

Southeast Governmental
Fleet Managers Association

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This newsletter is a publication of the South Carolina Governmental Fleet Managers Association and is provided at no cost to members and potential members.

It is hard to believe another year has passed and this is the first newsletter for 2006. The Board of Directors, Officers, Committee Members, the Annual Meeting Committee and Membership all share in the success and accomplishments made during 2005. Not only was the work rewarding to each of these but I personally feel each member received something special from SCGFMA because of the dedication of these leaders. We are a team of supportive and committed professionals with a positive focus as we visualize positive growth in our organization. There is room for all to have part in the work of our organization and I encourage all members, both old and new, to please feel the necessity to volunteer your services and support today. Committee Chairpersons have been assigned and are looking for dedicated people to serve with them on the committee's. Call one of the Chairpersons or any Board member to volunteer. I wish to say THANK YOU to the membership and all who had a part in supporting me as President of this great organization. My goal is to move forward with a positive focus and continue the trend of the leaders before me. I promise my commitment and dedication to the duties of this office and with your help we can support growth, membership, and most of all promote a family type atmosphere in a professional organization. I solicit and encourage this level of commitment from every Board Member and Elected Officer presently serving SCGFMA. Let the fun begin!!!

Jimmy Brown, President,
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ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Annual Meeting held in October 2005 was a tremendous success. Attendance, vendors and exhibits were nothing less than outstanding. Our Annual Meeting Committee and Registration Team made everyone feel welcome and were very helpful answering questions and sending attendees in the right direction. The weather for the annual golf tournament that was held on a Sunday was excellent. On Monday Ford Motor Company presented very informative session showcasing their upcoming vehicles in the morning session and the afternoon was devoted to the Vendors exhibits. Despite the cool, rainy weather, Vendor Day turned out to be a successful event, with 68 vendors. There were vendor door prizes given away at the end of the day and everyone received a prize. General Motors Corporation and Daimler-Chrysler Motor Company presented very informative session showcasing their upcoming vehicles on Tuesday. The Association thanks General Motors Corporation, Ford Motor Company and Daimler-Chrysler Motor Company for their support and participation at the 2005 annual meeting. Workshops were held on Tuesday and tickets were given out at each session. These tickets were for a special drawing to be held at the closing session on Wednesday. The Board would like to thank Jack Davis again for taking photos of this year's meeting. We can always count on Jack to provide the Association with entertaining photos to capture the moments and memories of each year's annual meeting.

It seems as though the Annual Meeting gets better and better each year. We are always looking for ways to improve, so if you have any ideas, please let us know!! The Vendors were happy to be able to be a part of our Annual Meeting and many expressed their desire to come back in 2006. The Association appreciates the Vendors and all their support at this meeting as well as throughout the year. The speakers were outstanding and offered the members plenty of information to take back to their organizations.

HOT SCOOP!!!!

The 2006 Southeast Governmental Fleet Managers Association (sponsored by SCGFMA) will hold our Annual Meeting on October 1 – 4, 2006, at the Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel in Myrtle Beach, SC (see enclosed brochure). For your information, the room rates for 2006 are \$78.00 per night. We look forward to your joining us on October 1 – 4, 2006. Watch for additional information in the coming months.

SCGFMA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The SC Governmental Fleet Managers Association awarded a \$500.00 scholarship in memory of the late Mr. Darrell E. Floyd at the 2005 Annual Meeting. The recipient was: Casey P. Pornovets from Greenville, SC.

SCGFMA AWARDS

The Bill Nix Award for innovative fleet management accomplishment for cost savings for a City was awarded to The City of Cayce; SC. Accepting the award for the city was Mr. Edgar Heustess, Fleet Service Manager City of Cayce.

The Bill Nix Award for innovative fleet management accomplishment for cost savings for a State Agency was awarded to The South Carolina Forestry Commission. Accepting for the commission was Mr. Charlie Jones of The Forestry Commission.

The SCGFMA President's Award for individual innovative practices in fleet repair and/or maintenance was awarded to Mr. Edgar Heustess, Fleet Service Manager City of Cayce, South Carolina.

STATE FLEET SAFETY AWARDS

Awards are presented annually to those agencies (within agency-size category) that have the lowest Accident Frequency Rate (AFR) and best administer the provisions of the State Fleet Safety Program. These awards were presented during the Business Luncheon held on Tuesday at the Annual Meeting.

Large Agency

This award went to..SC Department of Parks Recreation and Tourism

Medium Agency

This award went to..SC Commission for the Blind

Small Agency

This award went to...State Lottery Commission

Most Improved Agency

This award went to...SC Department of Agriculture

OUTSTANDING MAINTENANCE FACILITY AWARDS

The Outstanding Maintenance Facility Awards are presented by, State Fleet Management, to maintenance shops that earn a score of “Outstanding” during their annual Certification Review. These awards were also presented during the Business Luncheon held on Tuesday at the Annual Meeting.

Facility that received the award this year was: **The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina.**

Make sure your facility qualifies for next year.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

INFORMATION/PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

We need your input to keep everyone informed of what is going on! The committee welcomes any news, tips, or other useful information that might be helpful to the members of our Association. We will be sending out newsletters in April, August, and December of each year. You can send your information to me and I will make sure that it gets published. Email me at amance@ddsn.sc.gov. Thanks for your help in making our newsletter informative and exciting to read!!

Also, if anyone has any issues or problems that need addressing, please contact one of the board members so that it can be resolved. These can be sent anonymously. We are committed to keeping this Association fair and to making sure that everyone feels welcome and equal. We will not turn anyone away! We want to keep all of our current members, while recruiting new ones.

Allen Mance, Jr
Chair, Information / Publicity Committee

2006 TRAINING SESSIONS

In 2005 we provided several free training sessions to our members. Kerry Stalnaker and Mitch Corbitt are already working on the training for 2006. They are looking into topics that were recommended on the evaluation sheets submitted at the Annual Meeting. As soon as classes are scheduled, you will receive more information. Keep your eyes open for these dates and sign up for these informative **FREE** (to members) classes!!

www.scgfma.org - is our web site!

Take it for a test ride and let Jim Castle, our web master know how what you think about it.

Finally.....

It's so sad to say good bye; but that is what we must do to Amber Anderson (Director Region 5) of Coastal Carolina University. Amber was a devoted Association member and co-chaired the publicity committee. We say congratulations to Amber as she embarks on a new position with Coastal Carolina University. Thanks for all you have done for the Association Amber and Best Wishes for the future.

In accordance with our Association's Constitution, Article V, Section I, we elected the Association's 2006 – 2007 officers at the annual meeting. Keep this list handy and feel free to contact any of the officers when you need them!

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