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PRESIDENT KRISTIN WINZELER

Happy 2021 to our WTS community! As we turn the corner on 2020 and head into the hope and promise of safer and healthier days ahead, we are excited to build on our successes from last year and bring you new opportunities in 2021.

Thank you to our past president and board of directors for leading us through this past year with encouragement, positivity, and ingenuity.

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I am incredibly honored to serve as the 2021-2022 President. This organization has given me so much in my many years as a member, and I am beyond grateful for the opportunity to serve you and pay it forward.

And to that point, I'd love to introduce the focus of this year's first newsletter -- our membership! Our new Board is ready and excited to continue the commitment from last year to offer our members engaging, informative programming as we also prepare for ways to begin in-person activities when it is safe to do so. We have ideas and plans to continue enhancing our favorite programs like the scholarship luncheon, as well as introduce new programs engaging our regional chapters and transportation leaders.

Thank you to all our members and corporate partners for continuing to actively engage and support us to make WTS Atlanta the best that it can be for our industry. I look forward to serving you in this new year!

UPCOMING VIRTUAL EVENT

Annual Membership Meeting



January 26, 11 AM to Noon (via Zoom)

Learn more about our vision for 2021, the exciting programs in store and how you can get involved.

Click here to [register](#).

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP



Jordyn Jones

Arcadis Planner, WTS Member

"I've been a member of the WTS Atlanta chapter for the past three years, and it has honestly been a dream come true. I've served in several positions - most recently as chair of two committees. I was in the 2018 Mentor Protégé Program, which was a great experience for me. As a protégé I was able to connect with several industry professionals at various stages of their careers. It was a wonderful way to increase my network. Now I serve as co-chair for the Mentor Protégé program, and it gives me the opportunity to give back to a program that has meant so much to me and my career."

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MEMBERS MAKING NEWS

HNTB's Tolls Project Manager **Iris Ortiz** and Director of Environmental Planning **Charlotte Weber** have been appointed to Associate Vice Presidents at HNTB.

Tamae Partain, Project Director for Atkins' Public and Private Business Unit, was recently elected Director-At-Large of the Project Management Institute (PMI) Atlanta Board. With over 5,000 members, the Atlanta Chapter of PMI is one of the top five largest chapters in the world.

Rukiya Thomas, Atkins' VP of Senior Regional Business Development and Strategy Director - Greater Atlanta Engineering, Design and Project Management, North America, joined The Atkins Foundation Board starting January 2021 as chair of the new Employee Resource Group STAND for African Americans and allies.

Congratulations to all these members on their professional achievements!

Have you recently received a promotion? Changed companies? Reached a new personal milestone? We want to celebrate you. Email cara.vojdanie@arcadis.com to be featured in an upcoming newsletter.



WE'RE LISTENING Annual Membership Survey



We have planned this year with our WTS community first and foremost in mind. That's why we greatly appreciate the outstanding participation in our recent annual membership survey.

We gathered significant insights from the survey to plan our 2021 programming, content and engagement with you. Please take a moment to review the results [here](#).

Congratulations to our raffle winners, Allison Bell with VHB and Kerrie Boyette with KCI! Each will receive a WTS swag bag as a thank you for participating. Thank you to everyone for your input and support!

THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS

We are incredibly grateful for the outstanding partnerships we have with our corporate sponsors each year, and even more so this past year, when our activities changed so dramatically. Despite the challenges we faced, our partners stood by the organization and provided invaluable support and collaboration to continue our work for the WTS community.

Given all that they did for WTS in 2020, we are very excited to offer an extension on their existing sponsorships into 2021, carrying over the same great benefits. We are also incredibly grateful to two of our sponsors who upgraded their support this year, CERM and Intellectual Concepts.

Each year our partners help make it possible to offer generous scholarships and educational opportunities for students, informative programs and continuing education credits, professional networking activities, community service events and so much more.

If you are interested in becoming a corporate partner, we would love to have you join our organization. Our sponsorships include great benefits like corporate promotions at events, spotlights in WTS communications, memberships and more. Please reach out to WTS President Kristin Winzeler at kwinzeler@northfultoncid.com for more information.

Thank you again to all our wonderful partners. We look forward to the great things we will do together this year.

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