MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is with great honor and enthusiasm that I greet you in our first issue of the Connecticut Valley Newsletter. With this first issue, another step is being taken in our development. With the help of some dynamic individuals, we have successfully held two luncheons to aid us in the introduction of WTS to potential members and around the Connecticut Valley. As a result, we have met with some old friends and many new friends, to comprise a membership list of representatives from all aspects of the transportation industry. Our By-Laws are being reviewed by attorneys from the law firm of Day, Berry and Howard, in preparation for filing our Chapter Incorporation papers. By January, we should be well into the incorporation process to begin collection of membership dues to secure acceptance by National WTS in February. Now, we need to hear from you. What do you expect from WTS? What can you contribute to WTS? We need your suggestions on possible speakers, sponsors, and career development subjects. We would also like your recommendations for meeting locations. Our intent is to hold our functions at various locations throughout the state, not just in Hartford County. We understand that commuting from some of the other counties into Hartford can become quite burdensome; therefore, we would like everyone who wishes to be part of our Chapter to know that we are attempting to meet your needs. Your assistance is needed in identifying possibilities. My thanks again to so many wonderfully dedicated people who have been diligently working to get us to this point in our development so quickly. Because of you, I am confident that we will have one of the most vibrant WTS Chapters. We are off to a terrific start!

—M. Christina Olson, Acting President WTS Connecticut Valley, Inc.

PARTICIPATION REPORT

Interest in WTS has increased more than 64 percent since June 1991, and now has 87 participants. The Membership Committee encourages each participant to share and promote WTS. Participation in WTS offers a wide range of activities and services to its members. If you know of someone with a professional interest in transportation, who would like to know more about WTS, please write to: WTS Connecticut Valley Inc., c/o Greater Hartford Transit District, One Union Place, Hartford, Connecticut 06103.

WTS Connecticut Valley welcomes the following new participants:

Ross Hatch..............................Mid Continent Corporation
Rose M. Michaels-Revzon..............Connecticut Car Rental, Inc.
Alan Schlesin............................Carey/Astor-Madison Avenue Limousine
Marcia A. M. Brooks.....................Phoenix Mutual
Myra Gosiewski..........................USDOT Federal Highway Administration
Bonnie M. Pete...........................Connecticut Wheelchair Service
Darcy Tully................................Connecticut Wheelchair Service
Priscilla C. Snow.......................Collins Bus Service/Post Road Stages
Gina Nicora...............................Harley Hotel of Hartford/Springfield
A. Ruth Fitzgerald.........................Fitzgerald & Halliday, Inc.
Debra Amadio............................Amadio Moving, Inc.
Shirley Gralnick........................New Britain Transportation
Lynn E. Davies...........................AAA Automobile Club of Hartford
Margaret R. Kemp........................Town of Windsor, Dept. of Human Services
Joyce Banelli.............................Exceptional Events
Leona T. Camozzi........................Double A Transportation, Inc.
MEETING NOTES
Mark your calendar—next meeting—December 4th, Holiday Inn, Hartford, 4:30-7:00pm

OCTOBER MEETING
Emil Frankel, Commissioner of the D.O.T., was the guest speaker when 83 people attended our October 18th luncheon at Marc Anthony’s. He discussed the effects of government cutbacks on his department, and ultimately, on all residents of Connecticut. In these times of economic uncertainty, we might all consider adopting the three goals established by Commissioner Frankel: (1) Survival, (2) Productivity, and (3) Achievement.

WTS MISSION
Women’s Transportation Seminar (WTS) leads the way in the professional development of women in transportation. Through an extensive program of meetings, lectures, and aggressive chapter development, WTS fosters, on both a personal and professional level, interaction and communication among members of the transportation industry. WTS provides a neutral forum for the exchange of information, and a vehicle for network development. In so doing, WTS advances the professionalism of its individual members, as well as transportation as a whole. The organization serves the professionals at the forefront of industry change, and thus provides a conduit for membership contributions to the future of transportation.

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SURVEY

How can this newsletter and WTS best serve the Connecticut Valley? Please complete the form below and send to c/o Greater Hartford Transit District, One Union Place, Hartford, CT 06103, attn: Newsletter.

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