

SOUTHWEST



MOVE-FAX

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

March 31, 2008

****GETTING CONNECTED – CITY OF AUSTIN BUSINESS RESOURCE SHOW**

SMA will have a booth at the Getting Connected show at the Palmer Event Center from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 10th. Mover members are invited to join the staff to help man the booth. Member volunteers will answer questions about moving, SMA, the Pinnacle program, as well as be able to promote their own business as licensed movers and members of SMA. Send Dorothy an email, dorothy@tmta.com, if you would like to participate.

FMCSA May Set Sleep Apnea Standards

The FMCSA's medical review board is looking at medical findings regarding sleep apnea and truckers, and plans to finalize recommendations on April 7. Sleep apnea causes people to wake up frequently during sleep because their airways partially closed, making them drowsy during waking periods. One contributor to the condition is obesity and the board is expected to recommend that commercial truckers be required to undergo a sleep study once they reach a certain obesity level. If the agency approves, drivers would have to be treated for the condition to get certified. Treatment could include surgery or the use of an air mask during sleep.

Mark Your Calendars – 2008

April 1-5 – AMSA annual meeting, Orlando, FL
**April 10 – SMA booth @ Palmer Event Center, Austin
April 14 – GHMA Golf Tournament
April 15 – GHMA Monthly Lunch meeting
April 16-17 – SMA Mover/Loader classes, Austin
June 23 – Deadline for SMA Foundation Scholarships (applications on line at www.southwestmovers.org)
July 13-15 – SMA summer meeting, Lake Tahoe, NV
Sept. 22-24 – SMA annual conference, Lake Charles, LA
Oct 22 – Austin Board of Realtors Trade Show

Mark Your Calendars - 2009

February 16-17 – Moving & Trucking Day at the Capitol

IN MEMORIAM

Carlton Henslee owner of Henslee Truck Lines in Wolfe City, TX passed away 03/23/08.

Mr. Henslee had been in the moving business for 61 years. Funeral services were held in Wolfe City, TX Tuesday 3/25/08 at the First United Methodist Church.

SMA SUMMER MEETING – JULY 13-15, MONTBLEU RESORT, LAKE TAHOE, NV

The code to receive the group rate of \$119 Sunday through Tuesday for the SMA summer board meeting being held at the Montbleu Resort, Lake Tahoe, NV is STSMA 8. If you are planning to come in early, i.e. before Sunday the 13th, your rate will be \$229. Attendees can reserve their rooms online at the link below using the group code. Click on book a room at the top right corner of the website. You may also make your choice of a smoking or non-smoking room. <http://www.montbleuresort.com/>

A SMA registration form will be online on the SMA web site by April 11, 2008. That registration form will include the above hotel reservation/code information along with the tentative agenda, and registration information needed for members, spouses, children and other guests.

Mover and Loader Certification Classes at SMA, April 16-17 – Register Now

Register for the Mover and Loader Certification Class, April 16-17; deadline for registration is April 10.

Cancellations will be honored upon notice of one day and will be re-scheduled for the next class that has openings available.

Day one only – New hire/new mover training - \$195.

Day two only: Loader Training - \$195.

Both: Day 1 & 2 - (consecutive days only) - \$295.

Military Table of Weights & Depreciation

SMA staff has obtained copies of the military chart or table of weights considered standard for individual pieces of household goods. The book contains the weights considered standard by the military and otherwise accepted in the industry, it also contains the depreciation schedule. Price is \$20, plus postage and Texas sales tax and SMA has copies in house. Members may email info@southwestmovers.org, fax 512/476-0940, or call 800/759-2305 for staff to ship one and invoice them.

ONE Remaining Margins Tax Seminar

There is one remaining margins tax seminar with featured speaker Karey Barton, senior manager with Ryan: McAllen – April 8. Seminars are sponsored by Mondics Insurance. Register at www.tmta.com.

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