

# **Agenda for Open Session of Committee on the Safe Mobility of Older Persons (ANB60)**

## ***Open to All TRB Attendees***

Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting  
5:30pm to 7:00pm, January 12, 2004  
Wardman Marriott. Balcony A  
Cynthia Owsley, Presiding

### Attendance:

#### **Committee Members**

Cynthia Owsley, Chair, University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Beth Stalvey, Secretary, Texas Department on Aging  
Richard Pain, TRB  
Elizabeth Alicandri, Federal Highway Administration  
Karlene Ball, University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Ann Dellinger, Centers for Disease Control  
T. Bella Dinh-Zarr, AAA National Office  
John Eberhard, Senior Consultant, Aging and Transportation  
Richard Marottoli, VA Connecticut, Yale University  
Kent Milton, California Highway Patrol  
Christopher G B Mitchell, Transport Scientist and Engineer  
Matthew Rizzo, University of Iowa  
Susan Samson, Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc., Florida  
Harvey Sterns, University of Akron  
Donald Trilling  
Esther Wagner, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Sheila West, Johns Hopkins University  
Joanne Wood, Queensland University of Technology  
Steve Roberson, State Farm Insurance Company  
Thomas Walsh, representing Jerry Roche, Federal Highway Administration

#### **Participants**

Dennis McCarthy, University of Florida  
Joan Severson, Digital Artefacts  
Alan Fried, ITN America  
Katherine Freund, ITN America  
Germaine Odenheimer, Oklahoma University Health Science Center  
Loren Staplin, TransAnalytics  
Larry Decina, TransAnalytics  
Sue Chrysler, Texas Transportation Institute  
Lisa Peters-Beumer, Easter Seals  
Michelle Porter, University of Manitoba  
Suzanne Feldman, NHTSA

Elaine Murakami, FHWA  
Sharon Levi, Westat  
Doreen DeLeonardis, Westat  
Jon Burkhardt, Westat  
Ergun Uc, University of Iowa  
John Andersen, University of California at Riverside  
Gene Amparano, FHWA  
Aleid Helwtia, EDP  
Francis Gross, Penn State University  
Cydney DeModica, AZDOT/MVD/AAMVA  
Arline Dellman, Auto Club of Southern California  
Diane Wigle, US DOT/Office of the Secretary  
Burt Stephens, Seniors Institute at University of Florida  
Dona Sauerburger, Environmental Access Committee of AER's Orientation and Mobility  
Walter Barta, CAA Alberta  
Gabriel Rousseau, FHWA Office of Safety RD&T  
Stephanie Binder, SAIC/NHTSA Office of Crash Avoidance  
Kent Higgins, Lighthouse  
Wiley Finch, Maryland Department of Aging  
Wade Allen, Systems Tech Inc.  
Dave Anderson, Florida DOT  
Charles Nelson, Nelson Development  
Helen Kerschner, The Beverly Foundation  
Katherine Siggerud, General Accounting Office  
Santo A. Grande, Delmarva Community Seniors  
Alex Drakopoulos, Marquette University  
Brian Jonah, Road Safety Transport Canada  
Judy Geyer, UC Berkeley Traffic Safety Center  
Matt Carpenter, Sacramento Area Council of Governments  
Anabela Simoes, Technical University of Lisbon  
Jerry Wachtel, The Veridian Group Inc.  
Joan Harris, NHTSA  
Meg Sweeney, Bureau of Transportation Statistics  
Jane Stutts, UNC Highway Safety Research Center  
Doug Birnie, USDOT Federal Transit Administration  
Shara Lynn Kelsey, California DMV  
Bill Crandall, Smith-Kettinger  
Ronni Sterns, Creative Action LLC  
Rich Marottoli, VA Connecticut/Yale University  
Konstantin Sizov, Drive Square LLC  
Frank Cardimen, Traffic Improvement Association  
Judy Meyer, Public Information Associates  
Thomas Welch, Iowa Department of Transportation  
Richard Sims, VA Birmingham/Atlanta GRECC  
Nicholas Ward, University of Minnesota  
David Eby, University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute

Nina Silverstein, UMASS Boston  
Fran Carlin Rogers, Carlin Rogers Consulting LLC  
Peter Kissinger, AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety  
Elin Schold Davis, AOTA  
Margaret Gibbs, Hamilton Associates  
Paul Boase, Transport Canada  
Jeff Caird, University of Calgary  
Jeffery Memmott, US DOT Bureau of Transportation Statistics

Announcements:

The Committee for Safe Mobility of Older Persons is no longer TRB A3B13. It is now ANB60, which is a result of a reorganization of the TRB Technical Activities Council. We are still in the Systems Users Group, now called Group N. Within Group N, we are in the Safety subgroup.

The Committee e-mail is [safemobility@uab.edu](mailto:safemobility@uab.edu) and the website is <http://www.eyes.uab.edu/safemobility>. The chair, Cynthia Owsley, can also be reached at [owsley@uab.edu](mailto:owsley@uab.edu), and the secretary for the committee, Beth Stalvey, can be reached at [Beth.Stalvey@tdoa.state.tx.us](mailto:Beth.Stalvey@tdoa.state.tx.us).

Please visit the committee website for general information on Committee activities, information on our joint subcommittee, announcements, resources and links, newsletters, calls for papers, and presentations from Human Factors Workshops and the committee-sponsored TRB conference sessions.

Frank Cardemen announced the North American Conference on Elderly Mobility: Best Practices from Around World. September 12-15, 2004 at the Marriott Renaissance Center in Detroit. The deadline for abstract submissions is April 1 deadline, not March 1 as indicated on previous handouts.

The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety distributed information on a website entitled [www.seniordrivers.org](http://www.seniordrivers.org), a clearinghouse on senior transportation and mobility issues.

Larry Decina announced the TRB Library and Information Science for Transportation Committee (ABG40) meeting on Monday January 12, 2004 from 7:30-9:30 at the Hilton. Larry offered to share information from this meeting with the Committee through its website at <http://www.eyes.uab.edu/safemobility>.

Committee Program:

**Joining Newsletter Distribution List**

The Newsletter can be accessed at the Committee website <http://www.eyes.uab.edu/safemobility>. If anyone would like to be added to the distribution list, please e-mail your contact information to [safemobility@uab.edu](mailto:safemobility@uab.edu) and we will add it to the distribution list immediately.

### **New “Simulators and Older Drivers Interest Group”**

Matt Rizzo described simulation as a test of driving performance. One key issue in the field is that simulation is not standardized and is often an ad hoc consideration among institutions. Thus, this interest group was formed to address simulators and their standards. Ultimately the group wants to create a product that will go towards standardization. Their meeting to be held on Tuesday January 13, 2004 in Marriott, (Kennedy) from 8-12noon, Matthew Rizzo, University of Iowa, Presiding

### **New “Joint Subcommittee on Transportation Options for Seniors”**

This Committee is jointly sponsored by the Committee on Accessible Transportation and Mobility, Committee on Paratransit, Committee on Rural Public and Intercity Bus Transportation, and Committee on the Safe Mobility of Older Persons. The goal of this subcommittee is to examine research, policy, and other issues that transcend committees related to mobility for seniors.

This meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 2004 from 12noon to 3:15 in the Marriott (Roosevelt) Katherine Freund, Independent Transportation Network, Presiding

### **Release of DOT report “Safe Mobility for a Maturing Society: Challenges and Opportunities”**

This report is now available on the website of the Department of Transportation, Office of Secretary of Transportation, Office of Transportation Policy, Older Drivers. The report contains upwards of twenty-four challenges and opportunities for safe mobility of older adults. The report is not intended to sit on a shelf, rather to expedite the recommendations through TRB, as well as state and local entities. To obtain the report, go to <http://ostpxweb.dot.gov> This will bring up the web page for the Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy. Click on Reports, and in the alphabetical listing under I, click on Improving Transportation for a Maturing Society. Click on the citation in the first paragraph entitled Safe Mobility for a Maturing Society: Challenges and Opportunities, and this will launch an Adobe Acrobat version of the report.

### **Video Presentation of State of California DMV’s 3-Tier Program**

Kent Milton presented a video created through the California Department of Motor Vehicles. When senior adults are sent for re-examination, whether reported through by physician, law enforcement, or family member, they go through this process. This video has been disseminated to Highway Patrol Public Affairs. The California Legislature will decide specific process for implementation. Discussion of this video and its implementation will continue at the meeting of Subcommittee on Public Information to be held on January 13, 2004 from 10:15 to 12noon in the Marriott, (Eisenhower Room).

### **Presentation by U.S. DOT’s Bureau of Transportation Statistics**

Jeffery L. Memmott presented information on Overall Travel Patterns of Older Americans and Meg Sweeney presented on Transportation Patterns of Older Disabled Americans. More specific information on these presentations can be obtained through the Bureau of Transportation Statistics website at [www.bts.gov](http://www.bts.gov)

### **Update on Consensus Conference Report by the National Older Driver Research and Training Center, University of Florida**

Dennis McCarthy, Co-Director of the National Older Driver Research and Training Center at the University of Florida described the activities of this new Center.

A meeting was held in Arlington VA in December 2002 to discuss the 'State of Science' in 3 specific areas of 1) Assessment, 2) Remediation, and 3) Alternatives and Counseling. The Phase 1 Report, based on dialogue of conference attendees, is currently in progress and will be posted on website when complete. The results of Phase 2-3 will be in the form of articles submitted to peer-review journals. Operation of the Center in multiple areas is scheduled to begin next month, and specific research studies will begin soon.

### **Update on research activities of NIH-sponsored Center for Translational Research on Aging and Mobility, University of Alabama at Birmingham**

NIH has refunded four of its current Roybal Centers and has called for an additional six centers to be funded. The purpose of the Roybal Centers is to stimulate applied research. The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) was refunded, and while the Roybal Centers do focus on aging, UAB is the only funded Center with a focus on mobility. One unique feature of the UAB Center for Translational Research on Aging and Mobility is their relationship with private entities creating the opportunity to test products and market them in real world settings. For example, they will begin a project this summer with State Farm Insurance to examine links between research on older drivers with insurance. Specific projects such as the Maryland MVA project and the ACTIVE study were continued. Graduate Student Training support is also available through this Center.

### **Committee Business:**

Ideas for activities the community would like to see the Committee sponsor:  
In the interest of time, the Chair asked for e-mail suggestions on future sponsored activities.

### **Additional Announcements and Updates from the Participants:**

Conference for Research on Women's Transportation Issues, November 18-20, 2004, Chicago Marriott Hotel. Abstracts are due on March 1, 2004. For more information, visit [www.TRB.org/Conferences/Women](http://www.TRB.org/Conferences/Women).

There is now availability of State Farm Synthesis Report "Improving the Safety of Older Road Users". Jane Stutts, Principal Investigator. Jane can be reached at [stutts@claire.hsra.unc.edu](mailto:stutts@claire.hsra.unc.edu).

John Burkhart and John Eberhard have recently completed review of activities for TRB and created a report which is under review. Basic things that state level communities need to be aware of with respect to older driver issues. NCHRP 20-24 (24).

Journal of Safety Research has recently published a Special Issue on Older Adult Mobility. Mei-Li Lin from AAA served as Editor, with many Committee members serving on the Editorial Board and/or reviewers. Copies of this issue of the Journal is available through AAA, NHTSA, and CDC.

American Society on Aging meeting in April: Special panel to look at Santa Monica Crash and how new tools and techniques can prevent that type of crash in future.

Human Factors and Ergonomics Society Call for Proposals Due February 1, 2004. For more information, go to [www.hfes.org](http://www.hfes.org).

Oct 24-27 Roanoke. Older Drivers in Rural Areas (John Burkhart)

Reports released next month- revised Supplemental Transportation Report (Beverly Report). 25 years of Data in Texas (Lindsey Griffin). Texas Transportation Institute <http://tti.tamu.edu/>

American Occupational Therapist Association announced an initiative for older drivers that include the development of two courses on older driver issues for practicing occupational therapists students. For more information, go to [www.aota.org](http://www.aota.org).

**Meeting Adjourned** at 7:00pm.