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## **MEMPHIS'S WAR ON TERROR IN TRANSPORTATION!**

*The Traffic Club of Memphis partners are a critical link between success and failure in the "War on Terror". Thousands of vehicles each day cross your domain space. Each one is subject to be driven by either a domestic or international terrorist. How do you spot a terrorist? What does a terrorist look like? Who are the terrorists? What actions identify a terrorist? What contraband do they carry? Is your industry and/or employees ready to confront a terrorist? For answers to these and other questions, you need to rsvp early as we anticipate another sellout!*

## **LUNCHEON SPEAKER MEETING**

**Date:** Tuesday, March 9, 2010

**RSVP:** 12 Noon, Friday, March 5, 2010 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:** William "Bill" Arrington, Gen. Mgr., TSNM Highway & Motor  
Carrier Division (*Homeland Security*)

**Topic:** *"National Security is Everyone's Business"*

**Tariff:** \$25.00 TCOM members and guests with reservations  
\$30.00 TCOM members and guests without reservations  
\$30.00 Non-members  
*\$25.00 Transportation Educators and Students*  
\$20.00 Life-time members and guests

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

It has been a long cold winter. We had a good turnout for our Feb. meeting, considering the challenging weather. T. Michael Glenn shared interesting customer service experiences and FedEx's commitment to the brand and "the Purple Promise".

The economy continues to be a key issue for most folks. Almost everyone has a perspective on if we have reached bottom or if we will suffer further economic decline. My concern is can we expect a recovery close to the prosperity we experienced just a few years ago? Or is this the new "normal"?

The logistics community is adjusting daily to the changing economy and the TCOM membership provides a great network of resources from job searches, supply chain solutions, and mentoring opportunities. Your Board of Directors can direct you to a fellow member to assist with most needs. I encourage you to utilize your club's talent and to get to know fellow members because we have some of the best supply chain professionals in the industry.

I look forward to seeing you at our March meeting with warmer weather and more business... we deserve it!

Marty Morelli  
President

### **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.

## **DUES REMINDER**

**\*\*\*\*EFFECTIVE 1/1/10, THE MEMBERSHIP ROSTER WAS PURGED AND THOSE WHO HAVE NOT RENEWED CAN NO LONGER LOG IN AS A MEMBER. PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP ASAP AND YOUR ACCOUNT WILL BE RE-ACTIVATED!\*\*\*\***

Membership dues for the 2010 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

## **NEW MEMBERS**

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## **2010 Event Calendar**

Apr 13 - Joe Dierberger, FMCSA TN Div.== CSA 2010 Presentation  
May 10 - Spring Golf Classic – 130pm Memphis National  
Sep - Fall Golf Classic – Date TBA  
Oct 12 - Speaker Meeting – TBA  
Nov 9 - Elections/Speaker Meeting – TBA  
Dec 3 - Christmas Party

## **Important Member Relation Announcements**

Our Member Relations Director, Mason Wilson, 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:**

Don Fox - Retired - 3/11.

Rhonda Mitchell - ABF - 3/15

Joye Starkey – Construction Managers & Consultants – 3/19

Dan Pallme – Comtrak – 3/22

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:**

Ken Opperman - 3/7/81 - wedding. Eagle Systems - 3/29/01

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

Traffic Club of Memphis member **Steve Gilmore** for being recognized in the Memphis Business Journal as **Vaco** Mid-South's Director of their new Distribution, Transportation, Logistics and Supply Chain Services Division.

## **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 Jim Deweese via email at [jdeweese@abf.com](mailto:jdeweese@abf.com) and this information will be added to our website

## **INTERN REFERRAL**

The Traffic Club of Memphis recently had a local business request information concerning their need to find an intern that is pursuing Transportation and/or Logistics. Dan Pallme, our current Scholarship chair was able to provide them with contact information at the University of Memphis to attempt to satisfy their need with current students in their program. The Club is happy to assist any business or individual in their pursuit of employment in our industry and to continue to grow our relationship with the various schools that we support through our scholarship program.

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