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Dear Members,

For nearly nine years, WTS has been recognized as one of the premier transportation organizations in Washington. This recognition comes from an enthusiastic membership supporting a broad range of program activities that strive to be tropical and informative. WTS Washington, with over 300 members, is very proud to be part of a growing national network that now has seventeen chapters and almost 2,000 members.

During 1985, the chapter made great progress in interacting with other transportation organizations in the metropolitan Washington area. The March luncheon which featured Representative James J. Florio was a very successful joint effort with the Women's Council on Energy and the Environment (WCEE). To commemorate National Transportation Week (May 12-18, 1985), WTS and six other organizations including Traffic Club of Washington; Traffic Service Corporation; American Trucking Associations; National Industrial Transportation League; and the Washington chapters of the Transportation Research Forum and the Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity produced a multi-modal poster that appeared on Metrobuses and in numerous public buildings. Our October dinner meeting was co-sponsored with Delta Nu Alpha and presented the Executive Vice President, Sales and Marketing, Seaboard/Chessie System Railroads, James A. Hagen. WTS was very pleased to join with the members of these organizations and we look to continuing our relationship in the future.

At the January Anniversary party, the 1984 Annual Achievement Award was presented to Rosalind (Lindy) Knapp, Deputy General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Transportation, in recognition of her distinguished career in transportation and the contribution she has made both in shaping today's transportation policies and in leading the way for other women in our field. The Member of the Year Award was presented to Shirley Lloyd to recognize her many years of service to WTS and, particularly, her efforts as chair of the 1984 Annual Conference Steering Committee. The recipient of the WTS Congressional Achievement Award was Representative William Lehman, Chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation. The award was made at our annual Congressional Reception to acknowledge Congressman Lehman for his vigorous pursuit of programs that support public transportation and the development of a rational transportation network in our country.

Our membership has stabilized and matured during the past year. We interacted with others, our programs reflected a diversity of topics and interests, and some of our members were recognized through WTS National. Sally Cooper was named WTS Woman of the Year at the Annual Conference in Boston. WTS National officers for 1985-86 include Jean Kerr, President; Judy Kaplan Wener, Secretary; and Kathy Hooper, Director-at-Large. WTS Washington is proud of the accomplishments of these members.

WTS has had a good year through the dedicated efforts of its members. On behalf of the 1985 Executive Board, I would like to extend our thanks and gratitude for all the members and friends of WTS who contributed their time and resources to making 1985 an extremely rewarding year for WTS Washington.

Sincerely,

Sherri Alston
Washington Chapter
President



1983 Achievement Award winner Carmen Turner (Left) with 1984 winner, Rosalind (Lindy) Knapp.



WTS Eighth Anniversary Party, January 8, 1985



William H. Dempsey, President, Association of American Railroads, at the February luncheon.



Rep. Bill Lehman (D-FL) is presented the First Annual WTS Washington Chapter Congressional Achievement Award by Sherri Alston, Chapter President, at the June 5 Congressional Reception (Photo by Peggy K. Hudson)

WTS WASHINGTON PROGRAMS

Jan. 8

WTS Washington Eighth Anniversary Party—1984 Achievement Award Winner, Rosalind Knapp, Deputy General Counsel, U.S. DOT; 1984 Member Recognition Award Winner, Shirley Lloyd. Among those present were James Burnley, U.S. DOT Deputy Secretary; Donald Derman, Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs; John Riley, FRA Administrator; Ray Barnhart, FHWA Administrator; Ray Sander, UMTA Executive Director; Jenna Dorn, Director, Office of Commercial Space; ICC Commissioners Heather Gradison, Reese Taylor, Frederick Andre, J.J. Simmons, Paul Lamboley, and Andrew Stenio; Carmen Turner, WMATA General Manager; Graham Clayton, Amtrak President.

Feb. 28

William H. Dempsey, President, Association of American Railroads, "What the Staggers Act Has Meant to the Railroads."

March 18

Representative James Florio, Chairman, House Energy Subcommittee on Commerce, Transportation and Tourism, spoke at a joint WTS/Women's Council on Energy and the Environment (WCEE) luncheon on the impact of budget cuts on Amtrak, mass transit programs and the Superfund.

April 25

Robert E. Watkins, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Automotive Affairs and Consumer Goods, U.S. Department of Commerce, "International Competitiveness of the U.S. Auto Industry".

May 16

Jane E.M. Holt, WTS member and independent financial and transportation consultant, Tim Gardner, Amtrak Vice President for Market Planning and Development, Arrigo Mongini, Deputy Associate Administrator of Passenger and Freight Service, U.S. DOT, "Feasibility of High Speed Rail in the U.S."

May 29

T.A. "Bert" Nisbet, Executive Coordinator, Trucking Industry Alliance, "Programs to Improve the Image of the Trucking Industry".

June 5

Annual Congressional Reception, Congressional Achievement Award presented to Rep. William Lehman, Chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation. Numerous Congressional Members and staff, Executive Branch officials, and transportation industry representatives attended.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION WEEK

May 12-18, 1985

Traffic Club of Washington
Traffic Service Corporation
American Trucking Associations
National Industrial Transportation League
Washington Chapter, Transportation Research Forum
Washington Chapter of Women's Transportation Seminar
Washington Chapter of Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity



In honor of National Transportation Week, WTS and other Washington area transportation groups joined together to sponsor this poster depicting various modes of transportation in an effort to heighten public awareness of National Transportation Week.

June 27 J. "Til" Hazel, Vice Chairman of the Greater Washington Board of Trade's Transportation Coordinating Committee, "The Business Community's View of Transportation Policies for the D.C. Metropolitan Area".

July 24 Governor Linwood Holton, Chairman, Advisory Commission on the Reorganization of the Metropolitan Washington Airports, "Transfer of the Washington Metropolitan Airports to an Independent Airport Authority."

Aug. 27 M. Lee Rice, President, Shipbuilders Council of America, "Shipbuilding and National Defense."

Sept. 26 Wendell Cox, independent consultant and immediate past chairman of the American Public Transit Association's governing board, "Competition in Public Transit—Private Sector Contracting."

Oct. 29 James A. Hagen, Executive Vice President, Sales and Marketing, CSX Corporation, "Change - How Much - How Fast" at a joint WTS/Delta Nu Alpha dinner.

Nov. 22 Diane Steed, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, U.S. DOT, "NHTSA's Highway Safety Programs."

Dec. 12 WTS Reception for Washington Chapter members elected to WTS National Board: Jean Kerr, President; Judy Kaplan Wener, Secretary; and Katherine Hooper, Director-at-Large.

Dec. 19 WTS Meet the Members and Annual Business Meeting—Fran Hooper, Project Administrator, Transit Operations, WMATA; Ralph Craft, Project Manager, National Governors' Association; Carol A. Roberts, Acting Deputy Director, Information Sciences and Human Factors Division, NASA; Beverly F. Walker, Executive Director, Truck Renting and Leasing Association.



Rep. Helen Bentley (R-MD) congratulating Rep. Lehman on receiving the Award. (Photo by Peggy K. Hudson)



From left to right: Jean Kerr, Maritime Administration, National President, WTS; Jim Hagen, CSX Corp., guest speaker; Sherri Alston, D.C. Dept. of Public Works, WTS Chapter President; Bronwyn McCall, assistant editor, Traffic World, President, DNA chapter 84 (Washington)



Judy Kaplan Wener, 1986 WTS National Secretary; Sherri Alston, 1985 Washington Chapter President; Diane Steed, NHTSA Administrator; and Jean Kerr, 1986 WTS National President at the November 29 luncheon.