Greetings!

Welcome to the October issue of the Transportation Tidbits Newsletter! This issue features the latest happenings within the transportation industry along with a list of upcoming transportation conferences and webinars. You can also find some of the latest news from our faculty and students! If you have questions or comments about this month’s issue, please let us know. Enjoy!

The basic means of providing public transportation has been largely unchanged since its inception. According to Museum of the City the omnibus was invented in the 1820. "The omnibus was a large horse-drawn vehicle, which was enclosed and followed a route. Similar to a horse-drawn carriage, the driver would sit in a separate seat outside the vehicle. Many omnibuses were double-deckers, with the top deck being open. Models were introduced which could hold up to 42 passengers. This required 3 horses to pull."

Now nearly two centuries later, sans horses, public buses look almost unchanged. We are lucky to have amenities like comfortable seating, temperature control and safety updates from original models, but some public transportation users are craving more!

Designer Dahir Insaat proposes a transportation project for the future, suggesting that public transportation will travel above traffic for multiple layers of travel.

Important Dates for NDSU Students

10/29: Last day to withdraw to zero credits @ 50% refund

10/30: Spring registration begins online based on total credits completed
Recent News Updates

Hurricane Irma Recovery Efforts by USDOT & FAA in the Caribbean

Kids’ Art Contest Highlights Road Safety

Protect your Kids on the Road

A Message From Secretary Chao on Hurricane Irma

A Vision for Safety: Safer Roads Through Vehicle Automation

To learn more about the history of public transportation check out Museum of the City, and to learn more about Dahir Insaat's vision for the future of public transportation and gyroscopic transportation check out DesignBoom.com.

Webinars

- **Long-Term Field Performance of Warm Mix Asphalt Pavements**
  - October 25, 2017

Upcoming Conferences

- **Sixth International Human Factors Rail Conference**
  - November 6-9, 2017, London, UK
- **Second Pan American conference on Unsaturated Soils**
  - November 12-15, 2017, Dallas, Texas
- **29th Road Profile Users Group Conference**
  - November 14-16, 2017, Denver, Colorado
- **2017 National Accelerated Bridge Construction Conference**
  - December 7-8, 2017, Miami, Florida
- **4th Conference of Transportation Research Group of India**
  - December 17-20, 2017, Mumbai, India

Workshops/ Meetings

Nothing to report at this time.
We would like to recognize Ihsan Ullah for his contributions to the ATL team at the BSO Tapeball Cricket Tournament 2017.

This Plane is Trying to Fly to 90,000 Feet Without an Engine

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