Automotive Transportation Service Superintendents' Association

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TALE-LITE

May 2011



*Notice of General Meeting - - - - Thursday, May 12th, 2011

Guest Admission: First 2 introductory FOC, thereafter \$20.00 Refreshments from 5:00 pm----- Dinner served at 6:00 pm Paradise Banquet & Convention Center - - - - 7601 Jane Street, Concord

MEETING – MAY 12th

Please join us for a "free floating" evening that will be a little different from our usual sponsored event; in that evening will be courtesy of ourselves, the Toronto ATSSA.

It may be a sign of the times that a regular sponsor was not available.

The evening will be varied:

"Green Alternatives for your fleet" is one of a few topics under development as we go to print. Steve Clark of Canada Post will be quarterbacking this session on the latest offerings and options relative to Hybrids/Electronic vehicles and what they could mean to your fleet.

"Rust Prevention" is another topic that will be reviewed. Paul Kirkup will lend his considerable expertise to the evening by outlining preventative maintenance procedures that should be implemented at this time of year.

Participation from attendees would be much appreciated and make for a livelier meeting/exchange!

Any ideas as to how best we, as an ATS association, can best fulfill the expectations of our membership would also be welcomed!

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DOWN THE ROAD



- June 9 ...- General Meeting **OPEN!** Please contact Brian Sibbald!
- Sept. 1...- Golf Toronto ATSSA Nobleton Lakes (See page 5 of 5)
- Sept. 15 Trade Show Toronto ATSSA Paradise Center- (See page 6)
- <u>Monthly</u> General Meetings Contact Brian Sibbald @ 905-302-5470 for an opportunity to sponsor & advocate your business!!
- Brian Sibbald explains that any member responsible for arranging a sponsor for a General Meeting will have their membership dues paid for 1 year! (In the event of multiple sponsors in the same meeting, dues payment will be apportioned).

NEW MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

In order to encourage our licensed technicians to aspire to a leadership/supervisory role in our industry, the ATSSA Board of Management recently approved a new individual membership category – <u>Junior Regular Member</u> - that reads as follows:



"Shall be a member in transition to becoming a regular member, who holds a valid commercial vehicle trade certificate and is directly involved in the repair and maintenance of commercial vehicles in a commercial fleet environment. This member will not have voting privileges and cannot run for President, Vice President, Treasurer, or Secretary."

<u>NEW MEMBERS – WELCOME!</u>

Individuals:-



Regular:- Boyd Andrews with B Andrews Truck Service; Gabriel Dipede and

Barry Scriver with Thomson Terminals Ltd; and Will Galante with

Ryder Truck Rental.

Affiliate:- Dennis Brites with Harper Power Products and Glen Zimmerman with

Safety-Kleen.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Following is an extract of a letter received from Centennial College:



"Centennial College recently had three apprentices win awards at the Skills Ontario competition in Waterloo on May 3. These competitions equate to the "Olympics" for our profession.

The two Truck and Coach apprentice technicians won gold and silver in their section while another Centennial student "took" gold in the Heavy Duty Equipment Technician" competition.

Competitors came from all over the province and needed to have won a local "run-off" competition



to compete at the Provincial level. Overall, Centennial's students took 8 top awards in the 12 competitions entered. Regardless of their technical area of pursuit, these young

people are well on their way to successful careers and assuming to the role of leaders in our industry.

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The "gold" winners will now go on to represent Ontario at the national competition in Quebec. We are wishing them luck".

http://www.skillsontario.com/index.php/en/competitions/otsc

MEETING – APRIL 14th

A very nice and informative evening was had courtesy of **Navistar Canada**, **Inc.** and **Western Toronto International Trucks**. Quarterbacking the proceedings for Navistar was John Hosie, Key Market Manager-Truck.

John reviewed their **OnCommand** program, an online subscription VIN based, real-time access to up-to-date service and parts information that facilitates more accurate diagnosis, better tracking and



more cost conscious and effective repairs. Features also include parts listings, pricing and sourcing; access to labour times for approximately 200 common operations; outstanding recall campaigns and dealer repair history; and Fleet Charge card. The program even has a web-based "Repair Advocate" that coordinates to expedite your repairs. Dealer sends you an estimate online which

you sign and return. Can dispute invoices with a click! For more information on OnCommand, please contact your dealer.

With 700 primary locations, 1200 total including secondary, in North America, plus 9 distribution centers, Navistar is well positioned.

At the head table assisting John were: From Navistar-Kevin Madigan, Dealer Sales Director for Canada; Cory Just, Regional Service Manager; and from WTIT were-John Werkhoven, Director of Parts & Service; Rusty Bruce, Service Manager and Ron McCabe, Parts Manager.

Thanks again to John and his crew for occasioning a very nice turn out and evening.

<u>50/50 Draw</u>: Won by John Haines of Canada Cartage. Most of the questions came from a table with guest apprentices-nice to see!-who directed the house portion of the funds to Sick Kids.

IMPORTANT!

MAILING OF TALE-LITE! E-MAILING OF TALE-LITE!



In an effort to meet expectations, save costs, keep up with the times, and be more efficient, this 'Tale-Lite' newsletter will be distributed electronically by e-mail effective with the October 2011 issue. To accomplish this, we need to overhaul our data bank of e-mail addresses. Towards this end, <u>all</u> members are requested to submit- ASAP! - their e-mail address/s to our Secretary, Vic Wintjes at:

torontoats@sympatico.ca

NOTE: Since announcing this exercise some members have expressed a very real concern that they do not have ready access to a computer. These members are requested to likewise notify Secretary Vic of their need for a hard copy, to facilitate development and accuracy of the mailing data bank.

We will continue to mail the Tale-Lite by both hard copy and by e-mail until September 2011...After September, regular monthly copies of the Tale-Lite will only be available by e-mail from our updated data bank –(with some exceptions as "Noted" above).

Your co-operation in providing/submitting your e-mail address/s **ASAP** would be much appreciated!! Hard mail will not be completely eliminated. From time to time there may be a need for pre-printed material to be released and this will be done by 'regular' mail, separate from the Tale-Lite.

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GOLF-Tickets September 1st, 2011

NOBLETON LAKES GOLF CLUB

Hwy 27, Nobleton, ON.



One of the main social events of the A.T.S. year is the Annual Golf Tournament. Tickets are limited to the first 240 golfers-first come first served basis-so reserve your foursomes now! To assist in making for a successful tournament, we are again inviting 27 of our supporters to sponsor the 27 holes. (In addition, there may also be some sponsors with invited guests who may choose to bring along gifts to hand to their guests directly).

TEE OFF TIME: 9:30 A.M – SHOTGUN START SCRAMBLE BEST BALL FORMAT Note: Soft Spikes are mandatory! Jeans are not allowed on the Golf Course. _____ Please mail ticket/s @ \$140 each for golf, cart and dinner Please mail _____ ticket/s @ \$65 each for dinner 1 **FORESOME** 4 NAMES:-**COMPANY NAME:** ADDRESS: PHONE #: ____ CITY: **POSTAL CODE:** Submitted by Submitted by Submitted by Submitted by Submitted by PRINT NAME **SIGNATURE** DATE PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO RELEASE OF TICKETS Allow Sufficient May opt to call Dave Cook @ 1-519-396-5219 to arrange payment Time for I am making payment on: Visa or Mastercard or Cheque enclosed **Processing** & Mailings Name on Card (Please print!):.... <u>No</u> <u>Card#:</u>.....<u>Exp. Date:</u>.... Cancellation Or Please complete then mail to: Toronto ATS, 14 Broomfield Crt., Brampton, ON L6Z 1T5 Refund After If paying by Card, may opt to complete & submit by fax to: 1-519-396-5214 Aug. 11th, 2011

Tickets - along with an Invoice and Receipt - will be issued upon receipt of payment

TRADE SHOW

TORONTO ATS

Paradise Banquet & Convention Centre, 7601 Jane St., Concord (Between Hwy #7 and Hwy 407, on east side of Jane Street)



*Thursday, Sept. 15, 2011 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.*Barbecue from 5 – 7

OVER 60 INDOOR AND OUTDOOR DISPLAYS

New Product Information On-hand technical information

Supplier door prize draws Sales specials on the spot

For further information contact Brian Sibbald at 905-302-5470 or e-mail: bsibbald@cogeco.ca

There will be <u>NO ADMISSION</u> charge for guests, so please feel free to bring along anyone who would benefit from attending this informative Toronto A.T.S. trade show.

Who in your organization would benefit by attending our trade show? Bring your Fleet Operations, Safety & Compliance staff, your Parts & Equipment procurement personnel, fleet Maintenance Technicians and Service Providers. Network with our industry: Fleets, Manufacturers and Suppliers.

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