



## 2013 Brazos Valley Section Annual Report

### Texas District of the Institute of Transportation Engineers

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This report is a summary of activities of the Brazos Valley Section of the Texas District of the Institute of Transportation Engineers. This report covers the activities performed by the section during from January through December 2013. This section report was prepared by Beverly Storey with the assistance of the current 2013 leadership of the section.

### 1. Leadership

Below is a listing of the 2013 Officers and Committee Chairs for the Brazos Valley Section.

#### 2013 Officers

President	Beverly Storey	979-845-7217
Vice-president	Kay Fitzpatrick	979-845-7321
Secretary/Treasurer	Kevin Balke	979-845-9899
Immediate Past President	Troy Rother	979-764-3838
Section Representative	LuAnn Theiss	979-845-9949

#### Committee Chairs

Membership	David Besly	979-268-1125
E-mail List	Marcus Brewer	979-845-2640
Webmaster	Gary Thomas	979-458-3263

### 2. Finances

As of 12/31/2013, the balance of the Brazos Valley Section account is \$3,288.96.

### 3. Membership

The table below shows the current composition of the membership of the Brazos Valley Section.

Membership Grade	2012	2013
Member	49	46
Local Section Affiliate	12	15
Student	24	39
Total	85	100

## 4. Activities

2013 was a busy year for the Brazos Valley Section. Below summarizes the meetings and social activities performed by the Section.

### 4.1. Monthly Meetings

The Brazos Valley Section hosts regular monthly meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month. Except for the Annual Business Meeting, the leadership hosted speakers on topics of interest to the members of the Section. Those speakers and topics are shown in the table below. Note that it is the standard practice of the BVITE Section is to suspend meeting during the summer months (June, July, and August).

**2013 Schedule of Meetings and Speakers**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Speaker and Topic</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Jan	No Meeting	-
Feb 26	Joint meeting: Brazos Valley ITE Section and Texas A&M ITE Student Chapter Gary Schatz, City of Austin, <i>Innovative Solutions in Austin</i>	10
Mar 26	Gene Hawkins, Texas A&M University, <i>Long-Range Vision and Strategic Plan for the MUTCD</i>	20
Apr	No Meeting due to TexITE Meeting in Richardson	
May 23	Troy Rother, City Traffic Engineer for College Station, TX, <i>University Drive Pedestrian Safety Project – Phase 1</i>	16
Jun	No Meeting	-
Jul 18	Joint Social: Brazos Valley ITE Section and Texas A&M ITE Student Chapter	21
Aug 22	Michael Parks, Deputy Director, Brazos Valley Council of Governments <i>High Speed Rail: 40 Minutes to Houston, 1 Hour to Dallas</i>	14
Sep	No Meeting due to TexITE Fall Meeting in Clear Lake Sept 25-27	-
Oct 24	Dale Picha, Director of Traffic and Transportation for the City of Bryan <i>Planning for Special Events: Texas Reds Festival</i>	8
Nov 21	Marcus Brewer, Associate Research Engineer, Texas A&M Transportation Institute, <i>RRFB/CRFB Open Roads Tests</i> Initial planning for the 2015 TexITE Spring Meeting	16
Dec 12	Annual Business Meeting	8

### 4.2. Social

The Brazos Valley ITE Section and Texas A&M ITE Student Chapter organized a joint social event held on July 18, 2013 at the residence of Jerry and Brooke Ullman in Bryan, TX. The Ullman's graciously invited the BVITE and TAMU ITE to return in July 2014 for another summer social event at their residence.

## 5. Fiscal Summary

The BVITE accounts were reviewed by one of the members. The recommendations include keeping the spread sheet up to date.

## **6. Other**

### **6.1. Goals**

For 2014, the Brazos Valley section aims at achieving the following goals:

1. Continue having great speakers at our monthly meetings on current topics that are of interest to the membership.
2. Continue supporting the TAMU student chapter. The board is planning an annual contribution, the details of which are not yet decided.
3. Organize a family-friendly social event for the membership.
4. Get involved in a community activity.

### **6.2. Awards Honors Received/Bestowed**

In 2013, several BVITE Section Members were recognized for their achievements:

- Dale Picha, City of Bryan, was elected as the TexITE Secretary-Treasurer.
- Bryan/College Station was selected to host the 2015 TexITE Spring Meeting. The announcement was made on September 27 during the business lunch of the TexITE Fall Meeting in Clear Lake. The dates have not been finalized. BVITE last hosted the meeting in the summer of 2006.

### **6.3. Changes to Section Bylaws**

There were no changes to the Section Bylaws during 2013.