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UPCOMING EVENTS



April 2007

IT Show, Ft. Worth, Texas	April 27 - 28, 2007
GARA BOD Mtg., Atlanta, GA	May 18,2007
GARA SARCATS, Atlanta, GA	May 19, 2007
ARA Convention & Exposition, Orlando, FL	Sept. 26-29, 2007



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From the Desk of . . .



Dear GARA Member:

The SARCATS in Atlanta is only a few weeks away. If you have not made your plans to attend please do so. A lot of planning and preparing is involved with these events and we need to know if you are coming. We will be having our Officer and Directors election at the Membership meeting that morning. Then we will tour a state-of-the-art shredder at Newell Recycling where we will be served lunch. Later that afternoon Roger Shroeder, from Car-Part.com will discuss the industries part grading and damage codes that has been established by ARA. The evening will bring fellow recyclers and vendors of the industry together for a reception and trade show. This is a perfect opportunity for each of us to meet new people involved in our industry. Enclosed in the newsletter is a registration form for the SARCATS in Atlanta on May 19, 2007.

This should be the last letter I write as President of GARA. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your support of me at this position. I have learned a lot and I have enjoyed my time representing the Association. But most importantly, I have developed what I hope will be everlasting friendships with many you. The Association is in good standing and strong but it will continue to need good leadership and members. I encourage each of you to take the opportunity and get involved. As I mentioned earlier, the elections will be held at the Membership meeting at SARCATS in Atlanta. This is your opportunity to participate in choosing the leaders for your Association. I look forward to seeing you there.

Again, it's been a privilege to serve GARA and you.

Sincerely,

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President



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GARA ELECTION

Please remember that the Association will hold its elections on May 19, 2007 at the SARCATS event in Atlanta. We need as many members in attendance as possible to decide the future leaders of our Association. The Nominating Committee has selected a panel of candidates but the nominations will be open to the floor at the meeting. The panel selected by the nominating committee is as follows:

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SARCATS IN ATLANTA SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 19, 2007 Schedule of Events Friday, March 18, 2007

6:00p.m. Board of Directors Meeting

Saturday, March 19, 2007

9:00a.m. Membership Meeting (Election of Officers & Directors)

11:00a.m. Tour of Newell Recycling, East Point

(Lunch Included)

3:00p.m. Seminar

Part Grading and Damage Codes

presented by Roger Shroeder

6:30p.m.-9:00p.m Reception with the Vendors

Join other recyclers and vendors of the industry for food and drink. Auction items and door prizes will be presented.



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LEGISLATIVE OUTLOOK: THE 110TH CONGRESS

Total-Loss Legislation: ARA is working with Senator Trent Lott and House Energy & Commerce Committee Chairman Dingell, who both have indicated support of total-loss disclosure. ARA is working to gain bipartisan support in both the House and Senate and secure enactment of total loss information disclosure legislation in the new Congress.

Salvage Export: The loss of our salvage supply to foreign exports is a growing problem. While free-trade laws and international treaties prevent the outright ban of salvage exports, ARA is working to secure legislative language that would tighten export controls by increasing the monitoring of salvage exports in an attempt to curtail the export practices of fraudulent actors.

Early Business in the 110th Congress: The new House leadership has kicked off the new Congress with a 100-hour agenda - including lobby and House procedural reform. A key item will be raising the minimum wage, which has not been increased in nine years, from \$5.15 to \$7.25 an hour.

Tax Cuts: House Ways & Means Committee Chairman Rangel is expected to resist broad extension

of the Bush tax cuts beyond 2010. However, he has discussed extending two middle-class tax breaks — the child credit and marriage penalty relief. He is expected to withhold judgment on two business-supported cuts on lower rates on capital gains and stock dividends. ARA is also following several attempts made in the last Congress to create tax credits for recycling.

Environment: Several environmental issues that could impact automotive recyclers may come to light in the 110th Congress given the new congressional leadership. Senate Environment & Public Works Committee Chairwoman Barbara Boxer is expected to pressure the United States Environmental Protection Agency to rescind its December 2006 ruling on monitoring drinking water exposure from unregulated chemicals. She has also indicated a desire to push EPA to develop regulations on percholorate, a rocket-fuel chemical found also in some automotive components such as airbags.

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Benefits of being a GARA member

a. A bi-monthly newsletter containing specific information on various topics of interest within the Auto & Truck Dismantling and Recycling Industry.

b. Vital information on present and pending state and federal regulations and legislation affecting the salvage industry.

c. Competitive Truck Freight Shipping Discounts.

d. Conventions, Trade Shows, Educational Seminars, Printed Materials and interaction with other salvage owners and professionals.

e. Membership Plaques.

f. Industry Specific Insurance Company Programs with Certification.

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