



# Chicago Railroad Mechanical Association

*"For Exchange of Ideas on Railroad Locomotives and Cars"*

Chicago Railroad Diesel Club - Founded 1948

Chicago Railroad Car Association - Founded 1897

Email: [CRMA@thecrma.org](mailto:CRMA@thecrma.org) Website: [www.thecrma.org](http://www.thecrma.org)

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### **PRESIDENT**

ADELA ORTEGA  
Professional Locomotive  
Services  
[adela@plsworks.com](mailto:adela@plsworks.com)

### **1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT**

STEVEN WIEGEL  
R & W Machine  
[swiegel@rwmachine.com](mailto:swiegel@rwmachine.com)

### **2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT**

FRED EBERHARDT  
The Belt Railroad of  
Chicago  
[feberhardt@beltrailway.com](mailto:feberhardt@beltrailway.com)

### **BRUCE KEHE**

CSS&SB RR - Retired  
[bruce.kehe@gmail.com](mailto:bruce.kehe@gmail.com)

### **CASEY HALL**

Hotstart  
[chall@hotstart.com](mailto:chall@hotstart.com)  
CHUCK COYLE

### **CHUCK COYLE**

New York Air Brake  
Company  
[ccoyle@nyab.com](mailto:ccoyle@nyab.com)

### **MIKE O'DONNELL**

Wheelworx  
[mikeod@wheelworx.us](mailto:mikeod@wheelworx.us)

### **DAVID SKRZYPIEC**

Canadian Pacific Railway  
[railrat2@hotmail.com](mailto:railrat2@hotmail.com)

### **BUTCH SABATINI**

Greenbrier Rail Services  
[butch.sabatini@gbx.com](mailto:butch.sabatini@gbx.com)

### **MIKE DEMKOWICZ**

Gary Railway Co.  
[mdplace2@yahoo.com](mailto:mdplace2@yahoo.com)

### **WAYNE WIZA**

Wisconsin & Southern  
Railroad  
[wayne.wiza@watcocompanies.com](mailto:wayne.wiza@watcocompanies.com)

### **MATTHEW KOPITZKE**

JMA Railroad Supply Co.  
[mkopitzke@jmarail.com](mailto:mkopitzke@jmarail.com)

### **SECRETARY-TREASURER**

JOE MALACINA  
Arconic Fastening Systems  
[crma@thecrma.org](mailto:crma@thecrma.org)

## CRMA Meeting News -March 2020

Our next dinner meeting is Monday March 9th starting at 5 PM with Social Hour. Our presenter will be the Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad with Michael Cunningham-Mechanical Superintendent

Our February presenter was: WATCO COMPANIES -Wisconsin Southern Railroad.

Wayne Wiza -CMO and Aaron Dean the Assistant General Manager. Aaron gave an excellent presentation of the WSOR and its many ventures of business. For more information please contact Aaron at [aaron.dean@watcocompanies.com](mailto:aaron.dean@watcocompanies.com)

We had 45 attendees including 4 past presidents attending, Jim May, Tom Grittani, and Rudy Bossard. Thank You

Matt Kopitze from JMA won \$26.00 in the Spilt the Pot.

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 March will be:

Cream of Chicken Soup, Mixed Green Salad, Beef Shorts Rib & Chicken, Au Gratin Potatoes, Steamed Vegetables and Ice Cream Drizzle.

Please email [crma@thecrma.com](mailto:crma@thecrma.com) with any special dinner requirements by 03-03-2020

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.



# Chicago Railroad Mechanical Association

*"For Exchange of Ideas on Railroad Locomotives and Cars"*

Chicago Railroad Diesel Club - *Founded 1948*

Chicago Railroad Car Association - *Founded 1897*

Email: [CRMA@thecrma.org](mailto:CRMA@thecrma.org) Website: [www.thecrma.org](http://www.thecrma.org)

---

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  
The Chicago Railroad Mechanical Association  
Please visit our website at [www.thecrma.org](http://www.thecrma.org)

## Special Announcement:

There are 2 open seats on our Board of Directors. We need a Railroad Employee and someone from the supply community. Please email [crma@thecrma.org](mailto:crma@thecrma.org) if you are interested. We can have 2 members from the same railroad but only one supply member company at a time. Please find attached application. Thank You.