

# **CHICAGO RAILROAD MECHANICAL ASSOCIATION**

*CHICAGO RAILROAD DIESEL CLUB – CHICAGO RAILROAD CAR ASSOCIATION*

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## ***11-28-17 Letter from the Board President Bruce Kehe***

The Chicago Railroad Mechanical Association held its November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting at the Odyssey Golf Course and Banquets.

Butch Sabatini, Regional Sales Manager, Greenbrier Rail Services presented a thorough overview of Greenbrier's services and capabilities related to the Rail Industry. They have many certified facilities throughout North America and are also globally located to supply any region in the world. They are a top ten supplier of railcars in the world market. Greenbrier also offers leasing, parts, wheels, repair and manufacturing. .



Also attending from Greenbrier were: Frank Cristelli – VP of Sales and Marketing, Nathan Harbeck – Sales Manager and Mike White – Sales Manager.

We had 46 people in attendance, including 3 past presidents – Tom Grittani, Jim May and Bill Macak.

Thank you to all for your continued support.

Carl Graziano - Retired TTX Procurement won the 50/50 drawing of \$51.00 and generously donated it back to the club.

### **Our Holiday meeting is Monday December 11<sup>th</sup>**

Monday December 11<sup>th</sup>, our guest speaker will be Nick Chodorow - Chief Information Office, Belt Railway Company of Chicago.

Mr. Chodorow is renowned within the rail industry as a Positive Train Control implementation expert and speaks extensively on the subject nationally.

Nick is currently a member of the AAR's PTC Interoperability Committee, AAR's Chicago PTC Deployment Task Force, among other associations.

Please join to learn about the National Railroad Initiative, PTC

**Please email CRMA if you will be attending the December 11<sup>th</sup> dinner meeting.**

## Meeting Schedule

December 11 - Meeting (PTC Update - Belt Railway)

January 8, 2018 - Meeting (Railway & Industrial Services, Inc. – AAR Rules Update)

February 12, 2018 - Meeting (Presenter Wi-Tronix)

March 12, 2018 - Meeting (Motive Power Resources)

April 9, 2018 - Meeting (CN Railroad)

May 14, 2018 - Meeting (Presenter JMA Railroad Supply Group)

June 1, 2018 - Summer Golf Outing

New members are encouraged to join, and we encourage past members to continue to support our association. Any company or individual interested in joining our association can contact Joe Malacina at [thecrma1988@gmail.com](mailto:thecrma1988@gmail.com) for information.

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

Note: Please visit our updated website at [www.thecrma.org](http://www.thecrma.org)

Membership dues of the Chicago Railroad Mechanical Association 2017/2018 Season

### **Annual Membership Fees:**

Railroad (company):	\$200.00
Supplier (company):	\$225.00
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 Fee to attend monthly meetings

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

Please note: The menu for December meeting is – brunoise of vegetable soup, Caesar salad, steamed broccoli spears with herbed butter, wild rice blend, family style (roast sirloin of beef, polish sausage & sauerkraut, mostaccioli with Italian sausage) 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](mailto:thecrma1988@gmail.com)) by December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

Bruce Kehe, President

### **2017/2018 Paid Memberships.**

#### **Railroad Memberships**

Belt Railway Company Of Chicago  
Chicago Southshore and South Bend  
RR  
Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad  
The Chicago Car Interchange  
Bureau  
Wells Fargo Rail  
Amtrak

#### **Supplier Companies**

All American Recycling  
AmeriSource  
Amglo Kemlite Laboratories  
Arconic Fastening Systems & Rings  
Bucyrus Railcar Repair  
CAD Railway Industries  
CF Rail Services  
Chicago Freight Car Leasing Co.  
CIT Group  
Claeven LTD  
Clark Industrial Power  
DFW Grating  
Diesel Electrical Equipment Inc  
Elcon Inc  
GATX Corporation  
Hadady Corporation  
Hatch and Kirk Inc.  
Hillard Enterprises Inc  
Holland  
HotStart  
JMA Railroad Supply Company  
Lejak and Associates  
Magnus LLC  
Metalex Corporation  
Metro East Industries

MIBA Bearings  
Miller Felpax Company  
Miner Enterprises  
Motive Power Equipment  
MPRC Seals  
National LST Service Corporation  
New York Air Brake  
NRE -National Railway Equipment Co.  
Phoenix Bearings  
Pico Chemical Corporation  
PLS -Professional Locomotive Services  
Power Rail  
Quality Rail Service Inc  
R & W Machine  
Rail Exchange  
Rail Industry Specialist Inc.  
Rail Products  
Railhead Corporation  
Railway & Industrial Services Inc.  
RAS DATA SERVICES  
RJ Corman Railroad Services LLC  
Sharma & Associates  
Solutions Plus Inc.  
Steel Services Enterprises Inc.  
Strato Inc.  
Transco Railway Products  
Unity Railway Supply Products  
Windy City Railway Services  
Williams Hayward Protective Coatings  
Wi-Tronix

