



**GREATER FORT WORTH (GFW) SECTION
REPORT TO THE TEXITE EXECUTIVE BOARD
ANNUAL REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2011**

1.0 LEADERSHIP

President:	Mitzi Ward, North Central Texas Council of Governments
Vice-President:	David Jodray, City of Fort Worth
Secretary / Treasurer:	Jennifer Butcher, Savant Group
Section Representative:	Natalie Bettger, North Central Texas Council of Governments
Past President:	Don Szczesny, Dunaway Associates

2.0 FINANCIAL STATUS

Section bank account balance as of September 2011 was \$829.98 with a balance of \$900.52 in our savings account. In February 2011 we made a \$500 contribution to the ITE 80th Anniversary Fund and will make a \$250 donation to the Future Cities competition in December.

3.0 MEMBERSHIP

The Greater Fort Worth Section currently has approximately 40 non-government members and several members that belong through agency membership. However ITE quit sending information on who is included in agency membership checks and does not give a total number of employees either. The Section collects the annual membership fee (from people that are not employed by the City of Fort Worth or NCTCOG) of \$8 ourselves (as opposed to via ITE Int'l).

4.0 MONTHLY MEETINGS

The GFW Section holds regular monthly meetings on the third Thursday of each month, with exceptions made for the 2 months each year during which the TexITE statewide meetings are held. Section meetings are usually held at Joe T Garcia's restaurant located at 2201 N. Commerce St. north of downtown Fort Worth. The dates, speakers, topics, and attendance for each meeting held in 2011 are shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Summary of 2011 Section Meetings

Date	Speaker(s)	Presentation Topic	Location
Jan 20	Wilma Smith, City of Fort Worth and Mark McCoy, Freese and Nichols, Inc.	Stone Road & Alsbury Blvd. Reconstruction Project	Joe T. Garcia's, Fort Worth
Feb 17	John R. Tillinghast, Project Mgr., TxDOT and Curtis Hanan, TxDOT	IH 35W Corridor Improvement Study	Joe T. Garcia's, Fort Worth
Mar 24-26	TexITE 2011 District 9 Spring Meeting		
Apr 21	Jeff Toner, Jacobs Aviation	Alliance Airport Expansion, FM 156 & BNSF Realignment	Joe T. Garcia's, Fort Worth
May 19	Patrick J. Buckley, P.E., City of Fort Worth	Roundabouts in Fort Worth	Joe T. Garcia's, Fort Worth
Jun 10	Joint Dallas/Fort Worth Regional Meeting		
Jul 21	Kristen Schropp, Public Information Coordinator, NorthGate Constructors	Status Update on the DFW Connector	Blue Mesa, Fort Worth

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DISTRICT 9 (TEXAS)
INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS**

Aug 18	Tour of City of Fort Worth Traffic Management Center		
Sep 14-16	TexITE 2011 District 9 Spring Meeting		
Oct 20	Chad Edwards & Madhusudhan Venugopal, NCTCOG	Mobility 2035 and Air Quality in Our Region	NCTCOG, Arlington
Nov 17	Julia McCleary, City of Fort Worth and Jeff Whitacre, Kimley-Horn	Fort Worth Bike Plan Implementation and Challenges	Joe T. Garcia's, Fort Worth
Dec 15	Brian Barth, TxDOT	The New Modernization Efforts for TxDOT	TxDOT Fort Worth District, Fort Worth

5.0 COMMITTEES

At the December 15 meeting, the new officers were announced. Please see the new officers list below.

President:	David Jodray, City of Fort Worth
Vice-President:	Jennifer Butcher, Savant Group
Secretary / Treasurer:	Erin Eurek, Kimley-Horn and Associates
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Below we have listed the Committees that exist in 2011 as well as the new Committees based on membership feedback:

2011 Committee Structure:

Engineer Outreach:	Open
Membership Co-chairs:	Tim Wallace (Wier Associates); and Tim Sansone (Freese and Nichols)
Community Services:	Open
Technical:	Mark C. Schluter, P.E. (Half Associates, Inc.)

6.0 OTHER BUSINESS

A topic that the officers will be discussing in the coming months is the location of our regular monthly meetings. For many years, we have met, as a default location, at Joe T Garcia's restaurant near the Stockyards north of downtown Fort Worth. While the restaurant has been very good to us about keeping costs down, there have been some requests from members to take a look at some alternate meeting locations. There are many options, such as Arlington, downtown Fort Worth, TxDOT Fort Worth, the "no change" option to stay at Joe T's, or a combination of locations (a rotation, so to speak).

One other topic that the GFW leadership should discuss is having the section dues collected by National ITE. Managing dues collection in this way would cover ITE members who live or work in the GFW Section boundaries but who choose not to pay their section dues.

The GFW Section is excited to be the host Section for the 2012 Fall TexITE Meeting in the Fort Worth area. Our officers and membership have already shown the Local Arrangements Committee CoChairs, Jennifer Butcher and Natalie Bettger interest in helping with the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Natalie Bettger, GFW Section Representative

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