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World Trade Luncheon Keynote Speaker - Tim Wilson

Renegade Reputation Comedian Tim Wilson loves being ornery

By Missy Baxter
Special to The Courier-Journal

Whether he's singing about a NASCAR driver's sexual orientation or doing commercials for Big O Tires, Tim Wilson can't be mistaken for someone else. The Georgia native's distinctive baritone twang has an edge of roughness -- like most of his comedy material.

Wilson's comic commentary covers subjects such as blind dates, cell phones and annoying relatives. Topics such as sex, politics and religion are not only addressed, they are dissected with a meticulous eye for detail and a somewhat-skewed worldview. You can hear for yourself over the next three weeks when he plays the Comedy Caravan in Mid City Mall.

"My cousin told me a long time ago that I'm funniest when I'm mad," Wilson said in a phone interview earlier this week. "I'm meaner than the Blue Collar Comedy guys, and I have more opinions. I like to find someone in the audience who is young enough to be my kid or my niece and explain to them how America is really supposed to be."

Wilson is best known for such ditties as "The Jeff Gordon Song," "Trailer Love" and "First Baptist Bar & Grill," which he refers to as "my Freebird." Since inking a deal with Capitol Records in 1998, he's released more than a half-dozen albums, including "The Real Twang Thang," "I Should've Married My Father-in-Law" and "Hillbilly Homeboy." His latest CD, "Church League Softball Fist Fight," was released in November.

Wilson's renegade reputation is well-known in the entertainment industry.

"I'm sort of like a science experiment for Capitol Records," he said, laughing. "The Capitol people know I'm a little weird, but they also know that they don't have to spend a lot of time marketing my stuff because I have some very loyal fans and a good track record of being able to promote myself on the radio. My songs, or at least the cleaner ones, are radio-friendly."

Along with being a longtime regular guest on nationally syndicated radio programs such as "The Bob & Tom Show" and "John Boy & Billy," Wilson also has some impressive TV credits, including appearances on "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno," "Evening at the Improv" and "Grace Under Fire." His hectic tour schedule takes him to comedy clubs and concert halls across the country.

Wilson's career began as a "serious" recording artist in the '80s. As a studio musician, he recorded a round of demos with Roy Yeager of the Atlanta Rhythm Section. His path in life changed, Wilson says, thanks to a fateful appearance at an open mike night at an Atlanta comedy club.

Following a stint living in New York City, Wilson returned to his Southern roots. For the past decade or so, he's been living in Nashville. But recently he decided to make Louisville his second home. He now splits his time between Nashville and his "cool new place in the Highlands."

Wilson said there were several factors behind his decision to spend more time in Louisville. For more than two decades, he's worked closely with Comedy Caravan owner Tom Sobel, who also books comedians for gigs nationwide. Louisville's central location is convenient for traveling to clubs throughout the region, Wilson said.

Another motive for his move, Wilson said, is the friendly atmosphere of the Highlands.

"I like being the old guy in the cowboy hat who is hanging out with the blue-haired kids at the Highlands Tap Room."

This is the 15th year Wilson has performed at Comedy Caravan during Derby time. Instead of his usual one-week stint, he'll perform this year for three weeks.

"His Derby shows are so popular each year and usually all sold-out, so we wanted to give more fans a chance to see him this year," Sobel said.

Comedian Tim Wilson Resume

www.timwilsonamerica.com

CAPITOL RECORDING ARTIST

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"IT'S A SORRY WORLD"

"GETTIN MY MIND RIGHT"

"HILLBILLY HOMEBOY"

"I SHOULD'VE MARRIED MY FATHER IN LAW"

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"THE TWANG THANG"

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"LOW CLASS LOVE AFFAIR"

"SONGS FOR THE MUSICALLY DISTURBED"

"TUNED UP"

TELEVISION

THE TONIGHT SHOW - NBC
AMERICAN REVOLUTION: COUNTRY COMEDY - CMT (FEATURED BIO)
"GRACE UNDER FIRE" - ABC (GUEST STAR)

LAS VEGAS COMEDY FESTIVAL "PIT STOP COMEDY" - TBS
HOST OF FAN FAIR ' 99 (WON AN EMMY AWARD)

"SOUTHERN SPORTS AWARDS" - TURNER
"MOST WANTED LIVE"- CMT
HOST ON MOTOR MADNESS - TNN
EVENING AT THE IMPROV - A&E
COMEDY ON THE ROAD - A&E
RALPH EMERY SHOW - TNN
CROOK & CHASE - TNN
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BOB & TOM SHOW
A REGULAR GUEST FOR 14 YEARS
RICK & BUBBA
A REGULAR GUEST FOR 10 YEARS
STEVE & DC
A REGULAR GUEST FOR 10 YEARS
XM RADIO
SIRIUS RADIO
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NEWBERRY OPERA HOUSE
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THE PEACE CENTER
CHARLESTON WV CIVIC CENTER
ANDERSON CIVIC CENTER
TENNESSE THEATER
CAROLINA THEATER
THE GROVE PARK
KINGS MOUNTAIN CIVIC CENTER
THE BRADLEY THEATRE
-DOZENS MORE -

CONCERTS

CLINT BLACK - CEASARS/LAS VEGAS
TANYA TUCKER - CEASARS/LAS VEGAS
RICKY VAN SHELTON - CEASARS/LAS VEGAS
TIM WILSON LIVE - IMPERIAL PALACE/BILOXI
REBA MCINTRYE - MUSIC TENT/ COHASSETT, MASS
RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS - FOX/ ATL
LYNYRD SKYNYRD - VERIZON AMPHI/ INDIANAPOLIS
BEACH BOYS - OAK AMPHI/ BIRM.
ATLANTA RHYTHM SECTION
38 SPECIAL
TRACE ATKINS
JOAN JETT
CHARLIE DANIELS
HOSTED SEWANEE RIVER JAM / 3 DAYS/FLORIDA
CRYSTAL RIVER JAM
MOUNTAIN JAM/ WHEELING WV
-MORE-

FILM

"AMERICAN RELATIVITY" - LOWERY GROUP
"DILL SCALLION"

CONVENTIONS

GOVERNORS DINNER - ZELL MILLER / GOVERNOR OF GA.
GLOCK FIREARMS - LAS VEGAS W/ R. LEE ERMY
ATLAS MOVERS - LAS VEGAS
PILOT CORP. - W/ RICHARD PETTY
R.J. REYNOLDS - RICHMOND
DOMINIQUE WILKINS CHARITY WEEKEND
GEORGIA HIGHWAY DEPT. - W/ LT. GOVERNOR

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NATIONALLY OVER 24 YEAR PERIOD.

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Bill Armbruster

Editor, Shipping Digest Magazine

Bill Armbruster is editor of Shipping Digest, a weekly magazine aimed primarily at serving the needs of small and medium exporters. It also covers importing, container shipping, ports, air cargo and logistics.

Bill brings a pop culture sensibility to his coverage. After all, most of the stuff in this industry is pretty dry, so he likes to lighten it up with some humor, so that Shipping Digest can entertain as well as inform the reader. Last year, for example, he published the first logistics story ever to begin with a description of a bar and the mixologist's recipe for her signature cocktail.

But Bill is passionate about his work and his responsibility to provide readers the information and insights they need to succeed.

Before becoming editor of Shipping Digest in January 2004, Bill spent 24 years in various reporting and editing positions with The Journal of Commerce, a sister publication of Shipping Digest. His positions at The Journal of Commerce included maritime editor, world trade editor and special sections editor.

Bill holds a bachelor's degree in economics from Saint Peter's College and a master's degree in Asian Studies from the University of Hawaii.

David Bennett

Vice President Sales & Development for Globe Express Services

David Bennett is the Vice President Sales & Development for Globe Express Services, a leading international third party logistics (3PL) provider. Mr. Bennett is a respected logistics professional with extensive experience on both the liner and 3PL side of industry. David rejoined Globe Express in February 2006 after formerly serving as the Regional Vice President Sales–Pacific Coast for K-Line America based in Huntington Beach, CA.

David brings first hand knowledge of port and terminal operations along with a unique executive level perspective on various issues involved with West Coast shipping. While at K-Line, David worked with the board of the Pacific Merchant Shipping Association (PMSA), a prominent industry organization representing international shippers in the areas of labor contract negotiations, port operations, environmental issues and other important maritime concerns.

David's appointment at Globe Express is a homecoming given that he began his international logistics career with the company, playing a key sales role from 1992 to 1998. David holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Tennessee.

James A. Capo

Chairman/CEO, United States Maritime Alliance, Ltd.

As a formal alliance of carriers, stevedores, and port associations in the East Coast and Gulf Coast regions, the United States Maritime Alliance, Ltd.'s (USMX's) mission is to preserve and protect the interests of the management groups in labor relations issues of the Master Contract on containerization and automation in the longshore and related maritime fields. Since its formation in 1996 and among other duties, Mr. Capo served as a lead negotiator

during coast-wide Master Contract negotiations and as chief negotiator of the current 6-year Master Contract. USMX is at the forefront of important industry issues that affect security, safety, and productivity. Prior to his role as Chairman/CEO, Mr. Capo served as President.

During Mr. Capo's tenure with USMX, the industry addressed the pressing problem of providing longshore workers and their families with health care benefits in a climate of ever escalating health care costs. Along with the International Longshoremen's Association, AFL-CIO, USMX created the Management-ILA Managed Health Care Trust Fund, a coast-wide solution which provides first-rate health care in a fiscally responsible manner.

Mr. Capo also served as President of New York Shipping Association, Inc. (NYSA), the organization that represents waterfront management in the Port of New York and New Jersey. During his 11-year tenure, he was responsible for labor relations, contract administration, legislative activities, training, waterfront safety, and implementation of a data-processing network. While at the helm of NYSA, Mr. Capo's management skills were put to the test after the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center destroyed the offices and operational systems of NYSA. By rapidly deploying the organization's disaster and business continuity plan, NYSA was able to resume full operation within days after the tragedy. Because NYSA was able to quickly resume operations, the necessary labor was available when the ports reopened and there was no break in the continuity of the payment of wages or benefits to longshore workers.

Before joining NYSA in 1990, Mr. Capo was Corporate Vice President of Administration of Doehler-Jarvis/Farley, Inc. in Toledo, Ohio, a major manufacturer of aluminum die castings for the auto industry. From 1967 to 1986, Mr. Capo was employed in a number of corporate staff and manufacturing positions for Owens-Illinois, Inc. in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Ohio. Mr. Capo was also an Associate Professor at Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas, and has taught management on the vocational and junior college level.

Along with John Bowers, Mr. Capo has been the Co-Chair of the Hole-in-the-Wall Gang Camp Golf Outing that has raised considerable sums to ensure that children facing the challenge of illness can enjoy a summer of fun, and spearheaded a relief effort to assist port workers displaced by the devastation of Hurricanes Rita and Katrina. Mr. Capo has been the recipient of the Maritime Industry Good Scout Award and the CONNIE award.

A native of Vineland, New Jersey, Mr. Capo earned a bachelor's degree at St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia in 1963, took postgraduate courses at Lamar University, and served as a US Navy Officer in both shipboard and shoreside posts from 1963 to 1967. He and his wife, Sandra, have two grown children, Beth and Douglas.

Commissioner Harold J. Creel, Jr.

Federal Maritime Commission

HAROLD J. CREEL, JR., of South Carolina, was nominated by President Clinton to a five year term on the Commission on July 1, 1994 and was confirmed by the United States Senate on August 17, 1994. Mr. Creel was nominated to his third term by President George W. Bush on November 16, 2004, and confirmed by the Senate on November 20, 2004. His current term expires on June 30, 2009. He served as Chairman of the Commission from February 1996 to August 2002.

Prior to his appointment to the Commission, Mr. Creel was the Senior Counsel of the Merchant Marine Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. He held that position from October 1989 to October 1994. As Senior Counsel to the Subcommittee, he advised the Committee Chairman, the Subcommittee Chairman, and all Democratic Senators on issues pertaining to commercial shipping.

Prior to his service for the Commerce Committee, Mr. Creel was an attorney with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) of the Department of Commerce. In that capacity, he acted as the chief staff attorney on issues pertaining to endangered marine species. While at NOAA, he assisted the Department of Justice in administrative proceedings and litigation of cases involving endangered species issues. He also wrote, negotiated, and reviewed regulations implementing NOAA's legal authority.

A native of Florence, S.C., Mr. Creel attended Wofford College in Spartanburg, S.C., and graduated in 1979 with a B.A. in Political Science. He attended the University of South Carolina School of Law where he wrote a South Carolina Law Review article entitled "Barrier Islands: The Conflict Between Federal Programs that Promote Preservation and Those that Promote Development." He graduated from law school in 1982 and moved to New Orleans to practice in a law firm specializing in admiralty.

James J. Devine

President and CEO of New York Container Terminal

October 1, 2001 to Present

President and CEO of New York Container Terminal (formerly Howland Hook Container Terminal). Responsible for the operation as well as the modernization and expansion of the 180 acre facility on Staten Island. Over the last six years has worked closely with both the Port Authority and New York City Economic Development Corporation to expand the berth, revitalized the Staten Island rail connection and introduced new state of the art container handling equipment, including four post panamax Liebherr container cranes. Has put together a team which is driven to create the best possible operating terminal in the harbor and help grow New York's share of containerized volume that is so vital to the state's economy.

December 1999 to October 2001

Senior Vice President for Operations, CMA CGM America, Inc. the French container line. Responsible for operations throughout North America including the oversight of all vessel operations, equipment control and intermodal transport. Helped to put in place the infrastructure to accommodate the carrier's aggressive US growth strategy.

1973 – 1999

Held a variety of progressively responsible positions with Sea Land Service. Entered the container industry as a truck dispatcher working midnights on berth 56 in Elizabeth Terminal. Progressed through a number of supervisory and managerial positions covering such diverse areas as equipment control, credit collections, maintenance and increasingly higher levels of general management. Vice President for Equipment Operations responsible for the acquisition and management of Sea Land's world wide equipment fleet. Prior to Sea Land's acquisition by Maersk, Mr. Devine was responsible for all operations in the Northeast including the running of Sea Land's largest terminal operation, their Elizabeth facility.

1969 – 1973

United States Army.

Jim served as a US Army Transportation Corps officer for four years. After leaving active service, Jim remained in the U.S. Army Reserve serving an additional 20 years and retiring as a Lt. Colonel.

Dr. Michael J. Economides

**Professor, Cullen College of Engineering, University of Houston, Chairman
of the Board of Paleon Oil and Gas**

MICHAEL J. ECONOMIDES is a Professor at the Cullen College of Engineering, University of Houston, the Chairman of the Board of Paleon Oil and Gas and the Managing Partner of a petroleum engineering and petroleum strategy consulting firm. His interests include petroleum production and petroleum management, a particular emphasis on natural gas, natural gas transportation, LNG, CNG and processing, advances in process design of very complex operations, economics and geopolitics. He is also the Editor-in-Chief of the Energy Tribune. Previously he was the Samuel R. Noble Professor of Petroleum Engineering at Texas A&M University and served as Chief Scientist of the Global Petroleum Research Institute (GPRI).

Prior to joining the faculty at Texas A&M University, Professor Economides was the Director of the Institute of Drilling and Production at the Leoben Mining University in Austria. Before that, Dr. Economides worked in a variety of senior technical and managerial positions with a major petroleum services company. Publications include authoring or co-authoring of 14 professional textbooks and books, including "The Color Of Oil" and over 200 journal papers and articles.

Economides does a wide range of industrial consulting, including major retainers by national oil companies at the country level and by Fortune 500 companies. He has had professional activities in over 70 countries. In addition to his technical interests he has written extensively in wide circulation media in a broad range of issues associated with energy, energy economics and geopolitical issues. He also appears regularly as a guest and expert commentator on national and international television programs.

Dr. Christine Ehlig-Economides

Albert B. Stevens Endowed Chair

Department of Petroleum Engineering
Texas A&M University

Christine Ehlig-Economides received a B.A. degree from Rice University (1971, Math-Science), an M.S. degree from the University of Kansas (1977, Chemical Engineering), and a Ph.D. degree from Stanford University (1979, Petroleum Engineering).

From 1980-1983 Dr. Ehlig-Economides was an Assistant Professor at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks where she became Petroleum Engineering Department Head and introduced the B.S. and M.S. degree programs in Petroleum Engineering. In 1983 she joined Flopetrol Johnston Schlumberger in Melun, France. After 20 years with Schlumberger in various positions she returned to academia as a full professor of Chemical Engineering at the University of Houston, where she has served as Director of the Petroleum Engineering Program as an Adjunct Professor since January 2000. She has since been appointed as the Albert B. Stevens Endowed Chair in Petroleum Engineering at Texas A&M University. Dr. Ehlig-Economides has received numerous awards from the Society of Petroleum Engineers and was elected to the National Academy of Engineering in 2003.

She has published more than 50 papers, has authored 2 patents, and has lectured or consulted in more than 30 countries. Dr. Ehlig-Economides is internationally recognized for expertise in reservoir engineering, pressure transient analysis, integrated reservoir characterization, complex well design, and production enhancement. She is currently working to introduce degree programs in Energy Engineering at Texas A&M University. She has recently become director of the Center for Energy, Environment, and Transportation Innovation (CEETI) in the Crisman Institute and has successfully introduced a freshman level energy course that was approved for the core curriculum as a natural science elective. She

She has also gotten approval for the Energy Engineering Certificate program. These programs are designed to educate many students, engineers and non-engineers, about energy resources, their utilization, and their importance to society. Her current research interests emphasize broader energy questions as well as traditional petroleum engineering subjects.

Her professional service includes: Executive Editor of the Society of Petroleum Engineers Formation Evaluation journal 1995-96 ;SPE Distinguished Lecture 1997-98; and numerous posts as chairman or member of SPE committees and task forces. She recently co-chaired a steering committee for the Middle East Colloquium in Petroleum Engineering Education was the Program Chairperson for the 2006 SPE Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition, and is currently co-chairing an SPE Talent and Retention Workshop on Dual Career Couples in the petroleum industry.

Bernard S. Groseclose, Jr.

President & Chief Executive Officer, South Carolina State Ports Authority.

Bernard S. Groseclose, Jr. joined the Ports Authority in 1985 as manager of business analysis and later served as the Authority's director of planning and development. The Ports Authority's Board unanimously selected him as President & CEO in mid-1996. Prior to joining the Authority, Mr. Groseclose spent six years with Rockwell International, where he rose to the position of manager of financial analysis in the company's automotive operations.

Mr. Groseclose has served in a number of key leadership positions within the global port industry. He is a past chairman of the American Association of Port Authorities and past president of the South Atlantic and Caribbean Ports Association. Mr. Groseclose currently is 2nd vice president of the International Association of Ports and Harbors. He was previously selected to represent U.S. deep-draft ports and advise the U.S. Secretary of Transportation on the Marine Transportation Systems' National Advisory Council. He is also a co-author of the book Strategic Planning: A Guide for the Port Industry.

In 2000, Mr. Groseclose received the Transportation Leader of the Year Award from the National Transportation Week Committee and also received the Trident Urban League's Joseph P. Riley, Jr. Award for Excellence in Economic Development.

Mr. Groseclose has served as Chairman of the South Carolina World Trade Center in Charleston and has served on the Advisory Councils of the Global Logistics Program at the College of Charleston and the Center for International Business at the University of South Carolina. He is also a past member of the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and is president of the South Carolina Center for Birds of Prey.

Mr. Groseclose is a member of the Society of International Business Fellows, the College of Charleston Foundation Board, the Trident Economic Outlook Board, and is a past board member of the Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce. He is an elder at First (Scots) Presbyterian Church, has been active in the Big Brother and United Way programs, and has served on the Charleston Advisory Board of Wachovia Bank.

Mr. Groseclose, a West Virginia native, earned his bachelor's in economics at Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia and received his master's of business administration from the College of William & Mary.

Jeffrey S. Heller

Assistant Vice President – International Marketing, Norfolk Southern Corporation

Jeff joined Norfolk Southern Intermodal in 1994 at corporate headquarters in Norfolk, Virginia. In July 1999 he was appointed to his present position with responsibility for Norfolk Southern Intermodal's International Marketing effort.

During his twenty-five years in international transportation, Heller has held various sales and marketing management positions in container shipping and intermodal, both in the U.S. and abroad. Between 1985 and 1989, he was based in Rotterdam for TFL/P&O Containers where he was responsible for European/U.S. conference and pricing affairs.

Heller is a graduate of Syracuse University's School of Management where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing and Transportation Distribution Management. He also attended Executive Management programs at Duke University Fuqua Business School and University of Virginia Darden School of Business Administration.

He and his wife Joyce have two sons and live in Norfolk.

Dana M. Hicks

Managing Director and Partner, Perlitz Strategy Group-Americas

Dana Hicks has over twenty-five years of experience in sales, marketing, and cross-functional team management for industrial manufacturers and engineering/construction service providers. Mr. Hicks is Managing Director and Partner with Perlitz Strategy Group-Americas, a global strategic management consulting and innovation management software firm. PSG-Americas advises North American firms on how to profitably increase sales and market share both at home and in international markets. The company also advises foreign-owned companies wanting to establish a direct market presence in North America. It develops and markets Pipeline Planner, a web-based innovation management software suite which provides a range of capabilities and evaluation tools for companies to better collaborate across geographic and organizational boundaries.

Mr. Hicks holds a Bachelors degree in Industrial and Systems Engineering from Georgia Tech. He studied at the Technical University of Berlin (Germany) on a World Student Fund scholarship awarded by Georgia Tech and funded by the Deutsche Akademische Austausch Dienst (DAAD). He has completed executive MBA short courses at Northwestern University and at the Allen-Bradley/Rockwell International Management Institute in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He is fluent in German and conversant in Spanish.

Dana has numerous professional and community affiliations. He is the Honorary Canadian Consul in Charlotte, North Carolina, responsible for fostering business development and trade between Canada and the greater Charlotte region. He is a member of the North Carolina District Export Council, appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, and currently serves as Treasurer of the NCDEC. He is the former Chairman of the International Business Committee of the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce. Dana is currently a member of the German American Chamber of Commerce, the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, Charlotte World Trade Association, the Mayor's International Cabinet, and the World Affairs Council Charlotte.

Dana is a frequent guest speaker at industry and trade conferences and has lectured at Kenan-Flagler Business School at UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC-Charlotte, and Central Piedmont Community College (CPCC) in Charlotte, North Carolina. He serves on the Language,

Culture, and International Trade Committee at CPCC and assists with the development and promotion of the college's international programs.

Richard P. Hughes

President, International Longshoremen's Association, AFL-CIO

Richard P. Hughes, Jr. was unanimously elected the eighth president of the International Longshoremen's Association, AFL-CIO at the union's quadrennial convention in July 2007. Prior to his election as ILA president, Mr. Hughes, who marked his 50th Anniversary as a member of the ILA in 2007, served most recently as both Executive Vice President of the ILA and Secretary-Treasurer of the ILA's Atlantic Coast District.

He had first been elected ACD Secretary-Treasurer in July 2000 and later reelected in July 2003. Then in October 2005 at the request of International President John Bowers and with the unanimous approval of the ILA Executive Council, Mr. Hughes filled the unexpired term as ILA's Executive Vice President after Al Cernadas resigned from that post.

Previously, he served as General Vice-President of the Atlantic Coast District from 1989 to 2000 and ACD Vice President since 1985.

Mr. Hughes becomes only the eighth man to serve as president of the 115-year-old union. The ILA, first organized along the Great Lakes region in 1892, today represents more than 65,000 workers on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts, Great Lakes, major U.S. rivers, Puerto Rico and Eastern Canada. The International Organization of Masters, Mates and Pilots; the United Marine Division Tugboat Workers; and Supreme Court Officers' Association are all affiliated with the ILA.

Mr. Hughes comes from a rich tradition of longshoremen and is a third generation ILA member. He went to work on the Baltimore docks as a young man in 1954, first joining ILA Local 1429. The Hughes family had emigrated from Ireland in the late 1800s, first settling in Western Pennsylvania where Richard Hughes' grandfather, Martin Patrick Hughes, worked in the Pennsylvania coal mines. The Hughes family moved to the Baltimore area where Martin Hughes joined the newly formed ILA in the late 1890's working as a coal trimmer.

Richard Hughes' father and namesake was a grain trimmer, clerk and checker in the Port of Baltimore and his uncle, Mickey Hughes, was president of Baltimore ILA Local 953 during the 1920s, '30s and '40s. Richard Hughes joined ILA Local 953 in 1957 and during the next five decades, he would serve in a variety of union-elected offices including Delegate, Business Agent, Recording Secretary, Vice President and President.

- Hughes was elected Vice President on the Atlantic Coast Executive Board in 1985 representing the Port of Baltimore. He was re-elected to that post four times, including his elevation in 1989 to ACD General Vice President.
- In his home Port of Baltimore, he previously served as Chairman of the Port's Private Sector Committee, which brings together all facets of the maritime industry.
- Mr. Hughes is a veteran of the United States Navy, where during his years of active duty in 1953-1955, he served 18 months aboard the U.S.S. Juneau.
- Mr. Hughes has been married to Wilma Anna "Babe" Hughes since 1957. They are the parents of five children: Karen, Kathleen, Richard, Brian, and Timothy, all of whom are current members of the ILA working in the Port of Baltimore. Mr. Hughes, a life-long resident of Baltimore, has eight grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Dr. John Kelly

Vice President, Public Service and Agriculture

Degrees Held:

B.S., Horticulture, Clemson University
M.S., Horticulture (minor, biochemistry), Ohio State University
Ph.D., Horticulture (minor, biochemistry), Ohio State University

Responsibilities:

Dr. Kelly is the vice president for Public Service and Agriculture at Clemson University and serves as one of the three mission vice presidents at the University. He also serves as:

Director of the Clemson Experiment Station

Director of the Clemson Cooperative Extension Service

Director of the South Carolina Botanical Garden

Administrative Technical Representative for the McIntire-Stennis Forestry Program

He provides leadership for the university-wide public service mission, its six off-campus Research and Education Centers and six Institutes. His areas of responsibility include oversight of programs, personnel and budgets for the Extension Service, the Experiment Station, two regulatory units and service learning.

Dr. Kelly taught and conducted research at Texas A&M University from 1982-1985. In 1985, he accepted a faculty position in Clemson University's Department of Horticulture, and was named department head in 1991. Also during this year, Dr. Kelly was named the director of the South Carolina Botanical Garden.

In 1996, Dr. Kelly was named director of the School of Plant, Statistical and Ecological Sciences and assistant director, South Carolina Agriculture & Forestry Research System and Cooperative Extension Service. Dr. Kelly was also named vice president for Public Service and Agriculture in 1996, and retains this position currently.

In addition to his academic and outreach activities, Dr. Kelly is active in community and professional organizations. He has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of The American Society for Horticultural Science, and currently serves as Chair of the Board for The American Distance Education Consortium. He recently served as President of the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists and serves on the Boards for the Pate Foundation and The South Carolina Biotechnology Alliance. Publications include more than 50 scientific journal articles and over 100 popular press articles.

The American Society for Horticultural Science has recognized Dr. Kelly with a number of significant awards, notably the award for Outstanding Research; the L. M. Ware Distinguished Research Award and the Leadership and Administration Award. He also is a Fellow of the American Society for Horticultural Science.

Susanne Keough

Managing Director, SunTrust Bank – Global Trade Solutions

Susanne Keough manages SunTrust Bank's trade finance and trade banking business as the head of the Global Trade Solutions Department. In this capacity, she oversees a staff of 9 trade sales officers located throughout the SunTrust footprint in the southeastern U.S., and also has responsibility for overseeing the trade finance lending programs. Ms. Keough joined SunTrust Bank in 2002 as Vice President with trade finance and trade banking business development responsibilities for the Georgia and Tennessee markets. Prior to joining SunTrust, Ms. Keough was employed by AmTrade International Bank of Georgia in Atlanta

and was the senior lender in the bank's trade finance group, which specialized in Ex-Im Bank-supported medium-term buyer finance lending.

From 1994 to 1998 Ms. Keough was the Export Finance Manager for the State of Georgia (Georgia Department of Industry, Trade & Tourism). In this capacity she was responsible for the development and implementation of Georgia's export finance programs designed to assist the business and banking communities and increase exports from the state. Ms. Keough worked closely with Ex-Im Bank and SBA staff in marketing export assistance programs to Georgia exporters.

Ms. Keough's international banking career also includes employment with Citibank, in credit administration supporting the World Corporate Group, and in the international division of a predecessor to Bank of America.

Ms. Keough is a graduate of the University of South Carolina with a BA in International Studies and a Minor in European History, and an MBA from Georgia State University with a concentration in Finance.

Gregory J. Kritz, CIC
Regional Vice President & Vice President Eastern Division Sales
Management, Roanoke Trade Services

Greg is Regional V. President Florida, Caribbean and Latin American Operations and is Vice President Eastern Division Sales for Roanoke Trade Services . He has been in the transportation insurance and bonding industry since 1985. Prior to joining Roanoke, Greg spent five years working in all aspects of freight forwarding, trucking and customs brokerage.

With over twenty-seven years of international trade experience, Greg is a respected advisor on both transportation and commercial insurance matters and is an inducted member of the Who's Who in International Business.

Greg is co-author of Cargo Insurance Basics, a primer used in the training hundreds of transportation professionals. In addition, he is a popular public speaker on various transportation matters and has delivered Cargo Insurance and Customs Bond workshops to hundreds of students nationwide.

Greg currently sits on the board of the Florida Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association where he co-chairs the Education Committee.

Phil Marlowe
Acuitive Solutions

Philip Marlowe is a 23 year veteran in logistics and supply chain having spent 15 years in operations and systems with Sea-Land Logistics and later with FedEx Supply Chain Services. Phil has extensive work experience in Asia and Europe and founded Acuitive Solutions, a logistics and supply chain management software solutions provider, in 2002. Acuitive's customers include Avon Products, Home Depot, Jo-Annes Stores, and AJC Foods, Inc.

Doug Marrelli

Program Development Manager, Lowe's Companies, Inc.

Current responsibilities as a Manager in the Lowe's Global Sourcing group include varied levels of involvement with over a thousand imported skus found in all Lowe's Home Improvement stores. His entire professional career has been in international trade, including working for large steamship carriers as well as living and working in Japan and Dubai. Past president of the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals (Charlotte), holds an MBA degree from Old Dominion University and is married with two children.

Fritz Mays

International Transportation Manager, Sonoco Products

After graduating from Clemson University in South Carolina with a Masters in Industrial Management, Fritz worked as a front line supervisor for Burlington Industries and then for the William Carter Company. While at Carters, he got his first taste of international logistics and Customs compliance as the 807/9802 Coordinator handling all the scheduling, shipping, and compliance issues for shipping to offshore sew plants. Over the past 14 years, Fritz has been managing both domestic and international logistics responsibilities for such companies as Jockey International, Hunt Corporation, and Elmers Products.

Today, Fritz is the International Transportation Manager for Sonoco Products based at the company headquarters in Hartsville, SC. He not only oversees the international shipping and compliance functions, but also manages the company's less than truckload (LTL), small package, and expedited freight spend as well. Sonoco Products is a \$4 billion global manufacturer of industrial and consumer packaging products and provider of packaging services, with 334 operations in 35 countries.

Peter Ohler

Logistics Director at Daimler Vans Manufacturing LLC

Peter Ohler is the Logistics Director at Daimler Vans Manufacturing LLC in Ladson, South Carolina. This Daimler subsidiary reassembles the 2008 Sprinter van for the U.S. market under the Dodge and Freightliner brands. Mr. Ohler has been serving the Daimler AG family for more than 25 years and has substantial experience in the international logistics and purchasing arena. His assignment to the Ladson plant started in October 2006 with the initial ramp-up of operations, which has resulted in a cumulative production of 20,000+ Sprinter vans since.

Prior to arriving in Charleston, Mr. Ohler managed the corporate supply processes at Daimler's headquarters in Stuttgart-Untertürkheim and held an expatriate position at P.T. Mercedes-Benz in Jakarta, Indonesia. While in Jakarta, he directed the Purchasing and Logistics Departments for Daimler, which followed the same Global Production Network approach that is today being utilized at the Ladson plant.

Aside from his professional career, Peter is father of two children and in the past has served as the athletics director for the Dürkheimer Hockey Club (DHC). The club is famed for winning the German Championship and European Cup title.

Robert J. Pisani

Member, Pisani & Roll PLLC

Rob is a nationally known international trade lawyer with 30 years of government and industry experience. Prior to co-founding Pisani & Roll PLLC, Rob was a partner at a large national law firm. Presently, Rob represents a diverse client group – from small and mid-size businesses to Fortune 500 multi-national corporations. These clients are involved in the importation of various items, such as electronic goods, computer equipment and high tech products, mass merchandise, agricultural/food products, wood/lumber, and textiles/wearing apparel. He has helped many clients with Customs enforcement proceedings, compliance reviews, Customs Focused Assessments, C-TPAT applications and C-TPAT Validation proceedings. He has provided compliance training at every major Customs port of entry as well as presented over 400 trade-related seminars in the U.S. and abroad. Rob also has spoken at many international trade conferences, and for the past 4 years, Rob has been recognized by the Journal of Commerce as one of the top 100 industry leaders.

Prior to entering private practice, Rob was a Senior Attorney at U.S. Customs Headquarters in Washington. At Customs, he assisted in the development and resolution of most major Customs penalty cases, and was a principal agency spokesperson on the Customs Modernization Act. He also served as a frequent instructor at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Georgia. Rob is the author of Customs “reasonable care” checklist, the prior disclosure regulations, “The ABC’s of Prior Disclosure,” and Customs section 1592 penalty guidelines. Rob received the Commissioner of Customs Award in 1983 and 1999, and completed Harvard University’s Senior Executive Fellow’s Program at the JFK School of Government in 1991.

Rob received his B.A. degree from Tulane University, and obtained his Juris Doctorate from the Washington College of Law of the American University. He is a member of the D.C. and Florida Bars, and is admitted to practice before the Court of International Trade, the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, and the Supreme Court.

Gregory B. Plemmons

NC State Ports Authority Board of Directors

Gregory B. Plemmons of Greensboro has been a member of the NC State Ports Authority Board of Directors since 2003. First appointed to a four-year term by North Carolina Governor Mike Easley and reappointed to a six-year term in 2007, Mr. Plemmons is Vice President of OD Global, a division of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. in Thomasville. His responsibilities at OD Global include product development, international partnership development, marketing, and ocean container drayage.

With more than twenty-one years experience in the transportation industry, Mr. Plemmons has held progressively senior level positions in international sales and operations. He was graduated from NC State University with Bachelor of Arts degrees in Business Administration and Economics. He is a member of the NC World Trade Association, Piedmont Triad Transportation Association and Governor’s Select Committee on 21st Century Transportation. He and his wife, Jackie, and two children, Harrison and Brooke, live in Greensboro.

Ron Reighter

Vice President, Global Trade Solutions, Sun Trust Bank

Ron Reighter is Vice President, Global Trade Solutions for Sun Trust Bank, and has over 30 years experience in international logistics and supply chain management. He holds an MBA from Syracuse University and spent the first part of his career with Sea-Land Service, the premier ocean carrier, working in pricing, sales, marketing, and logistics, including six years living in Asia. Ron was also the Director of Transportation for Wellman, Inc., and the Vice President of Supply Chain for Drexel Heritage Furniture. Both of these positions provided insight from a manufacturer's perspective on the complexities of international and domestic transportation, logistics and distribution. Ron developed an expertise in international Ocean and Air forwarding, as well as Customs Brokerage and Customs Compliance, as Vice President of CV International.

Ron is Past-President and Marketing Chair of the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals Charlotte Roundtable, VP Programs for the South Carolina International Trade Conference, and a Board Member of the North Carolina District Export Council and the South Carolina World Trade Center. He is also an Adjunct Professor of supply chain and project management at Central Piedmont Community College.

Evan Rosen

Vice President of Sales, RCS Logistics Inc.

Evan Rosen is the Vice President of Sales of RCS Logistics Inc. since September 1, 2006. RCS Logistics is a full service Freight forwarding company specializing in airfreight of apparel, footwear, and retail companies throughout North America. His Logistics career began at OOCL USA Inc. in 1994 where he held the position of Account Executive in the New York City apparel market until 1996. He moved to Maersk Line in 1996 where he held various positions with both the line and logistics organizations, including Director of Sales for Maersk Logistics Asia based in Hong Kong from 2001-2004 with commercial responsibility for all of Asia. This was followed by General Manager of Global Key Clients handling customers such as Target, Sears/KMART, Lowes, GAP, and Kohls, which was also based in Hong Kong from 2004-2006.

Evan is a graduate of West Chest University with a BA in Business Communications. He is married and has 3 children.

David C. Sanborn

Director, Dubai Ports

David C. Sanborn is a 1973 graduate of the United States Merchant Marine Academy, a veteran of the U.S. Navy, and an ex Merchant Marine Officer. Mr Sanborn was a long time employee of Sea-Land Service, Inc. He moved on to work with American President Lines and CMA-CGM in senior management positions prior to joining DP World in May of 2005. During his career he has managed numerous container ports and has been involved in concept and design processes for logistics facilities in various key areas of the world. He has had extensive international experience in all facets of General Management within the transportation industry, having held senior positions during his career in the United States, Brazil, Europe, Hong Kong, the Dominican Republic, Singapore and Dubai.

Mr. Sanborn continues to be very active in the maritime and transportation industries, has presented numerous papers to conferences and technical groups, and sits on several Boards. He is a member of the United States Merchant Marine Academy Alumni Association, the American Association of Ports Authorities, the Charleston Propeller Club, is a past member of SOLE (Society of Logistics Engineers), and is a past Director of EBAC (East Bay Agency for Children- a non profit organization providing therapeutic services to dis-advantaged children in the Oakland and San Francisco Bay areas of California).

Mr. Sanborn was nominated by President George Bush in 2006 to be the Maritime Administrator within the Department of Transportation. The nomination was withdrawn as the result of the acquisition issues of P&O Ports, North America. He still maintains close contact with the maritime policy makers in the U.S. government.

Conversant in the Spanish language, Mr. Sanborn has traveled and worked extensively throughout the world, and especially within Latin America.

Mr. Sanborn and his wife of 34 years, Terry, reside in Wesley Chapel, North Carolina. They have three children- Chris, Erica, and Tracy.

Lisa Saunders

Vice President of Transportation for Advance Auto Parts

Lisa Saunders is a 31-year veteran of the transportation industry and has held multiple shipper and carrier positions. She currently serves as Vice President of Transportation for Advance Auto Parts, the second-largest automotive aftermarket retailer in the United States. The company has more than 3,000 stores in 40 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, and has a significant fleet of vehicles dedicated to delivering parts from its eight distribution centers and multiple warehouses to stores. Lisa has also served as the President of NASSTRAC, taught transportation classes at community colleges, and served as a speaker at multiple conferences and seminars. Lisa is a resident of Bedford, Virginia.

Chris Swartz

Director of Global Operations and Transportation, AJC International, Inc.

Chris Swartz graduated in 1990 with an Economics degree from Florida State University. He spent the first 14 years of his career working for CSX Corporation. 11 of those years were spent at Sea-Land Service in various international ocean shipping and logistics roles as a Sales Rep, Key Account Manager, Regional Manager of Latin America, and lastly as the GM of Sales at CSX Lines. During his 11 year of working international accounts he work with major Fortune 500 corporations creating and executing logistics solutions as their international sourcing grew. He was responsible for setting up the Latin America operations for Sea-Land's logistics company, Buyers and Shippers, in over 20 countries. He traveled extensively in the Caribbean and Central/South America sourcing, consolidating and distributing for WalMart, Liz Clairborne, Adidas, Kohl, and other major retailers. He then spent the next 3 years working at CSX Railroad as the Vice President of Sales and Marketing for TRANSFLO, the logistics company of CSX. In 2004 he joined AJC International, Inc. as the Director of Global Operations and Transportation with responsibility for ocean, rail, truck, warehousing, and associated operations for perishable cargo to over 130 countries.

Scott Szwast

Director of Marketing, International Freight, UPS

Scott Szwast is an 18-year veteran in the global logistics industry and currently serves as a UPS Director of Marketing for Freight Services to facilitate international trade and supplier management.

Szwast positions UPS ocean freight capability as a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier (NVOCC) and an ocean forwarder for full-container or less-than-container shipments with committed, reliable sailing times. He directs a team that aligns global enterprise resources for brokerage and a suite of Supplier Management services for strategic sourcing compliance and visibility from order management through production scheduling, consolidation, export, transportation and expedited Customs clearance for delivery.

Since joining UPS in 2000 as an e-commerce product manager, Szwast has shifted to industry-specific marketing emphasis for retail and consumer goods, high-tech, industrial manufacturing and automotive and government segments. His knowledge and differentiation of sector needs has contributed to UPS strategy for configured solutions that leverage UPS package and freight transportation expertise with value-added services and distribution facility infrastructure.

Szwast previously spent 10 years responsible for marketing and sales of international freight. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Georgia.

Clarke Thompson

Manager, International Department **South Carolina Department of Commerce**

Clarke Thompson, Manager of the International Department at Commerce, leads a team of international business professionals who facilitate overseas export opportunities for South Carolina companies primarily through the use of international trade missions. These trade missions provide an opportunity for businesses, educational professionals, economic development professionals and governmental leaders to travel to foreign markets and collaborate with their peers and potential customers.

Additionally, his team serves as the first line of diplomacy for government leaders and organizations around the world who want to create commercial relationships between their countries and South Carolina. Commerce's export program has been recognized by two national organizations as one of leading state trade program's in the country. The coveted President's E-Award for Export Service was awarded to the program by the U.S. Department of Commerce, while the Council for Urban Economic Development (CUED) chose the program as the recipient of their State Export Trade Program Gold Award.

Clarke received his bachelor's degree from the University of South Carolina in 1986 and later completed a special program of study on international marketing at the American Graduate (Thunderbird) School of International Management in Glendale, Arizona. Prior to becoming the program's director in 1997, Clarke served as the assistant director of the program for 6 years.

Clarke served as the 2005 General Chairman of the 32nd Annual South Carolina International Trade Conference which is held each May in Charleston, and serves on the boards of the South Carolina World Trade Center, the South Carolina Export Consortium, the Executive Committee of the Midlands International Trade Association, and the South Carolina District Export Council. In 2004 he was appointed by Governor Mark Sanford to the newly created

the newly created South Carolina Commission on International Cooperation & Agreements, designed to support the state's international business and governmental relationships. Additionally, he is actively involved in the South Carolina Economic Developers Association, the State International Development Organizations and several other national and regional international trade organizations.

Clarke was born in Charleston but grew up most of his years in Rock Hill. He is married to the former Neyle Scoggin of Mt. Pleasant and they live in Irmo with their 2 children, Emily (16) and Stuart (13).

Henry L. (Rick) Wen Jr.
VP of Business Development and VP of Public Affairs
Orient Overseas Container Line (USA) Inc.

Rick Wen has been employed by Orient Overseas Container Line (USA) Inc.(OOCL) since 1976. He is currently Vice President of Business Development.

Rick is also Vice President of Public Affairs.

He has held positions in front line operations, intermodal, customer service, and sales. Rick was General Manager of OOCL's South Atlantic region, Vice President of Customer Service and Vice President of North American Sales.

Rick is a third generation American Chinese whose grandfather, Y.S. Wen, was the first Chinese graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1909.

Henry L. Wen Jr. is a cum laude graduate of Farleigh Dickinson University and lives with his family in Danville, CA.

Thomas L. Young
SSA Cooper,LLC

BIRTHPLACE:
Charleston, SC

EDUCATION
The Citadel, Business Administration - Class of 1967

MILITARY SERVICE
U.S. Army Combat Engineers, 1967-1970 Lt Lieutenant - served in Vietnam

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
2007 - Present SSA Cooper, LLC
Vice President and General Manager, Charleston, SC

1995 -2007
SSA Cooper. LLC
Vice President, Marketing and Sales
Responsible for U.S. East Coast

1992 – 1995
Ryan Walsh Stevedoring Company. Inc.

Vice President with responsibility for forest products. Ryan Walsh was largest forest products firm in the industry. The company merged with Stevedoring Services of America in 1995.

1970 – 1992

Palmetto Shipping & Stevedoring Company, Inc.

Vice President, Operations

Responsible for the U.S. South Atlantic region. Ryan Walsh purchased Palmetto in 1992.

HONORS AND AFFILIATIONS

President, South Carolina Stevedores Association

Past Chairman, the Maritime Association of the Port of Charleston

Past Board of Directors, South Carolina World Trade Center - Charleston

Propeller Club of the United States

South Carolina Chamber of Commerce

South Atlantic Negotiating Committee

Chairman of the Board. Carolina Federal Savings & Loan

Pamela M. Zaresk

U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Area Port Director Charleston, South Carolina

Area Port Director Zaresk began her Federal career in 1971 as a staff assistant for the Committee on House Administration in the U.S. House of Representatives. She chose to move to the U.S. Customs Service in the New York Region in 1974 where she was a personnel specialist and the first Labor Relations Specialist in the New York Region.

In 1980 Ms. Zaresk voluntarily changed career paths and took a downgrade to become a Customs Inspector in Newark, New Jersey. She transferred to Miami, Florida in 1982 where she worked at the Miami International Airport and on the Contraband Enforcement Team (CET).

In 1985 Ms. Zaresk was promoted to a Program Officer in the Miami Region. In 1988 Ms. Zaresk was promoted to the Assistant District Director for Inspection and Control in the Tampa, Florida District. In 1991 she returned to the Miami Region and served as the Deputy Regional Director, Inspection and Control with responsibility for oversight and program direction for all inspectional activities in the Southeast Region which extended from Dulles Airport south to Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, including pre-clearance operations in the Bahamas and Bermuda.

With the realignment of the Customs Service in 1995 and the abolishment of regions, Ms. Zaresk became the Area Port Director in Orlando, Florida which encompassed the international airport operations in Orlando, Sanford, Daytona Beach and Melbourne, as well as cruise ship and cargo operations in Cape Canaveral.

In 1997 Ms. Zaresk served on a detail to Customs Headquarters where she worked on the team that developed the Quality Recruitment Program. She then served in the Passenger Operations Division in Headquarters with responsibility for introducing body scan technology and deployment to major international airports.

Ms. Zaresk was promoted to the position of Director, Seizures and Penalties Division in Headquarters with responsibility for direction and oversight of the fines, penalties and forfeitures and seized property programs for the Customs Service. Ms. Zaresk also served as the Acting Executive Director, Field Operations in Headquarters prior to becoming the Port Director in Charleston in January of 2003.

In March 2003, Ms. Zaresk served as the Interim Area Port Director for the newly created agency US Customs and Border Protection. Ms. Zaresk was permanently selected to be the permanent Area Port Director for US Customs and Border Protection in Charleston, South Carolina with responsibility for the ports of Columbia, Greenville and the User Fee airport in Myrtle Beach.

35th Annual SC International Trade Conference Tuesday, May 27th – Thursday, May 29TH, 2008

Charleston Place
Charleston South Carolina

AGENDA

Tue., May 27, 2008

9:30 AM– 12:00 Charleston Port Tour – Wando Welch Terminal, buses will leave the Charleston Place Hotel horse circle at 9:30 AM

10:00 AM – 12:00 Tennis Tournament – Family Circle Tennis Center, Daniel Island

11:00 AM Registration & Exhibits Open

1:00 PM– 3:00 Education Session I – International Trade Best Practices– Riviera Theatre

Moderator - Ron Reighter, Vice President Global Trade Solutions, Sun Trust Bank

- Conducting International Trade in a Port Security Environment - Pamela Zaresk, Area Port Director, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Charleston, SC
- Trade Compliance & Internal Controls: Understanding the Keys to Successful Importing – Rob Pisani – Member, Pisani & Roll, PLLC – Washington, DC
- Managing Global Shipping Risks - Greg Kritz, Regional Vice President, Roanoke Trade Services (Florida, Caribbean & The Americas), Miami, FL
- Technology for International Process Improvement – Phil Marlowe, President, Acuitive Solutions, Charlotte, NC and Chris Swartz, Director of Global Operations & Transportation, AJC International

3:30 – 5:00 Education Session II – International Trade Best Practices– Riviera Theatre

Moderator - Ron Reighter, Vice President Global Trade Solutions, Sun Trust Bank

- Global Payments, Trade & Financing – Susanne Keough, Managing Director & Global Trade Services Manager, Sun Trust Bank, Atlanta, GA
- Global Purchasing for Local Retail – Doug Marrelli, Program Development Manager, Lowe's Companies, Inc.
- Marketing in a Global Economy–Dana Hicks, Managing Director, Perlitz Strategy Group-Americas, Inc., Charlotte, NC

6:00 – 8:00 **Welcome Reception** – Grand Ballroom, Charleston Place Hotel
Michael Murray on Piano

Wed., May 28, 2008

7:00 AM Registration Opens

7:15 Buffet Breakfast –Cypress Ballroom, Charleston Place Hotel

7:50 Opening Ceremony and Welcoming Address

Welcome: Deborah Blatchford, Documentation Center Manager, OOCL (USA) Inc. -
2008 Conference General Chairman – Charleston, SC

Invocation: The Rev. Lenwood Williams, Director Charleston Port & Seafarers Society,
Cathedral of St. Luke & St. Paul

Presentation of the Colors: U.S. Air Force Military Color Guard – Charleston Air Force
Base

Patriotic Songs – Robert Dickson of “Roberts of Charleston”

KEYNOTE SPEAKER INTRODUCTION: Rick Wen, Vice President, Business Development, Orient Overseas Container Lines

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Honorable Hal Creel – Commissioner, Federal Maritime Commission

Special Presentation to Pam Zaresk from Hal Creel

8:45 Exhibits Open – Riviera Theatre

9:15 Business Session 1: Foreign Investment in Trade Facilities

Moderator: William Armbruster, Editor, Shipping Digest, Newark, NJ

Speakers:

- The Impact of Infrastructure on Container Port Operations – David C. Sanborn,
- Senior Vice President and Managing Director, DP World Americas RO, Inc.
- New York Container Terminal – James J. Devine, President and CEO, Global Terminal & Container Services, LLC.

10:30 Break

10:45 Business Session 2: Best Practices from the Top Shippers

Moderator: David Bennett, VP Sales & Development, Globe Express Services

Speakers:

- Peter Ohler, Director of Logistics Daimler Vans Manufacturing LLC
- Lisa Saunders, VP Transportation, Advance Auto Parts - Advance Auto Parts – Direct Imports
- Fritz Mays, International Transportation Manager, Sonoco

12:00 Noon World Trade Luncheon – Cypress Ballroom, Charleston Place Hotel

Introduction & Announcements: Deborah Blatchford

WELCOME:The Honorable Joseph P. Riley Jr., Mayor, City of Charleston

Invocation: The Rev. Lenwood Williams, Director Charleston Port & Seafarers Society, Cathedral of St. Luke & St. Paul

Presentation of International Trade Scholarships: Mr. Byron Miller, Director of Public Relations, South Carolina State Ports Authority - Charleston, SC

Introduction of Mr. Groseclose: Mr. Vince Marino, President, Container Maintenance Corp., Mt. Pleasant, SC

Welcoming Remarks: Mr. Bernard S. Groseclose, Jr., President & CEO, South Carolina State Ports Authority and former chairman of the American Association of Port Authorities, Charleston, SC

Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Clarke Thompson, Manager International Department, S.C. Department of Commerce

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: TIM WILSON – Comedian, Songwriter, Philosopher, Musicologist, Theologian Wanna Be, Producer, Capitol Recording Artist

Introduction of 2009 Conference General Chairman

Luncheon Closing

2:30 – 4:00 Business Session 3: Longshore Labor and Management Issues - Contract Examination : Riviera Theatre

Moderator: Thomas L. Young, Vice President/General Manager, SSA Cooper

Panelists:

- James A. Capo – Chairman & CEO U.S. Maritime Alliance, Iselin, NJ.
- Richard P. Hughes, Jr. – President International Longshoremen's Association, AFL-CIO, New York, NY

4:00 PM Adjourn for the day

6:30 –10:30 PM Evening Entertainment, Bridgeside Events LLC, 28 Bridgeside, Mt. Pleasant, with the band, Permanent Vacation, dress casual

Busses leave the Charleston Place horse circle starting at 6:00 to and 7:30 and busses return at 9:00 with last bus at 10:30

Thursday, May 29, 2008

7:00 AM Breakfast Buffet- Riviera Theatre Ballroom

8:00 AM Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Dr. John W. Kelly, Vice President of Public Service & Agriculture and Executive Director, Clemson University Restoration Institute

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

- MICHAEL'S "Energy Geopolitics" - Dr. Michael J. Economides, Professor of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, University of Houston, Author of "The Color of Oil" and "From Soviet to Putin and Back"
- A Transportation Vision for the Future, Dr. Christine Ehlig-Economides – Petroleum Engineering Professor and A.B. Stevens Endowed Chair, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.

9:45 Transportation Forum:

Brief Update - Art Ramsey, Special Agent – HazMat Program Specialist, FMCSA, SC Division, & NC Division

Moderator: – Mr. Evan Rosen, Vice President Sales, RCS Logistics

Speakers:

- Jeffrey S. Heller, AVP International Marketing, Norfolk Southern Corp.
- Greg Plemmons, Vice President OD Global, Old Dominion Freight Lines
- Rick Wen, V.P. Business Development, OOCL – "Changing Ocean Carrier Cost Structures Impact on Deployment and Global Trade"
- Scott Szwast, Director of Marketing, International Freight, UPS – "Synchronizing Global Freight"

Drawing for choice of an 11 or 7-day Caribbean Cruise will take place – Courtesy of Mediterranean Cruise Lines USA and Mediterranean Shipping Company - http://www.msccruises.com/page.asp?y=fleet_main and <http://www.mscgva.com/>

Must be present to win – only conference registered attendees

11:00 AM Adjourn for the day

12:00 PM Golf Tournament – Patriots Point Links, Mount Pleasant, SC - <http://www.patriotspointlinks.com>

6:30 - 10:00 PM Evening Entertainment – Citadel Beach House, Band is Congdon and Company plus Shag Demo by the Charleston Shag Club, casual dress

Busses leave the Charleston Place horse circle starting at 5:30 to 7:30

Busses return at 9:00 with last bus at 10:00

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Byron Miller

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Maersk Line

David Popowski, Esq. (1992)

Ron Reighter (General Chair - Elect)

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Howard F. Rudd, Jr. (1997)

College Of Charleston

Cathy Smuniewski

UTC Overseas, Inc

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Alpha Company Inc.

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S.C. State Ports Authority

Clarke Thompson (2005)

S.C. Department of Commerce

Bill Turbeville

Joe Upchurch

Maersk Line

Harry J. Wamboldt

ARC International North America/Mikasa, Inc.

Helen Watts Johnson (2002)

Young Pecan Company

Rick Wen (1998)

OOCL (USA) Inc.

Frederick A. Yohe (1995)

Garnet Logistics

Steve Young

Dockside Logistics, Inc.

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Charleston, SC

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SC STEVEDORES ASSN.

AL ADAMS
ADAMS MOVING & STORAGE

JACQUELINE ADAMSON
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