



December 6, 2006

Dear Memphis World Trade Club Members & Friends,

Last night we had our annual Holiday gathering at The Fox and Hound. There was a very good crowd and the atmosphere was festive. The club would like to say a special thanks to the attendees that furnished door prizes.

Thanks to Jim Woods for serving as Club President for 2006. Your dedication is greatly appreciated. You have served our club well and we are glad you will be around in 2007 serving as Immediate Past President. Special thanks also to the outgoing Board Members who are the unsung trench warriors.

Deciding to throw your name in the hat and run for a position on a Board (remember all volunteers will be shot on sight) takes some guts. All participants are winners in my view, despite the fact only a certain number can and will be elected given the available slots.

Besides me, the following make up your new 2007 Board of Directors:

Officers

First Vice-President – Karen Hjerpe (Mallory Alexander)

Second Vice-President – Gray Carter (Buckeye Technologies)

Recording Secretary – Rebecca Walker (NYK Logistics)

Treasurer – Jeff Johnston (UPS-SCS)

Board Members

Kalana Cale (International Paper)

Jim Cline (Cline-Maxcy)

Mike Demster (Regional Chamber)

Susan Minten (Medegen Medical)

Melzie Wilson (Mallory Alexander)

Save the 2007 dates for our very exciting new event. Tuesday March 27th (evening) and Wednesday March 28th (all day) will be your club's First Annual **Memphis Multi Modal Conference**. The event will be held at The Peabody in downtown Memphis. There are already some very exciting speakers and sponsors involved. Stay tuned for further information and an event specific website.

Speaking of websites, our own website revamp is almost complete. Each member will have their own user name and password. You will be able to access and maintain your own data as well as the member database. We hope to launch at the start of the 2007 calendar year.

2007 is our 60th year for the Club. Our aggressive but very achievable goal is to carry the membership level from an average of 300 up to 600. The theme is "600 in 60". More information on this campaign will be shared in January.

Best Regards,

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President 2007

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