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SPEAKER MEETING!

- Date:** Tuesday April 12, 2005
- RSVP:** 12noon, Monday April 11, 2005
****60 TOTAL RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED!!
NO EXCEPTIONS, NO WALK-UPS!****
- Topic:** Facility Tour of Future Electronics!
2 Tours will depart, 1 at 5pm and 1 at 530pm!
*****Please indicate which tour you will take when signing up for the meeting.**
- Place:** Future Electronics
4150 Old Airways Blvd
Southaven, MS
Time: Tours at 5pm and 530pm, dinner after tour!
- Menu:** Dinner catered by Mega Wraps after your tour will consist of four types of wrap sandwiches, 2 types of soups, chips, potato salad, ice tea, soda, and water.
- Tariff:** \$25.00 TCOM Members and their guests
\$30.00 Non-members
\$20.00 Transportation Educators and Students

******FIRST 60 RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!******

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.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Not to show any preference, but one of my favorite meetings for the year is the FedEx meeting. There are a lot of reasons it is my favorite: one being it is the single most attended meeting every year (other than golf – my other favorite excuse for a meeting). With the high attendance, you always can meet and greet new friends and renew old friendships.

Another reason FedEx is one of my favorites is the era that I was born. This month I celebrated a birthday and reflect back to the times of working my way through college throwing boxes at the Hub at night (some 20 plus years ago). For several years, many students like myself paid their way through school part time with tuition re-imbusement to make ends meet. Although I did not pursue FedEx after college, it will always be a part of me having spent my college years every Monday through Friday night in the Hub. Even if you did not work in the Hub in those days, everyone attached to the club (in Memphis) knows at least someone that works at a FedEx company. This makes it personal and I always want all of my friends and acquaintances to succeed in life.

I thank you for attending the Club and being a part of not only your fellow transportation people but also getting an update with a company with so many ties, corporate philosophies and charitable contributions. Without you, the Club would not be a success.

Next month will be another diversified and exciting meeting. Future Technologies and their state of the art warehouse should be an exciting tour as well for a number of reasons. Please take part in this meeting with an emphasis on technology.

Take care and I hope to see you in a couple of short weeks!

Dan Pallme



TCOM President Dan Pallme congratulates FedEx presenter Glenn Sessoms!

NEW MEMBER CONTEST PAYS \$100.00

Once again this year, your club is beginning a membership contest that begins on February 1 and ends on May 31, 2005. To be eligible for the \$100.00 award, a member must sign up at least two **new** members and that member receives one entry in the drawing. After this initial entry, you will receive one additional entry for each additional **new** member you sponsor! The more new members you sign up, the better your chances of winning the prize. It is imperative that you have the new member list you on their application so that you will get credit for their membership. All entries will be entered and the winner drawn at our June meeting. Good luck and we hope you earn multiple entries!!!

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CONGRATULATIONS JOHN BREWER

John, who is employed by API, was our monthly door prize winner at our March meeting and will be enjoying a wonderful gift basket. **FedEx Freight-East** donated our March door prize. Thanks again to **FedEx Freight-East** and we hope John enjoys!

COMTRAK SPONSORS DOOR PRIZE!

In order for your board to show our appreciation for your attendance at our monthly meetings, Sherri Tipton, our membership director, has suggested and your board has decided to start awarding one door prize at each monthly meeting. This month's door prize will be a **Gift valued at \$50.00 or more** donated by board member **Dan Pallme of Comtrak**. Each attendee at our monthly meeting will be issued a numbered ticket and we will draw the winning ticket at the conclusion of our meeting. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!!!** We will recognize the company that sponsors this award both in the MTT newsletter and also announcing their support at our monthly meeting. Companies that are interested in sponsoring this monthly prize please contact our membership director, Sherri Tipton @ 842-1050 or stipton@cornerstone-systems.com and enter on the subject line DOOR PRIZE to get signed up on the list. There are only seven (7) meetings per year that are available for sponsorship. Sign up now!

DUES REMINDER

For those of you who have not renewed your dues, please be aware that your name and company were dropped from the roster effective January 31, 2005. Please renew or join our club as soon as possible. You may pay the \$25.00 dues one of two ways:

- 1) Mail a check to the club's P.O. box
- 2) Pay via Pay Pal on the club's website. You do not need create an account to use Pay Pal as you can just go in and use it as a one-time transaction. Simply enter our site and click the rsvp meeting, enter 1 under number or people attending and then list "2005 dues" in the comment area. Then just follow the Pay Pal instructions and your receipt will be available after completing your transaction.

TCI PERSON OF THE YEAR NOMINATION!

Once again the time has arrived for our membership to "**nominate someone great**" to be a candidate for this years TCI Transportation Person of the Year! Our club is a member of Transportation Clubs International and since 1984, member clubs are asked to nominate a candidate to be considered for this prestigious award. It is awarded yearly at the TCI annual Congress and is designed to recognize significant contributions by an individual in the field of Transportation, Traffic or Logistics. It is awarded to focus attention upon local, national and international excellence. TCI solicits nominations from affiliated traffic-transportation in the United States, Canada and Mexico. To nominate someone great, please refer to our website and click on the TCI Person of the Year link and follow the instructions. Three out of the last four years, our club has nominated Dr. Neal Southern, Jim Van Endye and Mike Bruns for this award and each of them were awarded the honor of being the TCI Transportation Person of the Year! **Deadline to nominate is April 30th!!**

Scholarship Applications Accepted Now!

With your continued support of our Club at both our monthly meetings and our twice-yearly golf scrambles, once again this year, your Club is accepting applications for scholarships of up to \$1000.00 to be awarded to deserving applicants. The applications will be accepted with a **deadline of June 30th, 2005**. All applicants will be contacted by **August 15th 2005** with information concerning whether the applicant was successful and if so, how much will be awarded to that applicant. For further information, please visit your Clubs website at www.trafficclubofmemphis.com and click on scholarships or contact John Brewer, your board Scholarship Chairperson.

The Traffic Club of Memphis invites you
to our **Spring Golf Outing at**
Memphis National Golf Club
(2700 Houston Levee Rd. / Collierville, TN)
Tuesday, MAY 10th / 1:00 PM shotgun start

Cost is \$100 a person to include:

range balls, 18 holes of golf, cart, putting contest, 2 mulligans, 2 drink tickets, dinner, and door prizes.

Hole Sponsorships are available at \$100 per hole

Proper Golf Attire Required



Player 1 _____ Company _____
Player 2 _____ Company _____
Player 3 _____ Company _____
Player 4 _____ Company _____

Hole Sponsorship: Yes _____ Name on Sign _____
Would you like to become a Member of the Traffic Club? _____ Dues \$25

To reserve your spot in the tournament please fax your application to **901-375-5431 attn Larry Mays** or call **901-369-6637/901-409-0945**. Applications can also be found at www.trafficclubofmemphis.com. They can be completed and mailed to: Traffic Club of Memphis, PO Box 751781 / Memphis, TN 38175. All money is due by **Monday, May 2 at 5pm**. A \$10 premium will be added to all entries received after **May 2**. Please have the names of your players at time of payment to ease check in at the club.

NOTE: Payment can made by Credit Card using **PayPal** by logging into the Traffic Club of Memphis website.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME-

WEDNESDAY JUNE 22ND, 105PM!

Get out your sunscreen and appetite as our June meeting will take on a little different look this year. We are going to attend a business person special Redbirds baseball game at AutoZone Park at 105pm on Wednesday June 22nd. We will have an all-you-can-eat buffet meal beginning one hour before the game that will conclude at the end of the first inning and will include: 1/3 lb. Char Grilled Hamburgers, Ballpark Franks, BBQ Baked Beans, Savory Slaw and Crunchy Potato Chips, Fresh Sliced Watermelon, Turner Dairy Ice Cream Cups and Coca-Cola Soft Drinks.

We are hoping that this first time Traffic Club of Memphis event will be a success and will begin a yearly tradition for our June meeting. We encourage you to consider and invite as many of your customers and/or friends as you can bring and make this a huge event.

Tickets and wristbands for the meal are **\$25.00 per person**. Tickets can be purchased on line via your clubs website and we also plan to have tickets available at both of our upcoming meetings as you check in at Future Electronics and also at our May Golf Scramble. We look forward to you signing up soon!

2005 Event Calendar

April 12 – Sanjay Desai – Dinner and Tour at Future Electronics
May 10 – Memphis National Spring Golf Scramble
****NEW DATE**** June 22 – Memphis Redbirds 105pm Game!
September 13(?) – Fall Golf Scramble
October 11 – Speaker meeting
November – 8 Election Night/Speaker meeting
December 2 – Christmas Party

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