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## CRMA Meeting News

Our next dinner meeting is Monday January 13<sup>th</sup> starting at 5 PM with Social Hour. We will have AAR Rules Update presenting.

Our December presenter was Wells Fargo by Kraig Roberts

WFR has the largest locomotive and rail car lease fleet in North America. We have approximately 180,000 railcars and 1,800 locomotives. The locomotive fleet consists of 4 and 6 axle locomotives. Over the years, we have standardized our locomotives to make them easier to perform running repair, troubleshooting, ease of parts availability, and easier for electricians and mechanics to work on. We are located in Chicago, Rosemont and St. Louis. Our primary location to store locomotives is St. Louis. We assist our customers to reach their financial goals through leasing our equipment. Through building relationships with our customers and understanding their business operations, we are able to add value.

We had 55 attendees and Dave Hill from Gary Rail Works won \$27.00 in spilt the pot. (again) We had 5 past presidents attending, Jim May, Martin Giubardo, Tom Grittani, Bill Macak and Jerry Gruender. Thank You

Please confirm via email your attendance or pay online at [www.thecrma.org](http://www.thecrma.org). There is an option for credit card directly under the Pay Pal icon. Select the button pay with Credit Card, you do not need a Pay Pal account to use this method.

Dinner for January will be:

Cream of chicken soup, Mixed Green Salad with ranch, Garlic Smash New Red Potatoes, Pan Roasted Corn, Chocolate Ice Cream and Oven Roasted French Chicken

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If you have any questions about membership invoices, please email [crma@thecrma.org](mailto:crma@thecrma.org)

Presenters for the 2019/2020 season are:

- October 14<sup>th</sup> – Golf Outing
- November 11<sup>th</sup> – New York Air Brake
- December 9<sup>th</sup> – Wells Fargo
- January 13<sup>th</sup> – AAR –Rules Update
- February 10<sup>th</sup> – WATCO
- March 9<sup>th</sup> – R.J. Corman
- April 13<sup>th</sup> - CSX
- May 11<sup>th</sup> - CN
- June 5<sup>th</sup>, – Golf outing

Supply Companies are assessed a fee of \$250.00 for an annual membership and also \$30.00 for each individual member that wishes to join. Supply members are assessed \$40.00 for dinner and refreshments for each individual attending a meeting.



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Railroad Companies are assessed a fee of \$225.00 for annual membership and also \$30.00 for each individual member that wishes to join. Railroad members are not assessed an additional fee for dinner and refreshments.

Retired railroad and supply members are assessed a fee of \$15.00 for annual membership and \$15.00 monthly dinner fee for each meeting attended. Retired railroaders and suppliers will not be charged a monthly fee the first season after they retire.

Media and Press Organizations are assessed a monthly dinner fee of \$30.00

If you have never been a member of our Club and would like to see what we are about first hand, contact our Secretary-Treasurer, Joe Malacina at [crma@thecrma.org](mailto:crma@thecrma.org) or (708) 267-3316, and we will be happy to provide you with complimentary tickets for one of our meetings. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting where you will find a friendly informal atmosphere in which to learn more about the railroad industry and its people.

Appreciatively Yours,  
The Board of Directors  
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