



# CAPITAL AREA SECTION



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## MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER MEETING

The annual holiday luncheon and announcement of new officers was held on December 5, 2008 at the City's Toomey Road offices.

Election ballots for new officers were collected and given to the appointed Tellers Committee. Our newly elected officers are listed under the Current Officers section. Congratulations to our new officers. Tours of the City's Traffic Management Center and sign manufacturing facility were provided to all in attendance.

## Current Officers

Please contact any of the following officers, if you have questions about the Capital Area Section, TexITE, or ITE.

**Gordon Derr** President, 974-7228

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[David.Carey@siemens.com](mailto:David.Carey@siemens.com)

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[DSkowro@dot.state.tx.us](mailto:DSkowro@dot.state.tx.us)

The Section Secretary-Treasurer can provide you with a National membership application and the local section application is printed at the end of every newsletter.

## ITE Website Addresses

If you are interested in the latest developments at ITE, check out the following websites:

- ITE – [www.ite.org](http://www.ite.org)
- TexITE – [www.texite.org](http://www.texite.org)

You can find section meeting information at this website: <http://www.texite.org/austin/mainaustin.htm>.

We are currently looking for someone to maintain the section web site for us. Please feel free to contact any of the section officers for more information.

## Next Meeting

Topic	Date
Engineering Ethics	January 23, 2009

Our speaker will be George Hartmann, P.E., Licensing Project Manager for the Texas Board of Professional Engineers. Mr. Hartmann will talk about board rules, some information about exams and applications for the EITs, and some ethics/rules issues for PEs. **THIS SESSION WILL COUNT TOWARDS YOUR ETHICS PDH REQUIREMENT!** Please join us to hear about TBPE issues that impact you!

## NEXT MEETING:

**Friday, January 23, 2009, 12:00 noon**

At

City of Austin  
Toomey Road Office  
1501 Toomey Road  
Austin, Texas 78704



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## About Our January Meeting Speaker

George P. Hartmann, P.E. is a Licensing Project Manager at the Texas Board of Professional Engineers in Austin. He has been with the Board for over four years.

Prior to employment at the Board, he worked with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and predecessor agencies, Huntsman Corporation, and in environmental consulting. He is a 1981 graduate of Manhattan College with a Bachelor's degree in chemical engineering.

## Future Meetings

Tentative 2009 future meeting dates for your calendar are:

April 3, 2009; June 5, 2009  
October 2, 2009; December 4, 2009

If anyone has a suggestion for a meeting topic or would like to present a topic at a future meeting, please let one of the officers know.

## ITE News

### [ITE 2009 Technical Conference and Exhibit](#)

March 22 - 25

Hyatt Regency Phoenix



## ≡ TexITE 2009 Winter Meeting

Lubbock, Texas  
February 5-7, 2009  
Holiday Inn Park Plaza  
Chair: Sharmon Owens

## ≡ TexITE 2009 Summer Meeting & ITE 2009 Annual Meeting and Exhibit

San Antonio, Texas  
August 9-12, 2009

Henry B. Gonzalez  
Convention Center

TexITE  
Coordinator: John  
Friebele



## Professional Development Hours (PDH)

As a reminder to all professional engineers, the Texas Board of Professional Engineers, Continuing Education Program rule requires 15 Professional Development Hours (PDH) per year for license renewal. At least 1 PDH must be in the area of professional ethics.

Attendance at each Capitol Area Section Meeting counts as one hour towards your 15 PDH requirement.

## Section News

If you have news items, technical information, or up-coming events you would like to place in future newsletters, please send them to Alan Hughes at [alan.hughes@ci.austin.tx.us](mailto:alan.hughes@ci.austin.tx.us)

## UT Student Chapter

If you would like to speak at one of the Student Chapter meetings, please contact their officers at [utexasite@gmail.com](mailto:utexasite@gmail.com).

## Lunch Order

**Cost for box lunch is \$6.00.**

If you are interested in ordering sandwiches from Thundercloud's Sub, CIRCLE your selections below: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Meat:* Turkey, Capicola, Ham, Roast Beef, Tuna, Chicken Salad, Genoa Salami, Egg Salad

*Bread:* White, Wheat *Tomato:* Y or N

*Lettuce:* Y or N

*Cookie:* Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal Raisin

Phone your order to Alan Hughes at 974-7202,

FAX to 974-7101, or e-mail to

[Alan.Hughes@ci.austin.tx.us](mailto:Alan.Hughes@ci.austin.tx.us) no later than 9am, Friday January 23, 2008.

**Drinks will be available on site.**

## 2009-2010 ITE Scholarship and Fellowship Awards

ITE announces the availability of the 2009-2010 ITE Scholarship and Fellowship Awards Brochure for students to download and apply. Please direct student members to the ITE Web site (<http://www.ite.org/awards/index.asp>) to access the brochure and learn more about applying for specific awards. The application deadline for ITE offered fellowships/scholarships is April 1, 2009. Any applications or recommendations received after this date will not be considered by the judges.

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## Membership Information

Please print the following information about yourself:

General Information
Name (full name plus professional designation; i.e. PE, AICP, EIT, M.S., etc.):
Job Title and Employer: _____
Business Mailing Address: _____
Daytime Phone:
Daytime Fax:
E-mail Address:

ITE Membership Information
Please mark all that apply:
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a member of ITE
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a member of TexITE, the Texas Section of ITE
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like information on ITE membership

Send completed form to **Capital Area Section, c/o Alan Hughes, 505 Barton Springs Road, Suite 800, Austin, TX 78704** with \$5.00 annual dues payment, or bring it to the next section meeting.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

If you have a job posting that you would like to have included in the news letter please contact Alan Hughes at [alan.hughes@ci.austin.tx.us](mailto:alan.hughes@ci.austin.tx.us).

Engineer A, B, or C – The City of Austin is currently seeking transportation engineers. Application will be accepted until January 19, 2009. For further information please go to [www.austincityjobs.org](http://www.austincityjobs.org).

Sales Engineer - Siemens TS is currently seeking a traffic engineer for sales and engineering support in the Austin office. Applications are currently being accepted. For further information, please contact Mr. Jay Weinberger at 512-834-4805 or [jay.weinberger@siemens.com](mailto:jay.weinberger@siemens.com).