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HIGHLIGHTS

2014 Alumnus of the Year to be honored at MTI Graduation Ceremony

Tickets available for MTI's Commencement Banquet on Saturday, June 21

Alumni Happy Hour on Friday, June 20 at Gordon Biersch Brewery

Alumni Association website at:
www.mticonnect.org

MTIAA LEADERSHIP TEAM

Walt Allen, President
Donna Maurillo, Vice President
Brandi Childress
Ann Calnan
Ward Thomas, MTIAA Webmaster
Rachel Donovan

From the President

Join Us at the Graduation Banquet Saturday, June 21st

Greetings Fellow MTI Alumni,

I hope that this letter finds you healthy, in good spirits, and getting ready for the beginning of summer!

We will be celebrating the 2014 MTI Alumna of the Year, as well as making preparations for activities surrounding the MTI Commencement Banquet on **Saturday, June 21**, at the new SJSU Student Center. Alumni reception starts at 5pm, wine tasting is at 6pm, and dinner is at 7pm.

I hope to see as many alumni at the Commencement Banquet, as there will be a special table for you. Invitations have been mailed out, but if you did not receive one, contact Jill Carter, jill.carter@sjsu.edu, or call 408-924-7560. You can make reservations through her. Tickets are \$45, which is "at cost." Reservations must be made by **Friday, June 13**. Meal choices are steak, chicken, or vegetable ravioli. Tell her you want to sit with the alumni.

The MTIAA Leadership Team has accomplished several items over the past year. I want to give many thanks to Rachel Donovan, Brandi Childress, Donna Maurillo, Ann Calnan, and Ward Thomas for all their efforts to strengthen the MTI Alumni Association.

Please feel free to contact us at Mineta.Trans.Alumni@gmail.com with any comments or suggestions. We appreciate your support!

Best regards,
Walt Allen President, MTI Alumni Association
Principal Transportation Planner, Parsons

And the 2014 Alumnus/a of the Year Award Goes to...

MTIAA is happy to announce that the 2014 Alumna of the Year is Mary Frederick, Office Chief, Division of Project Management at Caltrans. Mary is receiving this honor as a former graduate of the MSTM Program (2003) and outstanding alumni member who reflects the core values of MTI. Mary has excelled in her professional development, which includes career achievements, continued commitment to the MSTM program, and/

or distinguished leadership in the transportation industry.

Mary will be honored at the Alumni VIP reception and Annual Meeting that begins at 5 p.m. prior to the Commencement Banquet on June 21. Please join us in celebrating her accomplishments!

If you have questions, contact Brandi Childress, (408) 952-4297 or brandichildress07@gmail.com.

Alumni Socials!

We are planning multiple events surrounding the Commencement Banquet, including the following:

- ⇒ Friday night (June 20) Alumni reception at Gordon Biersch Brewery, 33 E San Fernando St, San Jose , 5 to 8 pm.
- ⇒ Alumni VIP reception and Annual Meeting on June 21, 5 pm in addition to the pre-graduation, wine-tasting/networking, which begins at 6 pm.
- ⇒ Reserved alumni table at this year's banquet.
- ⇒ For future events, please visit the MTI Alumni webpage at www.mticonnect.org.

Hope to see you soon!



MTI Alumni Spotlight—Your Profile Here?

Hello current students and alums!

Our team was chatting just the other day and marveling at the accomplishments and interesting career paths that current MTI students and alums have traveled over the past years. It is amazing what an awesome network we have and wouldn't be great to tap into our own network as we move through life helping each other along the way. LinkedIn profiles are great, yet it is even better when we can put a more personal touch to establish a connection.

As I reflect back upon my career since starting the Master program at MTI, I realize that I have

worked with three different organizations and held four different positions; what a fantastic ride it has been! My initial inspiration came from a co-worker who had also just started the program.

The MTIAA is looking for a quick blurb from you and what you have been doing for the past five plus years. Are you willing to type out a quick paragraph of your current and past positions and responsibilities/projects?

Our goal is to share your write-up with each student and alum of MTI so we can start sharing and creating a better dialog amongst each other with the goal of finding more common ground and

sharing more experiences.

Thanks in advance for spending five minutes to write a quick synopsis of your professional activities over the past five years or so. The more information you can share, the better. Please send a recent photo, if you wish. Email everything to MTIConnect@Gmail.com.

*Ward Thomas
MTIAA Webmaster*

