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CRMA Newsletter -January 2019

Adela Ortega, President

On Monday January 14th the Chicago Railroad Mechanical Association held its January meeting. The meeting was sponsored by Railway & Industrial Services and the presentation was our annual AAR Rules Update. Ms. Nichole Fimple, Executive Director of Rules and Standards presented. A very informative review of the news rules within the AAR.

We had 67 attendees including 3 past presidents- Tom Grittani, Bruce Kehe and JimMay. Thank you for your continuing support.

Jason Mann from Wi-Tronix won spilt the pot for \$34.00

News & Announcements

The club welcomed new board member Wayne Wiza from the Wisconsin and Southern Railroad. Wayne is Chief Mechanical Officer. Welcome aboard Wayne.

There is also another CRMA Board opening for a Railroad Member, please email crma@thecrma.org or contact a board member if interested.

Our next meeting is February 11th starting at 5PM with social hour.

Our speaker for the February meeting will be Mr. Andrew Fox - a consultant for Anacostia Rail Holdings: a regional/short-line railroad owner/operator based in Chicago, IL. Mr. Fox was formerly the president of the CSS&SB RR, and recently retired as a Managing Director for Anacostia Rail Holdings. ARH has rail operations in California, New York, Texas, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky.

Meeting Dates and Presenters:

February 11, 2019 - Meeting -Anacostia Rail Holdings

March 11, 2019 - Meeting - CN Railroad

April 1, 2019 **FIRST MONDAY - Meeting (BNSF Locomotive & Vendor Relationships)**

May 13, 2019 - Meeting (Union Tank Car - Tentative)

June 7, 2019 - Summer Golf Outing

. Please note: The menu for February meeting is – Midwestern Filet Mignon & Grilled Chicken Breast, Cheddar Broccoli Soup, Mixed Green Salad, Au Gratin Potatoes, Roasted Vegetables and Vanilla Ice Cream. A vegetable dinner is available for those who prefer a different menu; however, Joe Malacina must be notify by

February 4th

The Odyssey Golf Course and Banquets
19110 S. Ridgeland Avenue, Tinley Park, Illinois
The Odyssey does not have a dress code requirement.
Social Hour 5:00 PM Dinner 6:00 PM Meeting 7:00 PM

[Note: Please visit our website at www.thecrma.org for all club information.](http://www.thecrma.org)

Membership dues of the Chicago Railroad Mechanical Association 2018/2019 Season

Annual Membership Fees:

Railroad (company):	\$225.00
Supplier (company):	\$200.00
Railroader (individual):	\$ 30.00
Supplier (individual):	\$ 30.00
Retired Railroad/Supplier (individual)	\$ 15.00

Monthly Meeting Fees:

Railroad:	No cost
Supplier:	\$ 30.00
Retired Railroad/Supplier:	\$ 15.00
Media & Press Organizations:	\$ 30.00

*Retired Railroaders and Suppliers will not be charged a monthly dinner fee the first season after they retire.

New members are encouraged to join, and hopefully past members will continue to support our association. If your company or if you know of any company interested in joining our association, please contact Joe Malacina at crma@thecrma.com

If you haven't received your Membership Invoice, please email Joe Malacina at crma@thecrma.com or download a form from our website. www.thecrma.org

Thank You - Board President Adela Ortega

