



# KLICA News & Information

Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association

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## President's Message: Clem Karlin, KLICA President



### HIDEE HO MEMBERS

We have been through the first part of the year with many changes occurring. Who would have thought.

We cancelled our first quarterly board meeting because of Covid-19. We are trying to get the second quarterly meeting together in July depending on the number of people that we can allow to gather, and are trying to make it an outdoor meeting picnic style.

I attended the meeting in Las Vegas and it was good along with ConExpo-Con/Agg. The Vegas streets were crowded and good attendance at the meeting. Two weeks later it was all deserted. The only new news from the meeting is that the septic program has been abandoned because of lack of interest.

The Covid-19 virus has affected everybody and left a lot of unemployed citizens. Some people are trying to get the government to provide everything for the people which is socialism.

Will the government be able to provide support for the soil conservation programs, highways and other assisted programs?

These are all questions that are asked and we will hopefully be getting these answers in the near future.

I hope everyone is able to stay safe and healthy. Please, all of you be careful out there.

Becca says HI!



I am sure all of our pets are enjoying the stay at home orders much more than we are. They get extra treats and belly rubs.

Clem Karlin

## Member Benefits Issue

With the current state of inactivity due to the coronavirus pandemic there is not a lot to report in this newsletter. I thought this might be a good opportunity to provide the full spectrum of benefits available to LICA members. Our national office, specifically Jerry Biuso, works hard to continuously find new and better benefits for LICA's Contractor Members. Although we have summarized these in previous issues this issue contains the full page informational sheet for each benefit from the national website. Take a look through these and see if there isn't something you could take advantage of to benefit your business, yourself, or your family.

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# LICA Member Benefits



## 2020 LICA PROGRAM



Mack Trucks is pleased to offer the "Let's Build!" program to LICA Members



### Exclusive Program Benefits

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Let's Build 2020 Program includes the following coverages:	Term / Mileage
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EATS	48 mo / 250K miles
Chassis Plan 2	48 mo / 250K miles

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**Eligible Vehicles:** 2019, 2020, 2021 MY - Mack Granite® GR series, LR and TerraPro models only. Does not include MHD.

**Program Period:** Eligible vehicles must be retailed and warranty registered by December 31, 2020 and funded by MFS by January 31, 2021.

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**REPORTING**  
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- Minimal participation requirements (2 or more enrolled)



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## LICA Member Benefit

### Buy and Sell Equipment with the Inventory Management System

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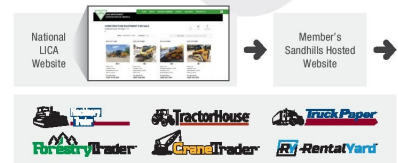
LICA Members can now buy and sell equipment on the National LICA website for FREE using the Inventory Management System from Sandhills Global. The Inventory Management System allows members to list any and all equipment with a description, photograph, price and contact information. It also allows members to advertise their equipment on Sandhills' websites like: Machinery Trader (for a fee, see 50% off First 2 months of a 4-month advertising program).

#### ADD INVENTORY

Members add inventory via Sandhills Cloud's Inventory Management application provided to LICA Members at no cost.



#### INVENTORY INSTANTLY TRANSFERRED TO . . .



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All our plans are personalized and begin with a heart-to-heart discussion. Get to know us and learn what we will do to help you get the job done.

Contact the National LICA Office or your State Chapter.

*We are proud to announce*  
**The New LICA Benefits Platform**

After six months developing The LICA Benefits Platform, in conjunction with NFP, we have assembled a wide range of valuable benefits and discounts for LICA members!

For Access to the LICA Benefits Platform  
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*A few of the many benefits and brands available to LICA members...*

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Contact the National LICA Office or your State Chapter for complete details

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# LICA Member Benefits



## New Member Discount!

Company \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Welcome to LICA

As a Contractor Member since 1981 and an Associate Member since 2009 we know what a positive difference LICA can make on your business. Clean Fire Distributing is offering you a **\$50.00 per case discount** on Clean Fire Diesel fuel additive to help you lower your fuel and maintenance costs. This offer ends December 31, 2018

Call 888-892-1811 or email [cleanfiredist@petrocon.net](mailto:cleanfiredist@petrocon.net) to take advantage of this offer. Be sure to mention this correspondence to receive your discount.



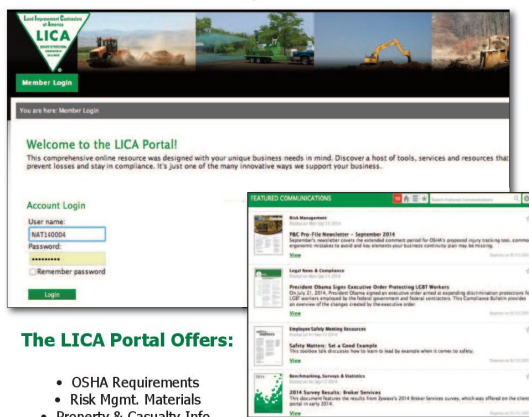
*Jim Bruss*  
Vice President of Distribution



## The LICA Portal

Safety material at your fingertips.

Each LICA Contractor member has access to the Zywave Resource Library. Log-in to your personalized LICA Portal & you can search for safety materials as well as view an up-to-the-minute newsfeed tailored to your business.



### The LICA Portal Offers:

- OSHA Requirements
- Risk Mgmt. Materials
- Property & Casualty Info.
- ...and so much more

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- Cooling System



This offering will soon be available to order from our Order Portal. You will be able to search for the item, view pricing, and place orders through our Petrocon Portal from our website: [www.portal.petrocon.org](http://www.portal.petrocon.org)

To simplify ordering, you can use the CAT® part numbers and search for items and build your list, from seals and bolts to all hard parts. To get a quote, please email your CAT® parts number, Make & Model of machine, Engine Serial # and Arrangement if ordering rebuild kits to: [orders@petrocon.org](mailto:orders@petrocon.org)

We are excited about this new offering to our Oil, Antifreeze, Tires, Track, Dumpsters and other commodities available through Petrocon as a LICA member!

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CAT Part Number	Item Description	Petrocon Member Price	CAT List Price
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3497059	CAP-AS-FUEL	\$ 33.00	\$ 86.19
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4C8253	O-RING KIT	\$ 61.50	\$ 430.85
4C4782	O-RING KIT	\$ 61.50	\$ 587.31
1375541	PUMP-PRIMING	\$ 17.99	\$ 111.25
7N0718	SWITCH A.	\$ 12.30	\$ 75.32
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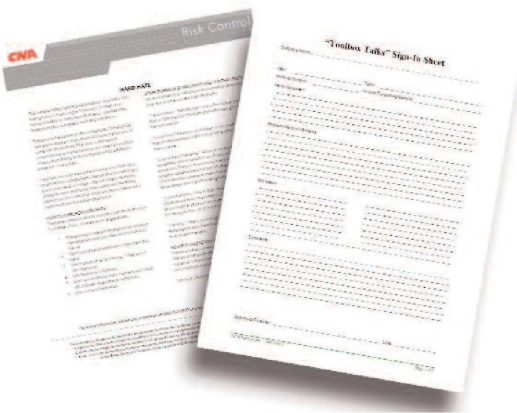
# LICA Member Benefits

## LICA Contractor Safety Management Plan

The purpose of this comprehensive safety manual is to provide LICA members with recommended safe operating procedures and to outline techniques that are essential for the protection of the industry's greatest asset "its people and equipment."

It is designed to be your individual company safety program or supplement to your existing program. It contains toolbox talks, equipment and jobsite inspection forms and much more.

For your convenience a complete CD of the manual is included. This manual is worth thousands of dollars and is FREE to every contractor member.



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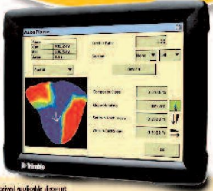


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## On the Other Side of the Dozer Blade

by Margaret Smelser



The trees in the backyard are tossing, in protest of the cold north wind. Sunny today, but a frost warning. Plants I bought are still inside, I have too many outside to cover. Persistent showers have meant off & on work for David and Lee.

Such a frantic time we're living in. When I wrote for the last Newsletter the virus was just beginning. How little I knew. Our scattered family members are all OK, including the two new grands, both born on March 23rd. Lloyd and I were in Oskaloosa to pick up our tax papers; a Harvester semi was parked in a side street, passing out food supplies to a line of cars blocks long, with an officer doing traffic control. No one expected food shortage.

The work continues varied for David and Lee. They recently installed a 60 foot tube in a timbered area, to make a field access road. Lloyd and I went to watch. The tube was part of an old "stand pipe", Lloyd and David bought years ago. They had the 7, skid steer, backhoe, and track hoe; 2 men, 4 machines. Another job pronounced, phenomenal. They unplugged an overflow pipe in a pond where beavers had plugged it. Remembering the tragedy last year when a young man originally from our area, was pulled into a pipe and drowned, David took safety equipment along.

Another day, they pushed over a bee tree, and left to let the bees settle down, pushed over another tree and found a family of 7 baby racoons, four survived. Racoons are a terrible nuisance, but David felt bad for the little critters. Another day they were dodging gas lines and wells north of McLouth, where there is a large natural gas storage area. But this one tops them all for being different.

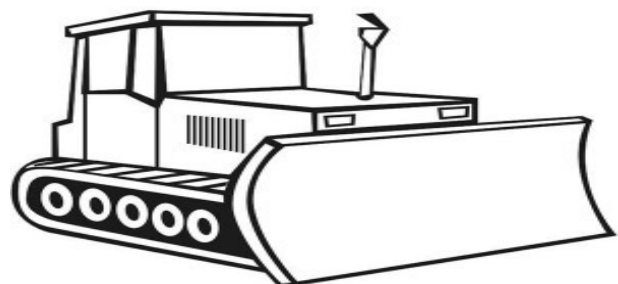
A call from a customer who has recently built a winery near I70 the 627. A scrapper was on site to work on a large parking lot. He wanted it parked in a nearby field, partially filled with dirt, to anchor a huge kite! This would be attached to a 300 foot tow rope; an American Flag, 3 ball fields long. For some reason it didn't happen as planned, and David had to go dump the load before the predicted heavy rain. When you think you've heard everything...

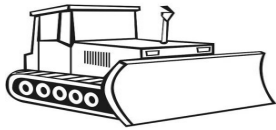
A long time friend died last week. And now we are 5-6 good friends, dated together, seen our families grow up, celebrated birthday, and anniversaries; we all made 70 years of marriage. Forever friends - Warren was a farmer and heavy equipment operator.

We got our *cattle "worked" last week, a perfect weather day, calm cattle, calm crew, good vet; always glad for that job well done. Will there be any market for our little bunch? We count on them for taxes and insurance, but what of the big herds and feed lots overflowing. Hamburger \$6.00/lb locally. Ours is homegrown, grass fed.*

A good visit recently with Dale Faelber was a surprise.

I have a beautiful bouquet of Iris on the table. I didn't need flowers for Mother's Day. So many in the yard, and Jeans good mowing makes a pretty picture. Cont.





On the Other Side of the Dozer Blade cont.

by Margaret Smelser

I did spend part of Monday morning in the kitchen with George Jones, listening to a gospel record, a Mothers Day gift. Country gospel, my favorite! No one could sing like George.

To all you Moms, Grand moms, and Great Grand Moms; I hope your day was good. If there ever was a time when moms, dads, and all are needed it is now. And to you who have an "empty chair" take comfort in the memories.

Through these trying times do all the good you can, and Lord blessed the smallest deed. To all you out there moving dirt, don't let the rush of work, rush you to the emergency room.

Kansas Ag Stress Resources

With the stressful times many of us are facing Kansas has set up a website specifically for Kansas agricultural producers to find support and assistance with ag-related stress. This site has mental health resources; specific support resources for men, women, teens & young adults, farmer veterans, farm families, and aging adults; services; and help someone tabs.

The Kansas Suicide Prevention Line 1-785-841-2345 is prominently displayed on the site as is the Crisis Text Line - Text "HOME" to 741741. Both services are available for voice or text support 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

There are links for resources related to the Coronavirus Covid 19.

With the stress ag producers face daily but especially during these times, please don't hesitate to utilize these resources and share them with those you know.

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## What's missing from this Newsletter?

A list of new members.

Unfortunately we have not gained any new members from the last newsletter. Do you know any contractors/landscapers out there who you think could benefit from membership? This newsletter and the list of LICA Member benefits might be just what is needed to convince them to join. If you would like share your newsletter with them or let me know and I'd be glad to send them one. Let's get the word out about KLICA membership!

### Membership Application Below



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Annual dues are due and payable on a calendar year basis, prior to January 1 of each year. KLICA dues for new contractor members joining after March 1 are paid up for the next full calendar year.

Return Application to: Jon L. Ungerer, Executive Director  
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The following are from Reader's Digest:

My husband and his sister are notorious yakkers. They can hold court on any subject. One day, he called her. All he had to say was "Hi," and that launched her into a marathon session, going on about this, that, and the other. When she finally paused to come up for air, she had one question: "Who am I talking to?" —Christine Hohman

A man goes to the doctor, concerned about his wife's hearing. The doctor says, "Stand behind her and say something and tell me how close you are when she hears you." The man goes home, sees his wife in the kitchen, cutting carrots on the countertop. About 15 feet away he says, "Honey, what's for dinner?" Nothing. He gets halfway to her and repeats the same question. Nothing. Very concerned, he gets right behind her and asks again "What's for dinner?" She turns around and says "For the THIRD time, beef stew!"



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## Rambling Thoughts of an Executive Director

The coronavirus pandemic has sure caused a change in where we thought things would or might be at this time.

The 2020 Kansas LICA Directory is out. Added quite a bit more color to it this year and I hope it's a product that everyone can be proud to be a part of. Thanks to all our advertisers and to all members who represent KLICA. The directory is for and about you so if there's anything you'd like to see different/improved/changed please let me know.

What's not included in the pages of member benefits is the LICA Contractor magazine with great articles for contractors and anyone with an interest in the industry. And of course the association and comradery of other like minded individuals in the industry. It is that association and the ability to exchange ideas and learn from your peers that is immeasurable as a benefit. I worked with contractors for much of my 30+ year career with USDA and while I was aware they had an organization, I never realized how willing they are to share ideas/innovations/information that would benefit their fellow contractors.

On the national level one change being looked at is the contractor work codes. There have gotten to be quite a lot of them and they have gotten a bit unwieldy - especially for the national level trying to keep up with all the chapters. Hopefully we can get them paired down to a manageable number consistent across all chapters and national.

As I'm sure you all are, I'm disappointed Niagara Falls was cancelled. Kathy and I have never had a passport and we got them in preparation for being world travelers - or North American anyway! Looking forward to using them when it's rescheduled or maybe I can talk her into taking a ride North in the meantime!?

Hope your summer is going well and you are staying well. Take Care.

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- **July 25, 2020 10:00 am**  
**KLICA Summer Board Meeting**  
**M&R Grill**  
**Abilene, Kansas**
- **July 7-11, 2020**  
**National LICA Summer Meeting**  
**Sheraton Niagara Falls**  
**Niagara Falls, New York**
- **January 24, 25, & 26, 2021**  
**KLICA Annual Convention**  
**Hilton Garden Inn**  
**Salina, Kansas**
- **February 9-13, 2021**  
**National LICA Winter Convention**  
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