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2015 Caterpillar Holiday Show

On Sunday, December 7, the 77th anniversary of the Caterpillar Holiday Show was celebrated at the Peoria Civic Center. The event continues the tradition of bringing Caterpillar families together to celebrate the holiday season. With two sold out shows, attendees both young and old enjoyed watching the Golden Dragon Acrobats. Grace, power and beauty were exhibited as the artists performed to traditional Chinese music. Everything from umbrellas to soccer balls were juggled as the artists contorted their bodies into seemingly impossible positions and balanced each other using incredible strength.

Following each show, Santa's elves (Caterpillar employee and retiree volunteers) handed a stuffed animal to little ones as they exited the theater. Many children eagerly awaited to share their wish lists as they visited with Santa.

As with all of the Social Activities events, an extra special thanks goes out to the Caterpillar employee and retiree volunteers that helped ensure a successful event.



8th Annual Weekend in Chicago Bus Trip

Surprisingly enough for a mid-December day, spring-like jackets and walking shoes were about all that was needed for the 8th Annual Weekend in Chicago Bus Trip. Almost 150 employees, retirees and their guests enjoyed the overnight trip to Chicago with free time to shop, take in a play, visit museums or simply enjoy the sights of the city. Three charter buses left Peoria early Saturday, December 12, and returned on Sunday with overnight lodging at the Courtyard Chicago Downtown/ River North on Hubbard Street.

CATERPILLAR RETIREES CLUB

The Caterpillar Retirees Club board members, directors and committee chairs celebrated accomplishments from 2015 with the annual Christmas luncheon on December 2 at the Par-A-Dice Hotel in East Peoria. Dean Costello, 2015 Caterpillar Retirees Club President, welcomed attendees and then Henry Vicary, Guest & Community Relations Director, spoke to them about the various community endeavors where Caterpillar is currently involved. Amy Manwaring, Social Activities Representative, thanked everyone for their efforts in community work and Club organization and then Karen Scheffler, Social Activities Team Leader, was presented with a token of appreciation from the members for her support of the Club and overall management assistance throughout almost 30 years of her career at Caterpillar.

On December 4, the installation of new Officers and Directors took place at the Club's weekly meeting. At the installation ceremony, the Board members and officers were sworn in for the upcoming year by Amy Manwaring.

During the ceremony, Dean Costello was presented the traditional gavel for his dedication as 2015 president.



Left to Right: Ron Jasper, Co-President; Mary Remmers, Co-President and Financial Secretary; Jim Henderson, Co-President; Pat Plumer, Co-President and Treasurer; Dean Costello, Co-President; (Not pictured – Louie LaCost, Co-President)

The Caterpillar Retirees Club (CRC) came into existence in March 1967. Membership is open to all Caterpillar retirees and their spouses. The members of the Club left a legacy of quality, innovation and excellence through their dedication and hard work at Caterpillar. CRC promotes the continuity of friendship developed by employees during their years of service at Caterpillar and offers the service of their members whose capabilities are needed in the communities. The Club offers members a wide range of activities including opportunities to volunteer in the community and Caterpillar events (examples include Peoria Players, Eastlight Theatre, Caterpillar Autumn Adventure, facility blood drives), collect donations for multiple food pantries in the area (estimated \$100,000 donated over the last 47 years), as well as the opportunity to attend a variety of bus trips and weekly gatherings (examples include Springfield, California, and New York, as well as various dinner theatres).

A free breakfast is being offered to any recent retirees and their spouses who have not had the chance to attend one previously. The breakfasts will be held on Friday, January 29 and Friday, February 26 at the Caterpillar Retirees Club (201 Veterans Drive / East Peoria). The breakfast will begin at 10 am and will be followed by a brief meeting and presentation (ending at 12 pm). The presentations will be from Caterpillar retirees to showcase what they have been doing since retiring. If you are interested in attending one of the upcoming breakfasts, please RSVP to the Caterpillar Retirees Club at 309.699.5412.

The Caterpillar Retirees Club is a very important part of Caterpillar's overall success as the members have made Caterpillar what it is today. CRC invites all retirees to contact the office (309.699.5412 / Catret.club@yahoo.com) to sign up for the monthly newsletter and enjoy the social interactions of former fellow associates. Meetings are held every Friday beginning at 11 a.m. at the Fondulac Administration Building in East Peoria.

Schoolhouse Rock Live! Showcased the Talents of Many

SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK LIVE!

The Mixed Chorus' fall production of *Schoolhouse Rock Live!* offered a stage for many newcomers as well as longtime chorus members, as they brought a fresh new show to a new venue, Corn Stock Theatre Tent in September. The cast and crew had just as much fun presenting the show as the audience members had viewing it!

The Caterpillar Employees Mixed Chorus hopes to see <u>you</u> in this year's show! They need people to help with the technical aspects of the show, play in the orchestra, as well as people to act on stage. Come and join the fun!





The Chorus will once again take its show on the road, presenting a program of popular musical numbers at local retirement homes. The theme for this year's show is "Celebrating 75 Years with the Caterpillar Chorus."

They will be performing at local retirement homes on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in March and April, with rehearsals on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting in February. Specific locations have not yet been determined, so keep your eyes open for flyers around the office and Facebook page updates https://www.facebook.com/CatChorus

2015 Board Members

On October 13, 2015, the Chorus elected a new board at the general membership meeting. For more information on how to get involved with CEMC, please contact one of the members.

They are always looking for new participants!

President	Teresa Neptun	309.266.3021	Neptun_Teresa_A@cat.com
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2015 Awards Banquet

After the curtain dropped on the Chorus' production of *Schoolhouse Rock Live!* last fall, the group gathered on September 25, 2015, to recognize three outstanding members at the annual Awards Banquet.

Jeff Craig presented a Roscoe, the Chorus' version of an Oscar, to Patty Johnson. Patty has participated in countless events over the past 38 years, and her behind-the-scenes planning and organizational skills are a tremendous asset to the Chorus. She has been an integral part of the Historical Committee and costume crew, and she always makes new members feel welcome.

Diane Swanson presented a second Roscoe to Teresa Neptun. Over the past eight years, Teresa has been seen onstage as well as serving on the board and various committees. She has shown great encouragement to others while continuously helping the Chorus move forward.

Jason Werner presented a Tom Neal Award, the Chorus' highest honor, to David Duke. Dave has tirelessly devoted himself to the Chorus in a multitude of ways for the past 32 years, including serving seven years on the board (twice as President) and participating in 30 fall shows!





CATERPILLAR EMPLOYEES BOWLING TOURNAMENT

9 Pin No Tap Tournament

Saturday, February 6, 2016

Landmark Lanes – Peoria

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Prizes 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place in each bracket

GENERAL INFORMATION:

• To Register: 1) Online at https://socialactivities.cat.com or 2) Use this form and mail

Registration closes 4:00 pm January 20 (if using mail-in form-must be received in Social Activities by 4:00 pm January 20) • \$15 per bowler ... includes shoe rental, 4 games, entry fee, shirt and chance at door prizes. No refunds.

• Number of bowlers per lane will be determined based on the number of entries.

- Each bowler bowls 4 games with the lowest score thrown out. (Must complete all 4 games to be eligible to win.) • **Badge** is required at Registration (driver's license for retirees and spouses)
- Winners determined based on scores bowled in this tournament. (League averages will not be used.)
 After all bowlers are finished, brackets will be determined. 1st, 2nd, 3rd place in each bracket will receive non-cash prizes.
- Employees and retirees are eligible. Due to limited space, a spouse of an employee or retiree is eligible to participate only if the employee or retiree participates... the spouse must bowl with the employee or retiree.
- No other dependents or persons are eligible. No substitutes or changes in registered names.
- Registration: Shirts and lane assignments will be handed out during check-in on event day between 7:45 and 8:30 a.m. In order for the tournament to run smoothly, all bowlers must check-in by 8:30 a.m. • If you arrive after registration closes (8:30 a.m.), you will not be permitted to bowl.
- If using mail-in entry form: Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope (REQUIRED) for confirmation to be sent to your home. No email or phone confirmations will be provided.
- Make check payable to Caterpillar Inc. \$15 per bowler. No cash accepted. One check for multiple bowlers is fine.
- To bowl with friends—maximum of 5: Each bowler MUST complete a separate entry form...mail all entry forms & checks together...and note that you want to bowl together. Requests will be accommodated as possible.
- Make sure form is complete (PeopleSoft #, signature, self-addressed stamped envelope, etc.). Incomplete forms will be returned and will delay processing.

Please Complete Form in its Entirety - One Form per Bowler

Bowler Name	Email (if not at Cat):
Status: ☐ Employee ☐ Retiree ☐ Spouse If a spouse, list Employee/Retiree Name*: *In order for a spouse to participate, the employee/retiree must be participating and both must bowl together. Please attach both entry forms together.	Employee/Retiree PeopleSoft# (required):
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eturn form & check by <u>January 20</u> to: Caterpillar Inc., Bowling, 100 NE Adams St., Peoria, IL 6	1629-0350 OR 08/0350/CSAS/ Bowling



Check out the Social Activities online registration site to register for upcoming events.

Visit the Social Activities website (social activities.cat.com), click on the event of interest, and then click on Online Registration to register.



Carmike Cinemas Discount Tickets

Discount tickets are available for movies at any Carmike Cinemas. Tickets are \$7.50 each and can be used either day or evening. No restrictions. No expiration date.



Employee/Retiree Name:	
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- Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope tickets will not be mailed without the stamped envelope
- Checks (no cash) payable to Caterpillar Inc.
- Send to: 08/AB0350/Carmike or Caterpillar Inc., Carmike, 100 N. E. Adams, Peoria, IL 61629-0350

sentation at any Carmike tion date. (Tickets will pire in Illinois and Iowa.) Tickets may be used towards admission to 3D, IMAX, IMAX 3D and D-Box features (premium charges will apply). Cannot be used for or towards the purchase of special events presentations such as concert movies, live-feed sporting events, opera, etc. Check with box office for specific details.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

January		Basketball league begins	July		Volleyball league registration meeting		
February	6	Bowling Tournament Bus Trip—Chicago Blackhawks (Chicago)	July		Cat Night with the Peoria Chiefs		
February	13		August August	19-20	Softball league ends Around the Green Golf Scramble		
March	11	Softball league registration meeting					
April April	29	Basketball league ends Grown Up Gala	September September	24	Volleyball league begins Autumn Adventure		
May May	14	Softball league begins Power Race	October October		Basketball league registration meeting Mixed Chorus Fall Production		
May	26	Cat Crew—Corporate Challenge (Chicago)	December	4 10-11	Volleyball league ends Holiday Show Bus Trip—Weekend in Chicago		
June	4	Family Fishing Derby	December December				

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