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HARTFORD Happening as we speak. Greater Hartford Convention & Visitors Bureau

GREATER HARTFORD WELCOMES

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The Greater Hartford Convention & Visitors Bureau is pleased to welcome **The New England Chapter of the North American Lake Management Society.** We are excited at the opportunity to introduce you to our region and show you why our Capital City is the ideal host of the 2009 NALMS International Symposium. Downtown Hartford offers 1,800 guest rooms, over 740,000 square feet of meeting space, as well as an array of attractions and entertainment options. Getting to our hotels, meeting venues, shops, museums, theater district and dining outlets has become even easier by way of the city's

courtesy transportation service, the Star Shuttle. During your stay, we hope you will make time to experience the tastes, sounds and sights that will confirm Hartford is both a desirable and competitive host for your conventions. Details about the locations to visit while in Hartford can be found on the **Greater Hartford Convention** & Visitors Bureau website. One visit and you'll see why Hartford is "Happening As We Speak!"



View from East Hartford into downtown, over the Connecticut River

GHCVB Is Accredited

In 2008, the Greater Hartford Convention & Visitors Bureau was awarded accreditation from the Destination Marketing Accreditation Program (DMAP). Our Bureau is the first and only convention bureau or visitor organization in New England to earn this distinction and is one of only 47 organizations worldwide to be honored. This accreditation shows our commitment to quality programs and services, such as STI Housing and Map Network. Allow our Convention Services Department to be your concierge to the city, by assisting with all of your convention planning needs.

L-R: Hartford Marriott Downtown, Hilton Hartford Hotel Downtown





The Star Shuttle

In the summer of 2005, the 22-seat **Star Shuttle** began escorting visitors and convention attendees through the streets of historic downtown Hartford. Since then, the Star Shuttle's operating hours, bus stops and fleet have been expanded to meet the growing demand in our Capital City. Many are impressed by New England's first zero emission fuel cell-powered hybrid bus, which now operates in Hartford on a daily basis. The courtesy transportation service offers multiple buses that run continuously from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on weekdays and from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Extended hours are typically arranged to accommodate high volume and special events in the region. The 20-minute Star Shuttle route makes multiple stops at our city's most



popular destinations, including hotels, meeting venues, restaurants, parking lots, nightclubs and the theater district. The City of Hartford is proud to offer a convenient, safe, reliable and *FREE* transportation option to guests visiting our area.

Noted below are your destinations: Connecticut Convention Center, Connecticut Science Center, Hartford Marriott Downtown, Hilton Hartford Downtown, Hot Tomatoes and Riverfront Boathouse

