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# FLEET STREET NEWS



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## Greetings Everyone,

WOW!! CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE for putting together and supporting a wonderful conference this year. You all made our 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Expo the most highly attended and best ever. It was a great celebration and showed all the hard work that was put into it. It was also great to recognize our past Presidents and to listen to how our Association started and evolved throughout the years. The work and time that they and their boards served is what has helped us to be where we are today. We owe a great deal of Thanks to them, our Exhibitors, Affiliates, Chairpersons, Directors, Officers, Committees, and other Volunteers.

Treasurer and Annual Meeting Chairperson **Karen Hyatt** worked what seemed like more hours in the day to bring things together in making for a great conference for all of us. As always, Exhibitor Relations Director **Marty**

**Burr** worked miracles in getting the record number of exhibits there and in place for the Expo along with arranging for

the night out show and transportation, etc. I noticed Board Members **Ron Nichols** and **Garland Veasey** helping some of the vendors at the Expo in getting equipment in and parked in their space. Vice President and Program Committee Chairperson **Doug Ingle** selected and worked with the workshop presenters in bringing us the great classes we were able to attend during the conference. He was also seen running around making sure the classrooms were setup as needed and had the requested AV equipment setup and operational. And speaking of running around, **Mitch Corbett**, as in past years, set out the easels and signage before every class and event making sure we knew where to go next. Board member **Ray Walden** showed us one of his talents by building and donating the easels from his personal workshop. Former board member, and always helping, **Deidre Johnson** worked registration along with Board Mem-

ber and Membership Committee Chairperson **Shelia James**, Secretary and Nominating Committee Chairperson **Judy Lucas**, **Johnny Ingle**, **Diana Nichols**, and Board Member **Trixie Harrington**, and. Past President, Board Member, and Professional Development Committee Chairperson **Jimmy Brown** lead our Prayer Breakfast sharing with us the guidance, insight, and knowledge of the Lords word in why we are here. In the business meeting during the conference, Board Member and Awards Committee Chairperson **Jeff McCormack** announced State and Association Awards; Secretary and Nominating Committee Chairperson **Judy Lucas** conducted the nominations and elections of Board member positions; Treasurer and Annual Meeting Chairperson **Karen Hyatt** gave the Treasurers and Finance Reports; Board Member and Information & Publicity Committee Chairperson **Garland Veasey** gave his report on information on newsletters and our website; Board Member and Membership Committee Chairperson **Shelia James** gave her report on membership; Board Member and Audit Committee Chairperson **Jerry Glass** submitted the Audit report; Board Member, and Professional Development Com-

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## 2012 Annual Meeting Overview



The 20<sup>th</sup> SGFMA Annual Meeting and Equipment Show was held September 23<sup>rd</sup> – September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at the Myrtle Beach Sheraton and Convention Center. By all measures, the meeting was a roaring success. Activities started on Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> with the golf tournament kicking off in the morning and the Chrysler presentation in the afternoon followed by the Vendor Reception. Past SGFMA Presidents were introduced and honored at the reception.

Monday morning began with opening remarks from our President Rick Smith and NAFA's President Daniel Nuckolls, followed by the keynote speaker, Jim Frank, CEO Wheels, Inc., who discussed "Fuel/Technology and Fleet Management's Future." Other speakers for Monday's workshops included Jamison Walker and Ryan Cornett with Virginia Clean Cities; Steve Whaley, Alliance Autogas; Bill Powell, ARI; Sean Flaherty, Centralina Council of Governments and Katie Drye, Advanced Energy. The afternoon portion of Monday was spent in the Exhibit Hall with 110 exhibitors representing every facet of fleet operations. Members were able to visit the exhibitors to learn about the latest products and services for a successful fleet operation.

"Stepping Stones to Success" was the motivational topic presented by MeriKay H. Tillman, which kicked off Tuesday morning at the Annual Meeting. Ford Motor Company and General Motors presentations were both well received by the attendees. At the Business and Awards Luncheon, each SGFMA Committee Chairperson gave an update on their respective committee. SGFMA presented the Bill Nix Scholarship Award and the Jan Smoak Award(s) to SGFMA members. (See page 6 for SGFMA Award winners). In addition, State Fleet Management presented awards to SC state agencies. (See page 7 for SFM Award Winners.) Workshops continued after the Business and Awards Luncheons with topics that included "Stress Management"- Ramsey Makhuil, MPH, "Computers for Your Shop" – Adam Becker, Arsenal Associates, "Spec Writing"-Scott Nabers, City of Charlotte and "Hydraulic Generator Information" by Jerry Brock, Harrison Hydraulics. Roundtable(s) meetings were held on Wednesday morning for City/County attendees and for State government attendees. The Annual meeting ended with motivational speaker, Rose Rock.

Presentations made at the Annual Meeting for 2012 are available for review on our website at <http://sgfma.org/sgfma.php?incfile=presentations2012.html>.



### 2013 SGFMA Annual Meeting & Equipment Show

Where: North Charleston Convention Center & Embassy Suites

When: September 15–18, 2013

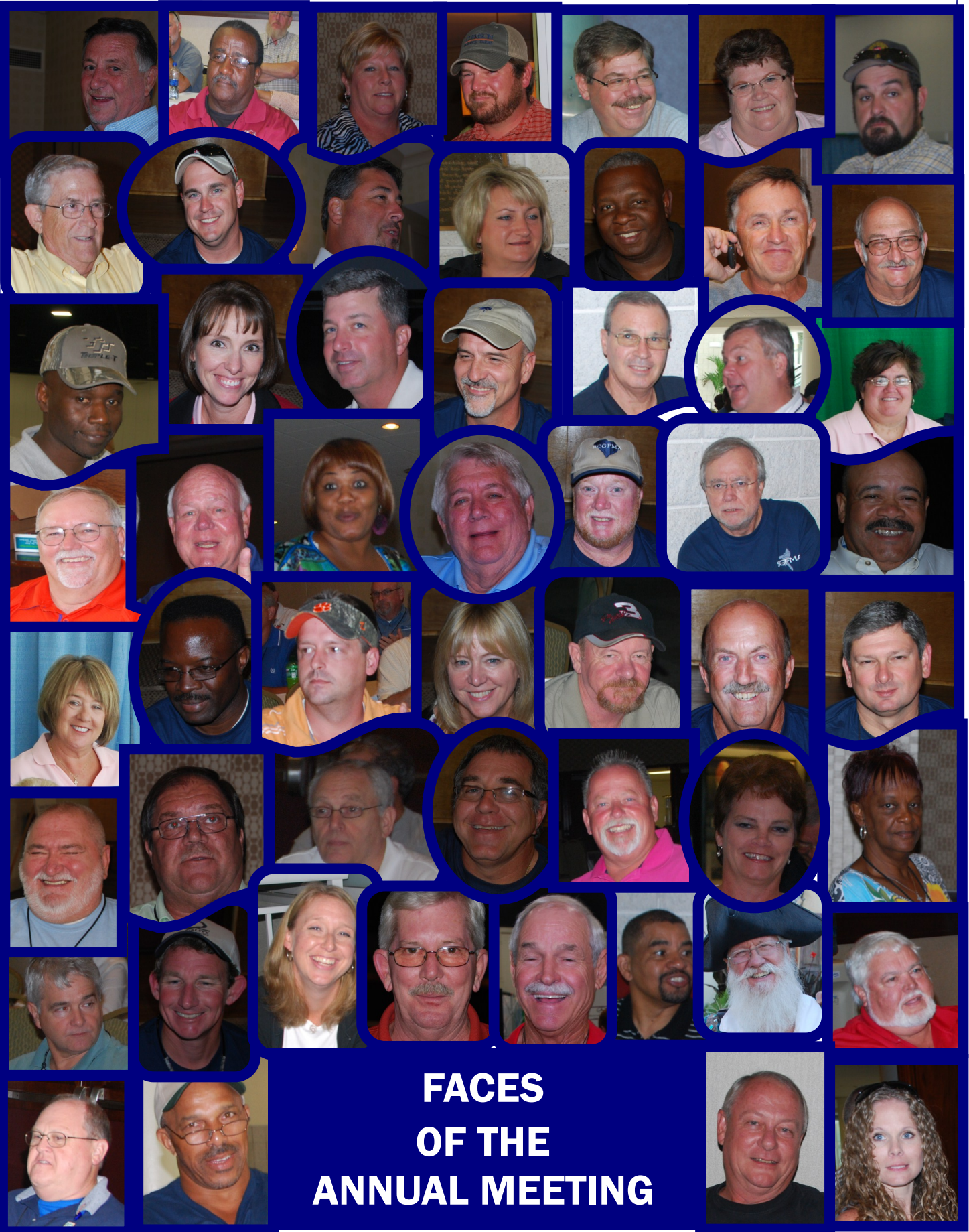
Register online or retrieve a registration form at:

<http://sgfma.org/AnnualMeeting/>

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OF THE  
ANNUAL MEETING**







# SGFMA AWARDS

Spartanburg Water System received the Jan Smoak Award for Improved Productivity



Pictured L-R: Deidre Johnson, SGFMA Awards Committee, Michael Clardy, Spartanburg Water, Delton Grissett, SGFMA Awards Committee



Judy Lucas, SC Forestry accepts the Darryl E. Floyd Scholarship Award for her daughter, Alexis

Marty Burr, City of Rock Hill receives the President Award from President Rick Smith



SC DOT Charleston received the Jan Smoak Award for Increased Cost Savings

Pictured L-R: Delton Grissett-SGFMA Awards Committee, Sheila James-SC DOT-Charleston, Deidre Johnson, SGFMA Awards Committee

# SC State Fleet Management AWARDS



Best Fleet Safety Program  
Large Agency  
SC Department of Transportation

Pictured L-R: Perry Huckabee-SCDOT, Sam Riddle-SCDOT, and Jeff McCormack-State Fleet Manager



Best Fleet Safety Program  
Most Improved Agency  
SC Budget &

Pictured L-R: Holly Bockow-SC State Budget & Control Board and Jeff McCormack-State Fleet Manager



Best Fleet Safety Program  
Small Agency  
Newberry County Council on Aging

Pictured L-R: Stephanie Lake-Newberry County Council on Aging and Jeff McCormack-State Fleet Manager



# Other Annual Meeting Highlights



Past Presidents were honored at this years Annual Meeting: L-R: Karen Hyatt, Ron McLean, Mike Horne, Dennis Taylor, Marty Burr, Charlie Jones, Edgar Heustess, Jimmy Brown, Rick Smith Not Pictured: Bob Gannon, Terry Hughey, Oscar Tribble, Bob Bonner (deceased), Jan Smoak (deceased)



## Pirate's Voyage





## SRS-Safety Restraint Systems - Training

This class is ESSENTIAL for Managers, Shop Foreman, and Technicians. The class will be result driven for all leaders and persons responsible for and/or safely diagnosing problems and making repairs to any and all safety restraint systems and components. These systems are dangerous and pose a threat for repair technicians and vehicle operators unless the correct procedures, tools, and available **TRAINING** are a part of the repair plan for **SRS** in our fleet vehicles. Join us for a focused and informative training session to empower your technicians and help keep them safe while handling the vehicle SRS system repairs in your facility. Class outline is as follows:

- Types of SRS systems and component locations
- Safety Precautions—A close look at WHY and WHY NOT!!!!
- In vehicle REPAIR precautions and considerations
- First Responder – The right to know—The need to know for everyone's safety.

**When: November 27th, 2012**

**Time: 8:30AM to 3:00 PM**

**Location: City of Rock Hill**

**757 S. Anderson Rd**

**(Rooms 132 & 133)**

**Rock Hill, SC 29730**



**Lunch will be provided by SGFMA.**

This is a free training class, don't miss this opportunity.

**Registration Deadline is November 9<sup>th</sup> and class is restricted to the first 75 people to register**

To register, please contact:

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Or

Download a registration form @ <http://sgfma.org/sgfma.php?incfile=training.html>

## Southeast Governmental Fleet Managers Association 2012 Officers

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**Region 1:** Calhoun, Clarendon, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lancaster, Lee, Lexington, Newberry, Richland, Sumter

**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

**Region 7:** All counties in the states of North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee

*Never doubt that a small group of  
committed people can change the  
world. Indeed, it is the only thing  
that ever has.*

*--Margaret Mead*



## Welcome New Members



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.

### City of Knoxville, TN

Keith Shields  
Michelle Pons  
Keri Collins

### CST Fleet Services

Ron Hall  
Jon White  
Hayes Smith

### Hendrick Motors of Charlotte

Stephanie Insko

### Mark Your Calendar

Nov. 6, 2012

Don't forget to vote!!

Nov. 27, 2012

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Watch for more  
training sessions  
to come in 2013.



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mittee Chairperson **Jimmy Brown** gave his report on the workshops, roundtables, and events throughout the year. Others instrumental in making the conference a success and those we could not do it without are Board Members **Don Foote, Charles Garren, Johnny Reid, and Juan Vega**. Please forgive me for those I failed to mention and/or the roles filled and let me know so I can include them in our next newsletter. We as a board will be going over the vendor and member critique sheets that you turned in at the conference to see where we are and where we need to be in growing this organization and to make our conferences even better.

Before I end I have to say how much I enjoyed the "Purchasing Vehicles and Equipment" roundtable that was just held at the Clemson Training Center in Columbia recently. There was great discussion between vendors and members in sharing information and working on how to improve some state and local processes. Many Thanks goes to Garland Veasey for the use of the Lake house meeting facility and to Marty Burr and Doug Ingle for moderating the discussions. Please let the Professional Development Committee Chairperson Jimmy Brown know what other roundtable and other events you would like to see, along with any help or ideas on where to hold them; Great Job Jimmy.

Again, Thanks to our Exhibitors, Sponsors, Members, and Everyone for what you do for this Organization. Please check out your SGFMA website [www.sgfma.org](http://www.sgfma.org) for upcoming events and 2013 conference information. I Hope all have a safe and joyous time throughout the upcoming Holidays.

*Rick*

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## SGFMA GOALS:

- 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.