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### **Connecticut Chapter Update**

**By Mark Vertucci**

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The annual Connecticut ITE/Connecticut ITS Joint Winter Meeting will be held on Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at the Country House Restaurant in East Haven, Connecticut. The program will consist of a social hour, dinner buffet, and a presentation by James Mona, Director of Highway Operations at ConnDOT. The presentation will feature a discussion of "TOPOFF 3," a Homeland security exercise that was recently performed by the State of Connecticut.

The ITE CT chapter will be participating in "Engineers Week" which includes a jointly sponsored meeting with CSPE, CSCE, AFE, IEEE, WTS and ACEC/CT. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2006 at the Hawthorne Inn in Berlin, Connecticut. The program will consist of afternoon technical sessions and a dinner presentation (TBD).

A joint spring meeting with the New England Section of ITE is being considered for late March/early April. Two technical sessions will be followed by a social hour and dinner presentation. Technical sessions and a keynote speaker are to be determined. Service, leadership, and achievement awards will be presented and officer elections will also be held at this meeting. Potential candidates for these awards and nominations were discussed at our December officer's meeting.

A fall meeting in conjunction with the Connecticut Transportation Expo at UCONN in late September 2006 is also being contemplated. A presentation and tour of the new Fuel Cell Lab could be a potential feature of the event.

Membership update: as of December, 31, 2005, the CT ITE Chapter had 108 paid members. 2006 dues payments will remain at \$10 and notices were recently distributed to our mailing list.