



The Industry Update

**A membership service of the Northwest Automotive Trades Association
For the weeks of August 11 and 18, 2008**

Consider this your personal invitation – to attend the Autobody Refinishing Sector Roundtable.

Topic? To use Ecological Business Certification Program as a route to compliance with the new Oregon Auto Body air regulation

The Autobody Refinishing sector will soon be subject to a new EPA air pollution regulation. An alternative for Oregon Auto Body Shops is to become EcoBiz certified. This certification not only insures that a shop will be in compliance, but it also promotes practices that save money, increase safety and create business marketing advantages for a body shop. This roundtable will bring together some of the leading auto body shops in the region together to share insights that will be used to build the best outreach, training and incentive approaches possible for both shop managers and technicians.

Please feel free to invite other employees of your shop: owners, managers, technicians are all welcome to attend and share their ideas.

RSVP to Debra Taevs, Pollution Prevention Resource Center, dtaevs@pprc.org or 503 336-1256.

Wednesday, September 17, 8 a.m. – 10 a.m. Coffee and pastries served.
Kadel's Corporate Headquarters 9350 SW Tigard St., Tigard OR 97223
(Kadel's contact is Stephen Olsen at 503 598-1159).

Don't miss the summer benefit concert for the Association of Women in Automotive Scholarship Fund

This is what summer is all about: sun, fun, water, food, and great music! This Saturday, from 12 noon – 3 p.m., the Saw Tale Ridge Band will play an energetic mix of folk, county, faith and bluegrass. With a variety of originals, this band will make you stomp your feet, clap your hands, and have you singing along to many of your favorite songs. All are welcome! (But no pets please) The location is Ringo Pond, a beautiful setting among rolling hills. Bring a lawn chair and a picnic meal. There are picnic tables on site. Refreshments and food will be available to purchase. Enjoy paddle boats at your own risk – and remember life jackets for your little people, please.

Co-sponsored by Northwest Automotive Trades Association

Ringo Pond, 27795 S Beaver Creek Rd., Mulino, Oregon
Suggested Donation: Adults \$5, Children under 12 Free
For more information, contact: Margaret Ragan: 503-423-7355

Watch for your benefits envelope from The NATA Health Plan – Open enrollment period begins September 1. Look for your enrollment packet and complete and return the enclosed Group Privilege Agreement (GPA) to NATA by September 2, 2008. This form is for NATA members who are currently in the NATA Health Plan.

NATA's Auto Outlook ready to roll!

Watch your mail for the newest edition of Auto Outlook, NATA's quarterly newsmagazine. This issue has the latest in automotive industry news and notes, waterborne paint, the Oregon and Washington Collision Rate Survey, the new "I Drive Green and Clean" program, and high school and community college automotive scholarship programs and competitions. If you have something for Auto Outlook or would like to advertise, contact editor Barbara Crest, 503 253-9898.

Congratulations to NATA member Oregon Golf for hosting the 4th annual Four-Person Scramble on August 13, 2008, benefitting the Children's Cancer Society. The scramble format was used to promote a fun environment where ability is secondary to having a great time!

THE CALENDAR OF EVENTS:



Wednesday, August 20 – Lisa Trussell, Government Affairs Director for Health Net Health Plan of Oregon, Inc., joins us to share information about current statewide initiatives and mandates now under discussion to **decide the future of health insurance in Oregon**. Join us to learn what you can do to make sure your opinion is heard on this hot topic in our state!

LOCATION: NACM Classroom, Ste. 201
7931 NE Halsey St., Portland OR 97213
Call to register, 503 253-9898, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Members \$25 Non Members \$30

Wednesday, September 17 – Do HR issues have you baffled and confused? NATA presents **Carrie Eisenbrandt**, Beecher Carlson, with over 20 years of experience in Human Resources! From HR basics to regulatory compliance to customer service, she enjoys helping others improve their knowledge base and management abilities through managing people.

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Have questions? Want more information? We are here for you!

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