



NARS 2023 Annual Meeting
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Wednesday, May 24, 2023

9:00 AM	Traffic Club of Chicago Golf Outing & Networking Lunch (<i>Separate registration required</i>)	Cog Hill
3:00 PM	Registration Opens	Great Lakes Foyer
5:30 PM	Welcome Reception <i>Sponsored by Mississippi Export Railroad</i>	Great Lakes DEFG

Featuring music by Jacob Sweet

Thursday, May 25, 2023

7:00 AM	Registration	Great Lakes Foyer
7:00 AM	Breakfast <i>Sponsored by Savage Services Corporation</i>	
8:00 AM	Welcome to Chicago	Great Lakes ABC
	<i>Bruce Mann, Port Houston, North American Rail Shippers Association, President</i>	
8:00 AM	Surface Transportation Board Legal Meetings (available until 5:00 pm)	Algebra Boardroom
	<i>Stephanie Lyons, Attorney Advisory, STB</i>	
8:10 AM	Safety Briefing & Anti-Trust Statements	
	<i>Kate Luce Bourgeois, Mississippi Export RR, North American Rail Shippers Association, 2nd VP</i>	
	<i>Janet Gilbert, Fletcher & Sippel, North American Rail Shippers Association, Board Member</i>	
8:15 AM	Chicago History Lesson from Chicago's TikTok Historian, <i>Sherman "Dilla" Thomas</i>	
	Introduction: Bruce Mann, Port Houston, NARS President	
8:45 AM	KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: <i>Lance Fritz, President & CEO, Union Pacific</i>	
	Introduction: Ray Hufnagel, Plastic Express, NARS, Treasurer	
9:25 AM	MANUFACTURING UPDATE: <i>Jean Savage, CEO & President, Trinity Industries</i>	
	Introduction: Ray Hufnagel, Plastic Express, NARS, Treasurer	
10:05 AM	Networking Break <i>Sponsored by Savage Services Corporation</i>	
10:30 AM	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: <i>Katie Farmer, President & CEO, BNSF & AAR Chairman</i>	
	Introduction: Bruce Mann, Port Houston, NARS President	
11:10 AM	LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: <i>Adam Nordstrom, Viking Navigation</i>	
	Introduction: Chuck Baker, President, American Short Line & Regional Railroad Association	

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11:50 AM	NARS Scholarship & Awards Presentation	
	<i>Ray Hufnagel, Plastic Express, NARS, Treasurer & Scholarship Committee Chairman</i>	
	<i>Bruce Mann, Port Houston, NARS, President</i>	
	<i>Edward R. Hamberger</i>	
Noon	NARS Luncheon	Great Lakes DEFG
1:30 PM	KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: <i>Joe Hinrichs, President & CEO, CSX</i>	Great Lakes ABC
	Introduction: Tom Tisa, Head of Business Development, CSX	
2:15 PM	A CONVERSATION ABOUT RACIAL DIVERSITY: <i>Torri Stuckey, CSX, Moderator</i>	
	<i>Panelists: Arthur Adams, CSX</i>	
	<i>Tomeka Bryant, New Orleans Public Belt Railroad</i>	
	<i>Rick Galvan, Greenbrier Rail Services</i>	
	<i>Terry Atkinson, Union Pacific</i>	
2:55 PM	Networking Break	Great Lakes DEFG
3:10 PM	SHORT LINE UPDATE: <i>Dean Piacente, CEO, OmniTrax</i>	Great Lakes ABC
	Introduction: Chuck Baker, President, American Short Line & Regional Railroad Association	
3:50 PM	STB UPDATE: <i>Marty Oberman, Chairman, Surface Transportation Board</i>	
	Introduction: John Meyers, DM Bowman, NARS Vice President	
4:30 PM	NARS Nominating Committee Report	
	<i>Tom Tisa, CSX, North American Rail Shippers Association, Immediate Past President</i>	
5:00 PM	NARS Reception <i>Sponsored by Quantix</i>	Great Lakes DEFG
6:00 PM	Traffic Club 114th Annual Dinner (<i>separate registration required</i>)	

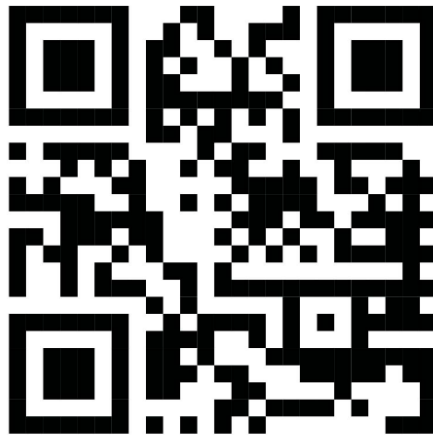
Friday, May 26, 2023

8:00 AM	Registration	Great Lakes Foyer
8:00 AM	Breakfast	Great Lakes DEFG
9:00 AM	NARS 2023 General Session Begins	Great Lakes ABC
9:10 AM	Safety Briefing & Anti-Trust Statements	
	<i>Kate Luce Bourgeois, Mississippi Export RR, North American Rail Shippers Association, 2nd VP</i>	
	<i>Janet Gilbert, Fletcher & Sippel, North American Rail Shippers Association, Board Member</i>	
9:15 AM	KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: <i>Alan Shaw, President & CEO, Norfolk Southern</i>	
	Introduction: Bruce Mann, Port Houston, NARS President	

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9:55 AM	ECONOMIC UPDATE: <i>Roger C. Tutterow, Ph.D., Professor & Henssler Financial Endowed Chair, Michael J. Coles College of Business, Kennesaw State University</i>
	Introduction: Kate Luce Bourgeois, Mississippi Export RR, NARS, 2 nd VP
10:35 AM	ANALYST UPDATE: <i>Tony Hatch, abh Consulting</i>
	Introduction: John Meyers, DM Bowman, NARS Vice President
11:20 AM	Closing Remarks <i>John Meyers, DM Bowman Company, North American Rail Shippers Association, First VP</i>
11:30 AM	NARS 2023 Annual Meeting Adjourns

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