

# Industry Update

News and Information for NATA Members



January 2020

## NATA members get discount on training event



ASA-Northwest has graciously extended a significant discount for NATA members on the training being offered at the 2020

Automotive Training & Expo, being held March 27-29 at the Double Tree Hotel at the SeaTac airport. [Click here](#) for a full schedule of the dozens of classes being held. Click on "NATA member" on the drop-down menu on the [registration form](#) to receive the \$435 discounted pricing.

## 1968 'Bullitt' Mustang sells at Mecum Auctions



The 1968 Bullitt Mustang sold for \$3.74 million at Mecum Kissimmee 2020, capturing the crown for most valuable Ford

Mustang in the world.

The Mecum auction block arena at Ocala Heritage Park filled to capacity January 10 to watch history unfold (you can watch the video by [clicking here](#)).

The final hammer price on the block achieved \$3.4 million and a final sale price of \$3.74 million including the buyer's premium.

Don't forget that Mecum Auctions will return to Portland on June 12 and 13! So get your cars ready for sale (or save money so you can get your dream car). NATA and Mecum will have our annual luncheon where all NATA members get free tickets to the auction and lunch! Details to follow as NATA and Mecum finalize the dates!

## Absentee calendars available



Need a 2020 absentee calendar? Get one free from NATA. Just [email Laurie](#) or call her at (503) 253-9898.

## Youth job fair planned for this spring



The 2020 Opportunity Youth Job Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, April 10, at the Oregon Convention Center. More than 1,000 young people (more than half are 18 and older) will attend for on-site interviews.

[Click here](#) to register as an employer. Until March 1, registration is at a discounted rate of \$300, which includes one 8-foot draped table, two chairs, and two boxed lunches for your representatives. A private, curtained area with tables and chairs to conduct interviews with qualified applicants will also be available. Sponsorship packages are also available via the registration link.

If you have any questions, please contact August Dao at [adao@worksystems.org](mailto:adao@worksystems.org).

## Upcoming Events

### Portland Roadster Show

March 20-22  
Portland Expo Center  
[Click for Details](#)

### Automotive Training & Expo

March 27-29  
SeaTac, Wash.  
[Click for Details](#)

### Oregon Youth Job Fair

Friday, April 10  
Oregon Convention Ctr.  
[Click for Details](#)

### Mecum Auctions

June 12-13  
Portland, Oregon  
[Click for Details](#)

## Latest 'Who Pays' survey open for body shops

### Who PAYS for WHAT?

Collision repair shops have until January 31 to complete the latest "Who Pays for What?" survey conducted by Mike Anderson (of Collision Advice)

and CRASH Network. This national survey (one of four conducted throughout the year) focuses on not-included refinish-related, asking shops which of the items they bill for and how frequently they are paid for them by the eight largest auto insurers. The survey will take about 15-20 minutes, and can be completed by any shop owner, manager or estimator who is familiar with the shop's billing practices and the payment practices of the largest national insurers. [Click here](#) to take the survey.

## Save the dates for the Portland Roadster Show



Mark your calendar now and plan to attend the [Portland Roadster Show](#) on March 20-22 at the Portland Expo

Center. It's always one of the best automotive events of the year in Oregon!

## Second 'Education-Industry Roundtable' planned

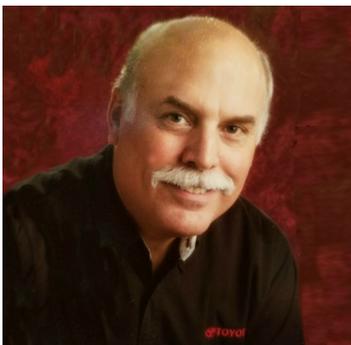


Last year's first-ever "Education Industry Roundtable" was such a great success that attendees have asked for another similar gathering this year.

So save the date for Saturday, April 25. It will be held at Portland Community College's Sylvania Campus.

The event brings together shop owners, technicians, educators, parents and school counselors to discuss opportunities and needs within our industry. Topics include technician recruitment and retention, how to become an automotive instructor, and how industry and educators can work together to each get what they need from the other.

## Memorial gathering planned for Dennis Mattoon



A celebration of life will be held January 19 in Portland for Dennis Mattoon, a high school automotive instructor (and later dean at Mt. Hood Community College), who died December 7 at age 64.

Mattoon knew at an early age he wanted to teach. He spent 32 years as the automotive instructor at Columbia/Reynolds High School in Troutdale, before becoming Dean of Industrial & Automotive Technical College at Mt. Hood Community College for five years. He retired in 2013 after making a difference in the lives of so many students.

Family, friends and colleagues will gather at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 19 at the Oregon Rail Heritage Foundation Museum (where Mattoon was a volunteer docent), 2250 S.W. Water Ave., to share memories.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to your favorite charity, or to [www.theaftd.org](http://www.theaftd.org) or [www.ALZ.org](http://www.ALZ.org). A full obituary, as well as a way to share tributes or comments to the family, is available [here](#).

## Programs help connect youth with jobs



If you're looking to fill entry-level positions or are offering internship opportunities in Multnomah or Washington counties, read on.

[Worksystems](#) is a local non-profit that coordinates a regional system to deliver workforce development programs that help people get the skills, training and education they need to go to work or advance in their careers. Worksystems leverages funding from federal, state and local legislation, grants, as well as public and private sponsorships, to support a multitude of programs that successfully deliver a competitive youth and adult workforce system.

Two of its youth programs include "SummerWorks" and "Connect2Careers."

"SummerWorks" is a paid summer internship program that targets youth from diverse backgrounds ages 16-24 who have little or no work history. Youth complete a 10-12 hour "Work Readiness Training" that gets them the key soft skills they need to succeed at work, and then they apply to get matched with paid entry- and mid-level internship opportunities with local participating employers. The opportunity cost to sponsor one intern (180 hours of work) this year is \$3,250, which includes all wages, payroll processing, workers comp, employer of record services, youth job coaching, and other youth support services.

"Connect2Careers" similarly targets diverse youth ages 16-24 who have completed the 10-12 hour "Work Readiness Training." It provides a year-round, centralized portal for youth to search, get matched, and apply for paid direct-hire, entry level jobs with local companies.

**There is no cost for employers to list their entry positions through the C2C job portal.** Participating employers are committed to the value of the "Work Readiness Training," and are prepared to prioritize these youth in the application process.

If you'd like more information or to take the next steps, contact August Dao of Worksystems, (503) 478-7347.

## Bend High School has instructor job opening



Bend High School in March will post a job opening for next school year for an instructor for its hybrid program that combines automotive technology with metal fabrication. The

capstone of the program is the design, construction and competing of electric vehicles ([click here](#) for information regarding that portion of the program). Applicants will need at least 2,000 hours of industry experience. Anyone with questions about the position can contact the current instructor, Pat Garcia, at (541) 355-3782 or [pat.garcia@bend.k12.or.us](mailto:pat.garcia@bend.k12.or.us).

## **Open house at newly-expanded CCC shop**



Clackamas Community College is holding an open house on January 31 to show off its newly remodeled and expanded Automotive

Department. Students are now learning in modern facilities with state-of-the-art equipment, similar to what they will find working in the industry.

CCC offers numerous degrees and certificates in collision repair and automotive service technology. The expansion adds 12,600 square feet of shop, storage and classroom space. Within that space are two 25-foot-by-30-foot flex labs and 12 additional technician work stations, bringing the total to 23 work stations.

This expansion doubles the space for the college's high school program, where students from regional high schools come on campus and take classes with CCC instructors.

CCC also has a partnership with the World of Speed Museum in Wilsonville for area high school automotive students. CCC provides the instructors and the curriculum and World of Speed provides the classrooms space and tools.

The remodel and expansion on the CCC Oregon City campus provides students and instructors the space they need for a productive learning environment. Students learn hands-on in a space that mimics real shops. This gives them the experience they need to be fully prepared to enter the workforce.

"CCC now has the room needed to explore opportunities to continue to grow and expand our programs, increasing the number of graduates who are ready to enter the automotive industry," Cynthia Risan, CCC dean of Technology, Applied Science and Public Services, said.

The community is invited to help celebrate the Automotive Department expansion and remodel at a grand opening January 31 at 3:30 p.m. in Barlow Hall. There will be a short program, tours and refreshments. The college is located at 19600 Molalla Ave., Oregon City.

The \$5.7-million project is funded through a bond voters approved in November 2014 to expand opportunities for students and to increase the skilled workforce in the community. This funding was supplemented by \$32 million in match funding from the state.

For questions about the grand opening, contact Public Information Officer Lori Hall at (503) 594-3162 or [lori.hall@clackamas.edu](mailto:lori.hall@clackamas.edu).

## **Mileage reimbursement rate for 2020**



Businesses should be aware that the 2020 mileage reimbursement rate will be 57.5 cents per business mile (down from 58 cents in 2019).

## **Rules being drafted for new corporate tax**

Businesses with commercial activity in excess of \$1 million in Oregon must pay a "Corporate Activity Tax" (CAT) on the total



amount a business realizes from commercial activity in Oregon. It applies to all business entities whether inside and outside of Oregon. The tax is \$250 plus 0.57% of gross receipts greater than \$1 million after subtractions.

Drafts of eight administrative rules for the new CAT are now available to the public on the CAT page of the Department of Revenue's

website at [www.oregon.gov/dor](http://www.oregon.gov/dor).

The agency has identified nearly three dozen issues which may need to be addressed with administrative rules. Those issues have been prioritized into three groups.

The first group of rules - those most business taxpayers and tax preparers have said they need to understand first - have been filed with the Secretary of State. The other two groups will follow on February 1, and March 1.

The eight drafts posted on the agency's website this week address:

- Estimated payments.
- Estimated payments for unitary groups.
- Underpayment of or delinquent estimated payments.
- What establishes nexus between a business and Oregon.
- What constitutes a unitary group for the CAT.
- Property brought into Oregon.
- The definition of agent.
- Filing extensions.

The agency previously engaged more than 800 stakeholders in the rulemaking process through a series of public meetings, video conferences and conference calls. Department officials said they will welcome additional feedback on the draft rules. Those with comments can send feedback via [email](#) (please include "comments on draft rules" in the subject line.)

When officially filed with the Secretary of State all of the rules for the CAT will initially be adopted as temporary rules. Temporary rules are only good for 180 days. Starting April 1, the department will begin the process of adopting permanent rules for the CAT. That process involves public comment, giving stakeholders another chance to provide input to the department.

More information about the Corporate Activity Tax is available on the Department of Revenue's [website](#). It includes a list of frequently asked questions and a form to sign-up for email updates on the CAT. Stakeholders can direct questions or comments about the CAT via email to [cat.help.dor@oregon.gov](mailto:cat.help.dor@oregon.gov) or call (503) 945-8005.

## NATA has a new member



**Reliable Transmission Service** is the latest company to join NATA. Reliable has been family-owned and operated since 1979, with a location in Hillsboro and one in Aloha. They service transmissions, clutches, 4x4, drivelines, axles and transfer cases. Welcome to NATA!

## Oregon agencies offer business training



Three Oregon agencies offer regular training for companies within the state.

The Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industry (BOLI) offers training seminars on such topics as wage and hour laws, discipline and discharge, and the latest developments in employment law. Details are available by [clicking here](#).

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality invites businesses that handle hazardous waste to sign up for a class covering basic management of such waste. Registration is free but on a first-come, first-served basis. [Click here](#) for more details.

The Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) offers classroom workshops and online training on such topics as hazard communications, safety meetings, lockout/tagout, personal protective equipment, etc. [Click here](#) for current class description and schedule, call (888) 292-5247 (option 2) or send an email to [ed.web@oregon.gov](mailto:ed.web@oregon.gov).

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