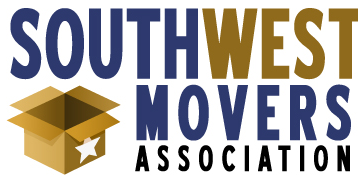


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July 2, 2010

Dear SMA Member:

The SMA Foundation has just granted \$11,000 in scholarships to deserving students of SMA member companies. To make these generous grants, SMA holds a fundraiser during the September annual meeting. The fundraiser this year is a silent auction and all proceeds go to the Foundation. Your \$ donations to purchase items for the auction will be much appreciated and it will show your appreciation for this SMA membership benefit. Your donations may be filed for tax deductions with the IRS. See article below.

Attention!! SMA Summer Meeting is July 11-13 in Hot Springs, AR. The annual meeting and trade show is September 22-24, Lost Pines Resort, Lost Pines, TX. The Winter-Spring Moving and Trucking Day at the Texas Capitol is February 16, 2011. Please mark your calendars now.

SMA OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, JULY 5 FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY. We wish all a safe and enjoyable 4th of July weekend celebration.

Dorothy Brooks
Director of Operations

2011 Moving and Trucking Day at the Capitol

Moving and Trucking Day at the Texas State Capitol has been set for Feb. 16, 2011. We want all SMA members to be able to join us for this special event with our legislators. This is a great opportunity to visit with your elected official during the 2011 Legislative Session. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend.

SMA Foundation Donations Requested - Silent Auction

SMA members have the opportunity to support and show their appreciation for the Foundation by making cash donations for the purchase of items to go into the silent auction being held during the SMA annual conference in September. Checks should be made payable to SMA Foundation, with a note on the subject line: "Silent Auction". The SMA Foundation is a 501(c)3 charitable organization. Contributions to the SMA Foundation may

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be tax deductible. Please consult your tax advisor.

Three unique items have been donated: Andy Crocker, Crocker Transfer & Storage, Corpus, Chairman of SMA, is donating one of his signed paintings; Texas Moving Company, Bill Andis, Chairman of the SMA Foundation is donating a tandem bicycle. Ms. Lynn Dumais, Vice President, MetLife in Tampa, Florida is donating a giant Snoopy dog complete with beach towel.

Navigating the TxDMV's new Website

SMA frequently recommends that members go onto the TxDMV website and double-check their registration status with TxDMV as well as the status of other movers they see on the road. If you haven't added TxDMV to the favorites bar on your computer, here is the information you need to do that: TxDMV's website is: <http://www.txdmv.gov>

To check out Movers/Motor Carriers on the website:

Select - Motor Carriers

Select - Records, Searches, Tracking

Select - Motor Carrier Registration Database;

or to file a complaint - (We suggest that you contact SMA to file any complaints.)

Select - Motor Carrier Complaints Management System (You can see complaints filed with TxDMV and their status.)

The TxDMV Complaint Form (#906) and the Mediation Request Form (#905) are found at the below link: (Since the mover cannot file a request for mediation, this information will be helpful to offer to a problem customer.)

http://www.txdmv.gov/whatyouneed/forms/household_movers.htm

Consumer Protection Information:

http://www.txdmv.gov/protection/household_movers/movers.htm

Annual Conference Education/Seminar Topics

The following subjects have been suggested as topics for the annual conference; which two do you want to hear? Do you have a suggestion? Let us hear it.

Topics:

CSA 2010

Texas Workforce Commission

BBB - mediation and arbitration programs

OSHA - See the article next below.

OSHA Increasing Penalties for Severe Violators

Officials at the AFL-CIO recently released their annual report called Death on the Job: The Toll of Neglect. Citing an estimated 9-14 million workplace injuries in 2008 as well as recent tragedies in mining, refineries, and plants. The report lays much of the blame on shortcomings of OSHA and the Bush administration. Since regulation of such matters directly affects most of our audience, I want to give you all a quick heads-up on what OSHA and lawmakers are currently doing to address these serious concerns.

As reported by Risk & Insurance magazine, OSHA is now increasing penalties for severe violators. Effective now, OSHA will be focusing on employers with "indifference to their responsibilities under the law". In addition, legislation is currently being considered by the

House of Representatives that would greatly increase the penalties for violations capable of causing death or serious harm.

No matter what kind of regulations the government places on safety in the workplace, it is ultimately the responsibility of the employer to provide a safe working environment, and proper training. Employees should also be held accountable to a certain degree, for ignoring regulations and knowingly using unsafe practices. Does your company actively enforce safety regulations? How do you handle non-compliance with the regulations by your employees?

The above information was posted on Linked In by Relocation Insurance Group, LLC

New Love's Locations in Texas

Love's Travel Stops and Country Stores has reached an agreement with Pilot Travel Centers to purchase 26 of its travel centers following Pilot's acquisition of Flying J Inc. By the end of 2010, Love's will have added 40 locations and will operate a network of over 210 travel centers. Two of these newer locations are in Texas: Baytown: I-10, Exit 789; Houston: I-45 Exit 50. SMA members are eligible for the 3 cents per gallon discount. Send an email to tammy@tmta.com for the form to participate in this savings.

Pilot Now Accepting TCH Cards

Pilot Travel Centers announced that effective immediately its nationwide network of travel centers will accept TCH cards. TCH cards provide one-card convenience for professional drivers to manage fuel, maintenance and cash advance needs. Long haul transportation fleets across the U.S. utilize TCH cards for fuel and fleet-related purchases. TCH cards can be used at the fuel pump or in-store at the more than 550 Pilot Flying J locations throughout North America.

House Passes Wall Street Reform

The United States House of Representatives passed the Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act by a vote of 237-192 this week. The legislation, which emerged from a House-Senate conference late last week, includes major reforms to the derivatives markets, including American Trucking Associations-supported provisions to increase transparency by requiring previously unregulated over-the-counter trades to be traded on public exchanges and to require the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to set aggregate speculative position limits. The inclusion of derivatives reform in the legislation is a victory for the trucking industry, which has been adversely impacted by volatile diesel prices caused in part by excessive speculation in the oil derivatives markets. The death of Senator Robert Byrd (D-W.Va.) complicates passage of the bill in the Senate and the Senate is not expected to act on the legislation until after the July 4 recess.

UCR Registration

The deadline for 2010 Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) was July 1, 2010. The UCR registration packets for Texas based carriers were mailed last month and the Texas Department of Public Safety is scheduled to begin enforcement on July 15, 2010.

SMA Members Invited to Help Launch TMTA's San Antonio Chapter

TMTA San Antonio Chapter meeting will be held August 26. The lunch will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Petroleum Club at 8620 N. New Braunfels Ave, Suite 700; in

the Derrick II Room. The cost to attend is \$25.

Representative Ruth Jones McClendon will be the guest speaker during the lunch. She serves as chair of the Rules and Resolutions Committee and is a member of the House Transportation Committee. Mark your calendars and join us in San Antonio as we launch the TMTA San Antonio Chapter!

Please RSVP by August 23 to Les at les@tmta.com


SMA Event Calendar for 2010

July 11-13 - Summer Membership Meeting - Embassy Suites, Hot Springs, AR
September 22-24 - Annual Meeting & Trade Show, Lost Pines Resort, Lost Pines, TX
October 27 - Austin Board of Realtors Trade Show, Austin, TX
February 16, 2011 - Moving & Trucking Day at the Texas Capitol

TMTA local chapter location addresses are posted on www.tmta.com

July 13 - Tyler Local Chapter Meeting
July 21 - Houston Local Chapter Meeting
July 28 - Amarillo Local Chapter Meeting
July 27 - 29 TMTA Annual Conference

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