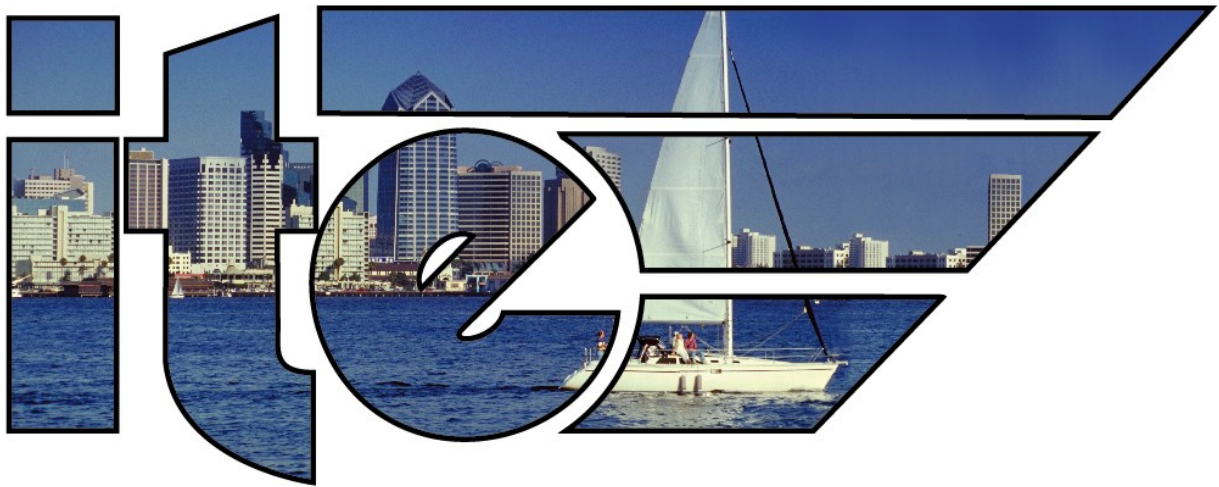


# **INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS**

## **Section Annual Report**



for the period January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011

for the San Diego Section



## San Diego Section

### Officers:

#### 2011 Officers and Committee Chairs:

Past President	Marc Mizuta
President	Saul M. Kane
Vice-President	Dawn Wilson
Treasurer	Minjie Mei
Secretary	Kathy Feilen
Awards	Leo Espelet
Directory/Roster	Phoung Nguyen
Golf Tournament	Nick Minicilli
Meeting Location	Miriam Leung & Lindy Pham
Membership	Mark Jugar
Newsletter	David Mizell
Program	Monique Chen
Student Scholarship	Zoubir Ouadah
SDSU Faculty Advisor	Ahmed Aburahmah
SDSU Student Chapter Liaison	Ahmed Aburahmah
Social	Walter Musial
Transp. Capacity & Mobility Task Force	Erik Ruehr
Transportation Prof. Organizations Liaison	Linna Zhang
Vendor	Janna McKann
Voting	Joe De La Garza
Webmaster	Mychal Loomis

### Membership:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Membership Grade</u>	<u>Section Annual Dues Rate</u>
1	Esteemed Colleague	\$0
0	Honorary	\$0
14	Fellow	\$20
17	Fellow Life	\$0
1	Fellow Retired	\$20
0	Member 10	\$20
104	Member	\$20
9	Member Life	\$0
5	Member Retired	\$20
3	Institute Affiliate	\$20
0	Institute Affiliate Retired	\$20
30	Student Member	\$0
23	Section Affiliates	\$0
<b>207</b>	<b>Total</b>	



## San Diego Section

Financial: Does your section have a Federal Employer Identification Number?  Yes  No  
If yes, what is the number? 52-1332596

Balance of Funds on hand at the Beginning of the Reporting Period:

General Fund	\$9,323.59
Student/Scholarship Fund	\$347.45
<b>TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>\$9,671.04</b>

Income for the Reporting Period:

Membership Fees	\$2,698.19
Gross Income from Meetings/Workshops	\$9,580.00
Advertising Income (newsletter)	\$4,400.00
<i>Other Principal Sources of Income:</i>	
Golf Tournament	\$8,877.00
Summer Social/Business Mixers	\$395.00
Event Sponsorships	\$4,600.00
Holiday Party	\$4,434.79
Other (checkbook refund)	\$10.00
Joint Holiday Luncheon	\$1,690.00
Student/Scholarship Fund (raffle, donation, golf, bears)	\$1,372.00
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$38,056.98</b>

Expenditures for the Reporting Period:

Travel (President to Alaska Conference)	(\$2,765.50)
Section Meetings	(\$11,612.34)
Technical Programs	(\$382.55)
Awards (Plaques)	(\$475.16)
<i>Other Expenditures:</i>	
Gifts for Speakers	(\$50.00)
Executive Board Meetings	(\$689.66)
Golf Tournament	(\$7,933.95)
Holiday Party	(\$5,967.47)
Joint Holiday Party	(\$334.01)
Summer Social	(\$1,470.12)
Online Election	(\$120.12)
Website	(\$39.90)
Charitable Donations (Student Endowment)	(\$1,000.00)
Incidentals (checkbooks, etc.)	(\$468.60)
Student Chapter Advisor Reimbursement	(\$356.88)
Student Expenses for Annual Meeting	(\$3,500.00)
Student Scholarships	(\$500.00)
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>(\$37,666.26)</b>

**NET INCOME (EXPENSE)**

**\$390.72**

Balance of Funds on hand at the End of the Reporting Period:

General Fund	\$9,165.92
Student/Scholarship Fund	\$895.84
<b>TOTAL ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>\$10,061.76</b>

Was there a change in the Section Bylaws during this reporting period?  Yes  No



## **Section Activities Summary**

### **Technical Activities:**

The San Diego Section has an active Transportation Capacity and Mobility Task Force with 31 members who meet on a quarterly basis with the following purposes: (1) Share information to keep task force members informed of current issues related to transportation capacity and mobility in the San Diego area; (2) Act as a resource to the ITE San Diego Section and others in the transportation community to provide technical review on current transportation issues; and (3) Occasionally publish technical papers that provide information or guidance to ITE members on how to deal with common transportation issues in the San Diego area.

Key activities of the task force in 2011 included the following: (1) Provided a forum for members to discuss changes in traffic impact analyses related to a major court decision regarding a project conducted in Sunnyvale, California; (2) Initiated an effort to provide guidelines for calculating greenhouse gas changes for city-wide General Plan Circulation Element updates; and (3) Continued work on a Ramp Meter Analysis Paper that would provide a summary of the current state of the art for ramp meter analysis in the San Diego region.

The Section held two technical workshops during 2011. A joint workshop with the Southern California Section was held in March focusing on the recent updates to CEQA and the MUTCD as well as a brief presentation on a simulator tool for Land Use and TDM projects. Another joint workshop with WTS was held in October with a theme of Transportation and Education in the San Diego Region. This workshop included presentations on the Safe Routes to School programs and SANDAG's Active Transportation Plan. These are described in more detail in the meeting summary on the following pages.

### **Social Activities:**

The Section held two business mixers during the 2011 calendar year. The first social was in April and was well attended at a downtown Mexican restaurant. The goal for this mixer was to celebrate the start of a new year and continue the consistent interaction within the Section members and affiliates. The second mixer was a joint event with WTS and highlighted another downtown restaurant located within the Little Italy neighborhood. This event was held in October and featured many guests from both ITE and WTS. Our Section takes pride in continuing to interact and join forces with other organizations in the community, strengthening our presence and exposure.

The Section held a Summer social at the Del Mar Races during the month of July. This event was well attended and proved to be another example of the close relationships that exist within our Section.



## San Diego Section

### Meetings held during this reporting period:

#### **JANUARY LUNCHEON:**

**Date:** 1/27/2011  
**Time:** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Hilton Garden Inn, 6450 Carlsbad Blvd., Carlsbad, CA 92011  
**Speaker:** Tim Thiele, P.E., Senior Associate, RBF Consulting and John Maashoff, P.E.,  
City of Carlsbad

Members attended: 58

San Diego ITE President Saul Kane kicked off the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

The attendees introduced themselves. Edgar Perez, ITE District 6 President, announced the upcoming July 2011 Western ITE conference in Anchorage Alaska, and discussed flight and hotel accommodations and the desire to send students to the conference to compete in the Traffic Bowl competition. Mr. Perez stated that, so far, San Diego has been the only city to request that the 2016 Conference be held there.

The topic was titled "Carlsbad Coastal Rail Trail". John Mashoff presented a project overview and Tim Thiele discussed the details of the rail trail which parallels the Coaster rail line. Tim described the sections of the proposed alignment and identified the project stakeholders and funding sources. The design of the twelve foot wide trail took into account future expansion of the railroad tracks, environmental constraints, connectivity to existing trails and transportation centers, safety, and ADA standards among other goals.

The raffle resulted in \$31 being donated to the SDSU student chapter.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.



## San Diego Section

### FEBRUARY LUNCHEON:

**Date:** 2/3/2011  
**Time:** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** The Courtyard San Diego Old Town by Marriott, 2435 Jefferson Street, San Diego, CA 92103  
**Speaker:** Bill Cisco, P.E., T.E., Principal Associate, Dowling Associates, Inc.

Members attended: 62

San Diego ITE President Saul Kane kicked off the meeting at 12:10 p.m. Announcements included a request for newsletter and luncheon sponsors, the upcoming golf tournament on May 6, 2011 at the Vineyards Golf Course in Escondido, the ITE 2011 Technical Conference & Exhibit to be held April 3 - 6 in Lake Buena Vista, Florida, and the ITE 2011 Western District Meeting to be held July 10 - 13 in Anchorage, Alaska. Alaska Airlines is offering a 5% discount in airfare if you mention you are associated with the ITE conference.

The attendees introduced themselves. Edgar Perez, ITE District 6 President, invited all members to a bonfire party at the Bahia Resort Hotel on Friday February 4<sup>th</sup>. The bonfire will be at 7:30 p.m. and will mark the closing of the Western District board meeting being held in San Diego.

Erik Ruehr announced that the new Highway Capacity Manual should be available by mid-March.

The topic was titled "Complete Streets and Multimodal Level of Service". Bill Cisco discussed AB 1358, the complete streets bill that requires cities to consider all modes of transportation when designing streets. All modes include auto, transit, bicycle and pedestrian travel. After showing very complicated equations to calculate the level of service for each mode, Mr. Cisco assured attendees that a simplified computer method will be available to perform the task. This software will be available after the 2010 Highway Capacity Manual is released.

The raffle resulted in \$157 being donated to the SDSU student chapter.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.



## San Diego Section

### MARCH WORKSHOP AND LUNCHEON WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SECTION:

**Date:** 3/18/2011  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** El Adobe Restaurant, 31891 Camino Capistrano, San Juan Capistrano, CA  
**Speakers:** Yara Fisher, AICP, AECOM  
Margaret Moore Sohagi, Principal, The Sohagi Law Group  
Robert Tyson Sohagi, Associate, The Sohagi Law Group  
Brian Welch, Principal, Fehr & Peers  
Monica Suter, City of Santa Ana

San Diego Members attended: 15  
Total ITE Members attended: 65

San Diego ITE President Saul Kane kicked off the workshop at 9:45 a.m.

#### Workshop Topic:

Yara Fisher, Margaret Sohagi, and Robert Sohagi discussed CEQA and legislative issues including their interpretation of baseline conditions for preparation of traffic impact studies. A case study is currently in the courts for the City of Sunnyvale which used a 2020 scenario as the baseline for a study. The study added traffic generation due to planned projects which were scheduled to be completed prior to construction completion of the project for which the study was performed. CEQA states that the baseline should be existing conditions, not for some time in the future, due to the uncertainty of the added projects that did not exist at the time of the project approval.

Brian Welch discussed the transportation need for shifting from using single occupancy vehicle trips to using high occupancy vehicle trips, transit, walking and bicycling.

#### Lunch Program Topic:

Monica Suter gave a detailed presentation describing the 2009 Federal MUTCD, the 2010 California MUTCD, and the proposed changes for the 2011 California MUTCD.

Due to the joint workshop, there was no raffle.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.



## San Diego Section

### APRIL LUNCHEON:

**Date:** 4/6/2011  
**Time:** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Carlton Oaks Golf Course, 9200 Inwood Drive, Santee, CA 92071  
**Speaker:** Minjie Mei, P.E., City of Santee Principal Traffic Engineer.

Members attended: 48

San Diego ITE President Saul Kane kicked off the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

The attendees introduced themselves. The golf chair, Nick Minicilli reminded attendees about the upcoming golf tournament on May 6, 2011 at the Vineyards Golf Course in Escondido.

The topic was titled “Cuyamaca Street Traffic/Trolley Signal Upgrade Project”. The project involved coordinating five signals in the Cuyamaca Street corridor from Prospect Street to the station. Two of the signals are on the station site and are used to pre-empt traffic to provide access without delay from the station to and through the intersection of Cuyamaca Street and Mission Gorge Blvd. From there south, the signals are coordinated to provide continuous trolley movement through the intersections at Buena Vista Avenue and Prospect Street. As part of this project NEMA controllers were replaced with 170 controllers with Ethernet connectivity, special logics were implemented to accommodate trolley operation, a countdown timer was installed for the trolley leaving the station to achieve the free flow through the intersections using trolley signal progression, and a surveillance camera was installed.

The raffle resulted in \$94 being donated to the SDSU student chapter.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.





## San Diego Section

### MAY GOLF TOURNAMENT:

**Date:** 5/6/11

**Location:** The Vineyard, Escondido, CA

**Attendance:** 72

The annual golf tournament was a huge success again in 2011. As one of the biggest fund raisers on the calendar, the tournament raised nearly \$2,000 for the section. Approximately 10 students from SDSU helped at the event and fundraised for their trip to the Western District Meeting in Alaska. The Section raised over \$1,000 for the students.

### JUNE LUNCHEON:

**Date:** 6/2/2011

**Time:** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Location:** Four Points by Sheraton, 8110 Aero Drive, San Diego, CA 92123

**Speaker:** Erik Ruehr, P.E., P.T.O.E., VRPA Technologies, Inc. San Diego

Members attended: 49

San Diego ITE President Saul Kane kicked off the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

The attendees introduced themselves. Three candidates for ITE offices gave short campaign speeches. Those candidates were Monica Suter, Doug Smith and Pat Gibson's son on his behalf. Saul Kane announced that the Summer Social will be on Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup> at the Del Mar Race Track.

The topic was about the 2010 Highway Capacity Manual. The presentation provided an introduction to the Highway Capacity Manual as well as a summary of the changes that were made from the previous 2000 version.

The raffle resulted in \$60 being donated to the SDSU student chapter.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.



## San Diego Section

### SEPTEMBER WORKSHOP WITH WALK SAN DIEGO:

**Date:** 9/8/2011  
**Time:** 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.  
**Location:** SANDAG Conference Room Suite 700  
**Speaker:** Michael Moule, P.E., P.T.O.E., National Complete Streets Coalition

Members attended: 42

SANDAG representatives, Peter Thompson welcomed everyone to the meeting and then Stephan Vance introduced Michael Moule at 8:00 a.m.

The topic was Complete Streets Implementation – “Building a Bridge” from New Policies to New Technical Practice. Mr. Moule spoke about the grant to SANDAG from the Center of Disease Control for complete streets to improve all modes of mobility.

Some of the benefits of complete streets are improved health, physical activity, safety, better ADA facilities, improved environment, and less need to widen roads. These benefits can be accomplished by building sidewalks, providing bike lanes and improving access to transit.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.



## San Diego Section

### SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON AT SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY:

**Date:** 9/22/2011  
**Time:** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Scripps Cottage, SDSU Campus  
**Speaker:** Steven Glynn, Aerotek

Members attended: 36

San Diego ITE President Saul Kane kicked off the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Saul Kane gave a brief introduction about ITE then made announcements regarding the student scholarship that's available, the upcoming Holiday Party, solicited nominations for awards, and for the Executive Board position of Secretary, and stated when the next meeting will be held.

The topic was about preparing students for the workplace focusing on resumes and interviewing skills to body language and appearance. Some suggestions offered by Mr. Moule included creating a LinkedIn profile, applying for an internship, networking with professionals through organizations such as ITE, ASCE, and APWA to find out who has new projects and who's hiring, and using the Monster website to help prepare a resume.

The presentation was followed by a small group mentoring session with Transportation Engineering professionals and students.

The raffle resulted in \$60 being donated to the SDSU student chapter.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.



## San Diego Section

### OCTOBER WORKSHOP AND LUNCHEON WITH WTS:

**Date:** 10/13/2011  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Handlery Hotel, 950 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108  
**Speakers:** Steve Manganiello, City of National City Traffic Engineer  
Kristin Haukom, Project Coordinator for Calif. Dept. of Public Health Safe Routes to School TARC  
Leah Stender, Program Manager, WalkSanDiego  
Luis Medina, Caltrans Safe Routes to School program director  
Bridget Enderle, SANDAG associate regional planner

Members attended: 42

The first four speakers gave presentations at the workshop and Bridget Enderle was the luncheon speaker

Steve Manganiello spoke about National City's Safe Routes to School program which was initiated after multiple pedestrian collisions involving school children. Their program involved meeting with parents and school officials to determine safety needs and then implementing improvement projects at 14 neighborhood schools in the city.

Kristin Haukon discussed the health issues driving the need for increased walking and biking to school by school children. She works for the Safe Routes to School Technical Assistance Resource Center.

Leah Stender oversees WalkSanDiego's diverse set of programs including the Safe Routes to School program. She is the primary contact for non-infrastructure studies which determine the safety needs of schools to increase walking and biking to schools.

Luis Medina spoke about the State and Federal Safe Routes to School grant programs and how to have a successful grant application.

The luncheon speaker, Bridget Enderle, spoke about SANDAG's iCommute and Safe Routes to School programs and how they fit into SANDAG's Active Transportation Plan.

The raffle resulted in \$26 being donated to the SDSU student chapter.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.



## San Diego Section

### DECEMBER LUNCHEON AND AWARDS PRESENTATION:

**Date:** 12/1/2011  
**Time:** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Handlery Hotel  
**Speaker:** Saul Kane, President ITE San Diego

Members attended: 61

San Diego ITE President Saul Kane kicked off the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Lunch was served and then the awards program began. The following are the awardees:

Professional Member of the Year – Erik Ruehr  
Project of the Year – Cuyamaca Street Traffic/Trolley Signal Upgrade Project  
Presidential Proclamation – Edgar Monroy  
Agency of the Year – SANDAG  
Student Scholarship – Daniel Hershey

Following the awards ceremony, the 2012 Board members were sworn in by Alyssa Reynolds.  
The new Board consists of

Dawn Wilson, President  
Minjie Mei, Vice President  
Kathy Feilen, Treasurer  
Mark Jugar, Secretary  
Saul Kane, Past President

The raffle resulted in \$104 being donated to the SDSU student chapter.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.



## San Diego Section

### DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY:

**Date:** 12/3/2011  
**Time:** 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Bernardo Winery  
**Speaker:** Saul Kane, President ITE San Diego  
Dawn Wilson, Vice President ITE San Diego

Members attended: 53

San Diego ITE President Saul Kane welcomed everyone to the party and then Dawn Wilson presented Saul with the President's plaque. The party sponsors were recognized and thanked for their donations.

An hour long wine tasting session was held while appetizers were served. A buffet style dinner was served and afterwards a white elephant gift exchange was held. Raffle prizes were distributed to winning ticket holders. Everyone had a wonderful time.

The raffle resulted in over \$400 being deposited back into the section's general fund to help cover the expenses of the party.

The party was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



## **San Diego Section**

### **Student Chapter Activities during this reporting period:**

#### San Diego State University (SDSU) Student Chapter

The SDSU Student Chapter has remained strong in the last year with 30 active members reported by the Chapter in December 2011. Several student members assisted the Section at the 2011 Annual Golf Tournament in May. Six student members attended the 2011 Western District Annual Meeting and Exhibit in Anchorage, Alaska where they interacted with other student chapter members and professionals, attended technical sessions, and won an award for raising the most money during the raffle at the beginning of the conference.

The SDSU Chapter held three meetings in the Fall of 2011. Some of the professional presenters at the meetings included Ahmed Aburahmah, Saul Kane, and Minjie Mei. The San Diego Section officers also attended one of the luncheons to swear in the new officers for the upcoming school year. The average attendance at each luncheon ranged between 20 and 25 students.

#### **Scholarships:**

The San Diego Section offered scholarships to local student ITE members. All applications were reviewed by Zoubir Ouadah, Section's Scholarship Chair, and one \$500 scholarship was awarded to a SDSU student member at our December 2011 meeting.

#### **Awards:**

The San Diego Section's Awards Committee once again acknowledged several deserving members and organizations in 2011. The San Diego Section selected three recipients for the awards under the following categories: Public Agency of the Year, Project of the Year, and Professional Member of the Year. The award recipients were recognized at our December 2011 luncheon and the list is summarized in the activity report above.

#### **San Diego Section Website:**

The San Diego Section maintains a website at [www.sandiegoite.org](http://www.sandiegoite.org) that continually is updated with suggestions from our members. The website contains information on upcoming events and meetings, provides access to electronic versions of the San Diego ITE newsletters, presentations, membership directory, and other section-wide documents, includes a photo gallery of section activities, list of awards won by the Section, and also contains information on the San Diego State University Student Chapter. The website averages over 300 hits every month and over 4,000 visits per year.



## **San Diego Section**

### **San Diego Section Newsletter:**

In 2011, the San Diego Section published bi-monthly newsletters in electronic format, which are posted to our website. Each newsletter generally featured a President's message, summaries of previous luncheons/events, feature articles by the newsletter sponsor for that month, other articles of interest to members, photos from recent events and advertisements.

To view our newsletters, please visit our website, [www.sandiegoite.org](http://www.sandiegoite.org), and click "Newsletters".





San Diego Section

Attachment 1  
2011 Photos

**PHOTOS FROM 2011**



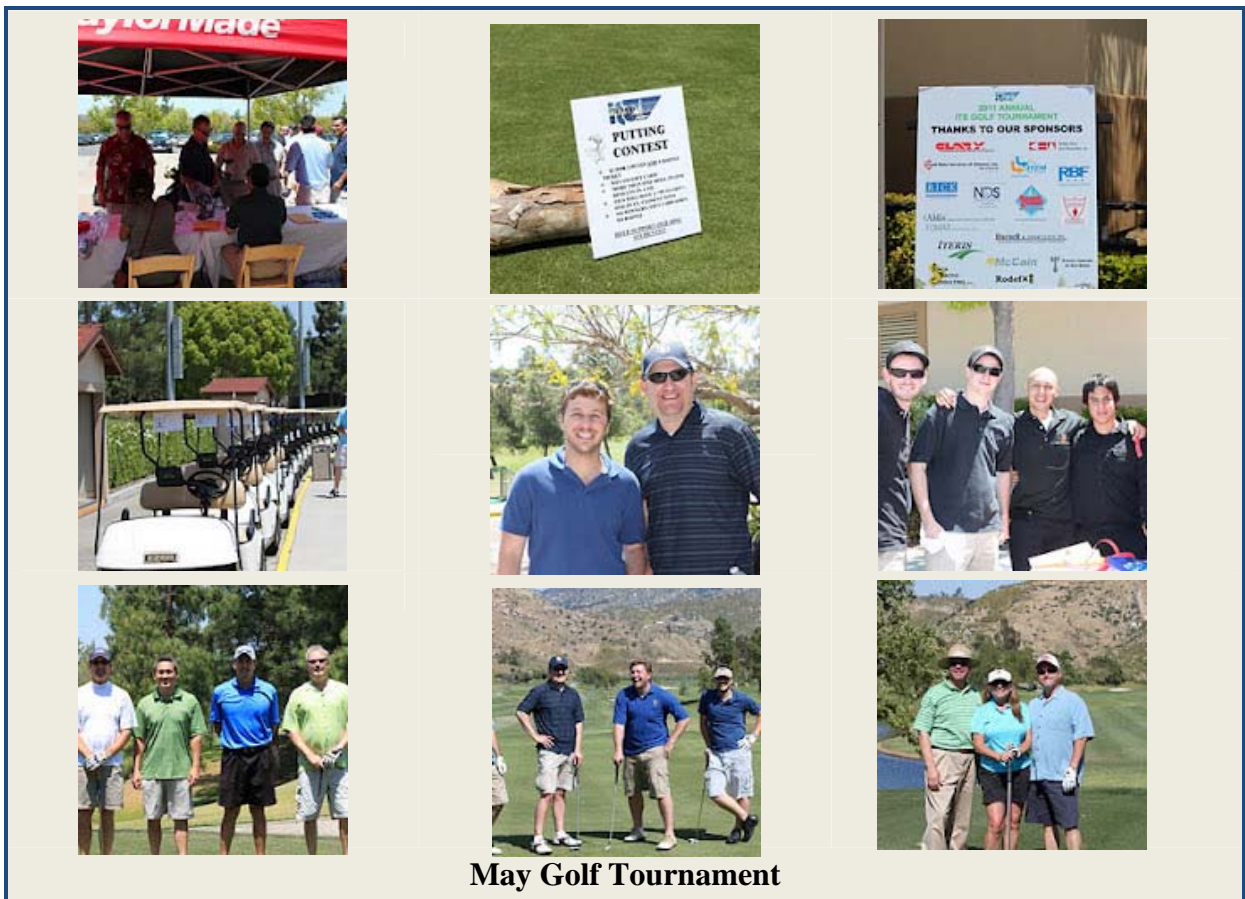
**January Luncheon**



**February Luncheon**



**April Business Mixer**





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**July Summer Social**



**September Workshop with Walk San Diego**



**September Luncheon at SDSU**



**October Workshop and Luncheon with WTS**



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