

Fleet Street News

Message from the President



Greetings everyone and welcome to our Spring 2023 Edition of Fleet Street News!

Our Annual Conference is just around the corner and your Board of Directors have been working hard on the content for this year's conference. We hope you will be able to join us at the Beach in September!

Have you registered for our new membership portal? If not, you can do that here at [Membership Portal](#). You can manage your membership, see contact information for other members and vendors as well as pay the annual membership dues and conference fees through this membership portal. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions regarding this new membership platform.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the Beach in September!

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SGFMA Annual Meeting & Equipment Show September 10-13, 2023

Come join us for the SGFMA Annual Meeting & Equipment Show, September 10-13 at the Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel. You will have the opportunity to network with others in the fleet industry and learn from some of the best.

There will be classes for fleet managers to include air quality, oil analysis programs, safety classes and a replacement schedule course. For technicians, we will be featuring 2-three-hour classes on several different topics to be presented by A/C Delco. We are in talks with a company to provide an Air Brakes Certification course. This course would require an additional cost, but the class will be

subsidized by SGFMA to help keep the cost as low as possible. Watch for more details to come soon.

The Round Table session will be back again this year at our opening session, which received a lot of positive feedback last year. Think about all the issues you are dealing with in and around your fleet; this is your chance to receive some excellent responses to your questions. Vendors are also welcome to attend this opening session.

We have a block of room reserved at the Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel for the single rate of \$152 per night. [Click here](#) for hotel reservations. Last day to book hotel at the special group rate is August 7, 2023.

[Register Now](#) for the Annual Meeting & Equipment Show

Professional Development Corner

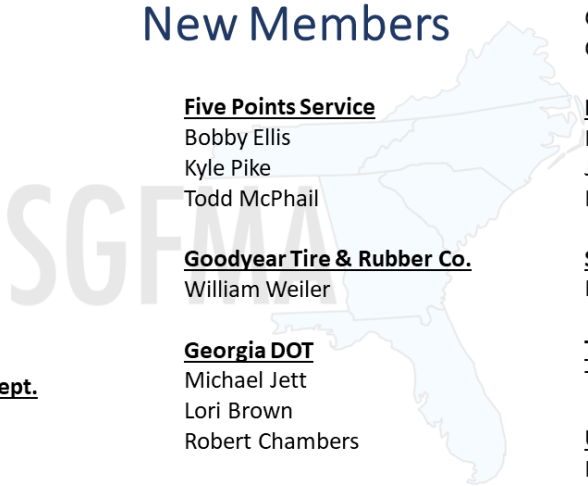
We have held 3 training events so far this year. All classes were presented through WebEx as well as in person.

The first class was presented by Code 3 on the new Matrix system. This is the second class we have had on this topic. We didn't get too many folks signed up for this one and after doing it a second time, we feel that if we do this class again, we will only offer it in-person. The class has too much material and the hand on part is so much more helpful!

The second class was through the A/C Delco trainer that you saw at last year's conference. This was held online and covered GM programming and the things you need to be successful in programming these vehicles.

The third class was presented by Schaeffer Oil Company on Engine Oils. They will be offering a training at our Annual Meeting in September, so be sure to register!

We are still trying to get all the bugs worked out with the online training and I feel we are now on the right track. Having the material on your screen instead of the instructor seems to be working a lot better. We will continue to seek out more training and finish things up at the Annual Meeting.



**Welcome
New Members**

<p><u>Beaufort County Fleet Management</u> Todd Davis</p> <p><u>Carter's Equipment & Specialty Products</u> Billy Carter</p> <p><u>City of Dublin</u> Gerald Thigpen</p> <p><u>City of East Point, GA</u> Alphonso Linsey</p> <p><u>Coweta County Fire Dept.</u> Steve Addison Jamie Cash Matt Dailey</p>	<p><u>Five Points Service</u> Bobby Ellis Kyle Pike Todd McPhail</p> <p><u>Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.</u> William Weiler</p> <p><u>Georgia DOT</u> Michael Jett Lori Brown Robert Chambers</p>	<p><u>PassTime</u> Joshua Frank Chris Machecca Casey Spivey</p> <p><u>Progress Solar Solutions</u> Dan McKenzie Jason Copeland Ron Tedder</p> <p><u>Samsara</u> Michael Harper</p> <p><u>Town of Mount Pleasant</u> Terry McElwain</p> <p><u>USC DLEC</u> Phillip Ellis Katrina Eastwood</p>
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Conference Agenda (tentative)

We are on the final stretch for the programs and seminars for the Annual Meeting in Myrtle Beach this year. We have classes setup for the manager to include Air Quality, Oil Analysis Programs, Safety Classes, and a Replacement Schedule course. For the techs, we have classes set up with our A/C Delco trainer for two 3-hour classes on several different topics. They are about to release some new courses and we are trying to get them setup for you. More to come about this one.

Additionally, we are in talks with a company to provide an Air Brake Certification course. This course will require an additional cost, but the class will be subsidized by Association to help keep it as low as possible. This class will be split into two days. Sunday afternoon and Tuesday morning. That way your technicians can come in on Sunday morning for the first part of the training, then they will be there on Monday for the Vendor Show and then attend the second half of the training on Tuesday morning.

Finally, we will be bringing back the Round Table session that we did last year at our opening session. We had a lot of feedback last year about this one. As with last year, I will have questions ready but please bring your own questions/topics you would like to discuss as a group. This is all about the issues we are dealing with in and around our Fleets. Vendors are also welcome to attend to hear and respond. So, we will continue to work on getting it all wrapped up and hope to see you all in September at the Beach!

Vendor's Corner

Our Annual Conference will be held at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center September 10th - 13th. The Equipment Show will be on Monday, September 11th, with set up the day before on Sunday, September 10th.

[Register Now](#) for the Annual Meeting & Equipment Show.

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