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Roger Krahn, P.E., President

Connecticut Chapter of ITE

The Connecticut Chapter held their annual joint meeting with the New England Section on Monday April 3, 2006 at the Sheraton Hartford Hotel with 75 people attending.

Two afternoon technical sessions were offered: Simulation and Modeling of Transportation Systems, by Dr. Clara Fang, University of Hartford; and Implementation Status of Flashing Yellow Arrow Permissive Indication, by Dr. Michael Knodler, University of Massachusetts.

The dinner program included a presentation on Rail Operations in Connecticut, by James Boice, Bureau Chief, CT DOT Bureau of Policy and Planning, and Eugene Colonese, Chief Administrator, CT DOT Office of Rail Operations. The presentation outlined overall CT DOT project initiatives as well as commuter rail improvement projects including Metro North Railroad, Shore Line East Railroad, and planning for new improvements such as the New Haven – Hartford – Springfield project.

Election ballots for Connecticut Chapter officers were tallied during the meeting and the following officers were announced:

President..... Roger Krahn, P.E. (roger_krahn@urscorp.com)
Vice President..... Mark Vertucci, P.E. (mvertucci@fando.com)
Secretary/Treasurer..... Matthew Blume, P.E., PTOE (mblume@vhb.com)

The following 2005 ITE Connecticut Chapter awards were presented at the meeting.

R. Nelson "Oz" Griebel --Transportation Leadership Award

Oz Greibel was recognized for leadership in forming a comprehensive transportation strategy plan for the State of Connecticut and serving as Chairman of the Transportation Strategy Board. He was unable to attend the meeting.

John P. Thompson, P.E. --Transportation Achievement Award

John Thompson was presented with the Transportation Achievement award for providing expertise in the development of the Quinnipiac River Linear Trail Project for the Town of Wallingford, CT.

Carla Tillery—Presidents Award

Carla Tiller received the President's award for outstanding service as President of the Connecticut Chapter.

Jennifer M. Carrier, P.E. – Service to the Chapter Award

Jennifer Carrier received the Service to the Chapter Award for constant dedication to the Connecticut Chapter as past president.

A fall meeting date is tentatively scheduled for September 20, 2006 to coincide with UConn Technology Transfer Expo.