

Executive History 1986-2014 . . .

ALSITE Scholarship Program & HMR ALSITE Scholarships, Inc.

Foreword

For most organizations, especially volunteer organizations like ALSITE and Harold M. Raynor ALSITE Scholarships, Inc., institutional history tends to be lost as time passes and memories fade. With this in mind, the following Executive Summary has been prepared to supplement the October 4, 2004 publication **OUR ROOTS . . . The Beginning and The First 10 Years**, and to preserve our more recent history, by providing an updated overview of where we came from, where we have been, and how we arrived at today's scholarship program. In addition, chronicle for future generations the forethought, effort and loving dedication of those who played prominent roles in the development of the ALSITE scholarship program. We would be grossly remiss if we failed to specifically credit Jerry Reeves, President of Traffic Products, Inc., for the pivotal role he played in the birth of the ALSITE scholarship program. In 1986, Jerry stepped to the plate, dug deep into his wallet and jump-started the initial fund raising effort with a \$ 1,000 contribution (not chump change in those days). Over the years Jerry continued to make significant generous financial contributions, and is truly the **Godfather** of the ALSITE scholarship program.

As a private, tax exempt Foundation Harold M. Raynor ALSITE Scholarships, Inc. cannot directly undertake fund raising campaigns and must depend on the generosity of the ALSITE membership and other income sources to fund the current scholarships, and hopefully to expand the number of annual scholarship awards over the years.

The following summary of where we came from, where we have been, and how we arrived at this point in our history can only be viewed as a microscopic recap of the evolution of our professional society's noble efforts to provide financial support to qualified civil engineering students. For those readers interested in greater details, please refer to the 207-page document **OUR ROOTS . . . The Beginning and The First 10 Years**, published on October 4, 2004 in both CD and hard copy format.

History of the ALSITE Scholarship Program

The Beginning

The 1985-86 Alabama Division ITE (ALDITE) year was busier and more hectic than usual, so much so that a portion of the membership was disgruntled. But when Jerry Reeves of Traffic Products, Inc. stepped forward with a generous offer to fund a \$1,000 scholarship for students studying transportation, members saw something encouraging. On March 6, 1986 at the Spring Meeting of the ALDITE, the Division adopted a motion to accept the scholarship donation and to establish a committee to make the initial award at the 1986 Annual Meeting. Division President Tom Culpepper appointed an Ad Hoc Scholarship Policy committee that included Rod Long (Chairman), Dick Garner, Jerry Reeves, Charles Alexander and himself.

Scholarship Committee Chairman Rod Long reported at the June 20, 1986 Division Business Meeting, that the Committee had done much more than just select a scholarship recipient; it also recommended establishing a perpetuating scholarship fund in excess of \$10,000. The interest from this fund would provide a scholarship each year for a transportation student with financial needs. Student applicants would have to be from an accredited engineering school within the State of Alabama, and show strong interest in transportation engineering as demonstrated by work history, course selection and future goals. The Division accepted the Committee's recommendation and adopted a motion supporting the scholarship endowment fund.

Although no one knew it at the time, the simple motions adopted at the 1986 ALDITE Spring and Annual Meetings had formed the foundation for what would become the most successful locally administered scholarship program within International ITE.

Raising the Money and Adopting a Policy

At the June 20, 1986 business meeting, Joe Hoehn moved to have the proceeds of the Annual Auction go to the Scholarship Fund. The motion passed and \$122.50 was placed into the Fund. In its meeting on October 22, 1986 the Board of Directors of the Alabama Division ITE transferred \$500 from the general treasury to the Scholarship Fund.

In the business meeting of the Alabama Division ITE on October 23, 1986, the Scholarship Policy Committee announced that their report on procedures would be published in the next edition of the Newsletter. The Committee also reported that the Division had a balance of \$2,122.50 on deposit in the endowment fund of the International ITE.

In its business meeting on March 19, 1987, the membership voted to increase all meeting registration fees by \$5.00 to produce more funds for the scholarship endowment. Additionally, a scholarship operating policy was adopted by vote of the Division membership.

Success

The original Scholarship Committee placed a great deal of work into developing the operating policy. They wanted something of which the Division could be proud. They worked hard to provide open, clear and strong fiscal management. The Committee established a large goal of \$10,000. At that time it seemed reasonable to provide a \$1,000 scholarship every year. None of the original Committee members dared to dream that the goal would be reached so quickly and so successfully. Nor did the Committee imagine that \$1,000 would ever be insufficient to pay annual tuition and fees at a state university.

Overview of Other ITE Scholarships

International ITE conducted a survey of scholarship programs in 1991. Although not all of the Districts and Sections answered the questionnaire, 16 replied that they had scholarships. While the ITE Survey reported that District 7 began the first scholarship program in 1975 that claim is factually incorrect. In 1972 the Southern Section's President formulated an extensive awards program that was unveiled at the 20th Annual Meeting in Memphis, Tennessee on May 9, 1972. A key component of the Section's awards program was a monetary incentive to encourage Student Chapter activity within the Southern Section. An anonymous donor provided the funding for a 5-year fellowship which awarded \$1,000 annually to a worthy student of a graduate CE program at a university within the Southern Section. Each year the Southern Section would select its Best Student Chapter and the Chapter's faculty advisor would designate the most deserving student member as the recipient of the \$1,000 award. The first fellowship award was named in honor of Herman J. Hoose to commemorate the establishment of the SSITE **Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award** and was presented to Clemson University on June 20, 1972. The Alabama Division and the North Central Section both started their scholarships programs in 1986, becoming the fourth and fifth ITE Scholarships.

Scholarships awarded by other ITE Sections and Districts range from \$300 to \$1,500. The amounts awarded by Alabama appears to be comfortably above of this range. The other ITE organizations awarding scholarships indicate that they plan to give future annual awards in the amount of \$1,000 to \$3,000. Usually the amount they award is determined by the amount of money on hand or the amount of pledges received for an individual year.

ALSITE has done an outstanding job of accumulating funds. Other Sections require members to make (painful) pledges each year, or place great pressure on ABD Members to provide all of the funds. The Alabama Section elected to use other more indirect fund raising avenues. Its scholarship funds originate from many sources including voluntary gifts, meeting surcharges, ALSITE Newsletter proceeds, the Annual Meeting Auction, Annual Billy Jones Memorial Golf Tournament, Annual ALSITE Bass Tournament and interest from the endowment.

HMR ALSITE Scholarship Award Details

Mission

To influence qualified Civil Engineering students' career paths by providing financial assistance in the pursuit of study in the field of transportation engineering.

Administer contributions and endowment funds to insure that sufficient interest is generated annually to fund at least one substantial award. Only the earned interest from investment of the endowment and money market funds coupled with directed gifts can be used to fund annual scholarship awards. As of the end of its Fiscal Year on December 31, 2013, the Foundation had a balance of \$144,032.35 on deposit. The Foundation uses two investment vehicles for its funds. The majority of the monies are invested in high yield, long term CD's. The balance of the Foundation's funds is deposited in a Money Market Account.

Make award payments at the start of each academic period to the institution for credit to the recipient's account. Since 1986, a total of \$155,650 has been awarded to Civil Engineering students at universities in Alabama.

Awards Available

Two awards were available for 2014. The 2014 Charles E. Alexander Memorial Transportation Engineering Scholarship with an estimated value of \$10,000. The 2014 Billy Jones Memorial Traffic Engineering Scholarship with an estimated value of \$8,000.

Application

To apply for a scholarship, a candidate must submit a completed official application along with the recommendation of a faculty member from an accredited Civil Engineering Department at a university in Alabama and/or the recommendation of a Member or Affiliate Member of the Alabama Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers.

A full disclosure of current student loans or other financial aid must be included in the application.

Applications may be obtained from faculty members in the Civil Engineering Departments at Auburn University, the University of Alabama, the University of Alabama at Birmingham, the University of Alabama in Huntsville and the University of South Alabama, in January of each year. To assist candidate applicants with applying for a scholarship, the Foundation has also provided two versions of its Official Scholarship Application on its Website.

Completed applications must be submitted by mid-February of each year to:

Daniel S. Turner, Chairman
HMR ALSITE Scholarships, Inc.
PO Box 870205
University of Alabama
Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0205

Award Requirements

A candidate for a scholarship award must meet each of several criteria. To be considered for the award, a candidate shall be:

1. Enrolled in an undergraduate Civil Engineering program at an ABET accredited university in the State of Alabama;
2. Academically classified by the university as a junior or senior when application is submitted (graduate students are ineligible);
3. Demonstrate a strong commitment to the discipline of transportation engineering;
4. Recommended by a faculty member or Member or Affiliate Member of ALSITE;
5. Demonstrate a financial need for the scholarship; and
6. Not related to any Board Member of Harold M. Raynor ALSITE Scholarships, Inc.

Candidate Evaluation

The Foundation's Selection Committee reviews each application and ranks the candidates on the basis of the following evaluation categories:

- ☐ Academic Achievement
- ☐ Career Objectives
- ☐ Financial Need
- ☐ Leadership Activities
- ☐ Employment History

Academic Requirements

To receive scholarship payments, the recipient must remain enrolled in a fully accredited Civil Engineering curriculum and must provide to the Foundation's Treasurer the following information each grading period:

- ☐ Academic Standing
- ☐ Confirmation of enrollment
- ☐ Confirmation of course schedule
- ☐ Copy of prior grading period grades

Upon receipt of the required information, scholarship award payments **only** for the **next academic period** will be made at the **start of each** academic period to the student's institution for credit to the recipient's account.

Management of HMR ALSITE Scholarships, Inc.

The Foundation is independent of, but associated with, the Alabama Section of ITE. A Board of Directors governs the Foundation and the Board currently has four managing Directors:

Daniel S. Turner, Chairman
John R. McCarthy, Vice Chairman
Richard L. Caudle, Treasurer
Julie W. LeNoir, Secretary
Vacant, Director

In addition, the Board has four Ex-Officio Members:

Kenneth J. Cush
Rocky D. Garrison
Walter C. Dorsey
Rod E. Turochy

Also, the Board has two Emeritus Directors:

Harold M. Raynor, Historian
Robert L. Vecellio

History of the Harold M. Raynor ALSITE Scholarship, Inc.

The Alabama Section established a very worthwhile scholarship program. A large endowment was created to perpetually provide scholarships to students interested in transportation engineering. However, in 1993 the membership's concern over the size of the endowment, and changes to IRS rules regarding gifts and documentation of gifts, grew larger and caused the Section to rethink the management of its scholarship program.

After a yearlong study, on January 20, 1994 an Ad Hoc Scholarship Policy Committee composed of David Griffin, Harold Raynor and Dan Turner recommended to the membership a stronger form of management for the endowment funds . . . a tax exempt, private Foundation. On May 23, 1994 ALSITE Scholarsips, Inc. was incorporated in Baldwin County, AL as a private foundation by David R. Griffin, Harold M. Raynor, Jerry L. Reeves, Daniel S. Turner and Robert L. Vecellio.

The ALSITE membership approved the Ad Hoc Scholarship Policy Committee's scholarship funding and management concept at its June 10, 1994 Annual Meeting. On September 2, 1994 ALSITE Scholarships, Inc. was granted tax-exempt status from both the state and federal governments. All of the Section's funds in the ITE Endowment Fund was transferred to the newly formed Foundation on February 3, 1995.

In its business meeting of October 5, 2005, the ALSITE membership voted to increase the meeting registration surcharge fee to \$10.00 in order to produce additional funds for the scholarship endowment. In 2006 the organizers of the Annual Billy Jones Memorial Golf Tournament elected to contribute \$5.00 of each participant's entry fee to the Foundation. In 2007 the Annual ALSITE Bass Tournament was created with all proceeds going to the Foundation to fund scholarships. In 2009 at its Fall Business Meeting, the membership voted to contribute all future ALSITE Newsletter proceeds to the Foundation.

On October 6, 2005 at a special meeting in Mobile, AL of the Foundation's Board of Directors, Vice Chair Bob Vecellio offered the following resolution:

Harold Raynor, through his vision and dedicated work, has provided outstanding leadership and service to ALSITE SCHOLARSHIPS, Inc.

He was instrumental in setting up the Foundation and recently completed thorough documentation of the history of the organization.

Two numbers characterize his tenure: 10 years and \$100,000.

He has provided outstanding leadership to Dan, David and me serving on the Board of Directors.

Most importantly he has helped the Foundation achieve its goal of providing scholarship funds to assist Alabama Civil Engineering transportation undergraduates.

I move that the Foundation be renamed in honor of its first Chairman, Harold M. Raynor.

Vice Chair Bob Vecellio confirmed that legal counsel had been consulted regarding this proposed name change and that such a change could be easily accomplished. The motion was unanimously approved.

Harold Raynor was surprised by the motion and expressed deep appreciation for this special honor, and offered the following observations:

Many others have played key roles in the Scholarship Program's success and in particular the ALSITE membership. The true success of ALSITE Scholarships, Inc. since its inception has been due to the dedicated efforts of an exceptional group of Board Members. Bob Vecellio, Dan Turner and David Griffin have served as ALSITE Scholarships Board Members since the Foundation's beginning and they have been a true joy to work with. The Foundation's success has been a team effort, and it has been personally rewarding to work with colleagues who shared a passion to assist undergraduates in Civil Engineering and cultivate their interest in the transportation field.

The name change became official when Articles of Amendment, changing the name of the corporation to Harold M. Raynor ALSITE Scholarships, Inc., were filed in Baldwin County, AL on May 5, 2006.

Harold M. Raynor Bio

Harold M. Raynor is a native of North Carolina and was raised in the Tidewater Area of the Old Dominion, and is a longtime resident of Gulf Shores, Alabama. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserve serving during the Vietnam era and is a Life Member of American Legion Post No. 1983.

Harold received civil and transportation engineering degrees from Virginia Tech in 1962, and was a member of The Kappa Alpha Order, the Student Chapters of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the American Road Builders Association for which he served as Chapter President in 1961. He is a Life Member of the VA Tech Alumni Association and in 2012 was inducted into The Old Guard Association.



Encouraged by his grandfather, Harold loved golf from a very young age. He was a child prodigy of the famed Tommy Galloway an Irish golf professional at the Hermitage Country Club in Richmond, VA. Harold evolved into an accomplished amateur golfer winning a number of scholastic and collegiate championships. He was a Founding Member of Craft Farms' Cotton Creek Club in Gulf Shores and was previously a member of Hermitage Country Club, Carolina Golf Club in Charlotte, NC and Gulf Shores Golf Club.

While a participant in the Bubby Worsham Memorial Junior Golf Tournament in the Bethesda, Maryland area in the 50's, Harold had a chance meeting with Henry A. Barnes that would later shape his adult professional traffic engineering career. Barnes was a famous municipal traffic engineer and traffic commissioner who served in a number of U.S. cities, including Flint, Denver, Baltimore and New York City. Barnes was responsible for a number of traffic engineering innovations, including the **Barnes' Dance** and **Green Wave** of coordinated traffic signals and the application of actuated traffic signals (signal displays triggered by the detected presence of a vehicle or pedestrian). Along with Herman J. Hoose of Charlotte, NC, Mr. Barnes was one of Harold's closest career mentors until his untimely death in 1968.

Harold served as Assistant City Traffic Engineer in Greensboro, NC; Director of Traffic and Transportation City of Charleston, SC; and Chief Traffic Engineer and Manager of Traffic Operations City of Charlotte, NC. In addition, he was in the private practice of transportation engineering in Atlanta, Georgia for several years and has served as an expert witness in traffic operation court cases. He also served as guest lecturer on municipal transportation management at Clemson University, Georgia Institute of Technology and the University of South Carolina. He was a Seminar Leader on Traffic Control Asset Management Programs for the Alabama, Florida and South Carolina Technology Transfer Programs.

He retired from Vulcan, Inc. in Foley, AL in 2005 as a vice president and manager of the Vulcan Technology Center, and still serves on Vulcan's Board of Directors.

Harold's background spanned Traffic Engineering and Management Systems' design and implementation. His experience included extensive development of Computerized Information and Control Systems with published and presented papers on the topics. He authored or co-authored in excess of 100 transportation articles/studies and received a number of outstanding technical paper awards from the Southern District Institute of Transportation Engineers.

In April 1972 he was presented with a **Public Safety Award** from the International Municipal Signal Association for the design and successful implementation of the first **Computerized Area-Wide Traffic Control and Surveillance System** in the United States. This **first closed-loop** traffic management system was installed in Charleston in 1970 and was the first attempt to apply Mr. Barnes' **Green Wave** technique to an **entire street network grid**. On October 21, 1980 he was issued U.S. Patent Number 4229726 as a co-inventor of the first microprocessor based "Portable Electronic Traffic Event Recorder".

Harold served on a number of Technical Committees of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) and the Southern District Institute of Transportation Engineers (SDITE). He is a Past President of the Alabama Section and the Southern District of ITE. As President of the Southern Section ITE 1971-72 he was responsible for the creation and implementation of the organization's **Annual Awards Program**. He received SDITE's highest professional service award the **Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award** in April 1979. In June of 1993 he was designated **1992 Alabama Transportation Engineer of the Year** by the Alabama Section of ITE. He is a Fellow-Life Member of ITE and Member of the Southern District ITE, Alabama Section ITE and former Member of the Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina Sections of ITE. In addition, he is a Member of the Institute of Transportation Engineers' Expert Witness Council.

In 2006 a one year special award was created. The DSITE and ALSITE Transportation Engineering Scholar Award was created to honor Victor A. McSwain, who contributed significantly to the success of the scholarship auction held at each ALSITE Annual Meeting. Each organization contributed \$750 to create the \$1,500 scholarship award.

Foundation Board of Directors' History and Terms of Service

The Articles of Incorporation and/or the basis for IRS' Letter of Determination classifying the organization as a Section 509(a) Private Foundation impose the following general restrictions on the Board of Directors:

- There shall be five (5) Members of this Foundation, all of whom shall be over the age of twenty-one years. The five organizers of this Foundation shall also serve as the Board of Directors, and shall elect from their numbers one (1) person to act as Chairman of the Board. The Board of Directors shall elect or designate a Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer may be the same person and may be a Member of the Board of this Foundation, but membership on the Board is not required;
- No action shall be taken by any officer or by the Board of Directors of this Foundation without the approval of a majority of this Board;

- All five Members of this Board shall serve until resignation, death, or being relieved by the affirmative vote of the other four Members of the Board. Replacement Board Members shall be elected by a simple majority of the remaining Members of the Board; and
- The Scholarship Selection Committee is composed solely of the Board of Directors of ALSITE Scholarships; Inc. Relatives of the Board are ineligible for scholarship awards.

At its June 9, 2005 Annual Meeting the Foundation's Board created a non-voting membership category called **Ex-Officio member**, and determined that such members shall be individuals representing various disciplines within the Alabama transportation community. The Foundation Board initially elected three (3) Ex-Officio members to two-year staggered terms beginning January 1, 2006, with each representing one of the following segments of the Alabama transportation community: Transportation Consultants, State Transportation Agencies, and Transportation Industries.

Effective January 1, 2006, the first three (3) elected Ex-Officio members of the Foundation were:

- Kenneth J. Cush
- Rocky D. Garrison
- Becky D. White

At its June 4, 2009 Annual Meeting the Foundation's Board created a non-voting membership category called **Director Emeritus**, and determined that such membership status at any one time shall be limited to a maximum of five retired Members of the Foundation's Board of Directors.

An individual may be invited to become a **Director Emeritus** member by the Foundation's Board of Directors after official receipt of the Board Member's letter of resignation from the Foundation's Board of Directors.

The following table summarizes the individuals that participated in the Foundation since it was founded, their terms of service and offices held during their years of service. An interesting sidebar . . . all three individuals that have served as Chairman of the Foundation's Board are also recipients of the highest individual honor bestowed by the Southern District ITE . . . the **Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award**.

Board Roster - Harold M Raynor ALSITE Scholarships, Inc					
Founding Directors	Served	Chair	Vice Chair	Secretary	Treasurer
David R. Griffin	1994 - 2009				1994 - 2009
Harold M. Raynor	1994 - 2010	1994 - 2005			
Jerry L. Reeves ¹	1994 - 2005				
Daniel S. Turner	1994 - Present	2012 - Present	2006 - 2012	1994 - 2005	
Robert L. Vecellio	1994 - 2012	2006 - 2012	1994 - 2005		
Elected Directors					
John R. McCarthy	2006 - Present		2012 - Present	2006 - 2009	
Richard L. Caudle	2010 - Present				2009 - Present
Julie W. LeNoir	2011 - Present			2011 - Present	
Becky D. White	2013 - 2014				
Ex-Officio Members					
Kenneth J. Cush	2006 - Present				
Rocky D. Garrison	2006 - Present				
Becky D. White	2006 - 2008				
Julie W. LeNoir	2008 - 2011			2009 - 2011	
Walter C. Dorsey	2009 - Present				
Rod E. Turochy	2013 - Present				
Emeritus Directors					
Harold M. Raynor	2010 - Present				
Robert L. Vecellio	2012 - Present				

¹ Deceased

Naming the Scholarship Awards

Founder's Scholarship Award

The initial \$1,000 scholarship award was named the **Founders' Scholarship** in honor of the 11+ Founding Members of the Alabama Division. This award was presented to Norman Steigler, a member of the Auburn ITE Student Chapter, at the 1986 Annual Meeting of the Division on June 20, 1986 by Charles E. Alexander, the Alabama Division's founding president.

Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship & ALSITE Traffic Engineering Scholarship Awards

In 1987 at its March 19th Spring Meeting in Tuscaloosa; Dan Turner, Chair of the Scholarship Committee, recommended to the Alabama Division membership that they approve naming the annual award the **Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship**. The Scholarship Committee's recommendation was enthusiastically adopted by those in attendance. In 1993 the Alabama Section membership voted to increase the award amount from \$1,000 to \$1,500 and also voted to provide an additional \$1,000 award for a second scholarship to be named the **ALSITE Traffic Engineering Scholarship**. For 1994 the membership approved increasing the **Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship** award amount to \$2,500, but did not fund an ALSITE Traffic Engineering Scholarship award.

On February 3, 1995 all of the ALSITE funds on deposit with the ITE Endowment Fund were transferred to the newly formed ALSITE Scholarships Foundation. From 1995 thru 1997 the Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship award amount remained \$2,500, but the ALSITE Traffic Engineering Scholarship was not awarded during this period. In 1998 the Foundation approved increasing the Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship award amount to \$3,000 and the ALSITE Traffic Engineering Scholarship award was set at \$2,000. For 1999 thru 2001 the annual Alexander Scholarship award remained \$3,000 and the ALSITE Traffic Engineering Scholarship award in 1999 was \$1,000. From 2002 thru 2012 the Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship award amount increase from \$3,500 to \$7,500 in an effort to keep pace with annual tuition cost increases at state universities. In 2014 the **Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship** award amount was increased to \$10,000.

Between 1986 and 1994 the scholarship recipients were invited to the ALSITE Annual Meetings in Gulf Shores expense free to receive their respective awards. The award ceremony typically took place at the Annual Banquet at which time each recipient was given an empty envelope symbolizing the presentation of a monetary award. The actual check was mailed to the recipient's school later.

In 1995 the Foundation initiated a practice of presenting each recipient with a customized plaque to memorialize the student's special accomplishment. See plaque examples under the **Recipient Award Certificates & Plaques** section below.

Following the untimely death of Charles E. Alexander on December 10, 2004, the Foundation changed the award's name to the **Charles E. Alexander Memorial Transportation Engineering Scholarship**. The Alexander Award Plaque was redesigned to incorporate the following biographical sketch of Charles.

Charles E. Alexander 1930 – 2004

Two of Charles E. Alexander's achievements mark him as the father of the traffic engineering profession in Alabama. First, he was the initial State Traffic Engineer of the Alabama Highway Department, at a time of significant development of the highway system. Second, his untiring efforts led to the formation of what is now the Alabama Section of the Southern District of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (**ALSITE**).

Charles was a native of Montgomery, Alabama and graduated from Montgomery High School. He also attended Auburn University and the



Traffic Institute at Northwestern University. He began his professional career with the City of Montgomery in August of 1956 and served as Assistant City Traffic Engineer. In August of 1966 he became the first State Traffic Engineer in the newly formed Traffic Engineering Section of the Alabama Highway Department. At that time, the Department's traffic engineering functions exhibited little organization or standardization. His excellent early decisions led to sound State procedures for traffic studies and control devices. By the time of his retirement from the Department in August of 1992, his steady, sure hand was evident in the high quality of traffic control devices along Alabama's highways.

Charles was a long-term member of the Institute of Transportation Engineers. He became an Associate Member in 1961 and was elected to the grade of Fellow in 1972. He was instrumental in the establishment of the Auburn University ITE Student Chapter in 1976. Throughout his career he encouraged engineering students across the State to enter the field of Transportation Engineering and to become active members of ITE. In 1972 at the 20th Southern Section ITE Annual Meeting in Memphis, Tennessee, Charles arranged an informal meeting of Section leaders to discuss forming a Division of ITE in Alabama. Afterwards, Charles volunteered to contact all Alabama ITE members and arrange a membership meeting in Montgomery to formally petition the Southern Section for an Alabama Division Charter.

The organizational meeting of the Alabama Division was held at the Sahara Restaurant (well known in Montgomery as a political watering hole) on June 29, 1972. Division Bylaws were adopted in accordance with Southern Section requirements and Charles was elected the first President. But first a huge procedural issue had to be resolved. The Southern Section's Bylaws required that a minimum of 12 ITE Members be in attendance, in person or via proxy, for formal adoption of a partitioning Division's Bylaws. At that time only 11 ITE Members resided in Alabama. Not to be deterred, Charles reasoned that since Harold Raynor, Immediate Past President of the Southern Section, was in attendance at the meeting . . . 12 ITE members had indeed participated! Over the years the resolution of this issue has been fondly referred to as . . . **Charles'creative counting**.

Charles' peers recognized his leadership by selecting him to receive the first **ALSITE Transportation Safety Award** and the **ALSITE Transportation Engineer of the Year Award** in 1985. In 1986 the Southern District awarded him the highest honor that it could bestow upon one of its Members, the **Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award**. Charles E. Alexander passed away on December 10, 2004 at his home in Montgomery, AL. By example and leadership, Charles E. Alexander made an indelible mark upon his profession, and Harold M. Raynor ALSITE Scholarships, Inc. is proud to perpetuate his efforts through this scholarship.

Billy Jones Memorial Traffic Engineering Scholarship

Following the premature death of Edward (Billy) Lehman Jones in a vehicle collision on Wednesday night April 28, 1999 in Punta Gorda, Florida; an anonymous donor approached the ALSITE Scholarship Foundation with an offer to fund an annual scholarship in Billy's memory.

The only conditions required by the donor were that his involvement not be publicly disclosed, that the award be named the **Billy Jones Memorial Traffic Engineering Scholarship** and that the Foundation administer the award. The Foundation gratefully accepted the opportunity to honor the memory of a passionate and legendary supporter of the scholarship program, and the 9th President of ALSITE.

Over the years the anonymous donor modified the conditions of his gift by requiring matching contributions from other sources on a dollar for dollar basis. In 2007 the anonymous donor retired, and the Foundation lost contact, which ended the donor's annual contribution. Since that time ALSITE and others have attempted to provide funding for the annual award. In 2014 the **Billy Jones Memorial Traffic Engineering Scholarship** award amount was increased to \$8,000.

The Jones Award Plaque was designed to incorporate the following biographical sketch of Billy. See plaque examples under **Recipient Award Certificates & Plaques** below.

Edward (Billy) Lehman Jones
1941 - 1999

Billy Jones was a native of Elmore County, Alabama and graduated from Wetumpka High School in 1959. He attended Auburn University and the Traffic Institute at Northwestern University, and was a member of the Alabama National Guard.

Billy was approved for Associate Membership in the Institute of Transportation Engineers in 1973 and attained the grade of Member in 1977. He was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Alabama Section in 1978. He served as Vice President in 1979 and was elected the Section's 9th President in 1980. During his professional career, Billy was a Member of the Southern District, and the Alabama, Deep South, Georgia and Tennessee Sections of ITE.



Billy's heart and soul showed in the way that he lived and the way that he loved his profession. He was an early advocate of the Alabama Section's efforts to establish a scholarship program and put his full support behind it. His financial contributions and bidding antics at the Annual Scholarship Auction (to drive up prices and generate more scholarship money) are legendary.

Billy began his professional career with the Alabama Highway Department on January 1, 1960 as an Engineering Assistant. On July 1, 1968 he became Assistant Traffic Engineer in the newly formed Traffic Engineering Section under the leadership of Charles Alexander, State Traffic Engineer. He specialized in signalized intersection design and was responsible for the statewide program to upgrade signalized intersections. Between November 1971 and December 1972 he worked with North Brothers Construction Company as a Construction Superintendent. But in December of 1972 he returned to his prior position with the Alabama Highway Department.

Starting March 1, 1982, he served as Southeastern Regional Sales Manager for Winko-Matic Signal Company. On August 1st of 1987 Billy became a Sales Manager for SASCO working out of their Headquarter Offices in Birmingham. He relocated to SASCO's Florida Office in April of 1992.

Back in 1970 the golf bug bit Billy and he attacked the sport with his usual gusto and determination. By 1972 he had a single digit handicap. Billy had a deep passion for the game, but because of lingering health issues was just beginning to return to his earlier form at his untimely death in 1999.

Billy's life ended prematurely in a collision on Wednesday night April 28, 1999 in Punta Gorda, Florida. While traveling south on I-75 during a heavy thunderstorm, his vehicle skidded out of control on the rain-slick pavement and crossed the median into the path of northbound traffic. At the time, he was a resident of Cocoa Beach, Florida and was employed by SASCO as Sales Manager in their Cape Canaveral Office. He was 58-years old at the time of his death.

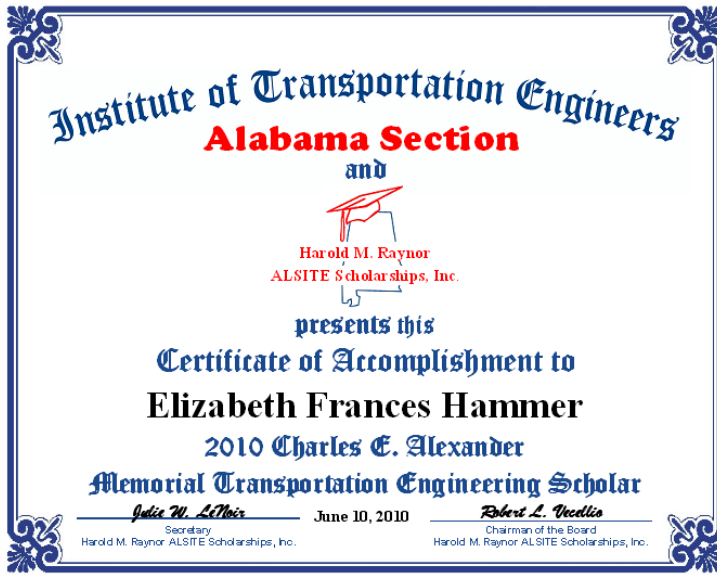
Two of the staples of his life, the Alabama Section ITE scholarship program (ALSITE Scholarships Inc.) and the golf tournament at the Annual Meeting in Gulf Shores are imprinted with his smile and enthusiasm. These provide members of the Section with lasting and loving memories of Billy.

Though slight in stature . . . Billy is remembered fondly as a consummate transportation professional and as a true southern gentleman with a **Big Heart**. Harold M. Raynor ALSITE Scholarships, Inc. is proud to honor Billy's memory by administering this scholarship award.

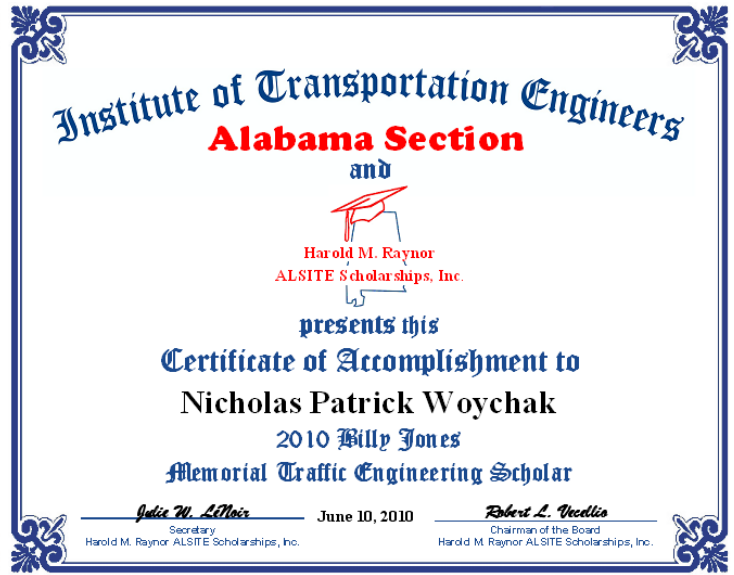
Recipient Award Certificates & Plaques

Displayed below are examples of the various customized certificates and plaques presented to each award recipient by the Foundation since 1995 to memorize the student's special accomplishment.

Alexander Award Certificate Example



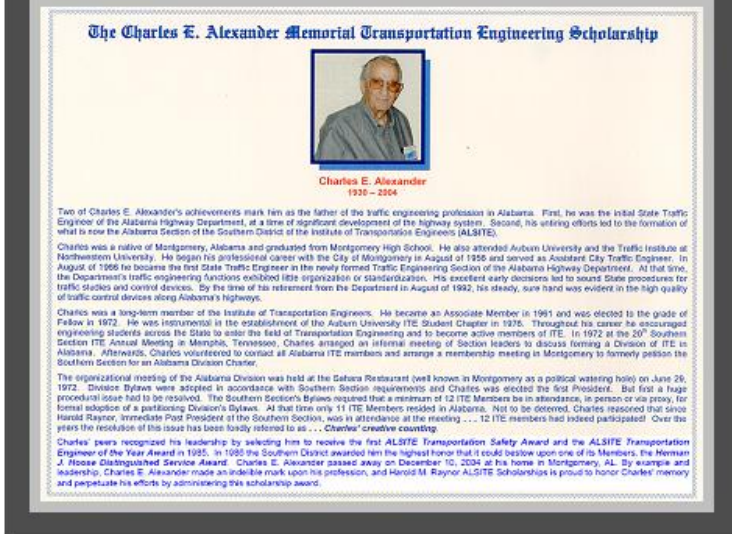
Jones Award Certificate Example



Alexander Award Plaque Example



Jones Award Plaque Example



Past Scholarship Recipients

Since 1986, 49 scholarships with a total value of \$155,650 have been awarded to civil engineering students at universities in Alabama. The table below lists the student's name, student's university, the year & name of award received and the scholarship amounts granted each year from 1986 to 2014.

Recipient's Name	University	Year & Award Received	Amount
Norman Steigler	Auburn University	1986 Founders' Scholar	\$1,000
J. Keith Maxwell	Auburn University	1987 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$1,000
Curtis Lineberry	University of Alabama	1988 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$1,000
John E. Murphy III	Auburn University	1989 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$1,000
Aubrey H. White III	Auburn University	1990 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$1,000
David J. Turner	University of Alabama	1991 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$1,500
Stacey N. Glass	Auburn University	1992 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$1,500
Onis Glenn III	Auburn University	1993 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$1,500
Jason C. Walker	University of Alabama	1993 ALSITE Traffic Engr. Scholar	\$1,000
Rodney N. Chester	University of Alabama	1994 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$2,500
Noel E. Gregory	University of Alabama	1995 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$2,500
Edgar N. Leicht	University of Alabama	1996 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$2,500
Matthew A. Mobley	Auburn University	1997 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$2,500
Edgar N. Leicht	University of Alabama	1997 ALSITE Traffic Engr. Scholar	\$1,500
Elizabeth M. Ford	Auburn University	1998 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$3,000
Marilyn H. Hogue	University of Alabama	1998 ALSITE Traffic Engr. Scholar	\$2,000
Tracy A. Hamill	Auburn University	1999 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$3,000
Donnie J. Daniels	Auburn University	1999 ALSITE Traffic Engr. Scholar	\$1,000
Douglas R. Peterson	Auburn University	2000 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$3,000
Sara M. Jacobs	Auburn University	2000 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Laura Emily Fuqua	Auburn University	2001 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$3,000
Jil Chambless	University of Alabama	2001 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Amanda D. Estes	University of Alabama	2002 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$3,500
Ben D. Pierce	Auburn University	2002 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Mary E. Dougherty	Auburn University	2003 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$3,500
Amanda Estes Irvin	University of Alabama	2003 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Robert B. Waldschmidt	Auburn University	2004 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$3,700
Jesse Daniel Creel	University of Alabama	2004 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
David Gaither Whitman	University of Alabama	2005 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$3,700
Trent Ronald Turner	Auburn University	2005 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Seckin Ozkul	Auburn University	2006 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$3,700
David Edward Stanley	Auburn University	2006 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Terence C. Williamson	University of Alabama	2006 DSITE & ALSITE McSwain Scholar	\$1,500
Johnnie Cherneski Waid	University of AL Birmingham	2007 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$4,000
Leslie Anne Nicholson	University of Alabama	2007 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Micah David Witt	University of AL Huntsville	2008 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$4,250
Erica L. Thomas	Auburn University	2008 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
James Hugh Kyzar IV	University of Alabama	2009 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$4,800
Hayley Louise Cole	Auburn University	2009 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Elizabeth F. Hammer	Auburn University	2010 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$6,800
Nicholas P. Woychak	University of Alabama	2010 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Tommy M. James, Jr.	Auburn University	2011 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$7,500
Laura B. Pockstaller	University of Alabama	2011 Billy Jones Scholar	\$3,500
Thomas P. Glanton	Auburn University	2012 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$7,500
Amanda E. Spillers	Auburn University	2012 Billy Jones Scholar	\$2,500
Jamieson Daniel Matthews	University of AL Birmingham	2013 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$9,200
DoriAnn Bonita Clayton	Auburn University	2013 Billy Jones Scholar	\$3,500
Isaac Wasilefsky	Auburn University	2014 Charles E. Alexander Scholar	\$10,000
Gauen Rhys Alexander	University of AL Birmingham	2014 Billy Jones Scholar	\$8,000

TOTAL VALUE OF AWARDS = \$155,650

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