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EDITOR'S NOTE

Hello MOVITE Members! Hope everyone enjoyed some time off during the holidays and is staying busy as things begin to pick back up. As we begin the new year, I'd like to officially introduce you all to our 2024 MOVITE Executive Board on the next page. We are excited to see some new faces this year and appreciate their continued commitment to ITE at the district and section levels.

February's edition includes info on company sponsorship packages, ITE program deadlines, and various section updates, so be sure to check out the Announcements section. As always, if you all have any updates or upcoming events that you would like to share, please feel free to reach out to our Social Media Director, Tawny Denzer, or I through our contacts below.

For newer members/readers, I am always looking for new content to share. If you would like to spotlight another member, highlight a recent project, or just share some photos from a district/section event, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Lastly, I am currently looking to find ways to increase member engagement with the journal and would be appreciative if you could take a minute and fill out the survey (It's very short, I promise!) at this <u>link</u>.

Thank you to everyone who has shared content over the last few months. I hope you all enjoy February's Edition!

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Meet the President



Kendra Miller, P.E., PTOE



Kendra is a licensed Professional Engineer in MO, KS, and TX and currently is the Traffic Group Leader at GBA. She has been involved with ITE at both the district and section levels, serving on the KSITE and MOVITE Boards. Additionally, she is involved with the ACEC of Kansas and is heavily involved with STEM outreach efforts at GBA. We thank Kendra for her continued service and wish her luck this year as the MOVITE President!

Q&A with Kendra

What is one of your favorite ITE moments?

• The social event at one of the earlier MOVITE meetings in Des Moines, IA. It involved lots of games including tug-of-war, bags, cornhole, and life-size Hungry Hungry Hippo.

What is one piece of advice you would share with a newer professional in the transportation industry?

• Get involved with an organization! Don't be afraid to step out of your comfort zone.

What has been your favorite project that you've worked on?

• The US 50/Route 291 Interchange project in Lee Summit, MO which included the first Divergabout design in MO. Signing was super challenging and we had to figure out how to get people through without confusion.

What are some things you enjoy doing outside of work?

• I enjoy going to the Pomme de Terre Lake in Missouri, going on bike rides with the kids, and exploring new restaurants in the KC area.







Celebrations

Welcome the Newest MOVITE Members!

Keith Abkes, P.E. Carla P. Anderson, P.E.

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Announcements



For those interested in pursuing any of the following TPCB certifications:

- Professional Traffic Operations Engineer (PTOE)
- Professional Transportation Planner (PTP)
- Road Safety Professional Level 1 (RSP1)
- Road Safety Professional Level 2 (RSP2)

Applications for the June 2024 exam period are due by **March 20, 2024**. To find more information on these certifications and exam resources, visit **tpcb.org**.

2024 MOVITE Scholarship Fund

MOVITE offers the opportunity for individuals and companies to contribute to the MOVITE Scholarship Fund. Generous donations have allowed many students in the MOVITE area to pursue various educational opportunities in the Transportation profession. We would appreciate your consideration to contribute to this important cause at any level you can.



The continued support from our members and sponsors is impactful and appreciated. To donate to the scholarship fund, please make payments **here**.



For questions, please contact MOVITE Secretary, Matt Kruse, (402) 496-2498, or Treasurer, Ashley Fillback, (618) 978-9817

Announcements

Diversity Scholars Program

The application for the 2024 Diversity Scholars Program is open now! Applications are due to ITE by **March 15, 2024**. For more details and eligibility requirements, click <u>here</u>.



Young Leaders to Follow

If you would like to be recognized or recognize a younger ITE member who is making an impact on ITE and the transportation industry, consider applying or nominating a fellow member. Applications are due by **March 15**, **2024**. For more info on eligible candidates, please visit ITE's webpage **here**.



2024 ITE Virtual Spring Conference The Journey to Safer Communities

<u>Registration</u> is now open for ITE's Virtual Spring Conference happening on March 19-20, 2024. The conference will offer a variety of technical sessions focusing on safety from various perspectives. Attendees can earn up to **12 PDHs** and **11 CMs**.

Before Feb. 23, 2024 (Early bird): \$149 for members, \$249 for non-members After Feb. 23, 2024: \$199 for members, \$299 for non-members Students can also attend for \$50



Announcements

Ways to Get Invovled

MOVITE Traffic Bowl Committee

Traffic The **MOVITE** Bowl Committee is currently looking for new members. They have started their planning efforts for their 4th Annual Student Traffic Bowl, hosted at the 2024 Spring Conference in Omaha, NE. For anyone interested in joining the committee, please Bollinger, reach out to Jerry gbollinger@cmtengr.com

MOVITE Journal Co-Editor Position

For anyone interested in getting involved with MOVITE, we are currently looking for someone to fill an appointed position to the Board to help create new editions of the journal. This is a great opportunity for a younger professional to get involved with ITE. For anyone interested, please reach out to Ashley Fillback, afillback@cbbtraffic.com

ITE Matson and Hammond Mentoring Program

The ITE e-Community offers a unique opportunity for current ITE members to network and develop their careers by allowing members to find and connect with other transportation professionals through its online mentoring match program.

Current ITE members can visit <u>here</u> to either enroll as a mentor or find a mentee in four easy steps. This program opens the door for members to meet and share their experiences with other professionals from other districts and sections.

For more info and a list of resources on various mentoring opportunities, visit ITE's webpage **here**.

Upcoming Events

The NITE Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) is currently working hard on planning the 2024 Spring Conference this year hosted in Omaha. Information Nebraska. on registration, hotel bookings. and meeting agenda will be coming in the sent out weeks. We look forward to seeing you all in April!





The Gateway Section of ITE is hosting their 3rd Annual Conference. Registration for both in-person and virtual options is now open. Details on registration and sponsorship packages are available at the link above. The **Conference Planning Committee** led by MOVITE Treasurer, Ashley Fillback, is working very hard to prepare a great conference and excited to welcome members. We hope to see you there!

Upcoming Events

Ozark Section of ITE (OSITE) 2024 Annual Bowling Tournament and Social



OSITE is hosting their Annual Bowling Tournament on February 27th, 2024 at Enterprise Park Lanes. Be sure to register yourself or a 4-member team to join in on the fun. Payments should be made no later than February 22nd. Please visit OSITE's website for more details and to sign up for the event. Annual Sponsorship packages are also available for this event.

ISITE Meeting

February 15th, 2024 11:30 am - 1:00 pm



The Iowa Section of ITE is hosting their February Monthly Meeting. Nicole Oneyear with FHWA will be presenting on the updated MUTCD 11th Edition. In-person and virtual options will be available.

ARITE Meeting

March 1st, 2024 11:30 am - 12:30 pm



The Arkansas Section of ITE is hosting a March Membership Meeting. Michael Kelly with ARDOT and Nicci Tiner with Garver will be presenting on the Solar Eclipse Transportation Management Plan. In-person and virtual options will be available.

To register for any of the live webinars or to check out other course listings, please visit the ITE Learning Hub webpage **here**.



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