

Anne Brewer Scholarship Awards

ITS Florida is pleased to announce the 2008 Anne Brewer Scholarship recipients. Through our sponsors, ITS Florida is able to provide three awards.



Nagesh Nayak was presented with the top award of \$2,500. He is a graduate student at the University of South Florida (USF) pursuing a Master of Science in Civil

Engineering. His area of concentration is transportation engineering and his expected date for graduation is Summer 2010. Mr. Nayak is the Marketing Chair of the American Society of Civil Engineers Student, Chapter at USF and a member of the ITE at USF. Additionally, Mr. Nayak serves as a teaching assistant at USF. As a future transportation engineer, "he wants to apply his knowledge and expertise to confront the traffic challenges in the State of Florida and develop sustainable solutions that are beneficial to our communities."

Enrique Gonzalez-Velez



was awarded \$2,000. He is a doctoral candidate at University of South Florida (USF). His area of concentration is transportation engineering and his expected date of graduation is Spring 2010. Besides his membership with many professional organizations, Mr. Alvarez is a member of the National Scholars Honor Society. He is currently a research assistant with the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) and has previously served as a teaching assistant at the University of Puerto Rico. Mr. Gonzalez-Velez has published several articles for industry journals and has given presentations at national meetings and conferences. He is currently working on FDOT sponsored projects to improve transportation safety. After receiving his Doctorate, "he intends to teach so that he can help in the development of beginning engineers that will be facing new challenges in the transportation industry."

Patricio Alvarez will receive his award of \$2,000. (No photo is available). He is a doctoral candidate at Florida International University (FIU). His area of concentration is transportation engineering and his expected date of graduation is December 2010. Mr. Alvarez is very active in professional organizations, including the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Chi Epsilon the National Civil Engineering Honor Society and he serves as the Vice President of the FIU ITE student chapter. He earned the Outstanding Masters Graduate Award from the College of Engineering and Computing at FIU in 2008. He currently works as a research assistant on FDOT sponsored projects using simulation models to evaluate transportation improvement alternatives.

Scholarship Donations

The Anne Brewer Scholarship Awards are possible due to the contribution from member firms. ITS Florida recognizes **PBS&J, Beck Consulting, Metric Engineering and TransCore** for their generous contributions to the 2008 Anne Brewer Scholarship Program.



ITS Florida passes 100% of the donations received through to its scholarship recipients. There are no administrative fees or funds held back from the award distribution. Please contact [ITS Florida](http://www.itsflorida.com) to learn how you can contribute to the 2009 Program.

ITS Florida Board Meeting

ITS Florida's April Board Meeting was held in Orlando at the Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority office on April 14th.

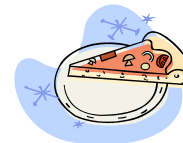


Following lunch, Mike Snyder, PE, Executive Director of the Expressway Authority provided opening remarks and an interactive discussion.

Lunch and Learn

ITS Florida announces two Lunch and Learn opportunities for the month of May.

The Central Florida Transportation Planning Group has invited ITS Florida members to a Lunch and Learn on **Highway Capacity, May 14th from 12:00 PM—2:00 PM.**



(The conference room will open at 11:30 AM.) Free pizza will be served for lunch. This training will be held at the University of Central Florida, Harris Engineering Center, Room 101. Free parking will be available in Garage C. No RSVP is required!

Webinar



ITS Florida will host a webinar on "**Methods and Tools to Evaluate Deployment Alternatives and TMC Operations**". The course will be held **May 21st from 12:00—1:30 PM.** Dr. Hadi will be the instructor. The cost will be \$39. This allows groups to participate in the webinar for one low fee if only one connection is used. Professional Development Hours (PDH) will be provided.

Look for the additional details on both of these training events via email and the [ITS Florida](http://www.itsflorida.com) website.

ITSA Annual Meeting Free Exhibit Only Pass

The ITS America's 2009 Annual Meeting &



Exposition, **June 1-3** in National Harbor, Maryland, is a highly anticipated three-day learning and networking event. ITS Florida has a limited number of free exhibit only passes. These passes are good for a one day admission to the exhibit hall on your choice of day. The exhibit hours* are:

Monday— 12:00 PM — 6:00 PM
 Tuesday— 9:30 AM— 6:00 PM
 Wednesday — 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Contact [ITS Florida](http://www.itsflorida.com) to request a pass while the supply lasts. Don't forget to visit the ITS Florida exhibit — booth 310. *(subject to change)