



*Advancing Women in Transportation*  
 Greater New York Chapter



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## What's Happening at WTS-GNY

Election season! WTS-GNY 2016 Board positions are open. For more information, visit [www.wtsinternational.org/greaternewyork/nominations](http://www.wtsinternational.org/greaternewyork/nominations)

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### Brown Bag Lunch at MTA LIRR a Success!

WTS-GNY Board President Beth DeAngelo, LIRR President Pat Nowakowski and Membership Chair Sandra Forte gave a presentation at a MTA Long Island Rail Road brown bag lunch on Friday August 7. There was a full house! Participants had the opportunity to confer in small groups, then report out, on what would help them the most with the challenges to women's advancement. Nowakowski asked the attendees (95% women) how many were WTS members. When only a few hands were raised, Nowakowski encouraged LIRR employees to become active in organizations like WTS to help their professional development.

DeAngelo concluded that "It is so invigorating to see the support we get from the industry! Thanks to Barbara (Kearse) and Sandra (Forte) for making our visit to LIRR a success!"

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## Save the dates for these upcoming events



- **Early October: Technical Tour of the Statewide Transportation Management**

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Center (STMC), which is jointly operated by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, New Jersey Dept. of Transportation, and New Jersey State Police.

- [Wednesday October 7: Annual Gala at Battery Gardens](#). Join us as we honor Woman of the Year Polly Trottenberg, commissioner of the NYC Department of Transportation as well as our annual award winners and scholarship recipients. Click on the event title to register.
- October NJ Dinner Program
- Monday November 2: NY Dinner Program at Club 101

Check our website

[www.wtsinterational.org/greaternewyork](http://www.wtsinterational.org/greaternewyork) for updates on events, and watch your email inbox for invites!

## Members on the Move!

On August 26, 2015 **Joan McDonald** was appointed to the National Infrastructure Advisory Council by President Barack Obama. From 2011 until last month, McDonald served as DOT commissioner for New York state and was previously commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development. Before that, she was the New York City Economic Development Corporation's senior vice president for transportation, the city's deputy commissioner for planning and traffic operations, and a director for Metro-North Railroad.



**Sandra Forte** (formerly of WSP Parsons Brinckerhoff) has joined VHB as a senior transportation analyst in their Hauppauge, Long Island office.



**Aimee Jefferson**, co-chair of the Young Professionals committee, has joined the New Jersey Turnpike Authority as a senior planner in the Regional and Subregional Planning department.

Author author! Our congratulations to

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**Daniella Bernett** (research manager at STV, Inc.) on the publishing of her book, Lead Me Into Danger, to be released on October 1, 2015. The first novel in her mystery series about a journalist and a jewel thief, it is set in London and Venice.

The book will be available at blackopalbooks.com, barnesandnoble.com and amazon.com, and your local bookstore. Bernett will be reading from and signing her book at the Mysterious



Bookshop in Manhattan (58 Warren Street) on Friday, October 9.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### Dewberry seeks proposal manager

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Required skills & experience:

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- Effective project management skills, including planning, organization, problem identification and resolution, and resource management skills.
- Strong interpersonal skills necessary to lead multi-discipline teams.
- Extensive experience with proposal process and production.
- Familiarity with ADOBE Creative Suite and proficiency in INDESIGN, desktop publishing or graphics software also preferred.
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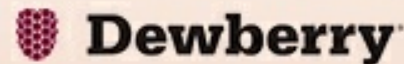
### **Transportation planning internship with Sam Schwartz Engineering (SSE)**

Paid internship to start in September with a requirement of at least 16 hours a week through the fall semester, with the possibility of continuing in the spring. Internship will include preparing quantitative analyses, conducting field work, research, writing, and developing graphics, presentations, and maps.

Candidates must have a demonstrated interest in transportation planning and ideally have some related work/ or school experience. At a minimum, candidates should have taken a transportation-related class. Candidates should be enrolled in a master's degree program in urban planning or a related field.

To apply, email a resume (2 pages max) and cover letter (1 page max) to [sfrommer@samschwartz.com](mailto:sfrommer@samschwartz.com), with "Planning research intern" in the subject line, by September 11, 2015.

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