

Newsletter

May 2022

NPTC conference a record success

NPTC's annual conference of 2022 was, by every measurement of success, the best conference ever held by the Council. "The energy and enthusiastic excitement were beyond anything I have seen before," said Chuck Amen, CTP, newly elected Chair of the Board of Directors and fleet operations manager of Hillyard Inc., which was honored as a finalist in *Fleet Owner's* Top 500 Private Fleet of

the Year, sponsored by Isaac Instruments. The award was presented in a ceremony on the final day of the conference.

The Council would like to thank the 1,224 attendees, 176 exhibitors, more than 65 speakers and facilitated roundtable discussion group leaders, and dozens of sponsors for their extraordinary contributions in making the event so special.

NPTC/TransForce Group recognize eight private fleet professionals

The National Private Truck Council and award program sponsor TransForce Group Inc. recognized eight private fleet professionals for their impressive contributions to the private fleet community. Since 1990, the NPTC Professional Leadership Awards have recognized those individuals who have positively impacted the National Private Truck Council, their profession, and the private trucking community. The recognition took place in conjunction with the NPTC Annual Education Management Conference and Exhibition held live and in-person April 10-12 in Cincinnati.

The Dan Smith Lifetime Achievement Award, the Council's top award, was presented to Edward Welch, CTP, MBA, Capital Sourcing Manager, Perdue Farms Inc. Currently responsible for all Capital Expenditure & Fleet Procurement for Perdue Foods, Ed has also led transportation, maintenance, distribution center, and information technology operations during his 28 years with Perdue. He was the Top Graduate of the 2006 Certified Transportation Professional class.

Also recognized were Scott Willert,



Recipients of the NPTC/TransForce Group Inc. Professional Leadership Awards are (from left), Tim Eckhardt, CTP, Dot Transportation Inc.; Luann Dunkerley, CEI Group; Lewis Allen, CTP, Aaron's Inc.; Scott Willert, CTP, America's Service Line LLC; Ed Welch, CTP, Perdue Farms Inc.; Catherine Gammill, AutoZone; Randy Maddox, CTP, CRH/Oldcastle Building Products; and Bob Mann, International Truck/Navistar. Photo: NPTC

CTP, America's Service Line and America's Logistics, as the Private Fleet Executive of the Year; Randy Maddox, CTP, CRH/Oldcastle Building Products, NPTC Private Fleet Manager of the Year; Tim Eckhardt, Dot Transportation Inc., Private Fleet Safety Professional of the Year; Lewis Allen, CTP, Aaron's Inc., NPTC Excellence in Membership Award (Fleet); and Luann Dunkerley, CEI Group, NPTC Excellence in Membership Award (Allied). The Allied Member of the Year was presented to International Truck. The NPTC Excellence in Backhauling Award went to AutoZone Inc..

NPTC welcomes four into Driver Hall of Fame

Four drivers, who collectively have driven for more than 165 years while racking up nearly 15 million miles of service without a chargeable accident or a moving violation, have been inducted into the NPTC Driver Hall of Fame, which is sponsored by Navistar NEXT eMobility Solutions. The recognition took place in conjunction with the NPTC Annual Education Management Conference and Exhibition held in April. 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.

This year's Driver Hall of Fame inductees are: Patrick Fay, Core Mark International; Wayne Hayes, AutoZone Inc.; Billy Ray Nester, Unifi Manufacturing; and Jeffrey Putskey, Brakebush Transportation Inc.

NPTC elects new leadership

Chuck Amen, CTP, Hillyard Inc., has been elected Chair of the NPTC Board of Directors. He replaces outgoing Board Chair Mike Schwersenska, CTP, Brakebush Transportation Inc. Also elected as NPTC officers were: Vice Chair - David Barth, CTP, Wegmans Food Markets Inc.; Treasurer - Bedford Monday, CTP, The Schwan Food Company; and Secretary - Mari Roberts, CTP, Frito-Lay Inc.



Chuck Amen



Certified Transportation Professional Class of 2022 Photo: NPTC

NPTC honors 77 Certified Transportation Professionals

Seventy-seven 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. The CTP program is sponsored by J. J. Keller & Associates Inc.

Each year, *FleetOwner* sponsors the CTP Top Graduate Award. This year's Top Graduate was Taylor Wise, CTP, assistant Transportation manager, Dot Transportation Inc.

The following individuals represent the CTP Class of 2022:

Frank Adams, CTP, Trimble Transportation; Cara Austin, CTP, Core-Mark International; Sam Bairn, CTP, Albertsons Companies; Scott Bevil, CTP, TransForce Group; Emily Burgeson, CTP, GAF Corp./Hawk Logistics Solutions; Dan Burns, CTP, Liberty Coke; John Cahill, CTP, Waltco Lift Company; Jason Calhoun, CTP, Idealease Inc.; Jared Comstock, CTP, Nolan Transportation Group Inc.; Dominic A. Covello, CTP, The QUIKRETE Companies; Amanda Davidson, CTP, Lumina Foods; Don Davis, CTP, Fleet Advantage; Mario Delgado, CTP, Idealease Inc.; Gary Dickerson, CTP, Perdue Farms Inc.; Ryan Dotson, CTP, Albertsons Companies; Rich Ebersold, CTP, Sheetz Inc. / CLI Transport LP; Mike Edwards, CTP, Orbcomm; Brooke English, CTP, The QUIKRETE Companies; Charlie Feters, CTP, Liberty Coke;

Steven Fix, CTP, Core-Mark International; Allan Flores, CTP, CPC Logistics Inc.; Nicolas Freeman, CTP; Gus Garcia, CTP, Smart & Final; Phillip Golladay, CTP, Solera; Christopher T. Haas, CTP,

Interstate Batteries; John T. Halambeck, CTP, J.J. Keller & Associates Inc.; Wesley Hall, CTP, Fleet Advantage; Kyle C. Hall, CTP, ProVia Logistics, LLC; Daren Hansen, CTP, J.J. Keller & Associates Inc.; Kevin Howell, CTP, Perdue Farms Inc.; David Johns, CTP, Idealease Inc.; Eric Kind, CTP, J.J. Keller & Associates Inc.; Anthony Kremer, CTP, Core-Mark International; Kurt H. Kusché, CTP, Paccar Leasing Company; Scott Lail, CTP, Merchants Distributors Inc.; Samantha A. Lee, CTP, Upstate Niagara Cooperative; Roderick Malone, CTP, J.J. Keller & Associates Inc.; Heather McMillan, CTP, ProVia Logistics LLC; Jamie Millis, CTP, CPC Logistics Inc.; Kate Mirise, CTP, The Mennel Milling Company; Colleen Moore, CTP, Adica Trucking; Michael Mullins, CTP, WinCo Foods; Billy Newman, CTP, Trimble Transportation; Bob O'Connell, CTP, J.J. Keller & Associates Inc.; Christy O'Neill, CTP, Daryl Flood Relocation & Logistics; Kelly Owen, CTP, Perdue Farms Inc.; John Padilla, CTP, Imperfect Foods; Edwin Reardon, CTP, CF Logistics; Sydney Reed, CTP, Home City Ice; Harry Reitzel, CTP, ACME Markets; Adam Reynolds, CTP, J.J. Keller & Associates Inc.; John M. Robbins, CTP, GAF Corp./Hawk Logistics Solutions; Xochil Rodarte, CTP, America's Service Line LLC; Derek Rogers, CTP, ProVia Logistics LLC; Robin Schneider, CTP, Orbcomm; Matti Segel, CTP, Idealease Inc.; Kyle Sellers, CTP, Core-Mark International; Richard Sherrer, CTP, Adica Trucking; Nicholas Sienkiewicz, CTP; Adam Spannauer, CTP, Ply Gem; Julie Spizuoco, CTP, Orbcomm; Jim Stetz, CTP, National Lease; Bob Stevens,

Coming events...

Mark your calendars now for the following upcoming events:

MAY 18

NPTC/J.J. Keller & Associates Inc. webcast: "Understanding and Improving Your CSA Scores"

JUNE 29

NPTC/J.J. Keller & Associates Inc. webcast: "Surviving a Roadside Inspection and an Audit"

JUNE 30

Deadline for NPTC National Driver All-Star Application

JULY 27

NPTC/J.J. Keller & Associates Inc. webcast: "Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse"

AUGUST 1

NPTC Benchmarking Report released

SEPTEMBER 7-9

National Safety Conference, Orlando, Florida

CTP, GAF Corp./Hawk Logistics Solutions; Vishal Suchdeve, CTP, EROAD Nicolas Theodore, CTP, Orgill Transportation Co. LLC; Brent M. Thomas, CTP, Liberty Coke; Jon Thomas, CTP, TransForce Group; Glen Tidd, CTP, ProVia Logistics LLC; Tracey Trantham, CTP, ProVia Logistics LLC; Derek Ungerecht, CTP, TMI Truck & Equipment; Darin Vehlewald, CTP, International Truck; Rodney M. Wheatley, CTP, ADM; Jeff Whitehouse, CTP, Dot Transportation Inc.; Scott Willert, CTP, America's Service Line LLC; Taylor Wise, CTP, Dot Transportation Inc.; Michelle Woods, CTP, Woods Transportation; Heather Wyatt, CTP, Perdue Farms Inc.



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