

THE MTA OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23 AND 24.



THE BULLETIN

HAPPY
THANKSGIVING



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe that 2023 is almost behind us.

For many it has been a challenging year, and we appreciate the fact that, even though the economy has not been the most favorable for our industry, our members have taken a long-term perspective and have continued to support the MTA and its efforts. We very much recognize the responsibility that comes with the trust you put in us. We have had another successful year starting with a productive legislative session. We have built a very strong network of elected officials to protect and advance trucking in Mississippi, and these alliances paid off again this year. In an effort to continue this pattern, our Political Action Committee helped fund the elections of several key elected officials to keep these beneficial relationships in place. We are proud to report that our campaign investments were a resounding success, and we anticipate further legislative success next year. We have also continued to nurture our connection with many of the regulatory bodies that oversee our industry for the benefit of our members. Our association has earned the respect of so many of the leaders in these various agencies, and the work we did with them this year further cemented that relationship.



HAL MILLER
President, MTA

In just the last few weeks, we met with leaders in both Mississippi CTED, as well as regional directors in FMCSA, and both organizations were very quick to point out that our members are held in the highest regard in their respective agencies.

We enjoyed gaining new members in MTA while many of our existing ones supported us not only with their dues, but through contributions to our hugely successful golf tournaments raising money for our Political Action Fund, as well as sponsorship support to for yet another record-breaking annual convention. Many members also contributed to our Foundation where we were able to give out 36 scholarships, which is the second most ever given in a single year. Further, we saw our 3rd LEAD MTA class graduate and our fourth class begin. The Truck Driving Championship was held in the spring with great participation of 117 drivers.

There were many more successes at MTA this year, but we want to look ahead to 2024 and what we can do to serve the industry. With guidance from our dedicated Board of Directors, we look forward to serving our industry while also protecting it in the new year. We will be working within the legislative process to craft laws and regulations to further enhance trucking in our state while making sure no legislation passes that is detrimental to us. Further, we will look for ways to educate our members as well as respond to the issues they feel pressured from. Promoting the industry in a positive light will be an objective of ours for a good public image, but also to draw others to work in our honorable vocation. Of course, safety is the hallmark of MTA members, so we will be sure to support our members in this area throughout the year.

We at MTA cannot thank our members enough for allowing our staff to represent you. We recognize the honor bestowed upon us to do so and commit to respect such a significant role. We hope you, your staff and your families have a blessed holiday season and a great start to 2024!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS.

Breaux Petroleum Products

Hannah Breaux
New Orleans, LA
504-977-5401

Roadmaster Drivers School of Jackson

Brad Ball
St. Petersburg, FL
727-342-6420

CDL Life

Sean Hayes
Anniston, AL
256-225-6136

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John Sumrall
Gulfport, MS
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Clint Wilkerson
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Marlon Bingham
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662-840-6831

Hammett Gravel Company

Tripp Hammett
Lexington, MS
662-832-6094

Vector Transport

Susan Zewicke
Tupelo, MS
662-844-5264

Joe McGee Construction Co.

Joe McGee
Lake, MS
601-775-3754



UPCOMING 2024 EVENTS

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SPRING PAC GOLF TOURNAMENT • APRIL 22, 2024

Reunion Golf and Country Club • Madison, MS



TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIP

MAY 3-4, 2024

Gulfport, MS



MTA ANNUAL CONVENTION • JUNE 5-9, 2024

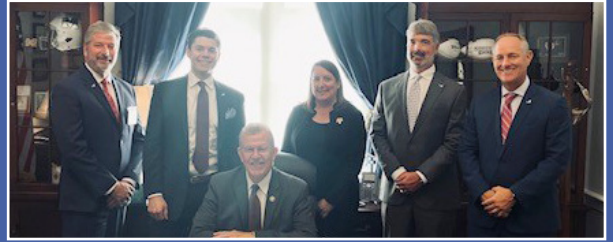
Perdido Beach Resort • Orange Beach, Alabama

Book Rooms and Registration Forms Available February 2024

CALL ON WASHINGTON

In July, MTA conducted its annual visit to the Nation's Capital for the "Call on Washington". It was a full schedule of visiting with the entire Mississippi Congressional Delegation. Our group was encouraged to discuss various issues related to the trucking industry, our challenges, and legislative efforts to help improve our industry.

Thank you to the American Trucking Associations for being such an exceptional host and arranging our meetings while on Capitol Hill. Our industry is fortunate to have ATA working diligently for us on the national level!



LEAD MTA

EDUCATING FUTURE LEADERS



Lead MTA 2023-2024 had its first meeting in October at the MTA offices in Jackson. We began our time together getting to know one another with introductions and ice-breakers. We learned this is quite a lively and competitive group! MTA staff gave an overview of the different entities provided by our association and answered any questions the group had. We also heard from Brad White, Executive Director of MDOT, Matt Lott with CTED, and Michael Stewart, Division Administrator of FMCSA. There is always something new to learn about the industry! On Wednesday evening, we enjoyed a delicious dinner at MM Shapley's with DPS officials Sean Tindell and Keith Davis.

• JANUARY •
22-23

**MTA AT THE
CAPITOL**
Jackson, MS

• APRIL •
29-30

**LEADERSHIP
AND ME**
Jackson, MS

Wesley Bolen
Darin Bridges
Michael Bungler
Harper Evans
Rodney Little
Shane Moncus
Marley Montgomery
Micah Peagler
Jacob Ralph
Miller Todd

TAG Truck Center, *Tupelo, MS*
Cummins Sales & Service, *Richland, MS*
Jackson Trailer & Equipment, *Pearl, MS*
Big Level Trucking, *Tupelo, MS*
Mid-South Transportation, *Tupelo, MS*
Jones Logistics, *Hattiesburg, MS*
Holmes Company, *Richland, MS*
Total Transportation of MS, *Richland, MS*
Big M Transportation, *Blue Mountain, MS*
MCH Transportation, *Jackson, MS*

Our next meeting will be in January, where we plan to meet at the Capitol to get an overview of the Legislative Session. Thank you to our Lead MTA Sponsors!



NEW JACKSON, TN DEALERSHIP COMING SOON!



TAG Truck Center Jackson, TN is excited to open the doors to our new dealership at 3655 Ridgcrest Road Ext on Monday, December 4! Located off I-40 at Exit 87, our convenient location is perfectly suited to get you back on the road quickly and efficiently.

The new dealership will include:

- More than 90,000 square feet
- More than \$3.5 million in parts inventory
- 44 service bays, including 10 Express Assessment bays for initial diagnostics
- Daily parts delivery routes via TAG Delivery Services
- More than 30 professional diesel technicians
- Expanded driver lounges for added convenience and comfort
- Dedication to quality customer service

OUR PROMISE TO YOU:

We will do what is **right**.

We will do our **best**.

We will **treat others the way we want to be treated**.

TAG Truck Center Jackson, TN

NEW ADDRESS:

3655 Ridgcrest Road Ext.
Jackson, TN 38305
(731) 423-3782 – Main
servicejktn@tntxtruck.com
tntxtruck.com

TAG Truck Center/Lonestar Truck Group is a regional commercial truck dealership with 24 locations across eight states.

TAG Truck Center sells, services, and provides parts for Freightliner, Western Star, SelecTrucks, Sprinter, and Thomas Built Buses, with certifications for maintenance of Cummins, CAT, and Detroit engines, as well as Allison, Eaton and Meritor transmissions.

PLEASE NOTE: Our current dealership at 112 E.L. Morgan Drive will close for moving beginning Friday, December 1 through Sunday, December 3. We will be open for business and ready to serve our customers in our new state-of-the-art facility on Monday, December 4th.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2023 SIF SAFETY WINNERS!

Many SIF members had ZERO claims for their policy period. Members were awarded safety plaques for the following categories: Safety Champion (0-10 % loss ratio), Excellence in Safety (11-25% loss ratio) and Merit of Safety (26-50% loss ratio).





FMCSA PORTAL UPDATES: ACTION REQUIRED

If you have or use an FMCSA Portal account, you must act now to maintain access.

How you log on to the FMCSA Portal is changing. FMCSA is making access more secure by implementing multifactor authentication. Soon, User ID and Passwords will no longer be used to access the FMCSA Portal.

You will access the FMCSA Portal through a Login.gov account instead of using your current FMCSA Portal username and password.

What actions do you need to take now?

To ensure you have continued access to the FMCSA Portal, you must set up a Login.gov account by Dec. 1, 2023. Please follow the attached step-by-step directions, which can also be found on the FMCSA website, to establish your account.

Don't delay – set up your Login.gov account now for immediate access to the FMCSA Portal that is easier and more secure. Once you have created your Login.gov account, instead of entering a User ID and Password, simply click the "Sign In With Login.gov" link and follow the attached instructions to log in.

Have questions or need help setting up your Login.gov account?

- State and Local Enforcement Users should contact FMCSA by dialing 617-494-3003 (Option 1) or emailing fmctechsup@dot.gov
- Carrier and Company users should dial 1-800-832-5660 or submit a question through <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/registration/ask-fmcsa>

• JANUARY •

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**MTA SAFETY
COUNCIL
MEETING**
Jackson, MS

• MARCH •

4-8

**NATMI FLEET
SAFETY
CERTIFICATION
COURSES**
Jackson, MS

• MAY •

3-4

**MS TRUCK
DRIVING
CHAMPIONSHIPS**
Gulfport, MS

Remember that your MTA Safety Department offers complete safety services to assist members to operate safer fleets. MTA's Director of Safety and Compliance, Steve Boudreaux CDS, CSIWCP, offers new safety director training, DOT type compliance reviews, and driver safety meetings, policy and procedure development assistance and many, many more services.

MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION

2023 MTA FALL PAC 4-MAN SCRAMBLE GOLF TOURNAMENT



WHAT A GREAT TOURNAMENT!

It was a beautiful day at Annandale Golf Club to play a round of golf! We had 25 teams and 99 players. Thank you to everyone who took the time to come out and support the MTA PAC!

WE APPRECIATE YOU!

Thank You Sponsors!

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MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION 2023 MTA FALL PAC WINNERS



FLIGHT 1 - 1ST PLACE

DOBBS PETERBILT



FLIGHT 1 - 2ND PLACE

TRUCKWORX/POWELL
TRANSPORTATION



FLIGHT 2 - 1ST PLACE

BURKHALTER GROUP



FLIGHT 2 - 2ND PLACE

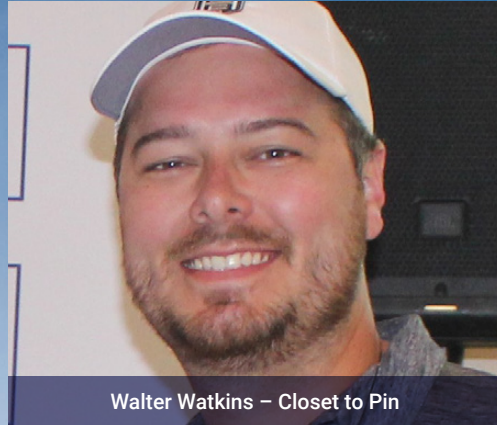
DECAL GUYS

MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION

2023 MTA FALL PAC GOLF TOURNAMENT | MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH



Sarah Jayne Johnson – Longest Drive



Walter Watkins – Closet to Pin



Cadence Insurance and Holmes Co.



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Douglas Express Delivery and Jackson T&T



Dobbs Peterbilt



Ergon Trucking



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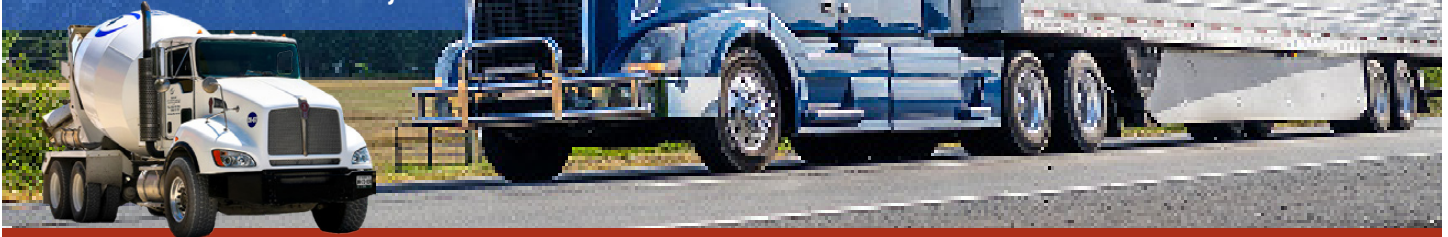
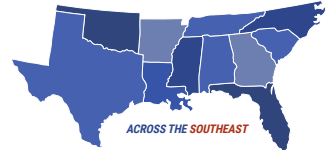
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Coastal Truck Driving School offers training at our locations or on-site training for your convenience. Our programs can be designed around your work schedule as to not disrupt business. As always, customer satisfaction is our top priority.

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MARCH 22 - 23, 2024



2023 SKEET FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2
PROVIDENCE HILL FARM
JACKSON, MS



2023 MTA F SKEET FOR SCHOLARSHIPS SPONSORS

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THANK YOU, SPONSORS! WE APPRECIATE YOU!

On Thursday, November 2, we had our annual Skeet for Scholarships which was held at Providence Hill Farm in Jackson, Mississippi.

It was a beautiful, sunny day with 66 shooters. Everyone enjoyed the shoot. This is such a special event because all of the money raised goes directly to the students of the trucking industry to help further their education.

Thank you to our shooters, sponsors and trappers.



2023 SKEET FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2
PROVIDENCE HILL FARM
JACKSON, MS



1st Place – Empire Truck Sales



2nd Place – Sojourner Trucking



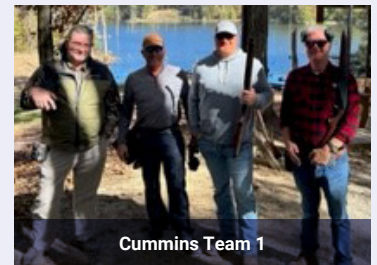
High Score – Squires Huff



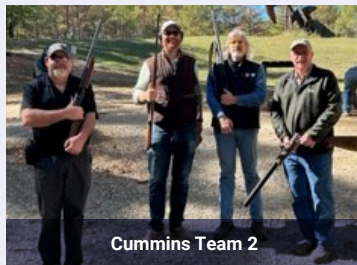
Duck Flush Winner – Ergon Trucking



Chartwell Law and Big M



Cummins Team 1



Cummins Team 2



JC Transport



Jackson Truck & Trailer



Tri-State Truck Center



TAG Team 1



TAG Team 2



Rep. Steve Massengill & Tammra Cascio



Total Transportation



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