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September	Vertical Alliance Group
October	FindATruckerJob.com
November	Nacarato Trucks, GP
December	Vertical Alliance Group

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

TTA Welcomes the following New Members:

EIS of TN, Inc. Mike Meyer, Operations Manager, mike.meyer@eisinctn.com
138 Edwards Dr., Jackson, TN 38301 / **Phone (731) 300-3903 / FAX (731) 300-3904**
Referred by: Word of Mouth

Special Investigation Services, Inc., Danny Jones, President, sis.dkjones@gmail.com
4031 Gumwood Lane, Knoxville, TN 37921 / **Phone (865) 235-0780 / FAX (N/A)**
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PCS Software, Inc., Amber Green, Marketing Assistant, amber@pcssoft.com
110 Vision Park Blvd, Shenandoah, TX 77384 / **Phone (281) 419-9500 / FAX (281) 419-9508**
Referred by: I was doing research on top trucking states and Tennessee was one of them.

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TranSpec, Ashley Boland, Tradeshow Marketing Coordinator, aboland@nsminc.com
2000 Glen Echo Road, #102, Nashville, TN 37215 / **Phone (610) 808-9544 / FAX (N/A)**
Referred by: Internet

ABOUT US: “TranSpec is a highly specialized transportation wholesale insurance broker with more than 2 decades of experience in designing and implementing insurance programs such as non-trucking (bobtail) liability, physical damage for trucks, and occupational accident for owner-operators. Through our collective experience and continuing education, we have developed a thorough knowledge of the particular exposures that owner-operators face in the complex transportation industry. ”

Therapy Direct, Kristy Fussell-Wakefield, Regional Account Executive,
1208 Pointe Centre Dr., Suite 230, Chattanooga, TN 37421 / **Phone (615) 202-0632 / FAX (N/A)**
Referred by: Jim Briggs, Advanced Ergonomics, Inc., Hendersonville, TN

ABOUT US: “Therapy Direct is a nationwide workers compensation physical medicine network. We focus on clinical oversight to produce better outcomes for everyone.”

CompuDharma, John Gillespie, Project Manager, john@compusharma.com
1701 Portland Ave., Suite 7, Nashville, TN 37212 / **Phone (615) 957-6972 / FAX (N/A)**
Referred by: Website

ABOUT US: “CompuDharma specializes in custom software solutions for the Trucking and Logistics industries. We rapidly develop custom web and mobile applications tailor-made to meet our client's business needs. Our specialties include mainframe integration, bespoke training/orientation portals, driver-facing mobile apps, automated cash advance systems, and administrative controls. Regardless of the technical challenge, CompuDharma provides our clients with the best value and capabilities available on the market.”

Manier & Herod, Adrienne Fazio, Attorney, afazio@manierherod.com
 1201 Demnbreun St., Suite 900, Nashville, TN 37203 / **Phone (615) 742-9308 / FAX (615) 244-0030**

Referred by: Website

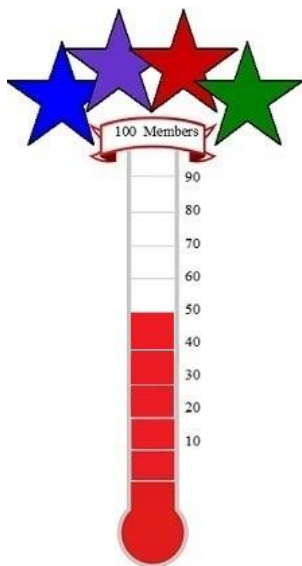
ABOUT US: “Manier & Herod in Nashville, Tennessee, is one of the state’s oldest law firms. Since its founding, Manier & Herod has maintained a strong commitment to providing quality legal services to its clients, the community, and the legal profession. With its full complement of lawyers and research staff, Manier & Herod is able to assist its clients with virtually any legal issue that may arise, including workers' compensation defense and employment and labor law matters. The firm’s workers’ compensation practice group has been instrumental in drafting and negotiating the many legislative changes made to the Tennessee Workers’ Compensation Act including the Reform Act of 2013. The group has been nationally recognized as a leader in workers’ compensation law and we look forward to the associations made through the Tennessee Trucking Association.”

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE BACK!

Specialized Transportation Services, Inc.

Ramsey Hassan, President & CEO
 225 Sam Griffin Road, Smyrna, TN 37167
 Phone (615) 742-9944 / Email: ramsey.hassan@shipsts.com

NEW MEMBERSHIP Campaign 2018!



WOO HOO!!! We are at our half way mark!!! We are up to 50 new members!!!
 Please keep up the referrals!!!

Our results for our campaign:

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| Greg Shipman, Vertical Alliance Group | 4 New Members |
| Mike Lewis, TowPro | 2 New Members |
| Steve Lovelady, IMMI | 1 New Member |
| Mike McFarlin, M & W Transportation | 1 New Member |
| Jim Peters, TLD Logistics | 1 New Member |
| Chuck Farmer, AFLAC | 1 New Member |
| Steve Davis, PeopLease Corporation | 1 New Member |
| Tim McCorkle, US Express | 1 New Member |
| Joe Smith, Kenco Transportation Services | 1 New Member |
| Bryan Kenney, Arthur J Gallagher | 1 New Member |
| Corey Sellers, Ozark Motor Lines | 1 New Member |
| David McDowell & Angie Leathers, Averitt Express, Inc. | 1 New Member |
| Jerry Hampton, Pinnacle Bank | 1 New Member |
| Jim Briggs | 1 New Member |

Our Campaign Goal is to bring on at least 100 new members this year!

We have started our contest to see who can help us get the most new members for 2018!

Here is how it will work:

1-5 new members - each time one signs up you will get recognized in our Newsletter. We will add your logo with a link to your website.

6-10 new members - you will receive a free registration for our 2018 Convention in Destin, Florida (Convention dates: Sept 16 through 18, 2018)

10 Plus New Members - one - half page ad in our quarterly magazine.

(In addition to the above)

5 or more New Members - Dinner at Convention in Destin, Florida on the afternoon of September 15 with the TTA group. Here we will have some special awards for the ones that have brought in new members.

We are off to a great start, don't stop!! You need to keep Donna busy signing up new members!!! When you have someone that is interested, you can have them call (615) 777-2882 or email Donna England dengland@tntrucking.org, reference who referred them, and she will do the rest!! Our membership Brochure and pricing can be found on our website at the bottom of the first page www.tntrucking.org. Please let us know if you have any questions!!

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN UPDATE:

We have been busy signing up new members!!! Thanks so much for the referrals!!



Greg Shipman, [Vertical Alliance](#) referred **Specialized Transportation Services, Inc.** Thank you Greg for the referral!!!



Jim Briggs, [Advanced Ergonomics](#), referred **Therapy Direct**.

Thank you Jim for the referral!!!

Keep the referrals coming!!!

[2018 Convention planning is underway! Below is this year's Convention Theme and Logo. There is a tab on the TTA website \(\[www.tntrucking.org\]\(http://www.tntrucking.org\)\) titled 2018 CONVENTION. Sponsorships are also listed as soon as a Member commits](#)

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

THE CONVENTION THEME THIS YEAR IS:

"LET'S ENJOY THE RIDE!"

Please click [HERE](#) to download a Convention Registration Brochure.

Join us for the Opening Reception on Sunday Night, September 17th from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.! Since the theme is **Enjoy the Ride**, dress in the attire for anything you can ride. Some examples would be; motorcycle, surf board, golf cart, horse, water ski's, big rig, convertible use your imagination. A prize will be awarded for the best riding attire.



IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR THE CONVENTION!

You will receive your 2018 Convention Registration Brochure in your next issue of the Tennessee Trucking News Magazine! Contact the TTA office if you need one or download [HERE!](#)

Please make plans now to join us for the 88th Annual TTA Convention in Destin, Florida at the [**HILTON SANDESTIN BEACH GOLF RESORT & SPA.**](#)

LOCATION & REGISTRATION

With the beautiful beaches of the Emerald Coast, great shopping, dining and entertainment, the **HILTON SANDESTIN BEACH GOLF RESORT & SPA** is the perfect location. For information on things to see and do, visit their Web site at www.sandestinbeachhilton.com. Make reservations online [HERE](#) or call 1(800) 559-1805, Use Group/Convention Code: **TNT**. Registration packets will be mailed with the next issue of the Tennessee Trucking News Magazine. If you need to receive another, please call us at (615) 777-2882.

2018 Raffle



Tennessee Trucking Foundation
2018 CASH RAFFLE

Name: _____

Company: _____

Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Please number to contact if you are the winner!

Tennessee Trucking Foundation

2018 CASH RAFFLE

presented by **U.S. XPRESS, INC.**

Proceeds benefit Tennessee Trucking Foundation's Highway Safety Education Programs

Drawing to be held on Thursday, December 6 10:00 a.m.

at the Tennessee Trucking Association Offices
4531 Trousdale Drive
Nashville, Tennessee 37204

FIRST PRIZE

\$15,000



SECOND PRIZE

\$5,000

Winners will be issued a check in the amount of the prize within a week of the drawing.

\$50

Only 1,000 tickets will be sold. Non-transferable. You do not have to be present to win.

The spreadsheet is growing for raffle ticket reservations. Those of you who would like to reserve your ticket can do so by calling the TTA office at (615) 777-2882 or emailing Catherine Stuart at cstuart@tntrucking.org. You won't be invoiced until after August 8, but you can let us know what month you want to be invoiced up to November 1st. That way you can budget for your tickets ahead

of time this year. We will be contacting those of you who have purchased in the past to give you the opportunity to be put on the list to reserve your tickets. **You will receive the tickets once they have been invoiced and payment is received.** All Raffle proceeds benefit the Tennessee Trucking Foundation's Highway Safety Education Programs.

THANK YOU CONVENTION SPONSORS!!

Please click through the link above to view the sponsors thus far for our 2018 Convention. Our sponsors are great every year and we really appreciate their continued support! TTA is able to have a convention that is second to none because of our sponsors!

TENNESSEE TRUCKING FOUNDATION TECHNICIAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND INCENTIVE. We are adding an incentive for those of you who are interested in attending our Annual Fall Conference in Chattanooga this year. Any individual who can get an annual pledge from their company, beginning July 1st, will be entered into a drawing for a free Fall Conference registration!

We have partnered with Lincoln College of Technology - Nashville to provide students in the Diesel Technology field with a two-part scholarship to assist with their educational expenses. One recipient will be chosen quarterly by the scholarship committee and his/her award will consist of \$1,000 upon selection to assist with current expenses while they are in school and an additional \$1,500 upon completion of one year's full-time employment at a TTA member company. Students at the College of Technology hail from all corners of the State of Tennessee. This [LIST](#) shows the number of students for the current quarter and where they live in Tennessee. A list of students who graduate each quarter with names and contact information will be provided only to scholarship sponsors. Due to privacy laws, contact information cannot be given out until the students graduate. This program will encourage technicians to seek employment within our membership, but it needs your support in order to accomplish this. All we are asking for is a \$250 annual sponsorship commitment from members of our Association. Regardless of whether your company has in-house technicians or you contract those services out, this shortage should be of concern to you. Our Mission Statement includes a dedication to safety on our highways and well-maintained equipment is one component of that safety. The same is true for those of you who provide products and/or services to the carriers. We need your support, as well.

Please take a moment to make your annual sponsorship commitment of support and either call the TTA office at (615) 777-2882 and ask for Catherine Stuart or complete the pledge form [here](#) and fax back to the TTA office at (615) 777-2024.

100 STRONG! Our goal to fund the Tech Scholarship Program is 100 member companies to make an annual pledge of \$250. Below are those who have made their pledges so far to this campaign:

COMPANY NAME	CONTACT
Averitt Express, Inc.	John Walton
Clarke Power Services, Inc.	Billy White
Cumberland International Trucks	Matt Smart
Cummins, Inc.	Matthew Caldwell
FedEx Freight Corporation	Rob Rhea
FirstFleet, Inc	Mike Murphy

Fleetco, Inc.	Bill Tirrill
Goggin Warehousing, LLC	Tommy Hodges
McKee Foods Transportation, LLC	John Williams
Milan Supply Chain Solutions	John Ross
M&W Transportation Co., Inc.	Mike McFarlin
Neely Coble Company, Inc.	Edward Coble
Parman Energy Corporation	Robert Giffin
Pemberton Truck Lines, Inc.	Bob Pemberton
Rush Truck Center, Nashville	Troy Dickens
Sharp Transport, Inc.	Allie Sharp Schwalb
Skyline Transportation, Inc.	Bill Reed, Jr.
TCW, Inc.	Scott George
Thompson Truck Center	Allen Wainscott
Worldwide Equipment, Inc.	Jim Toussaint

2018 NATMI CERTIFIED TRAINING SCHEDULE

TTA has partnered with the North American Transportation Management Institute (NATMI), the premiere professional development organization for transportation industry professionals, to offer the following training classes in 2018:

January 23-24	Safety & DOT Compliance
February 21-22	Hazardous Materials Training
March 26-30	Certified Safety Supervisor or Certified Director of Safety Download Registration Form
April 4-5	Safety & DOT Compliance Download Registration Form
April 17	Accident Investigation Download Registration Form
May 22-23	Safety & DOT Compliance Download Registration Form
June 12-13	Commercial Driver Trainer Certification Course Download Registration Form
July 24-25	Safety & DOT Compliance Download Registration Form
August 7-8	Maintenance Certification CSME & CDME Download Registration Form
October 1-5	Certified Safety Supervisor or Certified Director of Safety Download Registration Form
October 30-31	Safety & DOT Compliance Download Registration Form
November 1	Transportation Risk Management Certification Download Registration Form
December 4-5	Safety & DOT Compliance Download Registration Form

Registration for all courses is available at www.natmi.org. For more information call us at (615) 777-2882. **Register 60+ days prior, take \$20 off.**

BIG RIGS FOR LITTLE KIDS GOLF TOURNAMENTS FOR 2018 – Registration Materials Available for SETN & WTN – click on the download below.

Knoxville – May 3, 2018 – Egwani Farms Golf Course – **Check the TTA Facebook Page for pictures of the 2018 event.**

Nashville – May 9, 2018 – Hermitage Golf Course - **Check the TTA Facebook Page for pictures of the 2018 event.**

Memphis – **August 2, 2018** - Memphis National Golf Club! **Registration Form now Available.**
Download [HERE](#).

Chattanooga – **October 3, 2018** - Windstone Golf Club - **Registration Form now Available.**
Download [HERE](#).

SALES TAX HOLIDAY

The state of Tennessee's annual sales tax holiday is held every year, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on the last Friday in July and ending at 11:59 p.m. the following Sunday night. During this weekend, certain goods may be purchased tax free. This year's tax-free holiday weekend begins at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, July 27 and ends Sunday, July 29 at 11:59 p.m. Click [here](#) for additional details

INDUSTRY UPDATE

FIRST CLOSURES SET FOR MEMFIX 4 PROJECT ON I-240 IN MEMPHIS *Expedited Work will Replace 4 Bridges*

MEMPHIS, Tenn. – Tennessee Department of Transportation contract crews will temporarily close a stretch of I-240 from the I-40/I-240 split through to the I-40/SR 385 split for a major bridge project for several weekends in July. The closures also impact Poplar Avenue at I-240.

The NIGHTLY closures are scheduled as follows:

- **Wednesday, July 11 and Thursday, July 12 each night from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.** - Poplar Avenue westbound at I-240 will have intermittent lane closures with one lane remaining open. The I-240 eastbound ramp to Poplar Avenue westbound will be closed. I-240 will remain open.
- **Monday, July 16 through Thursday, July 19, each night from 9:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.** – I-240 westbound will have a lane closed and the Poplar Avenue ramps to I-240 westbound will be CLOSED.

The FULL CLOSURES are as follows: Click [here](#) for full details & [here](#) for a map.

CA IFTA RATE GOING TO 70 CENTS

A number of states have a variable component to their fuel taxes, typically designated either as a sales tax on fuel or as a part of the fuel tax itself, tied to fuel price or some other index. For purposes of the International Fuel Tax Agreement, states that have varying rates may change them no more frequently than quarterly. California, which has a large sales tax component embedded in its fuel tax, only adjusts its IFTA rate on diesel – that is, the per-gallon rate it charges per gallon on under-purchases or allows as a per-gallon credit on over-purchases in the state -- once a year, to reflect changes in prices in the interim since the last adjustment. Since this is done only once every twelve months, the adjustment can sometimes be quite considerable. And so it will be in 2018, when the California's IFTA rate on diesel (the state does not require gasoline to be reported for IFTA) will jump from 57 cents a gallon to 70 cents on July 1, two weeks off. We don't usually report adjustments in IFTA rates in the **SLN** before they take effect, but this change in California is so large, and affects so many trucking companies, that we've made an exception for it. Other changes in tax rates for the third quarter will be published in our quarterly fuel tax rate chart early in September.

SEARCH UNDERWAY FOR NEW CLASS OF AMERICA'S ROAD TEAM CAPTAINS

ATA seeks nominations for elite team of professional drivers, industry ambassadors

American Trucking Associations opened the [nominating](#) process for professional truck drivers to serve on the 2019-2020 America's Road Team. America's Road Team, a group of highly-accomplished professional truck drivers, promotes the trucking industry by educating the general

public, media, and elected officials about the industry's strong safety record and importance to the economy. Click [here](#) for full details. **Deadline, August 20, 2018**

CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT DENIES PETITION FOR REHEARING IN DYNAMEX

The California Supreme Court denied the petition for rehearing filed by Dynamex on the issue of whether the Court's April 30, 2018 decision in [Dynamex Operations West Inc. v. Superior Court](#) should apply retroactively or only prospectively. In other words, the Court declined to provide guidance on whether its adoption of the so-called ABC test as a means of determining whether workers are employees or independent contractors under some California wage and hour laws applies to pending cases or only those filed after the opinion was issued. Click [here](#) for full details.

FMCSA ANNOUNCES CLARIFYING REGULATORY GUIDANCE FOR TRANSPORTATION OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES, PERSONAL CONVEYANCE

Message from Stephanie Mann, FMCSA Division Administrator

Please see the below FMCSA News Release and the attached federal register notices to be published along with summary documentation. For more information, please visit FMCSA's [Agriculture website](#) and FMCSA's [personal conveyance website](#). FMCSA plans to include recorded training webinars on the website in the future. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

NATIONAL TRUCK DRIVER APPRECIATION WEEK – SEPTEMBER 9-15, 2018

Mark your calendars and join us in celebrating the men and women across the country who works hard every day to deliver the Good Stuff!

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

EAST TN BIG RIGS CHARITY CHECK PRESENTATION

East TN Big Rigs for Little Kids Golf Tournament - The East TN Big Rigs for Little Kids Golf Tournament at Egwani Farms earlier this year brought in \$6,056.25 for the East TN Children's Hospital. Bob Pemberton, Pemberton Truck Lines, presented the check to East TN Children's Hospital. Click [here](#) for the picture and [here](#) for more information.

TRUCKING OWNERS BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE – NASHVILLE - WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018

Join Katz, Sapper & Miller's Transportation Services Group, King & Ballow Law Offices, and KSM Transport Advisors for our Trucking Owners Business Roundtable in Nashville, TN on July 25. This ongoing series brings together own-ers of some of the country's top trucking companies to hear from market leaders on benchmarking trends, tax law updates, legislative updates, the dynamic mar-ket environment, strategic acquisitions, and more. Click [here](#) for full details and [here](#) to register.

SUMMIT TRUCK GROUP OF MEMPHIS HOLDS GOLF FUNDRAISER

\$15,000 Donated to the Palmer Home for Children

Summit Truck Group of Memphis TN held their 16th Annual Golf Tournament in Collierville TN on June 8th. For the second year, Summit offered various sponsorship levels to select suppliers to help fund the tournament, with a percentage of all money raised going to charity. This year, the Memphis team selected the Palmer Home for Children as the recipient of funds raised through the golf tournament. A total of \$15,000 was raised for this charity and, recently, several Summit staff presented the check to representatives from the Palmer Home for Children. Click [here](#) for full details & [here](#) for the presentation check.

PAY MEMBERSHIP DUES ONLINE

To save you time and give you more options of paying your invoice the **Primary Contact** can now pay your Membership Dues online at TNTRUCKING.ORG by logging into the **Members only** portion of our website and clicking on my transactions. Your user name is your email address. If you need your password you can call the TTA office. Please let us know if you have any questions. For Allied Members only, when paying online, if you plan to sponsor the 2018 Convention at a Bronze level or above, you will need to use the Discount Code of 2018-CS to receive the \$100.00 discount.

WEBSITE FOR MOTOR CARRIERS

The State of Tennessee - Department of Revenue has recently rolled out a more efficient, innovative system known as Tennessee Taxpayer Access Point (TNTAP). TNTAP gives Motor Carrier registrants a one-stop shop to file and pay for IRP registrations and IFTA taxes online. www.tntapinfo.com. Click [here](#) for full details and [here](#) for the Motor Carriers Dues Schedule.

2018 TENNESSEE TRUCKING ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY TRAINING SCHEDULE – GARY HOLBROOK

Listed below you will find the Saturday Training Schedule for 2018:

3rd Quarter

August 4, 2018 – Hours of Service and Driver Logs

August 11, 2018 – Defensive Driving Course for Professional Truck Drivers

4th Quarter

November 3, 2018 – Accident Reporting

November 10, 2018 - Defensive Driving Course for Professional Truck Drivers

All sessions will be held at the TTA office training facility on Saturdays and will be from 8:00 AM – Noon CST. Cost for each session is \$50 for TTA members and \$75 for non-members. Contact the TTA office at (615) 777-2882 to enroll.

Click [here](#) to download a Registration & Payment Form.

TRUCKING NEWS MAGAZINE - We now have an **electronic version** of the Magazine on the TTA Website and have added [this link](#) for your convenience.

TTA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Also for your convenience, the TTA's latest edition is available on our Website; Click [here](#) for the last edition.

TTA 2018 ROADSIDE INSPECTIONS

Each event this year has been a great success. Member companies can sponsor a Roadside Inspection Luncheon. Participants at each inspection site are provided a cookout lunch. Sponsors are recognized at the inspection site and in the TTA monthly e-Newsletter, as well as any announcements sent out about each Roadside.

We are now taking commitments for the 2018 events. The sponsorships are \$1,000 for a full sponsorship or \$500 if you prefer a half sponsorship. All of the dates for 2018 will be set at the first of the year.

2018 DATE	LOCATION	SPONSOR
May 11	Greenville Scales I-81	FULLY SPONSORED BY: Thermo King of Knoxville
May 16	Brownsville Scales I-40	FULLY SPONSORED BY: PFS Transportation, Inc.
June 15	Knoxville Scales I-40	Joe Morten & Son, Inc. (Co-Sponsor)
June 15	Knoxville Scales I-40	Averitt Express, Inc. (Co-Sponsor)
June 20	Portland Scales I-65 North	Tenco Services, Inc. (Co-Sponsor)
June 20	Portland Scales I-65 North	Old Time Express, Inc. (Co-Sponsor)
August 3	Greenville Scales I-81	Shell Lubricants (Co-Sponsor) / OPEN
August 29	Manchester Scales I-24	FULLY SPONSORED BY: HELP Inc., Provider of PrePass
September 26	Brownsville Scales I-40	FULLY SPONSORED BY: Vertical Alliance Group
October 3	I-65 Giles County	Sharp Transport, Inc. (Co-Sponsor) / TCW, Inc. (Co-Sponsor)
October 17	Portland Scales I-65 North	FULLY SPONSORED BY: Vertical Alliance Group
November 2	Knoxville Scales I-40	FULLY SPONSORED BY: U.S. Xpress

If you would like to sponsor a TTA 2018 Roadside Inspection, please contact the TTA Office (615) 777-2882

What is a Roadside Inspection?

Each year, the Tennessee Trucking Association Safety Management Council and Maintenance Council conduct Roadside Inspections around the state. TTA members work side-by-side with State Troopers from the Tennessee Department of Safety checking for driver fatigue, equipment problems, illegal substances, and other violations. Each Roadside inspection event offers a unique educational experience by demonstrating to company personnel how Roadside inspections are conducted. Click [here](#) for a short video of a TTA Roadside Inspection.

ARE YOU TAKING FULL ADVANTAGE OF YOUR TTA MEMBERSHIP? We are much more than a monthly newsletter, magazine or a council meeting. As we start a new year, take a few minutes to: Visit the TTA website at www.tntrucking.org, Browse the TTA Facebook page at: facebook.com/TN.Trucking.org, Follow us on Twitter @tntrucking. Join us on LinkedIn by sending a request to dtomlinson@tntrucking.org (for members only) Talk with one of the TTA staff and find out more about your Association.

NEW CARRIER MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT!

In an effort to get more **carrier** involvement, we now have a link on the TTA Website for prospective members to send a membership application electronically to us. Any carrier you might have been talking to about joining can go to the TTA website (www.tntrucking.org) and complete the membership form. The form comes directly to the TTA office. The carrier will be contacted for payment method and will save 25% off their first year's membership dues. Make sure you share this information with any carriers who are not TTA members!

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER



Wayland Thompson
FirstFleet, Inc.

I wanted to update everyone on our PAC efforts. For the record, we have had significant participation and contributions so far this year to our PAC, which is a good thing! We still have a few members that have not participated, and we want to urge you to go ahead and finish your evaluation of this effort, and join in with the rest of us.

The other item I would like to address is our annual Convention. Trust me, it's going to be another great one this year, heck, they are showing me the door, that might be the best part! [Continue reading!](#)

LEGISLATIVE CORNER – by Dale Allen and Holly McDaniel - Adams and Reese LLP

Check back next month for additional updates!

TRUCK PAC SUPPORT IS NOW POSSIBLE ONLINE

Individuals can make their contributions on the TTA website. From the TTA Landing Page, select the TruckPAC tab on the left side, and then click on Donate Now. At the [TruckPAC page](#), select **DONATE NOW**. You will then login to the Member only part of our website. Click on the online store that is on the left side of the page, then select TruckPAC donation. After your payment processes you will get an email with your receipt. Please let us know if you need your password reset.



Join the ['Trucking Moves America Forward'](#) Movement!

The mission of Trucking Moves America Forward is to establish a long-term industry-wide movement to create a positive image for the industry, to ensure that policymakers and the public understand the importance of the trucking industry to the nation's economy, and to build the political and grassroots support necessary to strengthen and grow the industry in the future. If you would like to donate to support this movement, please click [here](#).

TTA 2018 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 1	Holiday – TTA Office Closed
January 20	HOLBROOK TNG: Defensive Driving Course for Professional Truck Drivers
January 23-24	NATMI - Safety & DO T Compliance
January 27	HOLBROOK TNG: Driver Qualification and Hiring
February 21-22	NATMI - Hazardous Materials Training
March 14	Call on Nashville Legislative Reception
March 22-24	Mid-America Truck Show – Louisville, KY
March 26-30	NATMI - Safety Certification Program (MFSB & MMFSP Certification Course)
April 4-5	NATMI - Safety & DO T Compliance
April 11-12	TTA Technician Skills Competition
April 17	NATMI - Accident Investigation
April 17-19	Call on Washington
April 27-28	TTA Truck Driving Championships
May 3	ETN Big Rigs for Little Kids Golf Tournament
May 9	MTN Big Rigs for Little Kids Golf Tournament
May 11	Roadside Inspection, Greeneville Scales I-81
May 16	Roadside Inspection, Brownsville Scales I-40
May 22-23	NATMI – Safety & DOT Compliance
May 25	2018 Safety Breaks: I-40 East, Mile Marker 417 at Dandridge, TN I-40 East Rest Area at Jackson, TN I-40 West Rest Area at Dickson, TN I-24 East Bound Marion Co. Nickajack
May 28	Holiday – Memorial Day
June 9	HOLBROOK TNG: Defensive Driving Course for Professional Truck Drivers
June 12-13	NATMI – Commercial Driver Trainer Certification Course
June 15	Roadside Inspection, Knoxville Scales I-40
June 20	Roadside Inspection, Portland Scales I-65 North
June 23	HOLBROOK TNG: Reasonable Suspicion Drug & Alcohol Training for Supervisors & Managers
July 4	Holiday - TTA Office Closed
July 24-25	NATMI - Safety & DO T Compliance
August 2	WTN Big Rigs for Little Kids Golf Tournament
August 3	Roadside Inspection, Greeneville Scales I-81
August 4	HOLBROOK TNG: Hours of Service and Driver Logs
August 7-8	NATMI-Maintenance Certification CSME & CDME-Music Center, Nashville, TN
August 11	HOLBROOK TNG: Defensive Driving Course for Professional Truck Drivers
August 29	Roadside Inspection, Manchester Scales I-24
September 3	Holiday – Labor Day
September 16-18	TTA 88 th Annual Convention at Sandestin Beach Hilton, Destin, FL
September 26	Roadside Inspection, Brownsville Scales I-40
October 1-5	NATMI - Safety Certification Program (MFSB & MMFSP Certification Course)
October 3	Southeast TN Big Rigs for Little Kids Golf Tournament – Ringgold, GA
October 3	Roadside Inspection, Giles County
October 17	Roadside Inspection, Portland Scales I-65 North
October 30-31	NATMI – Safety & DOT Compliance
November 1	NATMI – Transportation Risk Management

November 2	Roadside Inspection, Knoxville Scales I-40
November 3	HOLBROOK TNG: Accident Reporting
November 10	HOLBROOK TNG: Defensive Driving Course for Professional Truck Drivers
December 4-5	NATMI – Safety & DOT Compliance
December 6	TTF Raffle Drawing
November 22-23	Holiday - TTA Office Closed - Thanksgiving
December 24- 25	Holiday - TTA Office Closed – Christmas



TENNESSEE TRUCKING FOUNDATION CORNER

Tennessee Trucking Foundation is the 501(c)3 charitable arm of the Tennessee Trucking Association. The Foundation is dedicated to: Advancing highway by educating motorists on how to safely share the road with large trucks; Providing Tennessee children’s charities with funds to improve the lives of our state’s children; The TTF Scholarship, administered annually by the Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee.

Please follow the Tennessee Trucking Foundation!

Facebook: /TnTeensTrucks / Twitter: @TeensandTrucks / Instagram: @TeensandTrucks

Website: www.tntruckingfoundation.org

THE 2018 BIG PAYBACK The Big Payback Day was May 2nd. We raised \$1,600.72 dollars for the Foundation. Thank you to those of you who took the time to go online at the Community Foundation of Middle TN and donate. This is one of the easiest ways you can support your Foundation. We have 2,200 individuals in our membership database. If each of you donated just \$10 next year, we could raise \$22,000 for the Foundation in just one day!

TENNESSEE TRUCKING FOUNDATION AWARDS \$7,500 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

The Tennessee Trucking Foundation recently awarded scholarships for the 2018-19 academic year. TTA congratulates the following:

Baylee Bradford will be a senior at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga majoring in finance. Her father, Brent Bradford, is working at Averitt Express, Cookeville, TN, as Maintenance Technology Coordinator. Award: \$1,500

Katelyn Hayzlett will be a junior at the University of Tennessee at Martin majoring in chemistry. Her mother, Kimberly Hagan, works at Big G Express, Mount Juliet TN, as a planner. Award: \$1,500

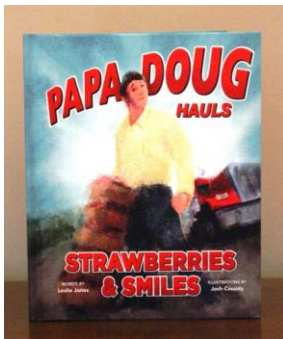
Olivia Crossman Tiebout, a past recipient, will be a senior at Tennessee Technological University majoring in elementary education. Her parents are April Crossman, Averitt Express, Cookeville TN, OSD Manager, and Kenny Crossman, Averitt Express, Cookeville TN, Fuel Analyst. Award: \$1,500

Tesros Cherian, will be a junior at University of Tennessee Chattanooga majoring in biology. His Mother, Elsy Cherian, works at McKee Foods Inc., Collegedale TN, as a Process Technician. Award: \$1,500

Austin Fussell, a past recipient, will be a senior at Tennessee Technological University majoring in civil and environmental engineering. His father, David Fussell works a director of sales at Averitt Express, Inc. in Nashville, TN. Award: \$1,500

2018 ANNUAL TENNESSEE TRUCKING FOUNDATION ANNUAL AUCTION THEME IS:

LET'S ENJOY THE RIDE! Our Convention theme will be reflected throughout the auction. We already have our Convention Auction Committee in place and working. Greg Shipman with Vertical Alliance Group is once again the Chairman of the committee. The volunteers for the committee are Randy Hooper – Katz, Sapper and Miller, Anthony Allen – Willis Towers Watson, Craig Kendall, The Peterbilt Store – Knoxville, Joe Smith – Kenco Transportation Services, Donna England and Jeremy Snapp. They are calling TTA members for donations to support the auction. Wayland Thompson, FirstFleet, Inc. and 2017-2018 TTA Chairman, has already donated a signed guitar by Garth Brooks and Jim Briggs with Advanced Ergonomics, Inc has donated a guitar signed by Brad Paisley!!! We are looking for popular items that will encourage bidding. Jewelry, gift cards, home decorations, sporting event tickets and equipment and small electronics are always good choices. Again this year we are looking for unique and fun items along with a few larger items. You don't have to wait for a phone call from the Auction Committee. You can make your commitment by completing the donation form [HERE](#) and faxing it to the TTA office at (615) 777-2024 or calling Catherine Stuart, Foundation Coordinator at 615-777-2882.



**PAPA DOUG HAULS STRAWBERRIES & SMILES
CHILDREN'S BOOKS
SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE!**

If you would like to sponsor a book in your name, your child's name or your company's name for a school in your area, you can purchase the book for \$20. A sticker will be placed in the front cover of the book with your donation information and one of the Road Team Captains will visit the designated school in your area and read the book to the class or classes there before presenting the book to the school. If you would like to purchase books for gifts, the books are \$20 each plus shipping. Call the TTA Office at 615-777-2882 if you are interested in purchasing a book. If you have questions about Papa Doug Books or would like to purchase a large quantity of books, please send an email to cstuart@tntrucking.org or call the TTA office at (615) 777-2882. Proceeds from book sales are donated to the Tennessee Trucking Foundation's Highway Safety Education Programs (Tennessee's Road Team and Teens & Trucks Share the Road) and Trucking Moves America Forward Movement. The Tennessee Road Team will continue to visit schools and present books for as long as we have donors

Tennessee's Road Team is a statewide highway safety program sponsored by the Tennessee Trucking Foundation with major funding from **Pilot Flying J**. The Road Team is composed of a group of professional truck drivers with superior driving records and a desire to spread the word about safety on the highway.

Tennessee's Road Team

Request a Road Team Captain for your local school or safety event. Tennessee's Road Team

presentations are free and available to any school or organization across the state. The Road Team Captains share with students about how to be safe on the road with big trucks. Please check with TTF if you would like to request a Road Team Captain.

ROAD TEAM UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION	CAPTAINS
CarFit Training	Thursday, July 12	Ethridge	Cleve McCord
CarFit Training	Saturday, July 14	Milan Police Dept, 7029 Telecom Dr, Milan, TN 38358	Jeff Adams and Tom Bell - approved. Robert Barrett, Eddie Threlkeld, Tim Cummings and John Anderson - pending approval
THSO Drivers Education Camp	Monday, July 16	THP Training Center 283 Stewarts Ferry Pike, Nashville, TN 37214	Christy McClain, Carl Johnson, David Gooch, Robert Moxley and Cleve McCord
THSO Drivers Education Camp	Tuesday, July 17	THP Training Center 283 Stewarts Ferry Pike, Nashville, TN 37214	Mark Copas, Cleve McCord, David Gooch and Tom Bell
THSO Drivers Education Camp	Wednesday, July 18	THP Training Center 283 Stewarts Ferry Pike, Nashville, TN 37214	David Gooch, Cleve McCord, Paula Harper and Devin Rackley
THSO Drivers Education Camp	Thursday, July 19	THP Training Center 283 Stewarts Ferry Pike, Nashville, TN 37214	Cleve McCord, David Gooch, Tim Chelette, Steven Richardson, Tony Ellison and Dave Huneryager
THSO Drivers Education Camp	Friday, July 20	THP Training Center 283 Stewarts Ferry Pike, Nashville, TN 37214	Cleve McCord and David Gooch
Boys & Girls Clubs	Friday, July 27, 2018	Boys & Girls Club, 967 Irwin Street, Knoxville, TN 37917	Ken & Donna Wheeler, Paula Harper

Clay County Health and Safety Day	Saturday, July 28, 2018	215 Arcot Road, Celina, TN	Mark Copas, Eddie LeSueur, Tony Ellison
Middle TN Safety Council Meeting	Monday, July 30	Hibachi Grill 3804 Nolensville Pike, Nashville, TN 37211	Cleve McCord and Tim Chelette
Hendersonville Senior Citizen Center	Monday, July 30	197 Imperial Blvd, Hendersonville 37075	To be determined
Spring Hill CarFit and Yellow Dot	Tuesday, July 31	Spring Hill Fire Dept, 4237 Port Royal Rd, Spring Hill, TN 37174	Cleve McCord, Paula Harper, Tim Chelette, Devin Rackley
Greeneville RS	Friday, August 3		Jeff Adams and Ron Bolling - pending approval
Fayetteville, Marshall, Giles, Franklin & Bedford Senior Citizen Centers Combined Yellow DOT	Thursday, August 16	908 Washington Str, Fayetteville	To be determined
Gateway Senior Citizen Center	Friday, August 24	Martin Gateway Center, 701 Lindell Street, Martin, TN 38237	To be determined
Manchester RS	Wednesday, August 29		Devin Rackley, Carl Johnson and Paula Harper - pending approval
Life Savers Conf	Wed, Sept 5 - Fri, Sept 7	Embassy Suites Murfreesboro	Mark Copas, James Warren, Tim Arthur - pending approval
Convention	Fri, Sept 15-Wed, Sept 19	SanDestin	All TN Road Team Captains
Brownsville RS	Wed, September 26		Robert Barrett, Tim Cummings and Eddie Threlkeld and Vernon Brewer - pending approval
Chester County Senior Citizen Center	Thursday, September 27	247 East Main Street, Henderson, TN 38340	To be determined

DROWSY DRIVING

Through a grant from the Tennessee Highway Safety Office, we now have a presentation we can make in the workplace for any TTA member at no cost that will provide safety information about how to recognize the signs of drowsiness and how it is a risk to drive without adequate sleep. This

information has also been provided on a rack card to all DMV locations across the state and has been approved to go to Welcome Centers as well. There is a Teen version of the presentation that has been incorporated into our Teens and Trucks program for high schools.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Our safety message has also expanded to the driving public who are age 55 and over. This group of drivers has now become one of the age groups with the highest number of fatalities in automobile accidents in Tennessee. Tennessee's driver license renewal laws do not attempt to identify, evaluate nor regulate older drivers whose driving habits and abilities may be deteriorating as they age. Tennessee Trucking Foundation proposes to address the growing need to help Tennessee's older drivers polish their driving skills, increase awareness of their changing abilities, and learn to adapt their driving practices accordingly, especially around large trucks. Part of the approach will be to educate them about the difference in operating a big truck and an automobile, and how that knowledge can impact them on the roadway. The objective will be to prevent fatalities by positively impacting driving behavior. If you would like to schedule a Road Team Captain for your Senior Citizen Center, church, civic group or anywhere seniors gather, please call the TTA office at (615) 777-2882.

DO YOU SHOP AT AMAZON?

Amazon shoppers can support the Foundation simply by signing up for Amazon Smile. Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support the Tennessee Trucking Foundation every time you shop, at no cost to you. Before you start your online Holiday shopping through Amazon, please go to <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/62-1504853> and select the Tennessee Trucking Foundation as your charity of choice. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to the Foundation. On your first visit to Amazon Smile (smile.amazon.com), you need to select the Tennessee Trucking Foundation as your charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon Smile will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation to the Foundation. If you would like assistance selecting the Foundation as your charity while you shop, please call the TTA office at (615) 777-2882.

YOU CAN ALSO SUPPORT THE FOUNDATION AS YOU SHOP AT KROGER! PLEASE RENEW OR SIGN UP TODAY!

If your Kroger receipt doesn't have a charitable listed, please support the Foundation. We found out this year that you must renew your commitment to support the TN Trucking Foundation each year in **August** in order to support while you shop at your Neighborhood Kroger Store. There is no extra cost for this benefit and you will continue to earn your rewards and fuel points while you are helping the Foundation! Please link or renew your Kroger Plus Card to the Foundation <https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards>. Just swipe your registered Kroger Plus Card each time you shop for groceries, buy gift cards, or fill your tank with gas! Kroger donates a percentage back to the Foundation! Please encourage your friends, family, and coworkers to link their Kroger Plus Card to the Tennessee Trucking Foundation and help raise funds to support Highway Safety Education in Tennessee! If you would like assistance with linking your Kroger Card, please call the TTA office at 615-777-2882.

CARDS FOR CAUSES HAS A HUGE SELECTION OF GREETING CARDS

The Foundation is participating in the Cards for Causes Online Fundraising Program which donates 20% of the revenue generated by a customer's greeting card order! There is no extra cost to you! Please visit the website <http://www.cardsforcauses.com/cause/> to see the huge selection of greeting cards! If you send Birthday, Anniversary, Get Well or Congratulation cards to your employees and friends throughout the year please consider ordering an assortment from the Cards for Causes

Website. Be sure to select the Tennessee Trucking Foundation listed under the PUBLIC BENEFIT Category. Each time you place an order for cards the Foundation will receive 20% of the revenue generated. Please contact Catherine Stuart at cstuart@tntrucking.org or 615-777-2882 to learn more.

TEENS & TRUCKS SHARE THE ROAD HIGHWAY SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM

The Teens & Trucks Share the Road Training Program is a highway safety education curriculum that educates new teen drivers about safe driving practices around large trucks and commercial vehicles. The program includes an instructor lesson plan, student workbook, and DVD and also as an app. The Foundation distributes the Teens & Trucks Program to all TN Department of Safety Approved Driver Education Schools and Organizations across the state. The Foundation is on a mission to educate new teen drivers on how to safely share the road with large trucks and commercial vehicles. Please contact Catherine Stuart @ cstuart@tntrucking.org or 615-777-2882 if you would like a copy of the instructional DVD and workbooks. You can also download the app on your Smart Phone. Please check out www.tntruckingfoundation.org to learn more.

IN LOVING MEMORY

When a loved one is lost, it is always hard on those who knew and loved them. TTA receives notices of lost loved ones throughout the year. We would like to list those we have received since the last newsletter publication:

TTA would like to make sure we acknowledge and inform all members of the losses of TTA members and loved ones. Please send us any notices, and we will inform the membership either through an email blast or posting in the monthly newsletter.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO TENNESSEE TRUCKING FOUNDATION IN MEMORY OF ...

Did you know you can make a contribution to the Tennessee Trucking Foundation in memory of a loved one or industry colleague? You can even specify what program of the Foundation you would like the contribution to go toward such as the Road Team or the Scholarship Fund. The family receives a card from the Foundation letting them know that you made a contribution to the Foundation in their family member's name. TTF is a 501(c) 3 charitable organization and gifts are tax deductible:

Contribution Made by	In Memory of	Acknowledgement Sent to
Dave Huneryager	George Brix	Pam Brix
Tommy Hodges	James Hall, Sr.	Judy Eslick

COUNCIL CORNER

The dates for Fall Conference this year is October 25th and 26th, 2018. Click [here](#) for Chattanooga family attractions. The 2018 TTA Annual Fall Conference will be at the Doubletree Hilton in downtown Chattanooga. Visit this [link](#) to explore this beautiful property. The Steering Committee is finalizing plans for Fall Conference. We are excited to announce our Keynote Speaker, hosted by Vertical Alliance Group. An investment in your safety culture is an investment in your bottom line. And, according to Brian Fielkow, business leader and author, a culture of prevention is the foundation of an excellent operation. Brian has over 25 years of experience in safety-sensitive industries, and as a leader still "in the game," he faces the same daily challenges as you when it comes to running a business. Brian grew his business dramatically by focusing on growing his company's safety culture, and now he'll share what has worked — and what hasn't. Brian will explain how to develop and anchor a behavior-based environment that promotes accountability by providing you with hands-on tools to create and sustain a culture of prevention. We will then move to a panel discussion on Risk

Exposure. Please mark your Calendar for Fall Conference. This one will be one you don't want to miss!!! We will have more information coming in the next newsletter.

X Denotes Change in the normal meeting date, time or place!

July

4	Holiday – 4 th of July
X 12	West TN Safety/Maintenance Council Meeting: 11:30 AM, CST-Location: Ozark Motor Lines 3934 Homewood Rd, Memphis, TN 38118 Speaker: FMCSA
17	Southeast TN Safety/Maintenance Council Meeting: 11:30 AM EST – Western Sizzlin, 6061 Relocation Way, Ooltewah, TN – Speaker: TBA
X 24	Middle TN Safety Maintenance Council Meeting: 11:00 AM Location: TBA
24-25	NATMI – Safety & DOT Compliance
30	Middle TN Safety Management Council Meeting: 11:00 AM - Hibachi Grill & Supreme Buffet - Chinese, Japanese & American Cuisine, 3804 Nolensville Pike, Nashville, TN, 37211 – Speaker: Tn Road Team Captains

August

1	East TN Safety/Maintenance Council Meeting: 11:30 AM, EST – Crown School of Trades and Technology 2307 W. Beaver Creek Drive Powell, TN 37849 Speaker: TBA
2	Upper East TN Safety/Maintenance Council Meeting: 11:00 AM, EST – Logan's Steak House, 3112 Browns Mill Road, Johnson City, TN, 37604 – Speaker: TBA
3	Roadside Inspection, Greenville Scales I-81
9	West TN Safety/Maintenance Council Meeting: 11:30 AM, CST-Location: TBA
21	Southeast TN Safety/Maintenance Council Meeting: 11:30 AM EST – Western Sizzlin, 6061 Relocation Way, Ooltewah, TN – Speaker: TBA
27	Middle TN Safety Management Council Meeting: 11:00 AM - Hibachi Grill & Supreme Buffet - Chinese, Japanese & American Cuisine, 3804 Nolensville Pike, Nashville, TN, 37211 – Speaker:
28	Middle TN Maintenance Council Meeting: 11:00 AM Location: TBA
29	Roadside Inspection, Manchester Scales I-24

**MARK YOUR 2018 CALENDARS FOR TTA'S 88TH ANNUAL CONVENTION:
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