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# FLEET STREET NEWS



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What an awesome conference we had at Kingston Plantation Myrtle Beach this year. We had a record number over 450 people to attend. From the vendor show, training sessions, banquets, and motivational speakers all turned out to be a great learning experience for all who attended. Let me take this opportunity to thank our many Volunteers, Committees, and Board members for all the hard work and planning that made our conference possible. Also to our sponsors and exhibitors for all they contribute. Without their faithful support it would not be possible to have an outstanding event as we just had.

2015 Committee Chairpersons have been selected and we solicit our members to get involved by serving on one of these committees. These committees are listed on our website [www.SGFMA.org](http://www.SGFMA.org) along with the Chairperson. If you are interested in serving please contact myself or any Board member listed in this newsletter or website. We need your input to continue to make our organization better each year. Please check our website regularly to stay up to date with all that is going on within our organization, as information is updated almost daily.

Work has already begun for our 23rd annual conference at Sheraton/Myrtle Beach Convention Center for October 11th – 14th. Registration is already on our website to get signed up early. You don't have to send in your registration payment until later but you can register for the conference early. Don't forget about our membership drive. You could be \$500.00 richer, be sure the new member list your name in the referred box to be counted for contest.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your President. It is my goal to promote SGFMA to be the most Professional Fleet Manager organization in the country.

Sincerely,  
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# 2014 22nd Annual Meeting & Equipment Show



SGFMA Welcomes You



At The Registration Desk



Golf Tournament Awards



Meet & Greet - Light Hors d'oeuvres & Sprints



Breakfast was a good start to everyday!



Lots of prize give-a-ways!

*"I also think this show surpassed all our expectations. I have had several comments about how much the training sessions were "spot on" and very well presented. Even the equipment/vendor show was very well received with the slight rain issues. And the lunch provided by Lighten Up was the talk of the event."*

*"Thanks, and "very" well done should go out to the major players that spent untold hours putting this event together. Including those that don't mind getting in the "middle of things" when it is necessary to get the job done."*

*"I would like to send a heartfelt thanks to you all for everything you do. Please know that you are appreciated."*

**JOB WELL DONE,**

**Jerry**

**Check out the web site  
Register at  
[www.SGFMA.org](http://www.SGFMA.org)**





# 2014 Annual Meeting & Equipment Show



Just a few pic's from the Equipment Show and awesome luncheon provided by Light-N-Up. Thanks Steve. The rain stopped and we had a great day You can see more pic's on our Facebook page and the SGFMA.org website.



# 2014 SCFMA Training at the Annual Meeting



# The Vendor Hall Was At Full Capacity For the Annual Meeting





## 2014 SGFMA Awards Ceremony Dinner



## 2014 SGFMA Award Winners

### 2014 Jan Smoak Award Recipients

Jan Smoak Award for Increased Cost Savings – City of Charleston Fleet Operations

### 2014 President's Award Recipient:

In honor of Mitch Corbitt – SC Dept. of Corrections

### 2014 Darrell E. Floyd Scholarship Recipients (\$500.00)

Allen Gene Jordan, II (Son of member Gene Jordan) – City of Rock Hill

Brooke Lucas (Daughter of Member Judy Lucas) – SC Forestry Commission

Takia Samuels (Sister of Lawanda Samuels) – Santee-Wateree RTA



# SGFMA Would like To Thank The Instructors For Sharing Their Knowledge And Skills





## Southeast Governmental Fleet Managers Association 22nd Annual Meeting & Equipment Show Sponsors



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## Charleston County is the first government entity on the East Coast to use The Integrity Test Drive System

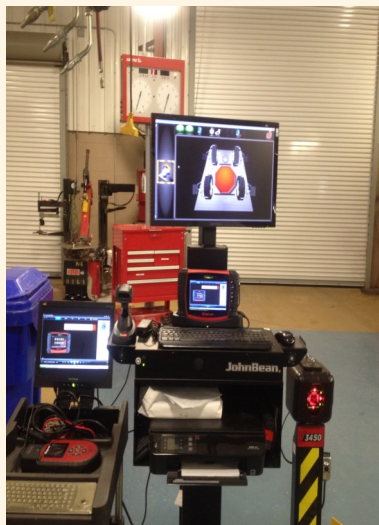
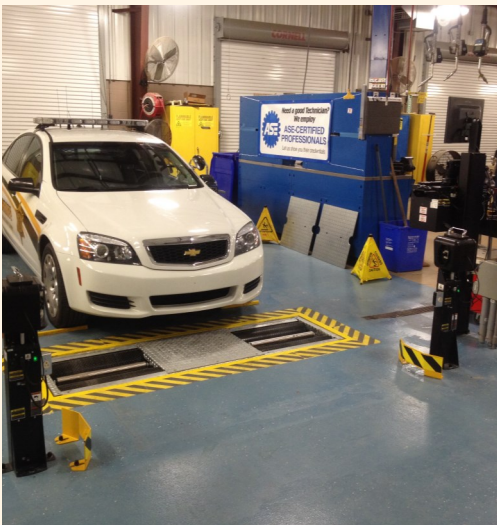
Vehicle operator safety and peace of mind is our number one priority. The more tools we have at our disposal to help accomplish the goal the better off we are.

The Integrity Test Drive System is a Modular Vehicle Safety Lane that performs a vehicle safety inspection in minutes and quickly conducts multiple system audits.

- 4 wheel Alignment Audit System checks for out-of-specification alignment angles and worn suspension parts
- Dynamic Brake Audit checks brake efficiency, brake clamping force and pad thickness, brake drag and variation
- OBD II (emission) Vehicle system health checks for diagnostic trouble codes and emissions related problems
- Battery/Charging system Audit checks battery and charging system health

The Integrity Test Drive system can generate comprehensive reports with easy to understand explanation of needed services on the vehicle to share with the operator or department customer.

The Integrity Test lane will be incorporated into the Preventative Maintenance Program. This will enable the technician to have hind sight into the needed service for the vehicle and assure quality control when needed repairs are completed. The technician will quickly and efficiently inspect more vehicles in a shorter amount of time. This will insure the safe operation of our vehicles, save money on vehicle maintenance, and decrease vehicle downtime.



If you would like to see your Fleet Shop "In The Spotlight", tell us your story!  
Please e-mail me at [mkostos@Charlestoncounty.org](mailto:mkostos@Charlestoncounty.org)



***Our members are the fuel that power our organization!***



Southeast Governmental Fleet Managers Association is rolling out the red carpet to welcome our newest members since the last newsletter. More and more organizations and vendors have come to appreciate the benefits of networking with other fleet professionals through the medium of this excellent organization. Please welcome our newest fleet members. If we miss someone, just let us know, and we will include you in a future newsletter.

## 2015 SGFMA Membership Committee

SGFMA Membership Committee Chairperson, Judy Lucas, is currently seeking committee members for 2015. Such committee shall be comprised of a minimum of three (3) Association members, including the Chairperson.

The Membership Committee is directly responsible for organizing an effective recruiting program and preparing materials for distribution to potential members to help familiarize them with the Association. For 2015, the groundwork has already been laid for us with the current membership drive contest underway.

Please refer to the SGFMA Constitution for the full description of committee responsibilities. The Constitution can be found at [www.sgfma.org](http://www.sgfma.org). Information regarding the membership drive is also available on the website.

It is my goal to seek committee members who represent the full make up of our Association. Given this, I would like to have representation from each of the 7 regions. The 7 regions and their respective areas are as follows:

- Region 1: Calhoun, Clarendon, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lancaster, Lee, Lexington, Newberry, Richland and Sumter
- Region 2: Bamberg, Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Hampton, Jasper, and Orangeburg
- Region 3: Abbeville, Aiken, Allendale, Barnwell, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick and Saluda
- Region 4: Anderson, Cherokee, Chester, Greenville, Oconee, Pickens, Spartanburg, Union and York
- Region 5: Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Marion, Marlboro, and Williamsburg
- Region 6: All counties in the states of Georgia and Florida
- Region 7: All counties in the states of North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee

If you are interesting in serving on the committee, please contact Judy Lucas @ [jlucas@scfc.gov](mailto:jlucas@scfc.gov) or (803) 896-8851. In addition, committee meetings will be conducted electronically or by conference call when feasible.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome and recognize our newest SGFMA members,

<p><b><u>City of Greensboro, NC</u></b> David Johnson Jerry Gunter</p>	<p><b><u>PSNC Energy</u></b> Lee McElrath Jerry Okeeffe Jim Cole</p>	<p><b><u>Spider Mowers</u></b> Justin Cockayne Steve Bradley Josh Cockayne</p>	<p><b><u>University Of North Carolina Motorfleet</u></b> Christopher Facente</p>
<p><b><u>Ford Motor Company</u></b> Mike Crichton</p>	<p><b><u>Salem Air</u></b> Bridget Robertson Vern Berghorn Sammy Cheek</p>	<p><b><u>Town of Vienna, Virginia</u></b> Craig Schlemmer Melissa Turner Mary-Beth Palmer</p>	<p><b><u>MGM Brakes</u></b> Rex Clark Len Gonzalez</p>

*Written & Submitted By: Judy Lucas, SGFMA Membership Committee Chairperson*



## STRENGTH IN NUMBERS SGFMA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE CONTEST

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Earn a little extra cash for promoting the Association and the benefits of membership to potential members.

- The 2014-2015 Membership Drive begins on September 17, 2014 thru October 1, 2015.
- Only current members in good standing of SGFMA may participate.
- Current members will receive (1) point for each new member recruited (either individual or venter member)
- To receive credit for a new member, the new member must fill out the “Referred By” section on the membership application.
- If the new member attends the 2015 conference (5) additional points will be awarded
- The member with the most recruiting points accumulated will be awarded the prize of \$500 at our 2015 Annual Conference.
- In case of a tie, the prize will be equally divided among the winners. We strongly encourage all members to participate in this effort. A monetary prize is an excellent incentive. Please visit our web-site at [www.sgfma.org](http://www.sgfma.org) to learn more about our Association. Potential members can apply on-line or submit an application in writing! Prompting new members to join SGFMA will help us remain a strong organization by continually increasing our membership numbers. “Strength in Numbers” will assure the widest opportunities to share the Association’s mission and core objectives. **DISCLAIMER:** SGFMA is not responsible for the failure to receive proper recognition of a member’s recruiting efforts. All submissions must be legibly written or typed and submitted as provided in these contest rules. Interpretation of these rules and their applications are the sole discretion of SGFMA.

## SGFMA Membership Drive

CLICK HERE



WIN \$500!







The best way to help raise the level of our profession is by sharing our success stories. Tell us about a new improvement or innovative practice that your fleet is using. We encourage you to nominate your organization for an award to be presented at the Southeast Governmental Fleet Managers Annual Meeting. The *Jan Smoak Memorial Award for Quality Fleet Management* will recognize Individual Innovative Practices in Fleet Repair and/or Maintenance in three different categories – city, county and state government. Award application may be downloaded online at <http://sgfma.org/sgfma.php?incfile=awards.html>.



## SGFMA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The best way to perpetuate our profession is to develop leadership for tomorrow. SGFMA proudly embraces this belief by actively supporting a scholarship program directed towards graduating High School Seniors and current College/University Students. The *Darrell E. Floyd Scholarship* awards are funded by the association each year to assist those are pursuing higher education in a certified degree program in an accredited institution. Scholarship application may be downloaded online at <http://sgfma.org/sgfma.php?incfile=awards.html>.12qw





## Southeast Governmental Fleet Managers Association 2015 Officers

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Region 2: Bamberg, Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Hampton, Jasper, Orangeburg

Region 3: Abbeville, Aiken, Allendale, Barnwell, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, Saluda

Region 4: Anderson, Cherokee, Chester, Greenville, Oconee, Pickens, Spartanburg, Union, York

Region 5: Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Marion, Marlboro, Williamsburg

Region 6: All counties in the states of Georgia and Florida

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# SGFMA

## Mission Statement

*Our Mission Statement is:*

- *To foster and promote the advancement of the fleet profession through membership, association, and assistance to fellow fleet managers.*
- *To provide an open forum for the exchange of ideas, experience, and information related to the fleet management profession.*
- *To develop and promote improved standards and methods for the good management of fleet operations and assets.*
- *To seek the improvement of laws and regulations pertaining to fleet administration.*
- *Provide the exchange of information on procurement, maintenance, operation, and disposition of fleet equipment.*
- *Promote the professional, social, and personal interaction between members of the fleet management profession.*
- *To promote improved intergovernmental profession.*

All our board members are actively working to achieve each of these goals to promote our profession as a top quality Fleet Manager Association. We are also working hard to keep our association dues, training, and conference expenses to the lowest possible cost to make it affordable for your education, training, and conference expenses to the lowest possible cost to make it affordable for your education and training needs.

*Doug Ingle*  
President, SGFMA

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