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Please take note that our Tuesday **February 13th** General Membership meeting will be held at the Fanshawe College Transportation Building, 1764 Oxford Street east, London Ontario. We are very fortunate to have **Kevin Vieth**, President - VieTech Group Ltd., giving the presentation and training of Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) issues and solutions. With his extensive knowledge and experience, Kevin will be able to pass on valuable diagnostic tips.

Meet and greet at 6:00 pm, training meeting at 7 pm. Members please **RSVP** for all meetings, plan to attend, bring a guest and support our sponsors!

### **Charity News 2024**

We are gearing up to putting forward our suggestions for the **2024 TMTA London Charity**. This year our first nomination was put forward by Scott Bowie, our Vice President. Scott suggested the London Humane Society. If you would like to send a nomination of a charity, then do so before June 1<sup>st</sup> 2024. Please remember that your nomination must include all information about the local charity and who will be coming to collect their donation in December

### **Associate Committee**

Please do not hesitate to contact Pat McKenzie when you are interested in sponsoring a 2024 meeting and we will do our best to fit you in. We have many choices for a venue and Pat will be happy to discuss options for a sponsorship with you.



Kevin Vieth, President of VieTech Group Ltd is hosting a seminar on prevention and reduction of Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) issues related issues, faults and related failures that lead to downtime and costly repairs.

Following the presentation, there will be a live demonstration of Dealer-Level Multi-Brand Diagnostic software capable of providing the testing and resets required to diagnose and get your trucks and equipment back in service. Please note that Kevin and his diagnostic programs are able to work with all heavy-duty vehicles, both on road and off road as well as farm equipment. Please connect with Kevin for any questions using his contact information below.

### **Kevin D. Vieth**

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### **HEALTH, CARE & HAPPINESS**

*Your TMTA seeks to celebrate and support the milestones in our members lives. From cradle to grave, our lives are filled with significant events that we would like to share with one another. If you are celebrating the birth of a child or grandchild, recognizing a marriage or significant anniversary, or grieving the loss of a loved one, or any other personal or company news, then please contact Jeff Ste. Marie at [jeffste.marie@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffste.marie@yahoo.com). Our association is about friends working together to accomplish great things and sharing the good or sad experiences together. We support our members and we want to know about what is going on in their lives. Please feel free to talk to us about anything that is happening in your life and remember that we will only share details that you approve of to keep your TMTA friends updated.*

### **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

We are also asking for any members that would like to help on a few of the committees of the executive. The time commitment is about 4 hours per month and is personally very rewarding. Our association is directed by amazing volunteers that work only for the benefit of the membership and the association. Thank you and we hope to hear from you soon.

### **TMTA HISTORY NEWS**

The executive team is working with our records and senior members to detail our history back to 1947. They are compiling pictures and member information to add to the historical data. If you have information to share then please contact Don Clarke and Harry Beukeboom

### **ASSOCIATE MEMBER COMPANIES**

We strive to keep our information correct on the newsletter associate list, so we are asking our associate members and supporting companies to please check our associate list and let us know if it is correct and up to date. Just send us a note and we will make changes on the next newsletter. Also let us know if there is an update that you would like shared about your company or website address

### **VIETECH TRAINING INFO**

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### **THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH**

The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall. -Nelson Mandela



### **Safety Committee News**

We are excited to share that **Shawn Annett**, Account Manager Groeneveld BEKA has joined your executive team as our safety committee representative. Thank you Shawn for volunteering on the executive and being the connection to our safety partners

### **Tech Tips by Greg**

We are promoting the combined technical and repair knowledge in our association. Greg Schnarr has volunteered to take on this task and we will feature a unique issue each month, along with solutions to the problem. Thank you Greg for sharing with us about the DD13/15 oil filter standpipe issue that can cause unfiltered oil to enter the engine bearings and cause excessive wear and sometimes engine failures. You can email Greg or call him to have your issue addressed. [Greg@thetruckshopstrathroy.com](mailto:Greg@thetruckshopstrathroy.com)

### **SPECIAL DEALS FOR TMTA MEMBERS**



\$15 off plus a car care item.



10%-20% off retail price



receive 20% off retail price



Fleet Master 5% off on all parts sales

### **EMAIL AND SCAMS**

As a note of caution for this month about scams. Members are getting many emails that look like they are coming from **Banks and Interac**. Please never click on them and only access your accounts directly and never through the emails. We have also noticed a rise in scammers using smaller websites to gain community names asking anyone connected to them to “**please send money quickly**” or to **buy gift cards**. If you ever come across this then never buy gift cards and be cautious when there is a urgent need. Call your friend directly to their last known phone number to get confirmation. Your friends don’t usually email you asking for help. We are working on providing a special scam announcement for each month and how to avoid scams. For this month a big one seems to be about storage limits. Please never click on a link. If you are going into your account, only go in through the actual account website.

### **Golf News 2024**

We are looking for our **September 11<sup>th</sup> 2024** golf venue. If you have a connection with a golf club in the London area, then please get a quote for your favorite club and send it to our executive team

### **Next Directors’ Meeting**

February 27th, 2024

### **General Meeting Reminder**

Scheduled for 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month except for the summer months