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# SGFMA Newsletter

### Special points of interest:

- Next free training class is August 18th
- Annual Meeting Update
- Tips to Prevent Heat Stress



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coast and to Canada. Our vendors generously support our Association thru membership dues, contributions, training support and access to products and competitive pricing necessary for maintaining our vehicles and equipment. I would like to say "Thank you" to all our vendors.

Thank you for your continued support in me as your President. Please contact me or any board member to share your ideas, thoughts or concerns with us.

Sincerely,  
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best places to network is at our Annual Meeting, which will be held Oct 2 - 5, 2011 in Myrtle Beach. I am excited about SGFMA partnering with the Carolina Chapter of NAFA at our Annual Meeting. Read more about our Annual Meeting in this newsletter.

Memberships keep growing and we hope to have the largest vendor membership to date this year. Our vendor membership extends from the east coast to the west

Greetings SGFMA Members,

On behalf of all the Board, I want to take a moment to thank all of our members for your support in this Association and extend a WELCOME to new members. You have made this Association one of the best in Fleet Management.

As our Annual Meeting is coming soon, there has been a lot of work already started to make it the best yet. Networking is

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## Name This Newsletter Contest

Our newsletter needs a proper name....So put on your thinking cap and come up with a unique name.

Once names are submitted, the Board of Directors will vote for the winning entry. The winner will receive an Outback gift card. Submit your entries to [khyatt@sumtercountysc.org](mailto:khyatt@sumtercountysc.org).

Deadline for submissions is August 15th.



## Training Update

SGFMA has hosted several training sessions this year. On April 21st, 2011 SGFMA held a one day training session in Greenville at the Michelin Training Facility with 35 people attending. The title of the class was "Tire Program Management," which was directed to Fleet Managers, Supervisors, and Shop Foreman. Michelin provided the training instructors, lunch and refreshments for this class. All who attended were impressed with the content of the training.

A second one day class is being offered as a follow up to the first "Tire Program Management" class by popular request. More technicians will be allowed to attend this class. It will also be held at the Michelin Training Facility in Greenville on August 18th, 2011. Registrations for attendees are being accepted now and the class is reserved for the first 35 folks to sign up for the class.

On June 16th, 2011, SGFMA offered a one day class on Automotive Air Conditioning (Emerging Technology and Service Methods). The instructor for this class was Mr. Joe Knight with AC Delco Training and this class had 29 attendees. It was held at the Department of Corrections Training Academy in Columbia with the assistance of Mr. Mitch Corbitt. Lunch was provided by SGFMA and was catered by Little Pigs Barbeque of Columbia.

SGFMA continues striving to provide quality training sessions at no cost to members. Any topics for specific training request may be directed to Jimmy Brown (cell 864-377-2284) or emailed to [jbrown@greenwoodsc.gov](mailto:jbrown@greenwoodsc.gov).

*"It's all to do with the training,  
you can do a lot if you're  
properly trained."  
Elizabeth II*

### NEXT TRAINING CLASS

Class: Tire Program Management

Where: Michelin Training Facility  
Greenville, SC

When: Aug. 18, 2011

Cost: Free to SGFMA Members

\*\* Space is limited

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2010 Annual Meeting Pictures

## SGFMA & NAFA Joins Together for Annual Meeting

We look forward to seeing each one of you at the 2011 Annual Meeting and Equipment Show, which will be held at the Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on **October 2- 5, 2011**. As we celebrate our nineteenth Annual Meeting, we anticipate this meeting to be the best one yet.

This year we are partnering with the Carolina Chapter of NAFA (National Association of Fleet Administrators) for our Annual Meeting. NAFA will be joining us for our networking time, meals and in the Exhibit Hall. Although, each Association will host separate sessions on Monday and Tuesday, you will have a choice on attending SGFMA sessions or NAFA sessions. Joining with NAFA will be a win-win for SGFMA, NAFA, our members and our vendors.

On Sunday, October 2, we will kick off the Annual Meeting with a golf tournament at River Oaks Golf Plantation, workshops/sessions and a "Welcome Back to the Beach Bash" with the band Sea-Cruz (sponsored by Godwin Mfg Co Inc, Lee Transport, and PJ's Truck Equipment) playing at the Vendors Reception on Sunday night. On Monday, we will have more training sessions, visit with the Exhibitors and a Ride-and-Drive with police vehicles from Ford, GM, Chrysler along with some alternative fuel vehicles. We will cap Monday night off with a visit to "Legends in Concert." There will be more training sessions on Tuesday, along with the Business Luncheon and the Awards Banquet. We will close our Annual Meeting on Wednesday with a Motivational Speaker.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding our Annual Meeting, please feel free to contact Marty Burr at 803-329-5551 or Karen Hyatt at 803-436-2241 or visit [www.sgfma.org](http://www.sgfma.org). We look forward to seeing you at the Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel in Myrtle Beach.

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## Annual Meeting Program Committee Report

The Program Committee, under the direction of Rick Smith, is in the final stages of setting up the Speaker Sessions for our 19th Annual Meeting in October. We would like to thank everyone (Exhibitors and Members) for their help and support.

In working with what our members requested in the survey that was sent out, along with other means of contact such as email, in person, and by phone, the committee and other Board members have worked on getting all the classes in place. In having classes involving Regulation, Certification, Inspections, Licensing, Maintenance, etc. along with the Manufacturer Presentations and the new Ride and Drive, there should be something for everyone (whether a Manager, Technician, Director or Officer) to learn and take back with them.

Although this year's annual meeting classes are set, we continue to encourage our members to contact us and let us know their needs and ideas for the 20th Annual Meeting next year.



Attendees at a 2010 Annual Meeting Training Session

## Safety First.....Prevent Heat Stress

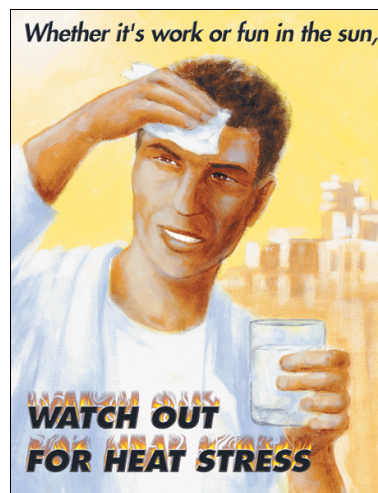
Workers who are exposed to extreme heat or work in hot environments may be at risk of heat stress. Exposure to extreme heat can result in occupational illnesses and injuries. Heat stress can result in heat stroke, heat exhaustion, heat cramps, or heat rashes. Heat can also increase the risk of injuries in workers as it may result in sweaty palms, fogged-up safety glasses, and dizziness. Burns may also occur as a result of accidental contact with hot surfaces or steam.

### Tips to PREVENT HEAT STRESS:

Workers should avoid exposure to extreme heat, sun exposure, and high humidity when possible. When these exposures cannot be avoided, workers should take the following steps to prevent heat stress:

- Wear light-colored, loose-fitting, breathable clothing such as cotton. Avoid non-breathing synthetic clothing.
- Gradually build up to heavy work.
- Schedule heavy work during the coolest parts of day.
- Take more breaks in extreme heat and humidity. Take breaks in the shade or a cool area when possible.
- Drink water frequently. Drink enough water that you never become thirsty.
- Avoid drinks with caffeine, alcohol, and large amounts of sugar.
- Be aware that protective clothing or personal protective equipment may increase the risk of heat stress.
- Monitor your physical condition and that of your coworkers.

Information for this article was obtained from [www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/heatstress/](http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/heatstress/). Visit this site to learn more about heat stress.



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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.