



Fleet Street News

Fall 2017

the President's Message

Hello fellow SGFMA members,
It is hard to believe that the 25th anniversary of our annual conference has come and gone. I think it was one of the best conferences yet. If you weren't able to attend, you missed a really good time and missed out on hearing some very good speakers. We heard about new vehicle options from GM, Fiat/Chrysler, and Ford. Workshops were run concurrently for technicians and supervisors to try and have something of interest for everyone throughout the conference. The dinner cruise in Charleston Harbor was a favorite of everyone that attended. We had an exhibit hall with close to 100 vendors displaying their products and services. Without their support we would not be able to hold a conference each year.

There are many things that go on behind the scenes throughout the year with SGFMA. There is constant planning and preparation for the conference, which includes contacting speakers for workshops, making meal and snack preparations, organizing the exhibit hall to make sure each vendor has ample space to display their products, and even purchasing door prize items to be given away. If anyone has a desire to serve on a committee or if you have suggestions for speakers for next year's conference, please contact any board member with that information. This organization is for all of us to learn ways to make our jobs better and easier. There are so many networking opportunities with members and vendors that we are losing out if we aren't using them. There are so many great people in this organization that are always willing to help if you ask. I have never been disappointed when asking a fellow member for advice. They

either have a very helpful answer or have a suggestion of someone that can help, so use this organization for your benefit and help out where you can.

In closing I would like to thank the great group of people that make up SGFMA. Each member is special to the growth and continuation of this organization. Please reach out to any city, county, or state organization in joining SGFMA. A special "Thank You" to each Board member for all you have done this year and to Karen Hyatt and Marty Burr for all of the hard work and planning that they put into the conference this year. Our outgoing President Garland Veasey did a tremendous job this year and thankfully has agreed to stay on the Board. I will do my best with the help of all of you to continue to make SGFMA the best Fleet Association in the country.

Sincerely,
Gene Jordan
City of Rock Hill

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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.

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

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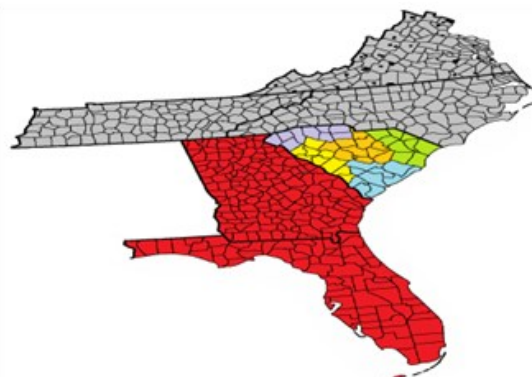


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SAFETY FIRST



Fall is upon us which leads to a lot of mornings with foggy conditions. Colder morning and evening temperatures with the addition of any moisture can create the potential for fog. Fog can be thought of as a cloud at ground level. It forms when the temperature drops to the dew point (the temperature at which air is saturated), and invisible water vapor in the air condenses to form suspended water droplets. Driving in heavy fog is like driving with a blindfold on. Fog can reduce visibility to 1/4 mile or less, creating hazardous driving conditions. If you have to travel in foggy conditions follow these safety tips from the National Weather Service:

- Slow down and allow extra time to reach your destination.
- Make your vehicle visible to others both ahead of you and behind you by using your low-beam headlights since this means your taillights will also be on. Use fog lights if you have them.
- Never use your high-beam lights. Using high beam lights causes glare, making it more difficult for you to see what's ahead of you on the road.
- Leave plenty of distance between you and the vehicle in front of you to account for sudden stops or changes in the traffic pattern.
- To ensure you are staying in the proper lane, follow the lines on the road with your eyes.
- In extremely dense fog where visibility is near zero, the best course of action is to first turn on your hazard lights, then simply pull into a safe location such as a parking lot of a local business and stop. If there is no parking lot or driveway to pull into, pull your vehicle off to the side of the road as far as possible. Once you come to a stop, turn off all lights except your hazard flashing lights, set the emergency brake, and take your foot off of the brake pedal to be sure the tail lights are not illuminated so that other drivers don't mistakenly run into you.



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.***

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(Daughter of member Sheila James)
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