Welcome to Minneapolis

Whether you're attending the Joint ITE International and Midwestern/Great Lakes Districts Annual Meeting and Exhibit or following remotely—Welcome! We have a jam packed 4 days with something for everyone. Each day we will send a recap of meeting events in as close to real time as possible. Stay tuned and enjoy the ride!

Opening Business and Plenary Session

Mayor Jacob Frey welcomed everyone to the City of Minneapolis and praised transportation engineers for their important work. He is working to bring two BRT lines connecting the northern metro area through downtown Minneapolis and then to the south.

"We want to think 30 and 40 years down the line to CVAV vehicles creating a beautiful trifecta—environmentally friendly, gets you from point A to B, and doesn't require parking," said Mayor Frey. He will also be including Vision Zero in his budget this year.

ITE President Michael Sanderson spoke on the ONE ITE initiative to align the districts, sections, and chapters to make a more cohesive organization. More information is included in the State of ITE document below.

The meeting also saw the swearing in of President Elect Bruce Belmore and Vice President Elect Randy McCourt.

ITE Executive Director and CEO gave an update on activities happening at ITE. He talked about the Student Leadership Summits that happened in 2018 as well as the inaugural International Traffic Bowl in Australia hosted by ITEANZ.

Keynote speaker, Dr. Ken Smith from 3M, spoke to collaboration to change our world, both internally and externally with customers and organizations like ITE and public and private sector organizations.
He mentioned a quote from Inge Thulin, 3M Executive Board Chairman, "Research and development is the heartbeat of 3M" That is why they embrace a 15 percent culture, which asks that employees spend 15 percent of their time working on their own projects.

State of ITE 2018 Annual Business Meeting Report

In conjunction with today's Opening Business and Plenary Session, ITE is releasing its State of ITE 2018 Annual Business Meeting Report. This content was presented by Michael Sanderson and Jeff Paniati.

Read It Here

Meeting Kicks off in Style

The meeting literally kicked off on Monday as the Welcome to Minneapolis Reception was held at U.S. Bank Stadium, home of the Minnesota Vikings. Guests were treated to an exclusive look at the Delta Sky360 Club, on field level.

Congratulations 2018 ITE Excellence in Transportation Award Winners!

Today ITE honored outstanding achievement in the transportation profession as well as distinguished service to ITE at its annual awards luncheon. International and District awards were presented jointly with ITE International’s meeting co-hosts, the Midwestern and Great Lakes Districts.

The most prestigious International awards were as follows:

Theodore M. Matson Memorial Award
Dr. Beverly T. Kuhn
Division Head/Senior Research Engineer
Texas A&M Transportation Institute
College Station, Texas, USA

Burton W. Marsh Award for Distinguished Service to ITE
Kenneth H. Voigt
Senior Traffic Engineer
Ayres Associates
Brookfield, Wisconsin, USA

Wilbur S. Smith Distinguished Transportation Educator Award
Dr. Bin Ran
Vilas Distinguished Achievement Professor and Director of ITS Programs
University of Wisconsin at Madison
Madison, Wisconsin, USA

A full list of award recipients can be found through the following link: Awards Flyer

ITE Honorary Members Recognized
ITE celebrated its newest Honorary members, Marsha Anderson Bomar, John J. Kennedy, and W. Hibbett Neel, at this morning’s opening plenary session, where each had the opportunity to address and inspire a standing-room only audience. Election to ITE Honorary membership is the highest recognition of notable and outstanding professional achievement that ITE presents to an individual. Since 1933 when the first Honorary Member was selected, only 80 individuals have been honored this way.

To read more about each one of these dynamic individuals, visit [ITE Journal](#) online (member login required) or see the Honorary Member page on the ITE website [here](#).

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**Visit the Exhibit Hall**

Make sure to stop by the sold out exhibit hall on the 2nd floor to learn about new products and services and to sign up to view several demos happening during the meeting. For a list of exhibitors, click [here](#).

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**Live Demos Happening**

**VantageLive™ from Iteris**

Iteris is pleased to showcase their cloud-based analytic platform for vehicle, bicycle, and pedestrian count data utilizing a live intersection in downtown Minneapolis. Through the use of their vehicle detection algorithms and their Vantage Next® platform, Iteris sensors can accurately count multimodal traffic, providing agencies with multi-departmental use of a cloud-based software to provide turning movement counts, bicycle counts, pedestrian counts. Additionally, simple peak hour analysis and one-click output for UTDF/Synchro reports provide ease-of-use for both engineers and planners. Stop by the Iteris booth to see a live demonstration.

**SmartCycle Bike Indicator™ from Iteris**

How do bikers know that they will get the green light? Is your city plagued with bikers pushing the pedestrian button when no pedestrians are present, just so they can get a green light? New from Iteris, a product that complements the award winning SmartCycle® bike detection and provides cyclists with a positive confirmation they’ve been detected at an intersection. This confirmation light will ensure bikers will not feel like they have to push the pedestrian button to get the green, a possible safety hazard crossing active traffic lanes, as well as ensuring maximum efficiency of the intersection by not adding extra pedestrian clearance time when no pedestrians are present. Come to the Iteris booth, where they will take you outside the hotel for a live look at the SmartCycle Bike Indicator. You can also see the SmartCycle Bike Indicator during the Wednesday “Walking Minneapolis” Technical Tour along Washington Avenue.

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- Time-To-Green (TTG, MAP/SPAT)
- Wrong-Way Warning
- Wrong-Way Warning
- 30 MPH speed recommendation TIM
- 20 MPH speed recommendation TIM
- Time-To-Green (TTG, MAP/SPAT)

Please contact Melissa Rodriguez with any inquiries
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LeadershipITE Class of 2018 Graduates!

During today's awards lunch, the 27 individuals part of the 2018 LeadershipITE class were recognized with their graduation ceremony. These 27 graduates now join the 103 alumni who are leading the way for the future of ITE and the profession. The application period is now open for the 2019 class; be sure to talk to a graduate while you are at the meeting and consider applying today!

2019 Application

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Gannett Fleming Helps Clients Prepare for CAV Technologies

Connected and automated vehicles (CAV) are rapidly progressing from a futuristic idea to a commonplace reality. Gannett Fleming, charter member of the national Automated Vehicle Coalition, is helping agencies across the globe prepare for this not-so-distant future.

Alexandra Lopez, PE, will share more details and take questions during her presentation, “Preparing for Connected and Automated Vehicle Technologies,” at the Joint ITE International and Midwestern/Great Lakes Districts Annual Meeting on Wednesday, August 22, at 1:15 p.m.

At the head of Gannett Fleming’s CAV work is Laurie Matkowski, director of CAV services and member of the inaugural Connected Women at Gannett Fleming™ Steering Committee. Also in attendance at the ITE Annual Meeting will be Catalina Echeverri, PMP, project manager and vice chair of Connected Women, and Hannah Copenheaver, marketing specialist and connected ambassador. Connected Women is an employee resource group working to create a culture that empowers, supports, and mentors women to achieve career and personal success at Gannett Fleming. These leaders look forward to meeting you at the Women in Leadership in ITE reception on Tuesday, August 21, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Econolite Wins $21.9 Million Caltrans Contract

Econolite to upgrade transportation infrastructure in Los Angeles County

Econolite, the leader in one-stop-shop traffic management solutions, today announced that it has been awarded a $21.9 million contract by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to provide transportation infrastructure upgrades in Caltrans District 7 – Los Angeles County region. Under terms of the contract, Econolite will provide traffic system modernization for Caltrans highways in District 7 through December 2020.

“The vital arteries in District 7 handle more than 100 million vehicle miles traveled daily and this transportation infrastructure upgrade represents a significant step toward enhancing safety and mobility for citizens and visitors in Los Angeles County,” said Rodney Mathis, Econolite Vice President of Systems.
Count data and custom scrolling text - introducing the Eco-DISPLAY Classic+

Eco-Counter, the global leader in pedestrian and cyclist counting, announces the new Eco-DISPLAY Classic+ counter.

The Classic+ is an eye-catching and powerful display that makes cyclists and pedestrians a more visible part of the urban landscape. In addition to presenting real-time daily and annual cyclist and pedestrian count data, the Classic+ displays customizable scrolling text, informing passers-by of traffic alerts, event information, weather updates, and much more.

Using the advanced ComEth data logger, the Classic+ seamlessly integrates into existing ITS infrastructure, with the capability to connect to the traffic data management system directly via IP/Ethernet.

The Eco-DISPLAY Classic+ builds on Eco-Counter’s award-winning Eco-DISPLAY Classic, proudly installed in Minneapolis, New York City, Seattle, and more than 180 other locations worldwide.

The Classic+’s durable, graffiti-proof exterior is fully-customisable, allowing your organization to show their support for walking and biking in a highly-visible way. Eco-Counter’s friendly team can help you get started on a custom project today.

Learn more and say hi to the Eco-Counter staff at the ITE Annual meeting (booth #511).