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## “FIRST IN SAFETY” Orlando to Host NPTC’s National Safety Conference – September 8-10

### *National Driver All-Stars Will Be Honored in Recognition Ceremony*

**T**HE NATIONAL SAFETY CONFERENCE 2021 RETURNS TO THE OMNI ORLANDO RESORT IN CHAMPIONSGATE, FLORIDA, as the National Private Truck Council’s annual forum on private fleet safety best practices and policies. The event will be held September 8-10, 2021, and expects to draw nearly 300 private fleet safety professionals from a wide and diversified spectrum of fleet practitioners and exhibitor/suppliers.

Attendees are encouraged to [register now](#) and make lodging and travel arrangements early as capacity is expected to be “sold out” soon. Beginning at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday afternoon, September 8th and concluding at 11:45 a.m. on Friday, September 10th, the program promises to deliver insights, resources, and leading safety management protocols that will help fleets enhance their safety programs.

Upgrading the conference to a new, premium-level resort-business meeting venue and expanding the program to a full two days proved big winners when first held in Orlando in 2019. 2021 promises to be even better.

Once again the event offers a **unique exhibit opportunity** where exhibit networking will take place during meal and social functions. We expect a full sell-out, so email Serena Porter at [sporter@nptc.org](mailto:sporter@nptc.org) to reserve your space today!

The core purpose of the conference is to provide attendees with **state-of-industry management resources, new ideas, upgraded operational practices, and a unique business network of contacts to help private fleets build even stronger safety cultures within their companies.** With the planning assistance of the Council’s Safety Committee, the schedule features keynote presentations,

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## National Safety Conference *Continued*

networking breakouts, and safety-in-the-round discussions led by a faculty of some of the private fleet industry's leading safety practitioner experts.



"Over two intense days," says **Mike Schwersenska, CTP**, NPTC Board Chair, Director of Transportation/Logistics for Brakebush Transportation, Inc., "we have packed a wide range of insightful, invaluable takeaway information which fleets can put into practice on day one when they return to work. It happens every year for me!"



**Tim Eckhardt, CTP**, newly appointed Chair of NPTC's Safety Committee and Director of Safety, Dot Transportation, Inc., says, "The safety conference is just a great venue to learn and network with safety experts who really are on the leading edge of best practices and innovation. My expectations are exceeded every year I attend."

Examples of topics presented are: lessons learned from impact of COVID-19 on safety and operations; safely managing the aging driver workforce; how to mitigate liability for shippers and private fleets: are you prepared?; roundtable discussions on driver shortage and driver screening; best practices of driver training, personal conveyance; distracted driving policies; working with third parties to improve safety compliance; data-informed decision making, and how to implement a new safety incentive program.

Other breakout sessions will discuss Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse; workers' compensation reduction strategies, enhancing driver engagement in an age of active safety technology, and the enhanced safety factor in accelerated tractor replacement cycles.

Two top federal safety officials will address the conference: **Mike Graham**, Member, National Transportation Safety Board, and **Meera Joshi**, Deputy Administrator, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (*invited*). Leading truck accident attorneys will address safety-practices-as-a-defense in lawsuits, and **Rick Schweitzer**, NPTC General Counsel will present his special monthly Washington Report update on the latest legislative and regulatory affairs affecting private fleet trucking, sponsored by TransForce Group.

As has been the case for the past ten years, International Truck/Navistar will sponsor the **NPTC National Driver All-Stars Recognition Ceremony** and Luncheon from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 9, 2021. Nearly two dozen winning drivers for 2021 from individual NPTC member companies (and winners from 2020 as well) will be honored for their exceptional performance in safety, regulatory compliance, and customer service.



Graham



Schweitzer

NPTC's block of rooms at the Omni Orlando Resort ChampionsGate is rapidly selling out fast at a special rate of \$180 per night. Please note that this rate is also available to NPTC guests staying two nights over the weekend following the conference. For further details, visit [www.nptc.org](http://www.nptc.org).



## CONFIRMED EXHIBITORS (7/6/21)



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# 39 CERTIFIED TRANSPORTATION PROFESSIONALS® (CTP)



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**T**HIRTY-NINE TRANSPORTATION PROFESSIONALS HAVE ACHIEVED THE PRESTIGIOUS DESIGNATION OF CERTIFIED TRANSPORTATION PROFESSIONAL® (CTP) by the NPTC Institute, the educational and professional certification arm of the National Private Truck Council (NPTC). The CTP program is sponsored by **J. J. Keller & Associates, Inc.** The graduation ceremony took place in conjunction with the **NPTC Annual Education Management Conference and Exhibition June 13-15, 2021 in Cincinnati.**

Since the CTP designation was first introduced in 1993, nearly 1,500 fleet and transportation professionals have earned the right to add CTP after their name. CTPs are raising industry standards, and in turn, increasing the respect and prestige of the fleet and transportation profession.

"These new Certified Transportation Professionals have demonstrated the knowledge and ability to understand complex operational and regulatory issues, identify and evaluate potential costs and savings, and develop systems and practices that best meet their company's transportation needs and objectives," said **Mari Roberts, CTP**, Senior Director of Transportation, Frito-Lay, Inc., and Chair of the NPTC Institute Board of Governors that oversees the program.

"The CTP designation is a benchmark of excellence earned by a special few, but available to any fleet or transportation specialist willing to make the necessary commitment of dedicated effort."

Each year, *Fleet Owner* magazine sponsors the CTP Top Graduate Award. This year's Top Graduate was **Amanda Lung, CTP**, SC Fleet Senior Manager, Pepsi Beverages Company.



The following individuals represent the CTP Class of 2021:

**Mary Akhavan, CTP** FleetNet America  
**Rich Belmarez, CTP** Dairy Farmers of America, Inc.  
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**Jeffery Irwin, CTP** Walgreen Oshkosh, Inc.  
**Jonathan Kester, CTP** Pepsi Beverages Co.  
**James Ledbetter, CTP** Centerline Drivers, LLC  
**Estefany Loza, CTP** GAF Corp. / Hawk Logistics Solutions

**Joe Maple, CTP** LSP Transport LLC  
**John Micklus, CTP** Messer LLC  
**Christopher Olin, CTP** Upstate Niagara Coop.  
**Greg Oster, CTP** Sheetz Inc./CLI Transport, LP  
**Roy Price, CTP** McKee Foods Transportation LLC  
**Tremone Proctor, CTP** The Home Depot, Inc.  
**Cathy Ratchford, CTP** Pepsi Beverages Company  
**Tyler Raulerson, CTP** Harris Teeter, LLC  
**Stephen Roberts, CTP** Allison Transmission  
**Al Rocco, CTP** Oldcastle Building Products  
**Shelby Romanik, CTP** Idelic  
**Wilmer Sampson, CTP** Valley Proteins, Inc.  
**Nicole Schubring, CTP** America's Service Line, LLC  
**Joe Shawley, CTP** Talon Logistics / Giant Eagle  
**Brandon Sigmon, CTP** Oldcastle Building Products  
**Christie Slattery, CTP** FleetNet America  
**Juan Tijerina, CTP** PACCAR Leasing Company  
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**CTP Class of 2021.**

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**Top CTP Graduate of 2021**  
**Amanda Lung, CTP**  
SC Fleet Senior Manager  
Pepsico

## Once-aspiring Dentist and Veterinarian Finds Transportation Her Calling

**T**HE REMOTE VILLAGES OF BEULAH, MICHIGAN, and nearby Benzonia, are located a short drive south of Traverse City and Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. This tiny community emerged from anonymity to passing fame in the book, *"Waiting for The Morning Train,"* an American boyhood memoir of a place and time of long ago published in 1972 by noted Civil War historian, Bruce Catton.

Catton graduated from the Benzonia Academy in 1916 where his father was the last school principal. The Academy closed in the 1920s but the "Old Main" building still stands today as a community center. **Amanda Lung, CTP**, SC Fleet Senior Manager at Pepsico and CTP Top Graduate for 2021, attended pre-school classes at the center and lived in the area during her formative years before her dad moved the family to Gaylord where he took a truck driving job for a Shell gas station owner.

*"Benzonia was heavily church-and-school oriented," reads the book's forward. "...God-fearing with emphasis upon virtues like courage, fortitude, duty, hard work, belief in education, faith in progress" where "round and about lay mile upon rolling mile of used-up lumber country and hardscrabble farms."*

Amanda Lung's grandfather owned one such farm near Beulah, raising crops, cows, donkeys, pigs, and chickens, a farm handed down and still operated by her father. "Dad was one of seven children," says Amanda. "He dropped out of school in the 7th grade, became a truck driver at age 14, and is now retired as an OTR tractor-trailer driver after 40 years. Her mother conducted a child daycare service from the family home, then eventually took jobs at Pepsi at various locations for over 18 years and is now retired in Florida.

The youngest of two with an older brother living in Minnesota,

Amanda attended Christian Reform church, participating in various voluntary charity work "caring about people and doing the right thing." During high school, she worked in a gas station, played flute, baritone sax, and bassoon in school bands, and graduated 14th in her class of 255.

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**"I only wish I had completed this program 15 years ago. Everything I learned preparing for the CTP exam was very beneficial."**

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She enrolled in Central Michigan University with the intent of becoming a dentist. Figuring she might work better with animals than people, she changed majors to become a veterinarian, majoring in biology and chemistry. During her last two undergraduate years of study, Amanda worked full time at various jobs and finished on schedule in 2003 with a bachelor's degree in business administration. She waited 15 years before studying for her MBA at DeVry University/Keller School of Management which she completed in 2021.

With her mother's encouragement, and with a pressing need for health insurance, Amanda began work at Pepsico in 2002 in a merchandising job. She has held ten progressively more responsible jobs in 19 years with Pepsico, including sales, warehouse management, fleet management, and now fleet maintenance services. Technically responsible for a seven-state area, she oversees 80 company in-house maintenance shops and the work of 7 managers and 2 supervisors. She shares responsibility for about 2,000 trucks, mostly Class-8 day cabs.

Pepsico buys and maintains trucks over a longer time than industry averages, with a supporting nationwide network of maintenance shops to keep the trucks safe and reliable for many years.

"Our biggest challenges are finding qualified technicians and adding new trucks to our fleet which now can take up to one year," says Amanda. "We are working to gradually step-up our depreciation cycle in order to take advantage of newer technology, but frankly

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## Amanda Lung, CTP *Continued*

our drivers like the older equipment which they find reliable and familiar.”

“Managing finances is a key part of my job,” says Amanda. “While the company’s fleet operates as a cost center and not designed to make money, optimizing costs of fleet resources is a vital ongoing exercise for all of us. Continuing education plays an important role.”

In January of 2021, Amanda’s boss, **Cathy Ratchford, CTP**, called and asked her to take the CTP exam in February, even though the official deadline had already passed. Cathy was also planning to take the exam herself. Amanda had been working from home for the past several months while also on her own time working remotely to finish her Master’s degree. She had never heard of the NPTC or the CTP program.

“I threw myself into exam preparation,” says Amanda. “In the process, I discovered that NPTC is an amazing organization. Tom Moore’s online exam prep course was fantastic. I only wish I had completed this program 15 years ago. Everything I learned preparing for the CTP exam was very beneficial.

The exam content was great, but taking it gave me more anxiety than any test in my life. Even the number of questions was extremely stressful. I brought an alarm clock to time myself. I type 200 words a minute, but the alarm went off before I finished question # 2. I felt the questions were too numerous and too complicated, but I know everyone was in the same boat—sink or swim.”

“I felt I had passed the exam but was totally surprised to achieve the highest score. I learned many new things, especially on the operations side and the benefits of the private fleet versus outsourcing to carriers. Earning the CTP has been a big plus in helping me in my job and advancing my career with Pepsico.” Meanwhile, shortly after becoming a CTP, Amanda passed her graduate school exams and earned her MBA.

Amanda works and resides in South Lyons, Michigan, with her husband of twelve years and seven rescue dogs. She occasionally returns to visit her father on his farm in Beulah/Benzonia, now an all but forgotten community where caring about people, doing the right thing, courage, fortitude, duty, hard work, belief in education, faith in progress—all linger like ghosts from a place and time of long ago.

# CTP CLASS OF 2022 NOW FORMING



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## CANDIDATES FOR THE CERTIFIED TRANSPORTATION PROFESSIONAL® (CTP) PROGRAM ARE ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER NOW

for their places in the Class of 2022. The Eligibility Application deadline is **October 1, 2021**. The program is sponsored by J. J. Keller & Associates, Inc.

By earning the CTP designation, you join a group of transportation professionals who have made a commitment to the private fleet industry, to an ongoing pursuit of career advancement, and to continuing enhancement of their knowledge and skills. Top management will readily identify you as a professional with the experience and knowledge to direct and administer a private fleet, traffic, or transportation operation.

To learn more about the CTP® program, visit [www.nptc.org](http://www.nptc.org).

## In the News

At its June 12 meeting, the NPTC Institute Board of Governors elected the following new members to the Board:



**Doug Adamson**  
SVP, Sales & Marketing,  
Transervice Logistics, Inc.



**Gavin Lindores**  
Director, Business Development,  
Luma Brighter Learning



**José Samperio**  
Executive Director, Sales,  
Cummins Inc.



**Kris Kolbe, CTP**  
Director of Safety and  
Operations, CPC Logistics



**Jerry Robertson, CTP**  
Chief Technology Officer,  
BOLT System

# FOUR INDUCTED INTO NPTC/OMNITRACS DRIVER HALL OF FAME



NPTC President and CEO Gary Petty (right) and Ayron McLochlin, VP of Sales, Omnitrac (left) congratulate NPTC/Omnitracs Driver Hall of Fame Inductees Mike Hetrick (second from left), Mike Baity (center) and Luther Weaver (second from right).

**FOUR DRIVERS, WHO COLLECTIVELY HAD DRIVEN FOR MORE THAN 167 YEARS WHILE RACKING UP MORE THAN 16 MILLION MILES OF SERVICE** without a chargeable accident, have been inducted into the NPTC Driver Hall of Fame sponsored by Omnitrac. The recognition took place June 14 in conjunction with the NPTC Annual Education Management Conference and Exhibition, which was held live and in-person in Cincinnati, OH.

The drivers are from NPTC member companies and have met the minimum qualifications of 20 years, three million miles or 50,000 hours of driving without a preventable accident. Many of the drivers have far exceeded these qualifications and are known for having made significant contributions to their industry and their communities. Since its inception, 112 drivers have been installed in the Driver Hall of Fame. This year's Driver Hall of Fame inductees are:

MICHAEL GRAY BAITY, *Unifi Manufacturing Inc.*

MIKE HETRIC, *KeHE Distribution*

AGUSTIN TAMAYO, *Shaw Transport, Inc.*

LUTHER "JUNIOR" WEAVER, *Mohawk Carpet Transportation of Georgia, LLC*



**MICHAEL GRAY BAITY**  
**UNIFI MANUFACTURING INC.**

In 35 years behind the wheel, Mike has accumulated 3,2 million miles of safe driving without a single accident or moving violation. He joined Unifi in 1979 as a yard switcher moving trailers at the company's distribution center in Yadkinville, NC and, in

1986, he was given the chance to drive over-the-road, moving trailers between the company's plants. After proving his ability to be a safe driver he was promoted to local truck driver. He currently works 50-55 hours per week, driving around 1,800 miles primarily in Western North Carolina, hauling textiles and general merchandise. He has won numerous company safe driving awards in addition to being named the North Carolina Trucking Association Driver of the Month in 2011. But Mike doesn't rest on his laurels. He finds ways to sharpen his skills by completing defensive driver training and first-aid training. Plus, he gives back to Unifi as a driver trainer.

He has delivered food and supplies to hurricane and flood victims in Florida, South Carolina, and North Carolina and he delivers Christmas presents and clothes to families in West Virginia for Christmas for God's Pit Crew. He is a member of Peace Haven Baptist Church where he has served as a Deacon, the Children's Sunday School Director, and an Assistant Sunday School Teacher. He also has volunteered in local mission projects, as a coach in both youth baseball and football and was the President of the Forbush High School Athletic Booster Club.



**MICHAEL HETRICK**  
**KEHE DISTRIBUTORS**

Mike started his driving 37 years ago and has been with KeHE for the last 26 years. He has driven a total of four million miles without a chargeable accident or a moving violation. In the 26 years, he has been with KeHE, he has racked up 2,6 million of those

miles. At KeHE, he drives a tractor with trailers ranging from reefer pups up to 53' reefer trailers accumulating about 1,900 miles/week delivering dry, refrigerated, and frozen goods from the company's Bloomington, IN distribution center to grocery stores, health stores and independent stores in Kentucky, Virginia and Tennessee.

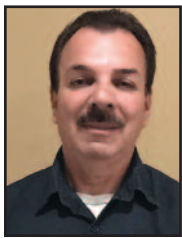
Mike learned to drive at the Diesel Driving School in Sun Prairie, WI. His driving career began in 1984 driving straight trucks, delivering candy and cigarettes to convenience stores. In 1986, he moved up to refrigerated tractor/trailer equipment delivering beef for Winkler Meats. In 1988, he transitioned to dry vans and delivered general commodities for Rayls Bros Transfer then Thoms Proestler. Finally, in 1994, Mike began his career with Tree of Life/KeHE Distributors.

Mike participates in KeHE's driver training programs such as distracted driving, safety outside the cab and driver engagement. In addition, he is an active Driver Trainer, working with new hires and drivers that need additional post-accident training as well as coaching warehouse employees interested in earning their CDLs.

Outside the truck, Mike has served as a Little League Baseball umpire and he now enjoys cooking.

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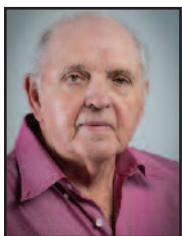


**AGUSTIN TAMAYO**  
**SHAW TRANSPORT, INC.**

Augie has been a professional truck driver for 43 years the last 36 of those years have been with Shaw. In his career he has accumulated 5.2 million miles of safe driving, 4.3 million for Shaw without a chargeable accident or moving violation. He works an average of 11 hours per day, driving about 150 miles per day delivering flooring out of the company's Fontana, CA facility to customers in the San Bernardino, CA area.

Augie started driving in 1978 delivering sportswear for Roel Sportswear. Two years later, when the company went out of business, Augie went to work for Tuftex Carpet Mills hauling carpets. He left in 1985 to drive for Shaw.

When Shaw moved to electronic logs in 2004, Augie had no problem embracing the technology. Shaw has a SAFE program (Shaw Accident Free Environment) to help promote worker safety and provide regulatory knowledge that Augie participates in. He completes all required training, including monthly safety meetings and online training. He follows the required and recommended safe practices to avoid on-the-job injuries and stay in compliance with Shaw and FMCSA regulations.



**LUTHER (JUNIOR) WEAVER**  
**MOHAWK CARPET TRANSPORTATION OF GEORGIA, LLC**

Junior started his driving career in 1968 and has driven 7.4 million miles without an accident or a moving violation of any kind. Of the more than 52 years he has spent behind the wheel, 29 have been with Mohawk, where he has racked up almost half of his accident-free mileage delivering residential and commercial flooring products.

Junior began his driving career at the age of 18 at Rogers Dye in the warehouse and then as a yard jockey. After earning his chauffeur license, he began driving full-time locally making deliveries. The following year, he moved on to Advance Finishers in 1969, in a similar role. Two years later, he began driving for Wellco Carpet in Calhoun, GA where he spent 21 years in an over-the-road environment travelling the country delivering carpet and flooring products. He signed on with Aladdin Mills in 1992 which merged with Mohawk Industries. In his 28.5 years with Mohawk, Junior has touched most of the continental US and delivered on time, undamaged freight to thousands of satisfied customers. Currently, Junior runs from the company's manufacturing facility in Calhoun, GA to San Antonio, TX each week.

## 2021 BENCHMARKING SURVEY UPDATE



### LATER THIS SUMMER, NPTC WILL RELEASE ITS 2021 BENCHMARKING SURVEY REPORT,

which examines a number of key operational, performance issues and is designed to validate private fleet performance based on comparative peer data; to identify areas of improvement and opportunity; and to highlight significant trends affecting private fleet practitioners.

The benchmarking survey delves into key operational areas such as *safety, technology, driver turnover, compensation, operational costs, equipment and maintenance* to identify key trends and best practices.

As in previous surveys, the most common reasons for operating a private fleet are (1) to gain direct control of transportation capacity on demand, (2) to control costs, and (3) to provide consistent and high-quality customer service.

Private fleets stand out as a dynamically growing transportation market. The largest sector of the trucking industry, they account for approximately 50% of all Class 8 truck sales, and own or lease some three out of four Class 4 through Class 8 trucks on the road. Around 40% of all leased trucks are to private fleet companies. In 10 years, the private fleet vehicle count has risen by 50% among the top several hundred companies, even as the existing populations has become more efficient. And, a majority of private fleet managers (more than two-thirds) plan to add trucks to their fleet capacity in the years ahead.

### COMING EVENTS:

#### NPTC BENCHMARKING REPORT

August 1, 2021 Sent to NPTC Membership

#### NATIONAL SAFETY CONFERENCE

September 8-10, 2021 – Orlando, FL

#### 2022 CTP ELIGIBILITY APPLICATIONS DUE

October 1, 2021

#### 2022 CTP EXAM APPLICATIONS DUE

November 15, 2021

#### 2022 CTP EXAM PREP WORKSHOP

January 15, 2022, Jacksonville, FL

#### 2022 PRIVATE FLEET MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE

January 16-20, 2022, Jacksonville, FL

#### 2022 CTP® EXAM

February 13, 2022, administered remotely

#### NPTC 2022 ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION

April 10-12, 2022 Cincinnati, OH



## BY THE NUMBERS

**F**ROM THE TIME OF ITS CHARTER CLASS GRADUATION IN 1993, the National Private Truck Council's Certified Transportation Professional (CTP)<sup>®</sup> program's guiding vision was to create a widely recognized and respected credential of professional achievement for private fleet managers and suppliers. **By earning CTP designation, you joined a group of transportation professionals who have made the commitment to the private fleet industry,** to an ongoing pursuit of career advancement, and to continuous enhancement of the necessary knowledge and skills. You should feel proud of the accomplishment you have achieved for both yourself and your company and a designation you will want to keep for your entire career.

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In order to maintain your certification in the program, there are several points you must remember: **CTPs must recertify** by paying an annual \$100 recertification fee. In December, you will receive your annual \$100 invoice required to maintain active status. While your company may pay your annual \$100 fee, ultimately you are responsible for payment of this fee as the *certification is a personal designation*. Every three (3) years, CTPs must recertify by earning 50 recertification points must be earned during the 3-year period (to check your current point balance and recertification year cycle, [click here](#) and note that we forgave any points requirement for the year 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic); A Recertification Application need only be filed once during the 3-year period to register recertification points or may be filed annually; and, Recertification Applications are available for completion online here (for a matrix of opportunities to earn points, [click here](#)).

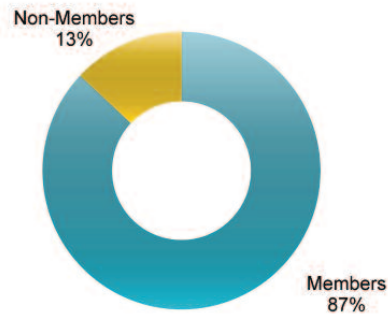
Aside from the prestige of holding the industry's highest certification achievement, CTPs receive:

- The NPTC Weekly Email Update, a timely, comprehensive summary of current legislative and regulatory issues that affect private fleets.
- More educational programs that reach beyond your current level of achievement and allow for continued advancement Increased opportunities for networking with fellow CTPs
- Access to our in-house specialist to answer all questions relating to private fleet operations

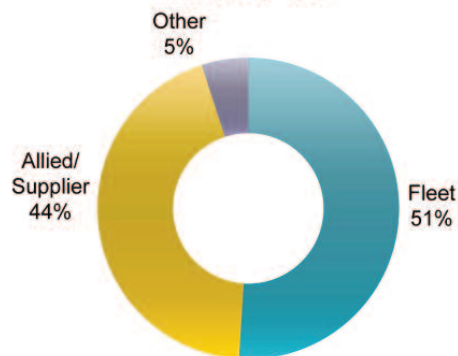
NPTC has finished the reconciliation of its recertification process and is pleased to report the current state of the CTP program in the charts on this page. For a complete list of all active CTPs, [click here](#).

Please do not hesitate to contact Kristen Todd (ktodd@nptc.org) with any questions.

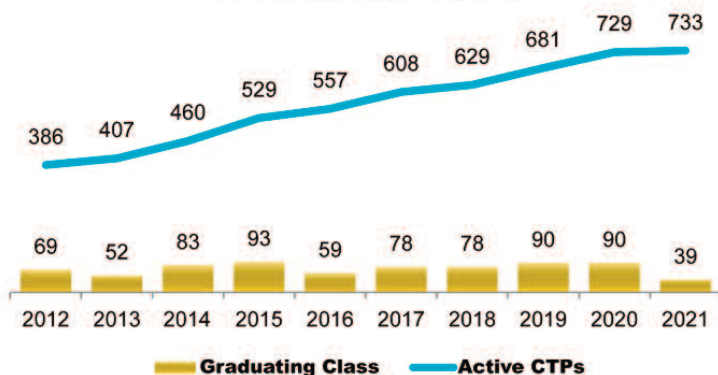
**Percentage of CTPs by NPTC Membership**



**Percentage of CTPs by Company Type**



**CTP Presence in Industry**





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# NPTC/OMNITRACS ANNOUNCE 2021 FLEET SAFETY AWARD WINNERS

**M**ORE THAN 20 PRIVATE FLEETS who have demonstrated continued improvement and dedication in elevating their safety performance year over year have been honored by receiving the **NPTC/Omnitracs Fleet Safety Awards**. The recognition took place June 14 in conjunction with the **NPTC Annual Education Management Conference and Exhibition**, which was held live and in-person in Cincinnati, OH.

The NPTC/Omnitracs Fleet Safety Awards recognize NPTC member companies that work to make safety a priority in their private fleets' operations," said **Scott Duvall**, CTP, Chair of the NPTC Safety Committee and Regional Supervisor of Driver Operations, Medline Industries, Inc. "These annual fleet safety awards in particular recognize companies with the lowest ratio of accidents per million miles for the past year." This year's winners (based on safety performance achieved in 2020) are:

The 2021 Fleet Safety Awards are presented annually to those NPTC Fleet member companies whose fleets experienced the lowest ratio of accidents per million miles for the past year. The awards are given for the entire fleet's vehicle accident frequency rate (VAFR) by fleet size and operational category:

### LOCAL OPERATIONS (fleets whose vehicles deliver in a local market regardless of size)

First Place: **United Scrap Metal**  
Second Place: **River Valley Ingredients**  
Third Place: **Composites One LLC**

### REGIONAL OPERATIONS (all other fleets, including long-haul)

First Place: **Hittman Transport Services**  
Second Place: **Contract Transportation Systems/ Sherwin-Williams Co.**  
Third Place: **Johnsonville Trucking LLC**

### MIXED OPERATIONS

(fewer than 100 vehicles)

First Place: **Metal Exchange Corporation**  
Second Place: **Sugar Foods Corporation**  
Third Place: **Unifi Manufacturing, Inc.**

### MIXED OPERATIONS

(more than 100 vehicles)

First Place: **Baxter Healthcare Corporation**  
Second Place: **New South Express, Inc.**  
Third Place: **Speedway | SWTO LLC**

Also recognized, were those fleets with outstanding and/or improved safety records based upon their crash rates. Winners of the **Gold Seal**, awarded to fleets with a terminal that experienced ZERO crashes in 2020 include:

**Contract Transportation Systems / Sherwin-Williams Company**  
**CVS Health**  
**Hillyard, Inc.**  
**Schwan Food Company**  
**The Home Depot, Inc.**  
**United Scrap Metal**

Winners of the **Silver Seal**, presented to those companies with a terminal that reduced its vehicle crash rates by 40% or more compared to the previous year, were:

**Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations, LLC**  
**Hillyard, Inc.**  
**Schwan Food Company**  
**The Home Depot, Inc.**  
**Walgreen Oshkosh, Inc.**

The **Bronze Seal** recognition is presented to companies with a terminal that reduced its vehicle crash rates by 20% to 39% from the previous year. The winners of the Bronze Seal are:

**CVS Health**  
**Orscheln Farm and Home, LLC**  
**Schwan Food Company**  
**Speedway | SWTO LLC**  
**The Home Depot, Inc.**  
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