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## **LUNCHEON SPEAKER MEETING**

**Date:** Tuesday, January 11, 2011

**RSVP:** 12 Noon, Friday, January 7, 2011 via  
[www.trafficclubofmemphis.com](http://www.trafficclubofmemphis.com)

**Place:** The Racquet Club of Memphis  
5111 Sanderlin Ave.  
Memphis, TN 37117

**Time:** Check-in/Networking: 11:15 AM – 11:45 AM  
Buffet Lunch: 11:30 AM 12:15 PM

**Speaker:** Tommy Hodges, Former Chairman ATA

**Topic:** *ATA Returns*

**Tariff:** \$30.00 TCOM members and guests with reservations  
\$35.00 TCOM members and guests without reservations  
\$35.00 Non-members  
***\$30.00*** Transportation Educators and Students  
\$20.00 Life-time members and guests

### **RSVP's**

**Please RSVP via the website for each meeting. This will insure that we have the proper number planned for the meal and meeting, and that we do not incur costs for extra seating. If you cannot RSVP via the website, please contact Ken Opperman, or Larry Mays listed at the end of this newsletter to get added to the list.**

**Mission Statement:**

The fostering of professionalism of its members by providing a networking system and a forum for presentation of transportation, distribution, and logistic topics.

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

The Christmas Party was a huge success again, and we appreciate everyone for their support. The door prizes were great this year, and who would have thought Santa Claus would stop by for dinner.

We set a record with over \$800 of donations for Porter Loath. I want to thank all who continue to support Porter Leath Children over the years, especially Bill Pallme (Santa) and all sponsors who made donations.

The Traffic Club of Memphis provides scholarships for students in the Transportation industry. As a book has many chapters, the Traffic Club of Memphis continues to grow and go through many successful changes.

The current board has the experience and commitment to continue raising the bar of excellence. That is why we will continue to ask for your participation with our luncheon and golf tournaments. I thank you in advance for your past, present and future support of the Traffic Club of Memphis. You are helping to make us successful.

Please RSVP for the January 11, 2011 luncheon with Tommy Hodges, chairman of the ATA.

We wish the New Year brings good health and prosperity to all of you.

Larry Mays  
President

## **PORTER LEATH DONATION TOTAL**

The Club would like to THANK YOU for those that were able to participate in this year's fundraiser at our Christmas Party on December 3, 2010, at the Racquet Club. Through your generous donations, we were able to set a record for the amount given to Porter Leath. With checks/cash/paypal, and personal check donations to Porter Leath at the party, we added total cash and checks of \$529.20. In addition, Porter Leath once again partnered with WRVR-104 FM, and a Secret Santa matched all cash and check donations, which we estimated at \$350. So our total donation ultimately ended up being \$879.20, plus \$45 in gift cards to Walmart and Target. Our total donations of cash and checks over the last 6 years now adds up to \$1,800.39 + matching Secret Santa the last 3 years of \$1,046.19, which brings our grand total to **\$2,846.58. THANKS AGAIN!!**

## **DUES REMINDER**

Membership dues for the 2011 term are now due. Please renew or join our club as soon as possible.

You may pay the \$25.00 dues via one of three ways:

- 1) Pay with a credit card at our website via Pay Pal. Credit card payments are only accepted via our website.
- 2) Pay with check or cash at our next meeting on November 30th.
- 3) Mail a check to the club's P.O. Box

Thanks much for your continued support and membership in 2009 and 2010!

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

If you know of a TRANSPORTATION employer that has open positions, or you are seeking transportation employment, you may now send this information to our Media Chair Matt Read via email at [matt.read@centrixnow.com](mailto:matt.read@centrixnow.com), and this information will be added to our website.

## **2010 Event Calendar**

Feb 7 (Mon) -	Don Brown, EVP, FedEx Freight
Mar 8 -	Speaker Meeting - TBA
Apr ? -	Spring Golf Outing
May ? -	Spring Golf Classic
Sep 13 -	Speaker Meeting or Fall Golf Classic
Oct 11 -	Speaker Meeting – TBA
Nov 8 -	Elections/Speaker Meeting
Dec 2 -	Christmas Party

## **NEW MEMBERS**

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## **Important Member Relation Announcements**

Our Member Relations Director, Steve Gilmore, would like to thank each member for sharing their birthday and anniversary information with us, and encourage you to also let us know of other events at work and at home, i.e. promotions, graduations, births, retirements, transitions, deaths, etc. that you would like to share with club members.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**

Larry Rock – Rock Logistics/Landstar – 1/10  
John L. Brassel – Southwest TN Community College – 1/20  
Steven Gilmore – Vaco – 1/12  
Jerrel Marbry – Vickers Distribution and Transfer – 1/20  
Cheryl Citrone – Vaco – 1/31

## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:**

Jerry Williford – Memphis City Cartage, Inc. – 1/13

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