

The Waybill

News Bulletin of the Traffic Club of Chicago

June 2016



From the Office of the President

What a night! Our 109th annual dinner has come and gone and was a complete success – to my amazement, our office is already starting on next year's!

Thank you to everyone who attended, sponsored and supported the dinner and golf outing. This list is too long to mention here but as a club, we are thankful to everyone and dedicated to you.

I have one request for anyone reading this:

Please take a moment and tell us how we did and what we could do to make it better. Our contact information (including mine) is on our website: traffic-club.org.

With the exception of a couple of key people we are a team of volunteers who lead by committee and not event planners - we professionally take part in these but rarely plan them so we need to hear from you.

The good. The bad. The ugly. We want it all.

Our only job as your leadership is to improve your experience. Please tell us how.

While you reflect on that...

I have another request.

Please continue to leverage us to build your professional networks by coming to our remaining golf outings, Cubs games (they're good this year) and educational luncheons. (All of the details are in this newsletter – so you don't have to look too far.)

Finally, June came fast, take some time to enjoy the summer, spend some time outside and away from the email grind. It's over-rated.

Thank you again for making this past dinner a night I will remember forever.

Your President,

Jeffrey R. Leppert

Thanks to Our Sponsors

The Traffic Club of Chicago would like to acknowledge and offer our sincere thanks to the following companies for their generous support of the 109th Annual Dinner and Golf Outing. It is through their continuous support that makes these events a success every year.

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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

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The Golf Committee

Invites You and Your Guests to Attend...

Our First Golf Outing

Wednesday, June 22nd, 2016

Shotgun Start at 12:00 noon
Please arrive
no later than 11:00 a.m.

*This is a joint outing
with the Ocean Freight
Agents Association*

***Longest Drive,
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Bridges of Poplar Creek

1400 Poplar Creek Dr.
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Lunch, Golf & Dinner
\$135.00 per person

No Cancellations After
June 15th, 2016

Registration Options:

Online at www.traffic-club.org

Email staff@traffic-club.org

Call 630-529-1333

*Dress Code: No jeans allowed!
Please arrive in proper golf attire.*

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 Millhurst Charhouse & Banquets, 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

Thanks to Our Advertisers

The Traffic Club of Chicago would like to also thank the following companies who advertised in this year's annual dinner program. Their support is sincerely appreciated.

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Transportation Night Returns to Rosemont!

On October 12th the Club will host its 12th Annual Transportation Night networking event at "The Estate" by Gene and Georgetti (formerly The Rosewood) in Rosemont, Illinois. Along with the Traffic Club, there will be many other transportation associations from the Chicago area also joining us as exhibitors that night.

This popular and much anticipated event is a great opportunity for our members to come out and visit your Club's booth, and say hello to those members who will be volunteering their time that evening. It's also a great venue for you to meet and greet others in our industry.

Members and non-members alike are invited to attend. There's no cost and you don't have to make reservations. This event will run from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm, so be sure to bring plenty of business cards and just start networking.

First Golf Outing to have Hole in One Car Contest!

The Golf Committee invites you and your guests to attend our First Golf Outing at Bridges of Poplar Creek in Hoffman Estates, IL. This outing is a joint event with the OFA.

JUST ANNOUNCED There will be a Hole in One Car Contest courtesy of Joe Cotton Ford Carol Stream, IL! Win a 2017 Ford Escape! All proceeds will be donated to St. Jude's Hospital. This is a 2 year lease program with option to buy, re-lease or turn in.

Shotgun start begins at 12:00 noon. Please arrive no later than 11:00 a.m. to get checked in.

Tickets include a box lunch and sit down dinner. There will be on course prizes and a raffle at dinner.

If you register prior to June 1st, the cost is \$125 per person. If you register after June 1st, the cost is \$135 per person.

Register today by contacting TCC staff at staff@traffic-club.org or 630-529-1333.

M.A.R.S. to Hold July 11-12 Meeting in Lake Geneva

The Midwest Association of Rail Shippers has announced it will hold its 247th meeting, July 11-12, 2016 at the Grand Geneva Resort in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. M.A.R.S. is one of five regional associations under the North American Rail Shippers organization that provides forums for discussion between the railroads and shippers on resolving current rail issues. As in the past, a golf outing will be held on Monday, July 11, followed by a full day of meetings on July 12. The meeting will be addressed by Peter Gilbertson, President and CEO of Anacostia Rail Holdings Co., and Jim Squires, Chairman, President and CEO of NS Corporation and has also been invited. Many other top level shipper speakers have also been invited. Hotel accommodations are available at a special rate of \$152 up until June 10. To make your reservations please call the resort at 262-245-7621.

Another Successful Annual Golf Outing

Our Annual Golf Outing took place at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club on May 18th, 2016. Mother nature was on our side, delivering a perfect day for golf!

This year's outing was another great success with 315 golfers in attendance!

TCC would like to thank Golf Committee chair Ron Mazmanian for putting so much hard work into the planning of this outing. We would also like to thank Jim Keuck and the retiree volunteers that ran the betting hole and assisted at the registration desks. This event would not have been possible without you!



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Locations for Our 2016 Summer Golf Outings

Golf Committee Chairman Ron Mazmanian announced that the committee has selected the dates and locations for this year's summer golf outings. Below are the dates and locations for those courses that have been selected for this year.

June 22

Bridges of Poplar Creek
Hoffman Estates, IL

This will be a joint outing with OFA

July 21

Hawks View Golf Club
Lake Geneva, WI

August 18

Balmoral Woods Golf Course
Crete, IL

September 22

Village Links of Glen Ellyn
Glen Ellyn, IL

Looking for Contest Sponsors

Our 2016 summer golf season is just around the corner with our first outing on June 22th at Bridges of Poplar Creek in Hoffman Estates, IL. The golf committee is looking for companies who would like to help support the outings by being a contest sponsor at one or all of this season's outings. The cost is a nominal \$75, of which \$50 is given out as the prize to the winner of the contest you sponsor, courtesy of your company. The remaining \$25 goes towards the door prizes that are given out following dinner. If you don't want to be a contest sponsor, you can still help support the outings by donating a door prize. For those companies interested in supporting the outings, please contact TCC staff by email at staff@traffic-club.org or by phone at 630-529-1333.

2016 Executive Series Luncheon Program Schedule

The Education Committee has been hard at work, lining up some exciting, timely and informative luncheon programs for 2016 that should be of interest to our members and your guests. Please be sure to mark your calendars for these dates, and kindly forward this information on to anyone you feel would be interested in attending these programs.

August 25

An Executive Series Lunch
Fountain Blue Banquets &
Conference Center,
Des Plaines, IL

October 20

"The South Side"
An Executive Series Lunch

November 17

Business Development Symposium

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Interested in posting something to the Classifieds section? Contact TCC staff by email at staff@traffic-club.org. TCC will post jobs and vacancies, personal ads, ads for various services, tickets and other items for sale.

Another Successful Annual Dinner

Our 109th Annual Dinner on Thursday, May 19th at the Sheraton Grand Chicago was another great success with nearly 800 members and guests in attendance that evening.

Positive comments were the norm as the Club received numerous compliments on both the dinner and our much anticipated guest speaker, Mr. Dan Hampton of the 1985 Chicago Bears. Mr. Hampton did not disappoint those attending, captivating them with stories of his experiences with Chicago Bears Teammates and Coaches. Following his speech, Mr. Hampton received a standing ovation.

Once again the Sheraton did an outstanding job presenting a fabulous combination dinner, followed by an even more impressive dessert.

Following tradition, the night kicked off with an impressive performance from the Bagpipes & Drums of the Emerald Society and a rousing rendition of the National Anthem performed by Wayne Messmer. Shortly after, a moving tribute was made to long time Traffic Club of Chicago member, Mr. Tom Mitropoulis. As mentioned earlier this year, Tom Mitropoulis passed away on the evening of November 2nd at the age of 79. The Club is truly grateful for the many years of service that Tom put in to the Traffic Club of Chicago.

We would be remiss if we failed to thank a few people who were instrumental in making this dinner a success. They are as follows: Denny Grim, chair of the Annual Dinner committee who was responsible for bringing everything together; Gabriel Forir, who as Master of Ceremonies, made sure the evening's program went off smoothly; and Kathy Knight who was responsible for making sure that the head table reception went off as planned.

We would also like to thank Jim Keuck and the Retirees Committee for all their hard work. Not only were they responsible for getting the formal dinner invitations in the mail, but they also manned the dinner registration table and assisted those who had questions regarding table seating.

Last but not most definitely not least, we would like to thank President Jeffrey Leppert. His passion for the Club truly showed through his leadership of this Annual Dinner team. President Leppert also gave a moving speech the night of the dinner.

Another Successful Annual Dinner



Recap: June Cubs Outing

On June 2nd, the club held its first Cubs Outing of 2016. This outing was a sellout, with 50 guests in attendance. Not only was the weather perfect, but the Cubbies also took a W, with a big win over the Dodgers, 7 - 2.



MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE 2016...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 2016 another successful membership drive year!

THE TRAFFIC CLUB OF CHICAGO

Application for Membership

Resident - \$280
Anyone residing within a 75 mile radius from City Hall Chicago

Non-Resident - \$80
Anyone residing outside a 75 mile radius from City Hall Chicago

Young Professional - \$80
First time applicant, age 30 or younger. Can reside within or outside the 75 mile radius from City Hall Chicago

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Business Address _____ Phone (____) _____

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PLEASE FAX YOUR APPLICATION TO THE CLUB OFFICE AT: (630) 790-3095

Traffic Club Calendar for 2016

The following is a listing of Club activities that have been scheduled for 2016. Dates and events will be updated as plans are finalized. Please be sure to mark your calendars accordingly, so that you don't miss any of these important events.

Jan 7	Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Call)	May 9	Board of Directors Meeting	Aug 18	Third Golf Outing Balmoral Woods Golf Course Crete, IL
Jan 11	Board of Directors Meeting	May 18	109th Annual Dinner Golf Outing Cog Hill Golf Club Lemont, IL		
Jan 13	Joint Traffic Club-Midwest Assn. of Rail Shippers Luncheon Guest Speaker: Pat Ottensmeyer President, Kansas City Southern Location: Westin Yorktown Center, Lombard, IL	May 19	109th Annual Dinner Guest Speaker: Dan Hampton of the 1985 Chicago Bears Location: Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers, Downtown Chicago	Sept	Pinstripes Networking Event
Jan 31	Scholarship Application Deadline			Sept 8	Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Call)
Feb 4	Finance Committee Meeting (Face to Face)	June 2	Cubs Outing - Cubs vs Dodgers	Sept 8	Retiree Luncheon
Feb 8	Board of Directors Meeting	June 9	Finance Committee Meeting (Face to Face)	Sept 12	Board of Directors Meeting
Feb 25	3rd Annual Career Fair Loyola University Chicago Schreiber Center Chicago, IL	June 13	Board of Directors Meeting	Sept 22	Fourth Golf Outing Village Links of Glen Ellyn Glen Ellyn, IL
		June 22	First Golf Outing Joint Outing with OFA Bridges of Poplar Creek Hoffman Estates, IL	Oct	Transportation Night
Mar 10	Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Call)	July 7	Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Call)	Oct 6	Finance Committee Meeting (Face to Face)
Mar 14	Board of Directors Meeting	July 11	Board of Directors Meeting	Oct 10	Board of Directors Meeting
Mar 17	Executive Series Luncheon w/ Scholarship Award Ceremony	July 21	Second Golf Outing Hawks View Golf Club Lake Geneva, WI	Oct 20	Executive Series Luncheon Southside Location TBA
Mar 30	TopGolf Networking Event			Nov 10	Finance Committee Meeting (Face to Face)
Apr 7	Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Call)	Aug	Executive Series Luncheon	Nov 10	Goose Island Networking Event
Apr 11	Board of Directors Meeting	Aug 3	Cubs Outing - Cubs vs Marlins	Nov 14	Board of Directors Meeting
May 5	Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Call)	Aug 4	Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Call)	Nov 17	Business Development Symposium
		Aug 8	Board of Directors Meeting	Dec 8	Annual Holiday Party Cantigny Park Wheaton, IL
				Dec 8	Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Call)
				Dec 12	Board of Directors Meeting

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Dinner, Wednesday-Sunday from 6:00 pm.- 8:00 pm.
Meeting Rooms are Available.
Dining Privileges Only. No Golf Privileges.*

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www.traffic-club.org