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### **Only 37 Days until TMHA’s 2019 Safety & Security Meeting!**

Can you believe TMHA’s annual summer Safety & Security meeting is a mere 37 days from today, scheduled for July 24 – 26? This is always our most popular and most well-attended meeting and you will not want to miss it. If you can attend only one TMHA meeting this year, this is the one!

Information and online registration are available on our website at [www.machineryhaulers.org](http://www.machineryhaulers.org) right now! Many of you have registered but, if you’ve procrastinated, we urge you to register soon. **The room block will close June 23!** Rooms fill up fast at The Abbey this time of year. If you wait, you may not be able to get the same rate or possibly a room at all! Don’t put it off any longer!

Feel like playing “Wisconsin’s most beautiful golf course”? Here’s the perfect opportunity. TMHA’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual TMHA Invitational (you ARE invited!) Golf Classic (sponsored again by our great friends at Quality Trailer Sales) will be held on the afternoon of Wednesday, July 24 at the Abbey Springs Golf Course. Craftsmen Utility Trailer will again be contributing hole prizes at the event. Whether you’re a scratch golfer, or a duffer, this event’s for you. Let us know ASAP that you want in so we can have the right number of tee times reserved!

Thursday morning, July 25, the meeting kicks off and we’ve got a line-up of speakers for you that is second to none.

**Steve Bryan** – President of Vigillo: Will discuss IRT. Don’t know what that is? You need to hear this!  
**FMCSA Official** - A high-ranking FMCSA official will fill us in on what’s going on at the Administration  
**David Heller** - VP of Government Affairs at TCA – Will give regulatory / legislative update  
**Cary Kronebusch** – Sr. Product Manager at Peerless Industrial Group – Tie down & securement overview  
**Bill Prester / John Simms** – HNI Risk Services – We know this presentation will be right on point  
**Jack Roberts** – Sr. Editor at HDT - Will discuss technology in trucking, specifically safety technology

In addition to the information-packed speaker presentations, we'll also be honoring the winners of this year's TMHA Truck Fleet Safety Contest. There will be a new wrinkle this year that you'll like. The competition is great again with so many excellent submissions. Be there to see who wins.

Thanks to Platinum TMHA Sponsor, HNI Risk Services, we'll once again get to enjoy our very popular excursion boat cruise around beautiful Geneva Lake on Thursday evening, July 25. We don't know if we can duplicate last year's drop-dead gorgeous weather, but we've got our order in. In any case, this will be a rare opportunity to kick back, relax, and socialize with other members, sponsors, speakers, and guests over great drinks and light fare before dinner. Don't miss this event!

The fresh summer air and the relaxed atmosphere on the boat is sure to work up an appetite. After the boat cruise we'll be dining at The Abbey, giving us another opportunity to socialize with old friends and to meet new ones. You can count on good food too!

Be certain to come join us. We'd like to have at least one representative in attendance from every member and sponsor company. Is your company represented yet? Register today!

### **Meet TMHA's 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman**



In this, the second in a series, we'd like to let you know a little about our recently elected 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman, Lance Votroubek.

Lance has been in the transportation industry since 2004. He spent 11 years at CRST, based in Cedar Rapids, IA, in a wide variety of roles including OTR Fleet Management, Dedicated/OTR/Independent Contractor Ops Management, Student Placement, Load Planning, and Customer Service.

When asked what made him interested in transportation, Lance explained that trucking has been in his family since the 1940's. His grandfather was an over-the-road truck driver for P.I.E. in the 1940's and 1950's, and later for Merchant's Motor Freight. Lance's uncle is a career truck driver too and has spent many years driving over-the-road for large and small truckload carriers.

Lance joined Warren Transport, Inc. in 2015, and is responsible for the Fleet Management team, overseeing Open-Deck and Van operations. Lance is on the Board of Directors of the Iowa Motor Truck Association and is an active member of the TCA. Lance has been married to his wife Maggie for 13 years, and has two very active daughters – Louise, age 10, and Ruth, age 7 – who he looks forward to playing and relaxing with at the end of long days in the office.

We're happy to have Lance as part of our governing body and as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman here at TMHA. Be sure to Look him up at the July meeting visit with him there.



## **Ever Wanted to be a Corporate Sponsor? Here's Your Chance**

Sponsoring TMHA events gives the sponsoring company the opportunity to get their company out in front of TMHA's members. We believe in properly recognizing our sponsors, and their names and logos will be prominently displayed at the event and in various ways over the ensuing twelve months.

This year's Safety & Security meeting sponsors, thus far, are **HNI Risk Services** (boat cruise & safety awards program), **Quality Trailers** (golf outing), **EFS, Inc.** (meeting booklet), **Hunt Transportation** (Thursday breakfast), **Omnitracs** (Thursday luncheon), and **Craftsmen Trailers** (golf hole prizes). TMHA thanks these generous sponsors.

We've still got several sponsorship slots available for the upcoming Safety & Security meeting and we'd be happy to discuss the opportunities with you. We have openings for: Cocktail Hour between the boat cruise and dinner, Dinner, and a Breakfast. Give us a call or shoot us an email if you'd like to explore these opportunities. Thank you.

## **Landstar Appoints New Chief Commercial Officer**



Landstar announced that Robert S. Brasher has been appointed to succeed Patrick J. O'Malley as Landstar's Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer, effective June 3, 2019. The company also announced that Mr. O'Malley will step down from his current position with the company on May 31, 2019 and will serve as a Special Advisor to the CEO through his anticipated retirement in February 2020.

"Landstar is an incredible company. It has been my honor to work with so many outstanding past and present agents, BCOs and employees," said O'Malley.

Mr. Brasher has been with Landstar for 19 years, most recently as Executive Vice President, Western Field Division. In his new role, Mr. Brasher will be responsible for Landstar's sales via agency development and customer relations to drive business growth and market share.

"Rob has been an integral part of Landstar's success for many years. Through his experience with Landstar, Rob has gained significant respect and trust from our agents and customers," said Jim Gattoni, Landstar's President and CEO. "Rob's expertise in sales, agency development and customer growth has positioned him to make a seamless transition into the role of Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer," Gattoni said.

## **A Death in the TMHA Family**

It is with great sadness we advise that CJ Camenzind, son of former Warren Transport, Inc. president Dick Donnelly's wife Debi, died in a motorcycle accident in Omaha, NE on May 5. A turning vehicle struck CJ's motorcycle.

Donnelly was with Warren Transport for more than 50 years prior to his retirement in 2018 and had been a long-time attendee of TMHA meetings and events. Our prayers and sincere sympathy go out to Debi, Dick, and their family.

## **Calendar of Upcoming 2019 Events**

**July 24 – 26, 2019**

**TMHA Safety & Security Meeting  
Excursion Boat Cruise around Geneva Lake  
2<sup>nd</sup> Annual TMHA Invitational Golf Classic  
The Abbey Resort @ Fontana-on-Geneva Lake, WI**

**December 4 & 5, 2019**

**TMHA Regulatory, Economic & Political Symposium  
Jumers's Casino & Hotel @ Rock Island, IL**

**February 28 & 29, 2020**

**TMHA 2020 Annual Meeting  
Gaylord Resort & Convention Center @ Kissimmee, FL**



**Mark your calendar now to attend the summer Safety & Security Meeting July 24 – 26 at the beautiful Abbey Resort in Fontana-on-the-Lake, WI on the shores of famous blue water Geneva Lake. In addition to the must-attend, informative meeting, join us for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual TMHA Invitational Golf Tourney (sponsored by Quality Trailer Sales), the always popular boat excursion around the Lake (sponsored by HNI Risk Services), and a delicious Social/Dinner Event.**

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