News Bulletin of the Traffie Club of Chicago December 2013



The Club's Officers and Directors wish all of our members and their families, a safe and joyous holiday season with the hope that the New Year brings you a bounty full of health and prosperity.

President's Message

Season's Greetings to all! As you may know, this will be my last formal correspondence to you as your president. There is so much I could say today, but our executive director has asked me to keep it within a reasonable timeframe.

Bill Fors has been the captain of my ship during my term, and besincerely appreciate his guidance. It has truly been a learning experience for me, and I also want to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank our experienced and seasoned board of governors, and all the committee chairs who have provided value to me throughout the year.

My mentor and dear friend George Baima deserves a round of applause for his coordination of this year's very successful annual dinner. Besides the dinner, we've had a very productive year with our Executive Series luncheons, golf outings and other networking events. The Membership Committee is close to reaching 100% of this year's goals, and I commend them for their hard work in continuing to grow our membership.

During my term, and with the help of Gabriel Forir, chairman of our Scholarship Committee, we increased this year's scholarship awards from \$10,000 to \$13,000. This is a positive sign that should continue as Gabe passes the reins to Tom Tisa, who will chair the committee in 2014. I would be remiss if I didn't take the time to also thank all the member companies, who helped support the club through their sponsorship of the numerous programs and events we presented this year. Their support is sincerely appreciated, and we look forward to their continued support in the future.

I'm also very proud to announce that the board has unanimously voted to approve a new scholarship award named the George Baima Scholarship Award. This award honors George for his unwavering commitment and dedication to the Club, especially his devotion to the scholarship program which he has championed over these many years.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to welcome the following new members, who have recently joined the Club.

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The following members have notified the Club office of a change in their current mailing status. Please be sure to change your records accordingly.

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Reciprocal Clubs... Another Added Benefit

One of the many benefits that are available to our members is the access to nearly 100 private dining and country clubs around the country as well as overseas. This benefit is made available through our association with the DuPage Club, one of the finest private dining clubs in the Chicago area. One club that we will highlight in this issue is the Saginaw Club located in Saginaw, Michigan.

The Saginaw Club which was founded in 1889 and is conveniently located in downtown Saginaw at 219 N. Washington on the corner of Washington & Johnson Street. The Club accommodates both formal and casual dining for lunch and dinner. They offer private rooms for dining and meetings and can accommodate 200 people in our ballroom on the third floor.

Their Grill Room is open Mon-Fri. from 11:45am – 2:00pm. Lunch is served Mon-Fri. from 11:45am – 2:00pm. Dinner is available Thu-Fri-Sat. from 6:00pm – 8:30 pm. and the Members Bar is open Mon-Fri. from 11:00am – 2:00am closing. Remember,

The club

when using reciprocal club facilities you need to contact the Traffic Club office as to which club and the date you wish to use their facilities. We will then send a letter of introduction to that club on your behalf.





The Saginaw Club formal dining room



...President's Message

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This annual award will be bestowed on the top scoring student applicant. In addition, as president I have granted a one-time donation of \$1,000 to begin this prestigious scholarship award.

Through my direction and the support of the board, you will be seeing additional outside sponsorship in the future. For this year's holiday reception, Allstate Benefits will be featured as our first corporate sponsor. Bob Ognar, who represents Allstate will also be joining the Club as a Resident member. We heartily encourage more corporate sponsorships, and the vast mutual benefits they will bring.

With the help of my board, I am proud to turn over a strong financial Club with a growing membership to Craig Boroughf, who will serve as your next president. Craig processes a skill set that represents the shipper's point of view, and is a true asset to our organization. I wish Craig, the incoming board and all our members the very best. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your President.

Season's Greetings, Eddie Beard

Scholarship Application Reminder

Applications for the Scholarship Committees 2014 awards program were sent to the members quite some time ago. If you don't recall receiving this application, please contact the Club office and we resend you another application. For those of you who received the application via e-mail, the application is designed whereby the student can fill out the application electronically and return it to the Club office by e-mail upon completion.

The Club office will not contact any students to inform them that their application and/or other required documentation are incomplete. It is the sole responsibility of the student to see that their application and all other required documentation is received by the Club office postmarked no later than January 24, 2014. Applications or any other required information that is received after this deadline date will not be accepted by the committee and will be returned to the student.

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Membership Challenge 2013...Looking For a Few Good Members

All we ask is that each of our members tries to bring in just *One New Member*.

That's all ... just *One New Member*.

It doesn't take much effort and we will even help you there. Below is an application form you can fax to someone you know that's not currently a member and encourage them to become one. Better yet ... just forward them the newsletter so they can read first hand what the club has to offer. As a fellow club member you already know the many benefits available to you and a brief note from you is all that's required. That's all there is to it.

Thanks for your help in making 2012 another successful membership drive year!

THE TRAFFIC CLUB OF CHICAGO		
Application for Membership		
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An Open Invite from T.O.T.S.

Are you retired or soon to be retired from the industry? If so, the Transportation Old Timers, an organization of retired transportation executives would like to invite you to become a member. The T.O.T.S. hold a luncheon twice a year, one at LaGrange Country Club and the other at Itasca Country Club. Members receive a quarterly newsletter and the luncheons offer you the opportunity to socialize with your fellow retired peers from the industry. For those who would like further information, please contact Gene Schmittgens at 708-748-5366 or e-mail at: epsnets@yahoo.com

Speaker's Gift Presented



Virginia Albanese, President and CEO, FedEx Custom Critical, is presented her speaker's gift by Education Committee Chair Emeritus, Dennis Grim following her presentation "Expedited 2.0 - More Than Speed is What Customers Need?" The presentation was made at our November 21st Executive Series luncheon at the Avalon Banquets in Elk Grove Village, IL. Looking on is Education Committee chairman Jim Giblin.

All 2014 Golf Dates and Locations Have Been Finalized

Golf chair Ron Mazmanian has announced that the committee has finalized all of the dates and locations for next year's tournament outings, which includes a new course being selected for the first time. Below are the dates and locations for these outings. If you have any suggestions on golf courses for future outings please give Ron a call. His number is 262-770-7129.

May 14

Annual Dinner Golf Outing Cog Hill Golf Club Lemont, Illinois

June 12

Hawks View Golf Club Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

July 17

Orchard Valley Golf Club Aurora, Illinois

August 21

Blackstone Golf Club "New" Marengo, Illinois

September 25

Geneva National Golf Club Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

Be sure to mark your calendars and join us on the tee next year for another great selection of quality golf courses.

2014 Executive Series Luncheon Program Schedule

Continuing to present quality speakers to our members and their guests, the Education Committee has confirmed the following dates for 2014. Please be sure to mark your calendar, and plan to attend these very informative programs.

January 15

Joint Traffic Club - Midwest Association of Rail Shippers luncheon. Marriott Oakbrook Hills Resort, Oak Brook, Illinois. Guest speaker: Joseph Szabo, Federal R.R. Administrator, Washington, DC (tent).

February 20

Location, Program & Speaker TBA

March 20

Joint Traffic Club –CSCMP program Panama Canal Update Location, Program & Speakers TBA

April 17

Location, Program & Speaker TBA

September 18

Location, Program & Speaker TBA

October 16

Avalon Banquets, Elk Grove Village, IL Air Freight Program & Speaker TBA

November 20

Location, Program & Speaker TBA

Traffic Club Dues = Priceless Benefits

Whether you are a Resident, Non-Resident or Young Professional member of the Club, we want to take this opportunity to remind you of the many valued benefits that the Traffic Club of Chicago offers our members, and trust that you will take advantage of these many opportunities.

Executive Series luncheons featuring top industry speakers

Scholarship Fund for children and/ or grandchildren of members

Numerous customer entertainment venues including:

Dinner Theater Events Golf Outings Varied Sporting Events

Monthly newsletter which keeps our members notified on club happenings and events

Dining privileges at the private DuPage Club, including access to other private clubs around the country and overseas

Additional dining privileges at the private Itasca Country Club and Ridge Country Club

Endless opportunities to network with your peers

Belonging to one of the finest transportation organizations in the country

We sincerely thank you for your continued support of the club and encourage all of our members to become more involved, possibly by joining one of our many committees.

The Membership Committee

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If you thrive on developing new business and being rewarded through a base salary and lucrative commission plan, as a Senior Business Development Executive, you will help our organization remain competitive and grow by identifying and acquiring new accounts that will have a major strategic impact on the long-term success of the company. The Senior Business Development Executive will lead and oversee the development and growth of profitable new business; develop and maintain effective key customer relationships as well as ensure business growth through directing and managing business development activities. Qualifications: 7-10+ years' direct sales experience; BA/BS degree or equivalent preferred; Supply Chain, Logistics, Warehousing, Manufacturing or related industry experience preferred. Please contact Barbara Goff, Director, Human Resources at 773-269-6952 or barb@optimalfreight.com

First Union Rail seeks a Manager – Tank Car Compliance. This position is responsible for managing company programs and the documentation required to maintain compliance with AAR, US DOT, and other federal regulatory agency rules and directives regarding tank car assets. Candidate must possess knowledge of AAR Interchange Rules, FRA safety standards, and regulatory requirements for tank car assets. College degree is required. Please email resume to michelle.cizmar@wellsfargo.com

Experienced international and domestics logistics and transportation manager is looking for opportunities. Has handled \$25 million worth of business, analyzed alternatives, written transportation logistics safety and security policies. Strong Customer Service Skills. Interested in full time or temporary employment. Contact me at julianbl@sbcglobal.net or 312-408-0663.

Gateway Coordinator - BDP International seeking individual with 3-5 years Gateway experience. Also experience in negotiating airline rates. Hazmat Certification a plus or must be able to pass Hazmat. Please e-mail resume: smccarthy@bdpnet.com

Transportation Sales, Elk Grove IL based company seeks an aggressive sales oriented individual with good communication skills, freight sales and or freight brokering experience. TL, LTL, local, national and Int'l. Please e-mail responses to: frtbroker@aol.com 708-606-2150

First Union Rail seeks a Manager – Fleet Maintenance and Repair. Position is responsible for reviewing and approving estimates for repairs, and performing analyses of repair activity and recommending changes to maintenance practices. Candidate must possess knowledge of AAR interchange rules and car repair billing. An understanding of railcar repair processes and railcar construction preferred. College degree or equivalent work experience desired. Please email resume to michelle.cizmar@wellsfargo.com

Director - Finance

Position located at First Union Rail, Rosemont, Illinois. This position is a senior level position that will work closely with the COO and VP of Finance. This position will conduct ongoing reviews of maintenance budget, conduct cost/benefit analysis of railcar shop expense projects and coordinate accounting policy issues with parent company to include SOX testing and ongoing monitoring of internal controls. Manage the single investor and leverage lease portfolio from an accounting perspective and assist with accounting and finance related IT upgrades and conversions. Candidate must possess 7+ years of accounting experience and knowledge of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, 5+ years of rail industry experience and 3+ years of project management experience. Proficiency using MS Office tools, specifically Excel, Access and Power Point is necessary. A Bachelor's degree in accounting or finance, Masters degree or CPA certification is required. If interested in applying, please forward your resume to michelle.cizmar@wellsfargo.com

Traffic Club Calendar for 2014

The following is a listing of Club activities that have been scheduled for 2014. Please be sure to mark your calendars accordingly, so that you don't miss any of these important events.

- Jan 3 Membership Committee Meeting (tent)
- Jan 12 House Committee Meeting
- Jan 12 Board of Governors Meeting
- Jan 15 Joint Traffic Club and Midwest Assn.
 of Rail Shippers Luncheon, Marriott
 Oak Brook Hills Resort, Oak Brook, IL
 Guest Speaker: Joseph Szabo,
 FRA Administrator
- Feb 7 Membership Committee Meeting
- Feb 10 Board of Governors Meeting
- Feb 20 Executive Series Luncheon, Speaker & Location TBA
- Mar 7 Membership Committee Meeting
- Mar 10 House Committee Meeting
- Mar 10 Board of Governors Meeting
- Mar 20 Joint Traffic Club and CSCMP program, Panama Canal Update,
 Location & Speaker TBA
- Apr 4 Membership Committee Meeting
- Apr 14 Board of Governors Meeting

- Apr 17 Executive Briefing and Luncheon
 Program, Location & Speakers TBA
- May 2 Membership Committee Meeting
- May 12 House Committee Meeting
- May 12 Board of Governors Meeting
- May 14 Annual Dinner Golf Outing, Cog Hill Golf Club, Lemont, IL
- May 15 107th Annual Dinner, Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers downtown, Speaker TBA
- un 6 Membership Committee Meeting
- Jun 9 Board of Governors Meeting
- Jun 12 1st Golf Outing, Hawks View Golf Club, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin
- Jul 11 Membership Committee Meeting
- Jul 14 Board of Governors Meeting
- Jul 14 House Committee Meeting
- Jul 17 2nd Golf Outing, Orchard Valley Golf Club, Aurora, IL
- Aug 1 Membership Committee Meeting
- Aug 11 Board of Governors Meeting
- Aug 21 3rd Golf Outing,
 Blackstone Golf Club, Marengo, IL

- Sep 5 Membership Committee Meeting
- Sep 8 Board of Governors Meeting
- Sep 8 House Committee Meeting
- Sep 18 Executive Briefing and Luncheon Program, Location & Speakers TBA
- Sep 25 Final Golf Outing, Geneva National Golf Club, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin
- Oct 3 Membership Committee Meeting
- Oct 8 10th Annual Transportation Night networking event, Rosewood Restaurant, Rosemont, IL
- Oct 13 Board of Governors Meeting
- Oct 16 Executive Series Luncheon, Avalon
 Banquets, Elk Grove Village, IL.
 Air Freight Program & Speaker TBA
- Nov 7 Membership Committee Meeting
- Nov 10 Board of Governors Meeting
- Nov 20 Executive Series Luncheon, Location, Program & Speaker TBA
- Dec 3 Annual Holiday Reception (tent)
- Dec 5 Membership Committee Meeting
- Dec 8 Board of Governors Meeting

Chicago Area Reciprocal Clubs Available to Club Members

THE DuPAGE CLUB

1901 S. Meyers Road
Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois
630-691-1300
Monday-Friday, Breakfast, Lunch and
Dinner, 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. and
Saturday, Dinner Only, 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Meeting Rooms Available.

RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB

10522 S. California Avenue Chicago, Illinois 773-238-9400 Winter Schedule Tuesday-Sunday. Lunch Only 12:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Dinner, Wednesday-Sunday from 6:00 pm.- 8:00 pm. Meeting Rooms are Available. Dining Privileges Only. No Golf Privileges.

ITASCA COUNTRY CLUB

400 E. Orchard Street
Itasca, Illinois
630-773-1800
Tuesday-Sunday, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner,
7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. and Monday, Lunch
Only, 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
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Nearly 100 private dining and country clubs are available to the members around the country and overseas.

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