 3-5.

The job shadowing program organized as a service project by Becky Malenke was/is outstanding. I have heard nothing but good comments from those of you who volunteered to be shadowed. Becky has also organized the SALTEENS (Saving Alabama Teens) project. If you are unaware of this project and would like to get involved, please contact Becky at becky.malenke@neel-schaffer.com. Thanks Becky for doing an outstanding job as Service Project Chairperson.

Congratulations to John Garrett, Robert Kolar, Richard Smallwood, and Bob Vecellio on reaching the status of “Life Member” with the Institute of Transportation Engineers. To reach “Life Member” status, you must be a dues paying member for 25 years and at least 65 years of age. Our organization would not be what it is today without your continued support.

If you have not visited the ALSITE website lately, I recommend you take time and view the changes. Go to www.alsite.org. Thanks to Jeff Stephenson for redesigning and updating the site.

This will be the last ALSITE newsletter prepared by Scott Rumble. Scott was elected ALSITE’s 2009 Secretary/Treasurer at the annual meeting and has passed the newsletter torch on to Chris Sellers who has graciously volunteered to fill the position. Scott has done an excellent job the past several years. Thanks Scott for your hard work.
Rep. McClendon Receives Safety Award
by Richard Caudle

During a recent meeting of the State Safety Coordinating Committee at the State House in Montgomery, Alabama, Representative Jim McClendon (R - Dist. 50) was presented the Annual Transportation Safety Award by the Alabama Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ALSITE). This annual award recognizes an individual who has made a substantial contribution to transportation safety in the State of Alabama. Dr. McClendon was nominated for this award because of his exemplary service as chairman of the State Safety Coordinating Committee for the past three years. The State Safety Coordinating Committee is established by an act of the Alabama Legislature. The mission of the State Safety Coordinating Committee is increased safety, with particular focus on the problem of traffic accidents. This includes crash prevention, crash severity reduction and remedial actions. The SSCC is the primary liaison between the traffic safety community and the Alabama legislature. Dr. McClendon was selected by Governor Bob Riley to chair this committee in 2006.

The first Transportation Safety Award was given in 1983 to State Senator Pat Vacca, who served as the chairman of the State Safety Coordinating Committee at that time. Following the death of Senator Vacca, the SSCC lapsed into a long period of inactivity until Dr. McClendon sponsored legislation in 2006 which effectively rejuvenated the committee. Over the past three years, the SSCC, under the leadership of Dr. McClendon, has developed and pursued legislation for the State of Alabama to increase transportation safety and safety awareness. It is memorable that Dr. McClendon received this award on its 25th Anniversary.

ALSITE is an association of over 200 traffic and transportation engineering professionals from across the State of Alabama, representing all levels of government, education, private practice, and equipment manufacturing. Chris Reeves with the City of Hoover serves as the current president. The award was presented to Dr. McClendon by Doug Peterson, vice president, and Richard Caudle, past president.
News &
Announcements

ALSITE Membership Drive
Know anybody who would like to join ALSITE? Please encourage transportation professionals that you know to become members of ALSITE and enjoy the fellowship and professional development that ALSITE provides. Those who “sponsor” the most new ALSITE memberships between now and the ALSITE Annual Meeting next year will win an IPOD to be awarded at the ALSITE Annual Meeting next year in Gulf Shores. The ALSITE Membership Drive form and ALSITE Application form are available at www.alsite.org/join.shtml.

2008 ALSITE/TSITE Fall Joint Meeting
Our fall joint meeting between TN and AITE sections is only weeks away. The meeting will be in Chattanooga, TN, at the Chattanooga Choo Choo (Holiday Inn) on October 23 and 24, 2008. Please visit www.tsite.org/meetings/fall_2008.asp to register for the conference, see maps, get hotel reservation link, and view the great presentations. Online registration is important so we can plan for seats and food quantities.

Congratulations
Life Members!
Congratulations to John Garrett, Bob Vecellio, Richard Smallwood, and Robert Kolar on reaching ITE Life Member status! To become Life Members, these individuals have been paying dues for 25 years and have reached 65 years of age.
ALSITE Member Spotlight: An Interview with Julie Lenoir

Katie Newton recently talked with Welcoming Committee Chair, Julie Lenoir of Skipper Consulting, to find out how ITE plays a special role in her life.

KN: Tell us about yourself.
JL: Well, my husband, Joey, and I celebrated our 12th wedding anniversary in July. We have three beautiful children (but I'm slightly prejudiced): Kate, who's 8, Noah, who's 6 and Mary Natalie, who's 2 ½. So we're busy! I'm from Tuscaloosa and I grew up in a great family. I've got a strong belief in God and am just loving life at this point.

KN: How'd you get into the transportation field?
JL: Dan Turner, a professor at University of Alabama, got me really interested in the safety and traffic side of engineering. His passion was contagious! After I graduated, I took a job with Florida DOT and it has led from there.

KN: How long have you been a member of ITE and what led you to join?
JL: I joined in 2003. I wanted to get more involved in what I cared about: traffic and safety. I thought it was a great way to meet people, especially people with the same interests. I love meeting people in general.

KN: What's your favorite aspect about ITE?
JL: I think the camaraderie is great! And also the people that you can meet. You get to meet people with the same interests and goals.

KN: You're head of the Welcoming Committee. Tell us more about what that involves.
JL: The welcoming committee was started to encourage new members and visitors. It also helps get people involved and find their place in ITE. Also, the committee helps people network and connect. So, we mainly focus on outreach. I'd just like to say I have a great committee! It's been exciting the last few years because ITE has voted to sponsor welcome baskets which we organize. The baskets that aren't given out at the district/annual meetings are auctioned off to raise money for ITE scholarships.

KN: We've got a lot of guests coming to town for the SDITE Annual Meeting in April. Does your committee having anything special planned?
JL: We will!!! We haven't gotten there yet but we'll be planning something soon.

KN: Do anything fun for a summer vacation?
JL: We went to the beach. We went to Destin, Florida the last week in June. Visiting the beach is my favorite thing to do.
ALSITE Kicks Off SALTEENS Project
by Becky Malenke

ALSITE has officially kicked off a major service project to target safe driving among teens. The program is officially known as SALTEENS, which stands for Saving Alabama Teens: An ALSITE Safe Driving Initiative. A phased plan has been developed to ultimately create presentation materials for use in schools, youth groups, and civic organizations.

Phase I has been completed. In this phase, project objectives were identified, existing programs were researched, a name and logo were created, and a plan was developed. ALSITE also sponsored a service project to promote safe driving as a part of the summer meeting in Gulf Shores. While at the beach, members distributed approximately 600 flyers and trinkets to teenagers directing them to www.tdriver.com, a website that shows them how to get involved in promoting safe driving at their schools.

Phase II is currently underway. It includes compiling Alabama accident statistics, identifying specific stories to share, determining video logistics, developing a website, and researching funding sources. This phase should be completed by the fall meeting in October. The goal is to have the presentation materials completed by the Southern District ITE meeting we are hosting in April 2009. To offer suggestions or to participate in this project, please send an e-mail to becky.malenke@neel-schaffer.com.

Outreach Questionnaire Helps Raise Public Awareness of Our Profession

At the end of this newsletter, you will find a copy of an Outreach Questionnaire, which is being distributed throughout the Southern District ITE (SDITE). This short questionnaire is designed to gather input on how to introduce our profession to school children and the general public.

Please complete the document and return to John Van Winkle, the SDITE Information, Communication and Outreach Chairman. John’s email address is: vanwinkle@mail.chattanooga.com.

John would like to have responses back by the end of October.
2009 SDITE Local Arrangements Committee Update

As many of you know, ALSITE will be hosting in Birmingham, AL the 57th Annual Meeting of the Southern District ITE in April of 2009. Our goal is to provide an engaging technical program within a relaxed and comfortable setting. Our technical program theme is “Forging the Future of Transportation” and will focus on new and innovative approaches to transportation planning, design, and management. The theme incorporates the image of a forge – a symbol of Birmingham’s historic roots in the steel industry which shaped our past. Now, Birmingham’s future has been forged from a new focus on medicine, banking, and service industries.

Our host hotel is the Renaissance Ross Bridge Golf Resort and Spa, a new facility located in a beautiful resort setting. Meeting attendees will be encouraged to take advantage of the relaxed atmosphere with business casual attire. Together, we’ll enjoy fellowship and some great evening entertainment, including a trip to the Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum, a world class facility that houses the largest collection of motorcycles in North America.

If you have not had an opportunity to be involved in the planning for the 2009 SDITE meeting and would like to be a part of the LAC team, please contact Becky, Scott or any of the subcommittee chairpersons listed below and we will be happy to put you to work! We still need volunteers to help us around the days of the actual meeting, April 19-22, 2009. Also, please see our official website www.SDITE2009.org for more information about the meeting. And thank you to all the ALSITE members that have already spent a tremendous amount of time and effort towards making this a great event!

**Local Arrangements Committee for the 2009 SDITE Annual Meeting**

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* Committee Chairman / ** Committee Co-Chairman
Highlights from the 2008 ALSITE Annual Meeting
by Chris Sellers

If you missed this year’s meeting at The Beach Club then you definitely missed another awesome event. As always, the Beach Club is a magnificent venue for the event and we are certainly looking forward to being there again next year.

This year ALSITE played host to the Deep South Section from Mississippi and Louisiana. It was good to see the Deep South come over to enjoy the fun and sun that Alabama does a great job of offering. It was also good to see them spending their hard earned money at the scholarship auction. For me, the auction and Dr. Turner’s auctioneering is one of the highlights of my trip. Although this was only my second trip to the meeting, I have quickly learned that you must pay attention during the auction… or you never know what you may be purchasing. As always the auction helps to benefit the Billy Jones and Charles E. Alexander Memorial scholarships. Congratulations to this year’s recipients, Erica Leigh Ann Thomas and Micah David Witt, respectively.

During the banquet this year, ALSITE also honored John Murphy form Mobile County as the 2008 Transportation Engineer of the Year. Rep. Jim McClendon was honored with the Safety Award for his dedication to public safety on Alabama highways. Dr. Robert Vecellio was also honored for his tremendous devotion and service to ALSITE. Dr. Vecellio has been organizing the technical program since the early 1980’s. Thanks for all your hard work and dedication, Dr. Vecellio!

Also, we cannot discuss the meeting without the induction of the new officers for 2009. Those officers are as follows; Doug Peterson – President, Dennis Dickey – Vice President, Scott Rumble – Secretary/Treasurer, Christy Cahalan – Affiliate Director, and Mary Margaret Nicholson – Assistant Affiliate Director. Congratulations to all the new officers and I am sure we will all be working hard to support them in 2009.
**ALSITE/TSITE**  
**Joint Fall Meeting Agenda**  
**Chattanooga Choo Choo Holiday Inn • Chattanooga, TN • October 23-24, 2008**

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**Thursday, October 23**

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm EST **ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION**

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm **WELCOMING REMARKS**

1:30 pm - 2:15 pm Daniel Turner, Ph.D., Univ. of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL  
*School Bus Seat Belts – the Alabama Pilot Project*

2:15 pm - 3:00 pm Don Hicks & Casey Crabtree, DAKTRONICS  
*Dynamic Message Signs, Innovations and Applications*

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm **BREAK (SNACK)**

3:30 pm - 4:15 pm Virginia P. Sisiopiku, Ph.D., Univ. of Alabama Birmingham  
*Traffic Management Strategies for Hurricane Evacuations in the Southeast*

4:15 pm - 5:00 pm Jan Seigler, Cohu Electronics, Atlanta, GA  
*Video Technology, IP Encoding & Network Design Parameter Overview*

5:00 pm - 5:15 pm Becky Malenke, PE, ALSITE Service Committee Chairperson  
*SALTEENS - An ALSITE Service Project*

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm **RECEPTION – HEAVY HORS D’OEUVRES & CASH BAR**

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**Friday, October 24**

7:00 am - 8:00 am **STATE ITE BUSINESS MEETING & BREAKFAST**

8:30 am - 9:15 am Brian Whitaker, PE, ARCADIS, Chattanooga, TN  
*Chattanooga to Nashville Maglev Feasibility Study*

9:15 am - 10:00 am Dyan Damron, PE, Neel-Schaffer, Nashville, TN  
*TDOT Work Zone Safety & Mobility Initiative*

10:00 am - 10:30 am **BREAK (ROOM CHECKOUT)**

10:30 am - 11:15 am Jim Floyd, PE, Volkert & Associates, Chattanooga, TN  
*Market Street Bridge Renovation*

11:15 am - 12:00 pm Marshall Elizer, PE, Gresham, Smith and Partners, Nashville, TN  
*New Directions in Urban Street Design*

12:00 pm - 12:15 pm **CLOSING REMARKS / ADJOURN**

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Draw Prizes to be Given at Weigh in

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2008
SAFE DAYLIGHT UNTIL 3:00 PM
LOGAN MARTIN LAKE
LAKESIDE LANDING
ENTRY FEE:
$75.00 PER BOAT
ENTRY FEE INCLUDES ITE SCHOLARSHIP FUND
DONATION, $10 BIG FISH POT, & TOURNAMENT T-SHIRT

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE
HAROLD M. RAYNOR ALSITE SCHOLARSHIPS, INC.
TOURNAMENT PRE-REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN AUGUST 1, 2008.
REGISTRATIONS ARE ALSO WELCOME THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT.
SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR TOURNAMENT DETAILS AND RULES.

PAYOUT SCHEDULE:
1ST PLACE $400
2ND PLACE $250
3RD PLACE $100
4TH PLACE $75

1ST PLACE
CASH BONUS − $5/ BOAT

SMALLEST 5 FISH LIMIT WEIGHED
CASH BONUS − $5/ BOAT

Cash Bonus For 1st Place & Smallest Limit

TOURNAMENT SPONSORS:

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SECOND ANNUAL ALSITE BASS TOURNAMENT
October 17, 2008
Safe Daylight until 3:00 PM
Logan Martin Lake
Lakeside Landing

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Tournament hours will be from safelight to 3:00 PM. All boats must be inside the buoy by 3:00 PM or be disqualified.
2. Tournament flight cards will be issued the morning of the tournament and shall be in the order of registration.
3. The limit of fish for weigh in shall not exceed five fish (largemouth and/or spotted bass). All fish must be a minimum of 12” long.
4. Any short fish brought to the weigh in scale will result in a six-ounce penalty, in addition to the non-qualifying fish being thrown back.
5. Any dead fish brought to the weigh in scale will result in a six-ounce penalty. The six-ounce penalty applies to the overall weight of the creel, but does not apply to the individual weight of any one fish. Therefore, if a dead fish were to be weighed individually for Big Fish, then the six-ounce penalty would not apply.
6. If more than five fish are brought to the weigh in scale the creel’s largest fish will be thrown back.
7. Tie for 1st place will be broken by number of fish, then big fish. All other place ties, place money will be combined and split evenly with tied teams.
8. All anglers shall wear their U.S. Coast Guard approved flotation device whenever their outboard motor is operating in excess of the idle speed.
9. All anglers shall comply with current applicable state and local laws including but not limited to safe boating practices, angling, and daily creel limits.
10. Fishing with live bait, trolling, jiggerpoling or fishing outside of the boat shall not be permitted.
11. Only two (2) contestants allowed per boat. Membership in ITE is not required to attend the event.
12. Contestants shall maintain a minimum of 50 yards of separation between themselves and opposing contestants.
13. The consumption of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances shall not be permitted prior to or during tournament hours.
14. Tournament committee reserves the right to inspect any and all livewells and boats prior to the start of the tournament.
15. The tournament committee reserves the right to disqualify any questionable fish brought to weigh in.
16. A maximum of two (2) dead fish will be weighed per boat.
17. Any questions not covered under these rules will be decided by the tournament committee. Decisions of the committee will be final.
18. No refunds will be given on those who pre-register.
19. Each boat may only weigh in once. The official creel weighed and recorded will be considered for smallest 5 fish limit bonus.
20. In the event that 10 boats or less participate in the event, the guaranteed payout schedule will be abandoned and the tournament fees will be distributed as follows:
   - half of the fees collected (less big fish pot) would go to benefit the scholarship fund. The remaining portion of the tournament fees would be distributed among tournament winners as follows (1st Place - 60%, 2nd Place - 40%)

Tournament Notes & Guidelines:

- The main goals of this tournament are to raise money for the ITE scholarship fund and to have fun in the process. ITE membership is not required to participate.
- Any additional donations to the ITE Scholarship fund beyond tournament entry fees are welcomed, however not required.
- On-site check in and registration will begin at 4:45 AM the morning of the tournament. The registration cut off time will be determined the morning of the tournament (based upon the time of safe daylight) and posted at the registration table.
- The tournament director will conduct a short pre-tournament meeting at the registration cut off time to go over tournament rules and to cover any special conditions that may be present at the time of tournament.
- Tournament blast off procedures will be announced at the pre-tournament meeting.
- Early registration is recommended. Payment is not necessary for pre-registration (however it is welcomed). It will be acceptable to fax or e-mail a copy of the registration form to the address shown to satisfy pre-registration requirements for the tournament.
- A tournament t-shirt will be included for each team member registered in the event. Please indicate shirt sizes for each team member on your registration form.
- Receipts for tournament entry fees will be available the day of the tournament for those who need them.

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REGISTRATION FORM—PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN

** We, the above signed, hereby waive and release all other contestants, Lakeside Landing, and all tournament officials and volunteers from all claims of injury and/or damage incurred in connection with this tournament. We further understand and agree that the tournament committee reserves the right to refund the entrance fee for any reason, if it chooses not to accept my application. We will abide by the rules of the tournament and accept the decision of the Tournament Committee in the instance that a disagreement or interpretation of the rules occurs.

REMIT FORM TO: Fall ITE Scholarship Bass Tournament / Attn: Cody Long
3644 Vanh Road Suite 100, Birmingham, Alabama 35235
FAX: (205) 655-8825

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Cody Long cody@skipperinc.com or Chris Pappas cpappas@calera.org
I. Call to Order
President Chris Reeves called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. The meeting was held at The Beach Club Resort in Gulf Shores, Alabama.

II. Officer’s and Director’s Reports

A. Secretary/Treasurer’s Report
Secretary/Treasurer Dennis Dickey announced the Treasurer’s Report as follows:

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Dennis reported the current membership as follows:
- Members: 149
- In-State: 137
- Out-of-State: 10
- Retired: 2
- Affiliate I: 24
- Affiliate II: 17
- TOTAL: 190

B. Vice President’s Report
Vice President Doug Peterson reported on ALSITE Board meetings held on April 8, 2008 and June 3, 2008.

April 8, 2008 Report
- Approved proposal by Cody Long to host the 2nd Annual ALSITE Fishing Tournament to be held on Logan Martin Lake, on October 17th, 2008.
- Approved proposal to hold a Tennis Tournament at the 2008 Annual Meeting.
- Approved a budget of $1,000.00 for the Welcoming Committee to use for gift baskets to be given to first time attendees to the 2008 Annual Meeting.
- Approved to waive registration fees for SDITE Officers and International ITE Vice President Candidates and their spouses attending the 2008 Annual Meeting.
- Approved to waive registration fees for Non-ALSITE Members receiving an award at the 2008 Annual Meeting.

June 3, 2008
- Approved a motion to advance $3,500.00 to the 2009 SDITE Local Arrangement Committee. The money will be provided at the time it is requested.
- Approved a request to allow the Bass Tournament to post information on the ALSITE website.
- Approved a motion to proctor a timed exam to determine the Student Traffic Bowl Team, which will represent ALSITE.

C. Immediate Past President’s Report
Past President David Turner had no report.
D. District 5 Representative’s Report
District 5 Representative Richard Caudle had no report.

E. Affiliate Director’s Report
Affiliate Director Matt Maurin had no report.

F. Assistant Affiliate Director
Assistant Affiliate Director Christy Cahalan had no report.

III. Committee Reports
A. Legislative Report
Legislative Committee Chairman Dale Lenoir had no report.

B. Membership Committee Report
Chris Reeves reported the Board’s approval of one new ALSITE Member and four new Affiliate I members.

C. Newsletter and Publicity
Newsletter Editor Scott Rumble announced his two year term as Newsletter Editor will be up at the end of this year. He is looking for a volunteer to take over the duties as Newsletter Editor for the next two years.

D. Welcoming
Welcoming Committee Chairperson Julie Lenoir thanked everyone who made donations for the welcome bags given out at this year’s annual meeting.

E. Professional Development ALDOT Relations
Professional Development ALDOT chairman Dan Turner had no report.

F. Professional Development Technical
Doug Peterson reported the following for the 2008 Annual Meeting:

- 11 Technical Presentations
- 1 Professional Development Seminar
- 17 Speakers – 5 of the speakers are students

G. Local Arrangements
Tommy Lee reported there were 110 full registrations and 175 registrations for the banquet. Forty-five people registered for the golf tournament this year. No one registered for the Tennis Tournament.

H. Service Projects
Service Projects Chairperson Becky Malenke presented the campaign to promote safety among teen drivers in Alabama. The name of the campaign is “SALTEENS”, which stands for Saving Alabama Teens.

Becky identified the following goals of the project:
- Reduce injury and fatalities in Alabama caused by distracted teen drivers.
- Educate Alabama teens, parents, and teachers about driving hazards.
- Develop & promote safe driving education materials for distribution in Alabama Communities

Becky then outlined the steps to be taken in implementing this project.

I. ALSITE Scholarships
David Griffin reported the following regarding the Harold M. Raynor ALSITE Scholarships, Inc.:
The current is Balance $121,713.22
Deposited the Spring Meeting surcharge in the amount of $630.00
Reminded everyone that individual contributions up to $2,500 will be matched dollar for dollar by our anonymous donor. In 2007, individual contributions eligible for the match was only $1,827.22

J. Alabama Safety Coordinating Committee
Waymon Benefield reported that no safety legislation was passed in the recent legislative session. He reported there were twelve bills. A couple made it through the House, but none made it through the Senate. The update to the Graduated Drivers License was the bill that came the closest to being passed.

K. Alabama Technology Transfer Center
Dr. Vecellio had no report.

IV. Old Business
Scott Rumble reminded everyone of the 2009 SDITE Meeting, which will be held April 19th - 22nd at the Ross Bridge Resort, in Hoover, AL. The website for the 2009 SDITE Meeting is www.sdite2009.org and is now up. The Local Arrangements Committee now has a working budget. The LAC is in the process of planning the golf tournament, souve activites, ABD event, and a technical tour. Scott announced Pay Pal will again be used for registration.

Chris Reeves announced the start of a membership drive, which will last for one year. The member who recruits the most new members will receive a new iPod, which will be awarded at next year’s annual meeting. More information will be emailed out soon.

V. New Business
Chris Reeves reported the Board has received several request from different ALSITE members regarding possibly changing the ALSITE banners. Chris reported the Board had solicited comments from the ALSITE charter members regarding the banners. James Meads moved to have the ALSITE President appoint a committee to evaluate the posting of the flags and report back to the membership at the 2008 Fall Meeting. A second was made to the motion and a brief discussion followed. The motion passed on a voice vote.

VI. Site Selection
The following Site Selections were announced for upcoming ALSITE meetings.

Fall Meeting: The 2008 ALSITE Fall Meeting will be a joint meeting with the Tennessee Section in Chattanooga, October 23rd - 24th, 2008.
SDITE Meeting: The 2009 SDITE Annual Meeting will be held at the Ross Bridge Resort, in Hoover, AL, April 19th - 22nd, 2009.

VII. Adjourn
Meeting adjourned at 8:35 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis B. Dickey, P.E.
Secretary/Treasurer
The Information, Communication, and Outreach Strategic Goals Committee is working to compile a list of ideas that will eventually be developed into a tool box that sections can use to introduce our profession to school children and the general public. The committee is aware that a number of sections currently have or have had programs to provide information about the transportation engineering profession.

As a first step, the committee decided that the best way to find out what is being done in this area would be to ask the sections. Please respond to this short questionnaire and let us know what types of efforts have been employed for outreach in your section.

1. Please check any of the following strategies which have been or are being used in your section to introduce the general public to the field of transportation engineering:
   - Classroom presentations to elementary school children on transportation engineering, traffic signing, signals, etc.
   - Providing field tours of traffic engineering signs and signals shops to elementary school children.
   - Participating in middle and high school career days to introduce kids to the field of transportation engineering.
   - Mentoring high school and college students working on special projects related to transportation engineering.
   - Serving as a counselor for boy scouts working on earning the Traffic Safety Merit Badge.
   - Participation in public events such as: annual engineering or public works weeks, any other related transportation associations week’s, or legislative activities.
   - Other [Please attach separate sheets as needed.]

2. If you checked any of the above listed items, please briefly describe what the effort involved, what organization (public agency, private consultant, school, individual, etc.) oversaw the program, and when the activity was active?
3. Do you have any prepared PowerPoint presentations and/or printed materials which are distributed to schools or the general public?

☐ No.
☐ Yes. Please describe in detail what you have and/or attach copies of the documents.

4. Are you a member of a speaker’s bureau and/or do you give presentations to schools, professional associations, or civic groups?

☐ No.
☐ Yes. Please describe the subject(s) you cover and who your audience is.

5. If you have any ideas and/or suggestions on outreach opportunities that the District should consider, please share them with us.
The mission of the Alabama Section Institute of Transportation Engineers is to provide a leadership role in providing a transportation system in Alabama that improves mobility and safety for the traveling public. Activities of the Section focus on advancing the transportation profession and developing our members through education and training.

2008 ALSITE Standing Committees, Representatives & Liaisons

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2009 SDITE Meeting Local Arrangements

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