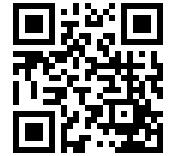




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NEWSLETTER

December 2018

CHARITY LUNCHEON: Thursday Dec. 13th



Red Rose Centre -1233 Derry Rd. E.,

(N. side of Derry – Entrance W/B on Derry from Dixie)

LUNCHEON 12 Noon Sharp!...Doors Open 11:30...Wrap up 1:30

JOIN US TO RELAX & MINGLE IN A GOOD CAUSE!

All Fleet Maintenance personnel welcomed!

Canada has long prided itself on the virtues of multiculturalism & so we are very pleased to have our very own ATSSA Executive member Manan Gupta from **Newcom Media** give us a brief update on the **demographic changes** that have occurred within the trucking industry over the last 25 years. (More on page 2). 'Top Three' Apprenticeship Awards also!

Please remember our ATSSA charity drives!



Toys for Tots: New unwrapped toys, or cash, or cheques.
(For kids under 14).

Non-perishable food: For the Food Bank.
Peel Police, Salvation Army and Sai Dham Food Bank on hand.

Let us help these organisations to brighten up Christmas a little for those less fortunate!

REGISTRATION: **There is no charge for admittance**, however, for catering purposes, we ask that all ATSSA members & non-members wishing to attend email contact information to: info@atssa.ca . (See more on page 2)

NOTE: Next General Meeting scheduled for March 14th, 2019

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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GENERAL MEETING-LUNCHEON!-DEC. 13th



By now everyone should be in receipt of the 'Media Blast', as depicted above & as posted on our ATSSA web site, & as released through electronic mail on Nov. 27.

Given the exceptional interest & attendance at our meeting on Oct. 13th, handled as a luncheon, we are again holding this event as a luncheon followed by a short presentation; but keep in mind that this is our annual **charitable event**, so please be thinking 'donations' to brighten Christmas a little for those less fortunate!

PRESENTATION: "Manan Gupta from Newcom South Asian Media Company will give a brief presentation on the demographic changes that have occurred within the trucking industry over the last 25 years.

Newcom Media - Canada's leading publisher of trucking magazines like *Today's Trucking*, *Truck News*, *Road Today*, *Transport Routier* has comprehensively analyzed the Canadian census data to identify and confirm trends related to employment, language, education, immigration and other aspects which will be shared with the ATSSA membership during the meeting.

Highlights from popular 'Inside The Numbers' buying trends survey will also be presented."

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APPRENTICES & AWARDS: The top three apprentices in the ATSSA sponsored MAP class from Centennial College will be presented with their Mack plaques & ATSSA scholarship awards for 2018. There will also be the opportunity to meet some of the current ATSSA apprenticeship students from Centennial College.

SCHEDULE: This meeting at the Red Rose Centre will have doors opening at 11:30, followed by Lunch at 12 Noon sharp, followed by a brief presentation with a Q&A period. Expect to wrap up by 1:30 pm.

REGISTRATION: There will be no admission fee but all - ATSSA members & nonmembers alike – will need to register by emailing their contact information to info@atssa.ca – for group registrations please include the email address for each individual in the group. **Register asap as space limited!**

SPONSORS: Any Hosts/Sponsors that would like to have their Company or Name publicly associated with this event should contact Brian Sibbald at 905-302-5470.

DOOR CHECK IN: Please present your ATSSA membership card at the door-or in the case of a guest, a business card or otherwise sign in- to facilitate updating & recording.

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2019 Schedule
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Thursday December 13-Lunch & Learn & Charity-Sponsorship/s available

*Thursday March 14 – **General Meeting** - Sponsorship/s available

*As for March 14, General meetings are also likewise tentatively scheduled for May, October & December-& September for Golf.

*The ATSSA has an open invitation for sponsors to make presentations at their convenience: Contact **Brian Sibbald** at: 905-302-5470 for hosting opportunities.

GENERAL MEETING Oct. 13th **Cannabis & Trucking & Drug Impairment**

Very well received. Very well attended. Luncheon meetings more convenient?
Members: Give your executive Committee some feedback!

We were treated to a most informative, instructive & topical insight into the legislation & policies on drug impairment surrounding cannabis & trucking. Both speakers gave an excellent account of what has been decided to date; although it is quite apparent that this is very much a work in progress & still evolving.

OPP: Sgt. Kerry Schmidt, media relations officer for the Highway Safety Division, reviewed the tests, including drug recognition; & showed some videos of impaired truck driving incidents & penalties & charges & other cautionary tales. (Please refer to the sergeant's web site for some more insights).

MTO: Sebastian Policht, Senior Policy Analyst, spoke on 'Impaired & Distracted driving-the two most difficult & sinister issues plaguing our roads today' as can be found on his web site. There are apparently some interesting terms & conditions for the medical usage of cannabis. A more detailed & well worth account of Sebastian's presentation on Impaired Driving in Ontario can be found on our ATSSA web site; along with some pictures.

Kerry & Sebastian provided an excellent tandem presentation for which we are most obliged.

This meeting was initiated, orchestrated & financed complements of the ATSSA, with most welcomed contributions towards costs by: **ULT Powertrain, Mack Canada & Taxis Truck Exhaust**. Thanks all! (*See also Viability Matters' on p5*). For more information & pictures please visit www.atssa.ca.

Remember to favor those who support us!

50/50 Draw: - Winner of our Draw was Mike Iasparro, Team Lead with Canadian Tire, with the other 50% directed to our ATSSA MAP scholarship apprenticeship fund at Centennial College.



Scene from our 'Cannabis & Trucking' meeting on October 13th

VIABILITY MATTERS

(See also last paragraph under 'Gen. Mtg. Oct. 13th on page 4)

We realized one of our highest turnouts in recent years at our October 13th Meeting. A most encouraging sign. Maybe we are on the right path.... Was the change from a dinner to a lunch a more convenient time? Was it the appeal of the topic & speakers? Was it the no-charge admittance? Was it the weather? Even so the turn out by our ATSSA membership was most disappointing. Investments/Sponsorships being our primary source of funding, it is vital for the ATSSA to be considered appealing & rewarding enough to attract their funds in order to maintain, let alone grow, the health of our finances & of our organizational capabilities.

In these changing times, the search for ways & means to become more relevant & appealing & effective is an ongoing critical effort.

Comments & suggestions are most welcome:

President Mark Halliday at mhalliday@rogers.com;...416-550-7933 &/or
Vice President Ed Roeder at droeder@sympatico.ca;...647-462-7336.

PARTICIPATION is vital for the well-being of our ATSSA!

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This is my last newsletter as I retire from the ATSSA & it has been a privilege. Many thanks to the readership, members & sponsors for indulging me these many years. Thanks in particular to Vic Wintjes for his invaluable help in finalising these newsletters. Thanks also to Dave Cook, Al Thompson, Dave Drummond, Brian Sibbald & all the other members of the Executive Committee. All the very best of success to the ATSSA.
 PD.



SOME MESSAGES FROM CENTENNIAL COLLEGE

Shop Managers-For Apprentice Enrolments

Do you have apprentices on the “wait list” for their in-school training? Centennial College tells us the enrolment invitations for January are lower than expected and based on what we hear from the industry, there’s probably apprentices that would like to come to class ASAP.

The openings are for the eight-week block beginning January 2019 and the specific courses are:

- Truck & Coach Apprentice (Commercial Vehicle) Level I
- Truck Trailer Apprentice Level II

Of potential interest to some ATSSA members may be the openings in the Automotive Apprenticeship (AST 310S license) program. Currently, there are classroom openings in Level I and II. Additionally, there are a few openings in the Motorcycle/Powersports Level II Program.

If you have a registered apprentice interested in coming to Centennial for the January intake, please contact your Ministry Training Consultant and get on the list. As time is compromised due to the pending holidays, please act fast!

If Centennial College can provide additional information, please feel free to contact Centennial ATS members: John Dixon (jdixon@centennialcollege.ca) or Al Thompson (athompson@centennialcollege.ca).

Licensed Technicians-For Teaching Positions

Centennial College is seeking licensed (in good standing with OCOT) 310T truck and coach technicians looking to explore contract teaching opportunities during the Winter (January -April 2019) Semester and beyond.

If you have an interest, please respond to the Department Chair Sean Squires ssquires@centennialcollege.ca with an electronic copy of your resume and a cover letter detailing your expression of interest.