News/Bulletin of the Traffie Club of Chicago

March 2016

The Traffic Club of Chicago Cordially invites you to the One Hundred Ninth Annual Dinner Thursday Evening, May Nineteenth Two Thousand Sixteen at seven thirty o'clock Chicago Ballroom Sheraton Grand Chicago 301 E North Water Street Chicago, Illinois 60611

**Business** Attire

Reception 6:00 to 7:00 Chicago Promenade

### President's Message

It didn't take long (thanks to the power of Minecraft on a child's attention) for my wife and I to pull his "technology" during the school week. It wasn't because he isn't a good kid or doing well in school it was because he would rather seclude himself than engage. He didn't want to tell me how his day was or his favorite part of school that day. He just wanted to find and kill the Ender Dragon. If only it was real.

This, as with any "teaching moments" with my son, made me think of how it applied to me and in this case my business experiences. We have simply lost the art of telling a story and instead have relied on:

text me your phone number... email me the contract... flash or IM me if want to go to lunch...

What happened to picking up the phone and calling a colleague, a customer or even a competitor? The stories told and connections made are far more entertaining than emails or zombie skeletons. In fact, the emotions from a conversation usually lead to...wait for it... a friend, a business opportunity or simply a moment to listen and learn.

Our club leadership deliberates on a monthly basis on how to connect with our members and while we may use social media, the newsletter and our website to connect with our overall membership, our ONLY focus is providing events for our members and member companies to tell a story, tell their story, forge a friendship and learn in person – a human connection.

So join us: A committee, Annual Dinner. Just One Event. I promise you will meet someone valuable, and learn there is more to life than emails, IM's, texts and Dragons.

Your president,

Jeffrey R. Leppert

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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

Jensen Jones Sales Manager GBW Railcar Services, LLC jensen.jones@gbwservices.com

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Eileen Pearson Student Lewis University eileenkpearson@lewisu.edu

### 109th Annual Dinner Registration Now Open!

The Annual Dinner Committee has finalized a location, date AND guest speaker for this year's 109th Annual Dinner!

The Annual Dinner will take place at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers located in Downtown Chicago on May 19th, 2016.

Also, the Annual Dinner Golf Outing will once again be taking place the day prior to the Annual Dinner, May 18th, 2016, at Cog Hill Golf Club.

Incoming Traffic Club President, Jeff Leppert, announced at the Holiday Reception that he has selected a speaker for the 109th Annual Dinner. The guest speaker will be...

Dan Hampton of the 1985 Chicago Bears!



Registration for the 109th Annual Dinner and Golf Outing is now open! <u>Click here to register</u>

### **Reserve Your Room Now** for 109th Annual Dinner

Don't wait, make your hotel reservation now! You can make your reservations over the phone by calling 1-800-233-4100. Indicate that you are with the Traffic Club of Chicago to receive the discounted room rate of \$239 from 5/18/16 - 5/19/16. To make your reservations online <u>click here</u>!

The cutoff date for reserving rooms in the room block is 5:00PM on April 18th, 2016.

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IANA's 2016 Intermodal Operations and Maintenance Business Meeting



# Put yourself at the center of the conversation.

Join us for interactive roundtables and committee meetings as we tackle the industry's priority O&M issues. Coming to reconnect? Golf and the Networking Reception still top the social agenda.

# May 3 - 5, 2016

The Westin Lombard Yorktown Center • Lombard, Illinois (Note New Location!)

See our website for more information and to register now.

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### **Annual Dinner Program** Will Offer Advertising

The Annual Dinner committee has announced that the Club will once again make advertising available in this year's annual dinner program. The advertising will be available to both member and non-member companies. Since we will be limited on the number of advertising pages, the Club will offer full page and half page ads on a first come first serve basis. The rates for advertising will be:

> Full Page - \$850.00 Half Page - \$550.00

Companies wishing to advertise must furnish a completed ad in PDF format as the Club will not be responsible for ad design or layout. Further information on advertising, including dimensions and deadline, will be forthcoming. Should you have any questions please e-mail us at staff@traffic-club.org or call the office at 630-529-1333 for further assistance.

# **TopGolf Networking Event**

Help TCC kick off the golf season with the first ever networking event at TopGolf in Wood Dale, IL! Not a golfer? No worries! TopGolf has games fit for new players and pros alike.

Check out the following video to view more details on how to play: <u>https://www.</u> youtube.com/watch?v=90TP1btBAbc

This networking event will take place on March 30th, 2016 from 5PM - 8PM at TopGolf Wood Dale. Each attendee will receive 1 drink token, appetizers, access to 4 heated golf bays w/ 3 hours of TopGolf play (Guests will rotate play), ping pong, and bags.

The cost to attend is \$70 for members and \$80 for non-members. Registration is now open! To register, <u>click here</u>.

Questions? Contact TCC staff at staff@traffic-club.org or 630-529-1333.

### - Classifieds -

Do you want to escalate to a leadership position, hire and growth your own team? Ep America has a career opportunity where you can find a strong sales growth projection during the next 5 years. We are looking for a Business Development Manager for out Over the Road Division based in Chicago. A very attractive annual salary is being offered plus excellent bonus and sales incentives and a great benefits package. Great organizational culture and real professional growth opportunities. To learn more and apply please email: dora.chang@ep-america.com

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.

### **Recap: March Executive Series Luncheon**

The March Executive Series Luncheon was held on Thursday, March 10th, 2016 at Ditka's in Oakbrook Terrace. The guest speaker was David Yeager, Chairman & CEO of Hub Group. This luncheon was a sell out with over 115 people in attendance!





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Invites you to attend our TopGolf Networking Event

Help us kick off the golf season with our first ever networking event at TopGolf in Wood Dale, IL! Not a golfer? No worries! TopGolf has games fit for new players and pros alike.

#### Where?

TopGolf Wood Dale 699 W. Thorndale Ave. Wood Dale, IL 60191

#### <u>When?</u>

Wednesday, March 30, 2016 5PM - 8PM

### What?

Each ticket includes: 1 drink token (house wine and beer, \$6 max value) Appetizers Access to 4 heated golf bays w/ 3 hours of TopGolf play (Guests will rotate play) Ping pong Bags

Check out the following video to view more details on how to play: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=90TP1btBAbc

Click here to view a pamphlet with details on how to play.

How Much? Members & Member Guests: \$70/person Non-members: \$80/person

#### How Do I Register?

Online - Click here Email - Click here Phone - 630-529-1333

#### Sponsorship Opportunity

The Networking Committee is looking for companies to sponsor this event. If you think your company may be interested, please contact TCC staff at staff@traffic-club.org or 630-529-1333.

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# 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

# Scholarship Committee Announces Award Winners

Scholarship Committee chairman Bryan Vaughan, announced that his committee completed the judging and selection of this year's scholarship awards recipients. The presentation of these awards were made at the Education Committee's March 10th Executive Luncheon at Ditka's in Oakbrook Terrace, IL.

Mr. Vaughan would like to sincerely thank his committee for all their hard work in judging this year's applicants, and to all the students who took part in this year's scholarship awards program. He hopes that those who were not selected this year will not be deterred from applying for next year's awards program. The following individuals are this year's winning applicants and the schools at which they are currently enrolled.

#### **George Baima Scholarship Award**

Erin Retzlaff-Roberts Purdue University

#### **Tom Mitropoulos Scholarship Award**

Katherine Shade Massachusetts Institute of Technology

#### Additional recipients

Frank Borta Miami University (Ohio)

Kathryn Coyle University of Illinois

**Taylor Girard** Mt. Mary University (Wisconsin)

Max Jakubowski Syracuse University (New York)

#### Additional recipients cont'd

Marissa Martinez Lewis University

Huayan Lin Illinois Institute of Technology

**Gregory Ogard** University of Denver (Colorado)

Madeline Olsem Iowa State University

**Daniel Waskiewicz** University of Evansville (Indiana)

Nicole Retzlaff Mercyhurst University (Pennsylvania)

Karli Sellers University of Florida



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# MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE 2016...LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEMBERS

All we ask is that each of our members tries to bring in just <u>One New Member</u>. That's all ... just <u>One New Member</u>.

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!

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Application for Membership									
<b>Resident</b> - \$280 Anyone residing within a 75 mile radius from City Hall Chicago	<b>Non-Resident</b> - \$8 Anyone residing outsi radius from City Hall	de a 75 mile	☐ 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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# Locations for Our 2016 Summer Golf Outings Announced

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.

#### <u>May 18</u>

Cog Hill Golf Club Lemont, IL \*This is the Annual Dinner Golf Outing\*

#### 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

<u>August 18</u> Balmoral Woods Golf Course

Glen Ellyn, IL

Crete, IL <u>September 22</u> Village Links of Glen Ellyn

## 2016 Annual Sponsorship Now Available!

The Traffic Club of Chicago is happy to introduce its newest opportunity to reach transportation professionals... Annual Sponsorship!

This new program will simplify the sponsorship process and maximize your dollars. It will allow your company to sign up ONE time to receive visibility at all of the Traffic Club's many industry events.

We recommend that you take advantage of this opportunity early in the year to gain maximum exposure!

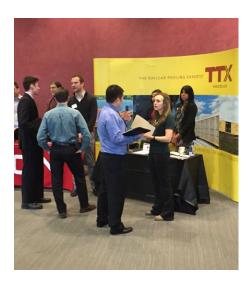
To sign up for a yearly sponsorship, please contact TCC staff by email at staff@traffic-club.org or by phone at 630-529-1333.

For more information on sponsorship levels <u>click here</u>.

# **3rd Annual Career Fair**

The club held its 3rd Annual Career Fair at Loyola University Chicago on February 25th. Despite the weather, there was a great turnout at this event! Over 20 companies were present, as well as about 50 attendees! TCC is looking forward to making this event bigger and better in the years to come.













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

# **Chicago Area Reciprocal Clubs Available to Club Members**

#### MILLHURST CHARHOUSE & BANQUETS

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.

#### 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. Meeting and Banquet Facilities Available. Dining Only. No Golf Privileges.

#### **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.* 

Nearly 100 private dining and country clubs are available to the members around the country and overseas. To see the list of available clubs please visit our website at: <u>www.traffic-club.org</u>