

**Automotive Transportation Service**  
**Superintendents' Association**  
**Toronto Chapter**  
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**TALE-LITE**  
January 2010



*\* Notice of General Meeting - - - -Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010\**

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

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**\* MEETING – JANUARY 14<sup>th</sup>**

Please join us for an evening with **Taxis Exhaust**.

“As we enter the ‘near zero emissions standards’ for 2010, it’s only fitting that our first meeting for the new year be hosted by someone that knows the subject very well. **Dan Hrodzicky of Taxis Truck Exhaust** will share with us the impact of these new standards on our fleets, specifically as it relates to properly functioning Diesel Particulate Filters (DPF). Joining Dan will be **Chris Monnich, Operations Manager of Tech Sonic Services**. Chris’ presentation will demonstrate the effectiveness of his company’s DPF cleaning process. This advanced solution uses an ultrasonic technology to provide a green, safe, fast and economical way to get DPF’s back into operation”. Taxis is an established company with a portfolio that includes: Pipe & muffler fabrication & repair, with aluminized & stainless steel, along with the repair & cleaning of DPF systems since 2007.

This being our first meeting to kick-off the New Year brings along a friend or colleague who you think would be a welcome addition to our ATS organization, to attend this meeting and to join us for dinner.

**LADIES NIGHT DANCE**



**Feb. 27, 2010 – Ladies Night Dance**, Toronto ATS – (See form for tickets on page 6)

-Sponsors!: For forms, please visit: [www.torontoats.com](http://www.torontoats.com)

- Or, contact Brian Sibbald at: 905-302-5470

**MEETING – DECEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>**

This meeting turned out to be quite the success, and was sponsored by our own Toronto ATSSA along with the following companies: KBW Towing, Fort Garry Industries, Taxis Exhaust, Transit Spring, Emergency Road Services, Quality Collision Centre and Solartek Auto Glass. Our sincere appreciation to these companies!



Ed Roeder performed the **installation of the new Executive of the Toronto ATSSA for 2010/2011**. A few 'designated' could not attend and their installations will be completed at our next meeting in January. Outgoing President Ed Roeder handed over the reins to incoming President Steve Plaskos who gave a nice tribute and vote of thanks to Ed. (For a complete listing of your new Executive, please see chart below).

Both Kerry Vandrish and Holly Faulkner, constables with **Peel Regional Police**, expressed their sincere thanks for the toy and cheque donations received for their "Toys for Tots" program. Similarly, Kelly Viz and Grant Spear of the **Toronto Fire Services** much appreciated the food and cheque donations for their cause. Donnie Coy of Hamilton provided the evening's comedic relief. **50/50 Draw:** Evgueni Chablov of 'The Euro. & Can. Group' won the 50/50; while the charitable recipient for the ATS portion has not been decided upon as of yet.

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**MESSAGE**

**DUES – MEMBERSHIP**

**Toronto ATS**



**Re: Membership Dues**

**ATT: Toronto ATSSA Members:**

The 2010 membership renewals have been sent out.

Membership Fees should be paid upon receipt of your Membership Notice. We will also be collecting payments at the door at our February meeting, as well as at the Ladies Night.

Soon you will be able to pay for memberships and all events on the ATS web site with your credit card.

Please be advised that if your membership is still in arrears by the March meeting, you will be asked to pay the \$20 entrance fee. If your payment hasn't been received by the April meeting, you will be denied entry to the general Meeting.

Sincerely,

Steve Plaskos  
President - Toronto ATSSA

## **MESSAGE**

### **Toronto ATSSA Service Bulletin for January**



## **Air System Additives**

The winter months are upon us: below zero temperatures cause havoc in our industry and the temptation to use Alcohol to de-ice Air Brake systems is usually our first choice even when we know it is not the right choice! The load must go! Get the truck on the road! How many of us have been in this situation? If you are in the trucking industry you have been there.

Two things to keep in mind: The first question you want to ask yourself is; 'are the brake linings frozen to the drums'? Or secondly, is the air system frozen? Both these issues will keep you immobile:

1. **Brake linings frozen to Drums:** You will need to assure yourself that the pushrods are moving freely as the brakes are applied, this will give you a good indication that the linings are frozen to the drums, as you notice the pushrod movement and the linings are not moving freely away from drums. Your best and easiest fix to this is to tap the brake drum several times with a hammer; the linings will break free from the drum if you have your brakes released. Always make sure you have your wheels blocked before releasing the brakes!
2. **Air System is Frozen:** Condensation, water build up in your air system will freeze in these temperatures; the use of Methyl alcohol is approved by the manufactures in very small amounts. OEMs' prefer the use of alcohol injector systems, but if the vehicle is not equipped with one, it is acceptable to pour no more than 1/8 of an ounce of alcohol into the Red/Emergency air system only. Ethylene Glycol type antifreeze or Isopropyl alcohol is not to be used; these chemicals will eat at the Nitrile O-Rings in the brake valves, causing premature failure, and will also void your warranty. Once the Methyl alcohol reaches the frozen line it will de-ice and you will be on your way.

In addition, it is a good maintenance practice to winterize your vehicles, ensuring the air dryer is working properly, and that your air systems are drained daily. Following both of these tips will keep your air system free of contaminants and keep you rolling!

**From:** The Toronto ATSSA Technical Committee



May 10-11-12 / 2010

Hilton Suites  
Conference Centre & Spa  
Markham  
Register at:  
[www.cfmsonline.com](http://www.cfmsonline.com) or call  
905-957-7265.

January 2010

To: All ATSSA Members

Our **NEW** and **IMPROVED** web site is now a reality, please visit us at [www.cfmsonline.com](http://www.cfmsonline.com) and check it out. What's New since last May?

- **New** - look.
- **More** – pictures ... colour ... inter-active features.
- **More** - relevant content.
- **New** - News page.
- **New** - Directories Page....Now you know what they look like!
- **New** - On-Line registration (still under construction)
- **New** - Sponsors have all been linked.
- **More** - about the ATSSA & CFMS heritage.
- **More** - Fleet Award information and recognition to past winners
- **New** - Links to useful pages.

Mailers with the conference details are at the printer now and will be going out as usual in January, or you can always check the website which will have the information loaded once printing is complete. One highlight we can bring to your attention now however is our banquet speaker. A departure from years past, our speaker this year will be none other than Rod Black the voice of CTV Sports and TSN. "A man for all seasons" - with over 26 years of distinguished coverage in the wide world of sports - Rod Black has virtually done it all. From the Blue Jays to the CFL - the Raptors to figure skating - the Stanley Cup Playoffs - tennis, golf, boxing, motor and horse racing and of course the Olympics - Canada's most versatile broadcaster has had a front row seat to observe and call all of sport's major events. And now...you can have a front row seat to see and hear the man himself.



A special thanks to Truck News and Motor Truck for making this event possible.

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**WANTED:** The best of the best in Canadian Fleet Maintenance. Let us help you acknowledge/nominate that special Fleet Maintenance Manager. Details and nomination forms available at [www.cfmsonline.com](http://www.cfmsonline.com) or contact your CFMS representative or, Vic Wintjes at 416-802-7475.

*Nominations must be received by March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010. **Act today!***



**LADIES NIGHT DANCE**

**February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**PARADISE BANQUET CENTRE**

**7601 Jane Street, Concord**  
**(Just North of Hwy. # 407)**



**TICKET PRICE: \$130 PER COUPLE**

**Limited # of rooms available at \$99 for a Standard at the  
Courtyard by Marriott Vaughan**

**150 Interchange Way, Vaughan, ON L4K 5P7**

**(905-660-9938 or 1-866-239-3202)**

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**Ticket Sales Are Limited and Go Quickly – Don't Be Disappointed**

**TICKET REQUEST**

**\*\* All cheques payable to 'Toronto ATS'\*\***

**TABLE ARRANGEMENTS:- ROUNDS OF EIGHT – ALL TABLES RESERVED**

**SEATING REQUEST: \_\_\_\_\_**

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**COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_**

**ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_**

**CITY: \_\_\_\_\_**

**POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_**

**PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_**

**SUBMITTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_**  
**PRINT NAME SIGNATURE**

**TO OBTAIN TICKETS, COMPLETE FORM AND**

**EITHER (A) IF INVOICE REQUIRED, FAX TO: 1-519-396-5214**

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**For a map go to [www.torontoats.com](http://www.torontoats.com) & open 'event' window**

**No Cancellations or refunds after February 12th, 2010**