

CHICAGO RAILROAD MECHANICAL ASSOCIATION
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Letter from the Board President

On Monday, April 10th 2017, the Chicago Railroad Mechanical Association held its monthly meeting at The Odyssey Country Club.

Presenting was Stephen C Hoye - CTCO-CIROC - Superintendent - Belt Railway Company of Chicago. Steve reviewed the makeup and processes of CTCO and CIRCO which includes the following. □ Comprised of Representatives from most Carriers □ 24/7 manned CIROC □ Hotline / Daily Conference Calls □ Observations / Forecasting / Trend Tracking □ MoW Planning, Holiday Planning & Re-route Planning □ OpCon Planning (new 2014) □ Protocols □ Performance Reporting / Score Card □ Common Operational Picture (COP) Support □ RTC Modeling □ Technological / Communication Projects □ CREATE Infrastructure Project. These processes addresses issues sooner, keeps traffic moving and is a proactive approach to better railroading. A copy of his presentation is attached for more details. Please contact Steve at C - 224-678-6688 for more information.

There were 41 in attendance.

Four (3) past presidents (Les Weil, Jerry Gruender, and Rudy Bussard) were present.

The CRMA has a scholarship program for sons, daughters, adopted children, grandchildren or step-children of members in good standing. Please contact Mike O'Donnell, Chairman, or committee member Adela Ortega or Andrei Robu for more details. You can also access our website at www.thecrma.org.

Sam Herd from PLS won the 50/50 drawing. \$21.00

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our June 2nd Golf Outing –



Email me or call to sign up

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 **thecrma1988@gmail.com**

Our meetings are held at:

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

Meeting Schedule

May 8th Hot Start – They will be discussing electric and diesel powered heating systems that are designed to significantly reduce locomotive idling while keeping engines warm for quick startups.

June 2, 2017 – Golf outing



Note: Please visit our website at www.thecrma.org

Membership dues of the Chicago Railroad Mechanical Association 2016/2017 Season

Annual Membership Fees:

Railroad (company):	\$200.00
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

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

Please note: The menu for the May meeting is: Cream of Chicken Soup, Odyssey Signature Salad, New York Strip, Fresh Vegetable Melody, Baked Potato and Rainbow Sherbet. A vegetable dinner is available for those who prefer a different menu; however Joe Malacina must be notified via email (thecrma1988@gmail.com) by May 1st, 2017

Tom Grittani, President

Railroad Memberships

Amtrak	Chicago, South Shore & South Bend RR
Gary Railway Company	Canadian National Railway
Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad	The Belt Railway Company of Chicago
Chicago Car Interchange Bureau	Canadian Pacific Railroad

2016-2017 Season
Supply Memberships

A. Stucki Company	Miller Ingenuity
Alco Spring	Miner Enterprises, Inc.
Arconic Fastening Systems	Mobile Rail Solutions
All American Recycling	Motive Equipment Inc.
Ameri Source	Motive Power Resources, Inc.
Anglo Kemlite Laboratories Inc.,	MPL Innovations/SpillX LLC
Halogen Lamp Division	MPRC Seals
Bremser North America, Inc.	National LST Services Corporation
Bucyrus Railcar Repair	National Railway Equipment Company
Cardwell Westinghouse a Wabtec Co	New York Air Brake
Chicago Freight Car Leasing	Peaker Services Inc
Chicago Jack Service	Phoenix Bearings LLC
Chicago Railroad Parts Supply, Inc.	Pico Chemical Corp.
Chromium Corporation	Power Drives, Inc.
CIT Group	Power Rail Distribution
Claeven LTD	Professional Locomotive Services
Clark Industrial Power LLC	Progress Rail Services
CRMS	Quality Rail Services
Cranemasters Inc	R&W Machine/Warner Industries
Dalko Resources, Inc.	R.J. Corman Railroad Group
DFW Grating	Rail Exchange
Diesel Electric Equipment, Inc.	Rail Industry Specialist, Inc.
ELCON, Inc.	Rail Products, Inc.
Electric Motor Services	Railhead Corporation
Ellwood Crankshaft Group	Railway & Industrial Services, Inc.
Emergent Safety Supply	RAS Data Services, Inc.
Faiveley Transport/Ellcon National	Rescar Companies
First Union Rail	ROCORE
GATX	Saf-T-Guard International
Greenbrier Rail Services	Sharma & Associates, Inc.
Hadady Corporation	Solutions Plus
Hatch & Kirk, Inc.	Strato, Inc.
Hilliard Enterprises, Inc.	Timken
Holland	Transco Railway Products
Hot Start	Unity Railway Supply Group
Hotstart	Wabtec
Industrial Specialty Chemicals, Inc.	Wheelworx
J.V. Crane & Engineering, Inc.	Williams Hayward Protective Coatings
JMA Railroad Supply	Windy City Railway Services, Inc.
Lejak and Associates, Inc.	Wi - Tronix
Magnus-Farley	ZefTek, Inc.
Metro East Industries, Inc.	

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