



THE WHEEL

The Transportation Club of Houston Newsletter



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From the Editor...

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION WEEK

Most industries believe that they are at the bottom of the "respect" hierarchy. It seems that we each feel 'picked on' in one way or another. The difference, we sometimes believe, is that WE REALLY have legitimate gripes, while others are merely complaining without justification.

Since you are reading this, you probably realize the incredibly essential nature of transportation. You realize that every day every aspect of American's lives ride on the wheels of our industry.

What am I leading up to? NTW. National Transportation Week is our chance to get our word out to the public that we do what we do, and we are good at it. That what we do matters.

Look at the events planned for NTW (at www.ntwhouston.org) and spread the word. Let us all share the word that our industry is one that touches every life around the world. Cool.

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Upcoming TCH Events - AROUND THE CORNER!

The next TCH event is the annual NTW All-Club luncheon, hosted again this year by NDTA. The **MAY LUNCHEON** will be at Brady's Landing on Thursday, May 14. Brady's is doing some remodeling and the restaurant is looking better at each visit. The fun begins at 11:30 at Brady's Landing, 8505 Cypress Street in Houston. More information is online at www.transclubhou.org.

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TCH Event Recap

The **APRIL 7 LUNCHEON** was our annual PAST PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON. We are honored each year to have as our guests the Past Presidents of TCH, and this year 13 were in attendance. The featured speaker was transportation leader and

motivational speaker **BILL WEBB**, of the Blue Flame Project www.theblueflameproject.com. Bill has a long history in transportation including previously being TMTA President. Bill was a return speaker to TCH and delivered an excellent program. Twelve transportation students and some educators were in attendance as well, underscoring the emphasis TCH has on our industry's future. Attendees enjoyed a great meal, door prizes, valuable industry and personal information, and networking.

Past Presidents in attendance were:

- Truman Griffin, 1970-71
- Lloyd Philips, 1976-77
- Dale Crawford, 1990-91
- Phil McGonigle, 1991-92
- Nancy Hahn, 1992-93
- Jack McCoy, 1995-96
- Bob Clark, 1996-97
- Joe Celestine and wife Mary, 1990-2000
- Ed Schinnie, 2000-01
- Joy Lloyd and husband Leslie, 2001-02
- Al Powell, 2002-03
- James Ruberti, 2004-05
- Danny Schnautz, 2007-08

Thanks to these companies who generously provided for others:

- Lunch sponsors were*
- Dangerousgoods.com
- FEDEX

- Door prize sponsors as of press time:*
- Clark Freight Lines
- Dangerousgoods.com

Look online for the latest information!

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TCH Educational Workshop May 14

The TCH Education Committee is holding a **HAZ MAT WORKSHOP** on Thursday, May 14, at Brady's Landing. The event provides certification for workers handling haz mat. The fee is \$265.00

and includes breakfast and entrance into the NTW All-Club luncheon. SPONSORSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE!

Luncheon sponsors as of press date are:

Gold: \$500

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Silver: \$250

D Rafferty Enterprises

Bronze: \$100

Clark Freight Lines

Ed Schinnie

Gary Stading

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Copper: \$50

Danny & Celessa Schnautz

Student Sponsorship: \$165

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More information is online at www.transclubhou.org.

Joy Lloyd Scholarship Announced

The TCH Education Committee has voted, and Joy Lloyd has accepted, that the club will issue a scholarship in Joy's name each year.

Joy continues her years-long success of driving education and helping students. The Transportation Club of Houston is honored to be part of Joy's work to make the transportation industry a better place with a brighter future!

1940's Air Terminal Renovation Progresses

Visit our friends at the 1940's Air Terminal, where remodeling is nearly finished. TCH is a lifetime member at the museum and looks forward to more events there. www.1940airterminal.org.

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Emmett Honorary Chair of NTW Houston 2009

Harris County Judge Ed Emmett has accepted the invitation to be the Honorary Chair of NTW Houston 2009.

NTW 2009 is slated for May 10 - 16 (events run from May 6 to May 17). YOU can continue help our industry by taking the message of transportation to the public. The Chair again this year for **NTW HOUSTON 2009** is Danny Schnautz of Clark Freight Lines / Past President of TCH / NDTA Director / TCI Regional VP.

TCH has received many 5th grade poster contest entries and judging is underway, thanks to contest chairman / TCH Director Larry Snellings. We have participation that exceeds last year and we are glad to have taken transportation into our city's classrooms.

TCH has set a hazmat workshop for that week also; more info is elsewhere in this edition.

We at TCH appreciate the joint efforts from the Houston area clubs for NTW Houston 2008 and have seen even more teamwork throughout the year and for **NTW Houston 2009**. Contact the club office or look online to help.

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NTW Houston 2009 Scheduled Events

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| Wednesday, 5-6 | WTC Night at the Astros |
| Monday, 5-11 | HACA Golf & Dinner |
| Tuesday, 5-12 | SDTC Golf & Dinner |
| Wednesday, 5-13 | EECOC Luncheon |
| Thursday, 5-14 | TCH Haz Mat Workshop |
| | NDTA All-Club Luncheon |
| | Texas Cuba Alliance Conf. |
| Friday, 5-15 | TBA |
| Saturday, 5-16 | ITMA Volleyball Tournament |
| Sunday, 5-17 | 1940's ATM/HACA Mixer |

Wrapping up:

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| 5 th Grade Poster Contest | TCH |
| NTW Raffle | SDTC |
- These events are planned for your enjoyment, so check your schedule to see which you can attend. More information can be found online at www.transclubhou.org/ntw2009.htm or at www.ntwhouston.org (thanks to Denny Tam, Donovan Smith, & our friends at HTPA for this website!)

TCH 2009/2010 Officers & Directors Announced

Ballots are counted and the winners are in. The 2009/2010 Officer & Directors are:

OFFICERS:

- President **Shristi Shrestha**, Art Institute of Houston
- Vice-President **Chris Popjoy**, KCS RR
- Treasurer **Robert Morgan**, Port of Houston
- Secretary **Gail Seaman**, BNSF RR

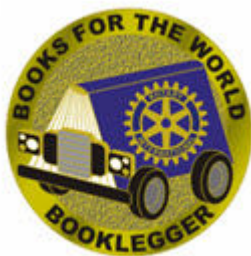
DIRECTORS:

- Gary Stading**, University of Houston
 - Peter Van Etten**, Dixie Crating
 - David Hargrave**, BNSF RR
 - Yvonne Navarre**, Merfish Supply/Mustang Trucking
- Installation is planned for June. Thank you to the nominating committee and all of you who voted!

Rotary Books For the World

The TCH board voted in February to provide publicity for a very worthy charity which distributes discarded textbooks throughout the world.

Rotary International has over eight years of success and growth in this project. Transportation partners are needed for trucking, rail service, ocean transport, warehousing, and shipping container donations. Current partners include BNSF, MSC Lines, Maersk, Exel Logistics, Flexi-Van Leasing, and Clark Freight Lines. Full information is available at www.rotarybooksfortheworld.org



History of NTW

NTW began in Houston in 1952. Details are available at www.ntwhouston.org.

Welfare Report

Doug Tipton passed away late last month. Before his retirement, Doug was President of Enterprise Transportation Company.

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TCH Mission Statement

“To serve its membership as a premier organization to cultivate relations among professionals in the transportation, distribution, and logistics industries. To achieve this mission, the Transportation Club of Houston endeavors to stimulate public and commercial interest in understanding the transportation industry.”

Be a Sponsor!

TCH has many sponsorship opportunities – to bring business-earning exposure for your company, and for you. You can sponsor this newsletter, a ‘mail-out’ meeting reminder card, a golf outing, a luncheon, a seminar, or the web page (note the banner ads). Look on the web page or email the club office or editor for information.

-Upcoming luncheon sponsors-

CLARK FREIGHT LINES June

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Chaplain Conference in Houston June 9-11, 2009

TCH Chaplain Father Rivers Patout has announced that Houston is hosting a global chaplain conference at the Hobby Hilton in June.

Sponsors & volunteers are needed. For more information call Father Patout at 713-672-0511

New Members for April

- Keith Lincoln On the Go Logistics
 - Christopher Matchett On the Go Logistics
 - J David Hargrave BNSF Railway
 - Howard Benningfield Louisiana Transportation
- Welcome to the club!*

Transportation Clubs International Membership

The Transportation Club of Houston is a proud member of The Transportation Clubs International. **The 2009 TCI conference is in Chattanooga, Tennessee on September 17 - 20.** See you there!

TCI Officers Are:

- Dennis Tam, President
 - Mac Leonard, Chairman of the Board
 - Lynn Donovan - VP Business
 - Lory Tauber Don - VP Marketing
 - Anita Bene - Secretary
 - Katie Dejonge - Treasurer & Executive Director
 - Danny Schnautz -VP Mid Central US
- www.transportationclubinternational.com



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Member Leads

If you have a contact who is a prospective member of TCH, let the club office know!

Reverence

"Let parents bequeath to their children not riches, but the spirit of reverence." *Plato*

"I issue a decree that in every part of my kingdom people must fear and reverence the God of Daniel. "For he is the living God and he endures forever; his kingdom will not be destroyed, his dominion will never end." *Daniel 6:26*

TCH ITINERARY FOR 2008-2009

2008:

- 9-9 September Luncheon w/ Larry Snellings
- 10-10 TCH Port Tour on the MV Sam Houston
- 11-20 Fall Golf Outing and Awards Dinner
- 12-12 TCH Christmas Party at 1940's Air Terminal Museum

2009:

- 1-20 Luncheon at Brady's Landing: Joint w/ NDTA & Judge Emmett
- 2-3 Luncheon at Brady's Landing: Charlie Jenkins, POHA
- 3-3 Luncheon at Brady's Landing: Elizabeth Wetzel, University of Houston
- 3-26 Spring Golf Outing, 1:30 pm
- 4-7 Luncheon at Brady's Landing: Bill Webb, Blue Flame Project >Past President's Day<
- 5-10 thru 16 NTW 2009
- 5-14 Education Workshop at NTW Houston 2009
- 5-14 All-Club Luncheon at Brady's Landing for NTW
- 6-9 Luncheon at Brady's Landing, Installations,
- 10-22 Fall Golf Outing, 1:30 pm

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- President: **Deborah Butler, Euro Hub Int'l**
- Vice Prez: **Shristi Shrestha, Art Institute of Houston - North**
- Secretary: **JLynn Stout, EPCO Inc.**
- Treasurer: **Rebecca Taylor, Conoco Phillips**
- Director: **Mike Taber, Chevron Phillips Chemical**
- Director: **Robert Morgan, Port of Houston**
- Director: **Larry Snellings, DangerousGoods.com**
- Director: **Chris Popjoy, KCS Railroad**
- Immediate Past Prez: **Danny Schnautz, Clark Freight Lines**
- Executive Secretary: **Russell Powell, Kratochvil, Powell**
- Chaplain: **Father Rivers Patout, Seaman's Center**