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Equipment Vendors and Service Providers



ANNUAL MEETING 2022

HARRHA'S CHEROKEE RESORT & CASINO



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"We attend the RANC Annual Meeting in order to show support for the scrap metal industry which has been our bread and butter for many years, and hopefully many more to come. By being involved in RANC we have been able to make business connections throughout the State, but most importantly relationships that have turned into lifelong friendships. By attending the RANC annual meeting we always gain great knowledge of the accomplishments that have been realized through this organization. In summary, it is vital we attend the annual meeting to show support and prove that we are stronger together." -

Charlie Walker, Charlie's Scrap Metal

WELCOME FIRST TIME ATTENDEES

Seth Bickley, CMC /Commercial Metals Company - Facility Member

Maria Cargould, Spaleck USA - Associate Member - *New Member*

Harrison Conner, C&C Scrap Iron & Metal - Facility Member - *New Member*

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Nate House, Ascendum Machinery, Inc. - Associate Member

Vincent B. Kidd, Kidd Salvage - Facility Member - *New Member*

Candy Johnson, Protrade Steel Company - Associate Member

Koby Markham, Asheboro Recycling Center - Facility Member

Trevor Medved, ReMatter- Associate Member - *New Member*

Jody Renee, Morris Scrap Metal Co. - Facility Member

Robert & Deb Tavenner, Ascendum Machiner, Inc. - Associate Member

SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

Location

- 10:00 AM - Conference Registration, Vendor Check-in Open
◦ RANC staff will be set up in the foyer of the convention center (3rd floor)
◦ Golfers & Fisherman - please check in before heading to your events
CON Foyer (3rd Floor)
- 11:00 AM - Vendor setup opens
◦ All sponsors can set up exhibit tables for display during the meeting
◦ Check in, receive nametag and table assignments
CHE CON 108/109
- 11:30 AM - 5:00 PM PM - Special events & activities (must be pre-registered to attend)

Golf Outing 11:30 AM

Sequoyah National Golf Course

- Golfers meet outside the front Cherokee Tower at the bus lane
- RANC's prearranged shuttle will take you to and from the golf course
- Boxed lunch provided at Golf Club House. Beverages on course are responsibility of golfers
- Golf clothing, clubs, balls, tees, and materials must be supplied by golfer
- Sequoyah National Golf Course telephone # is 828-497-3000

Fly Fishing 1:00 PM

Rivers Edge Outfitters

- Participants will need to drive to Rivers Edge Outfitters (61 Big Cove Road, Cherokee). Drive is approx. 7 mins from hotel.
- A guide will take all participants on this fishing adventure.
- Beverages and bag lunch will be provided
- Includes fishing guide and rod, reel, boots, and other needed equipment
- Dress comfortable - bring a change of clothes, shoes, and swimsuit.
- A fishing license is required and can be purchased on site, please arrive early to purchase fishing license if needed. Gratuities are appreciated. Rivers Edge Outfitters # is 828-497-9300

- 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Welcome Reception
◦ The Fireside Patio is located in the UltraStar Multi-entertainment Center (2nd floor)
◦ Drinks & light hors d'oeuvres provided (2 drink tickets per attendee)
◦ Attendees should make dinner reservations after reception
Fireside Patio

Thursday, August 11, 2022

Location

- 8:00 AM - Vendor Exhibits Open
CHE CON 108/109
- 8:30 AM- 10:30 AM - RANC Board of Directors Meeting
◦ Board of Directors only
CHE CON 111
- 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM - Lunch Buffett
CHE CON 108/109
- 12:45 PM - 4:00 PM - General Session
CHE CON 108/109
 - Industry Updates
 - Legislative Update - Ed Turlington, Brooks Pierce
 - Economic Update -Rye Druzin, Argus Metal Prices
 - Industry Roundtable
 - Q&A on working with Scrap Yards
 - Chief Blair Myhand, 2nd Vice President, Hendersonville Police Department
 - Bill Hollingsed, Executive Director, NC Association of Chiefs of Police
- 6:00 PM -7:00 PM - Reception
◦ 2 Drink tickets and appetizers provided
By the Fountain at Conference Tower
- 7:00 PM - 10:30 PM - Conference Dinner
CHE CON 108/109
 - Dinner provided
 - Sponsor raffle drawings

Friday, August 12, 2022

Location

- 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM - Breakfast To Go
CHE CON 108/109
- 7:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Vendor Move Out
CHE CON 108/109

"Be sure to bring Business cards for Raffles"

SPEAKERS



Rye Druzin

Argus Metal Prices

Rye Druzin is a senior reporter covering steel for Argus Media, a price reporting agency based out of London. Rye is based out of Argus' regional US headquarters in Houston and covers the flat-rolled steel industry, driving pricing and news coverage in the region. Prior to joining Argus in January 2019, he was an energy reporter for Texas-based newspapers.



Bill Hollingsed

NC Association of Chiefs of Police

Bill is the Executive Director for the NCACP.



Chief Blair Myhand

Hendersonville Police Department

Blair Myhand began his public safety career in 1987 when he joined the U.S. Army serving in both Virginia and North Carolina Army National Guards until retiring in 2011 as an Infantry First Sergeant (E-8). His service includes two combat tours: one each to Afghanistan and Iraq. Most notably, he is a recipient of the Bronze Star, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, and the Army Commendation Medal for Heroism on September 11, 2001.



Ed Turlington

Brooks Pierce

Having served in key leadership positions in state and federal government, Ed Turlington uses this experience to serve clients in a variety of industries, including health care, transportation and education. Much of his time is spent advising technology companies on legal issues and public policy matters.

RANC MEMBER ROUNDTABLE PARTICIPANTS

Charlie Walker, Charlie's Scrap Metal - Moderator
Seth Bickley, CMC/Commercial Metals Company
Jared Hardson, OmniSource
Anthony Rush, Metal Recycling Services
Bobby Shaw, ProTrade Steel
Reid Stroud, R. Strouds, Inc.

NCACP OFFICERS ASSISTANCE FUND

In 2014, RANC established the **North Carolina Association of Chief's of Police Officer's Assistance Fund**. We are proud to continue the program today and offer assistance to police officers and/or their families when an urgent need arises.

During the RANC 2021 Annual Meeting, many attendees donated cash through mulligan participation. We are proud to announce that **\$940** was raised through that effort to be given to the Police Officers Assistance Fund. In addition, a few member firms have pledged additional contributions.

We can not thank you enough for your support of this RANC founded fund. Your pledges and donations make it possible to provide help to deserving officers. Donations can be made anytime of the year. For more information, visit the "Resource" section of the Recycling Association of North Carolina website (ncrecyclingassociation.org).

Bill Hollingsed, Executive Director for the NCACP is a special guest at this year's meeting. Don't miss the Q&A with Bill and Chief Blair Myhand on working with Scrap Yards.



Donate!

Checks can be made out to:
Recycling Association of NC
405 Battleground Ave., Suite 204
Greensboro, NC
Memo Line: NCACP Officer Assistance Fund

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

After a 2021 session that lasted until late in the year, the General Assembly in 2022 met for about six weeks and left Raleigh on July 1. Its primary business was adoption of a state budget bill. It did consider other bills, such as one concerning penalties for possession of catalytic converters. Under the adopted adjournment resolution, members can return for work about every 30 days during 2022 if they so choose.

Bills referred to below can be accessed at the General Assembly's website at www.ncleg.gov.

2022 State Budget Law (H 103/SL 2022-74)

After considering its provisions for 10 days as provided in the North Carolina Constitution, Governor Roy Cooper signed the budget bill into law on July 11. Legislators had earlier passed the bill by large bipartisan margins (82-25 in the House and 36-8 in the Senate). This is the second consecutive budget Cooper has signed after vetoing prior budget bills earlier in his term.

The budget bill, among other things, alters the two-year budget ([S.L. 2021-180](#)) enacted in November 2021, which covered both FYs 22 and 23 (the "biennium").

Here are some highlights from the bill:

Overview

- Appropriates \$27.9 B for FY 23, a 7.2% increase from FY 22
- Adds funds to the state's Rainy Day Savings Fund to increase the balance to \$4.75 B at the end of FY 23
- Transfers \$1 B into a new Stabilization and Inflation Reserve for things such as cost overruns for state capital projects

Salaries

- Establishes a labor market salary reserve of \$80 M for state agencies to address staff shortages and help recruit and retain employees
- Provides a 3.5% pay raise for most state employees, (6% raise over the biennium) and an average increase of 4.2% for teachers (average 6.7% over the biennium). It also increases the starting salary for entry level teachers and provides funds for a state-funded teacher supplement
- Provides an additional 1% one-time retiree supplement for a total of 5% over the biennium

Education

- Funds an additional \$1 B over the FY 22 amount for a total of \$16.5 B for the three levels of education
- Provides \$3.9 M to cover the copays for students that qualify for reduced-price lunches
- Transfers \$431 M over the biennium from the N.C. Education Lottery to the Needs-Based Public School Capital Building Fund
- Creates a recurring \$250,000 grant for schools to purchase feminine hygiene products in schools

School Safety

- Provides an additional recurring \$15 M for the School Resource Officer Grant program, specifically for elementary and middle schools
- Provides an additional \$32 M for School Safety Grants to support students in crisis, school safety training and safety equipment in schools
- Allocates \$26 M to provide one school resource officer for each high school
- Provides \$5 M for cybersecurity and bomb threat preparedness at North Carolina's Historically Black Colleges and Universities

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Capital/Infrastructure

- Provides \$883 M for water and wastewater infrastructure projects, bringing the total amount for the biennium to \$2.5 B
- Provides \$300 M to build a new Education Complex and Governor's Office in downtown Raleigh, and to renovate and demolish other downtown government buildings
- Provides \$250 M for a reserve to help defray cost overruns for state capital projects due to inflation
- Provides \$120.8 M in additional capital grants to local governments and non-profit entities

Other Items

- Redirects 2% of sales tax revenue for FY 23—approximately \$193.1 M—to the Highway Fund to support a variety of transportation purposes. This increases to 6% (an estimated \$600M annually) by FY 25
- Provides an additional \$5 M for GREAT Grants to expand broadband access in underserved areas, which raises the total to \$20 M recurring
- Appropriates \$1.8 M from the federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) grant to update and maintain voter lists and to continue enhancing election technology and security improvements
- Provides \$1 M to identify additional mega sites on which to site large economic development projects

Catalytic Converter Possession Penalties

After unanimous approval by legislators, the Governor on July 8 signed the conference report for S 201 (SL 2022-68), a bill containing many DOT and DMV provisions. Section 1 of the bill slightly changed the catalytic converter theft law (S 99, SL 2021-154) passed in 2021. RANC was a lead advocate for S 99 in 2021.

The primary change is to move the criminal penalties for illegal converter possession from the larceny section of state law to a new section focused specifically on converters. The Conference of District Attorneys proposed this change to strengthen their ability to prosecute this crime. The new provision retains the current law presuming secondary metal recyclers (and others such as motor vehicle dealers, salvage yards, and motor vehicle repair shops) are legal possessors of converters.

Once the bill went to the House floor on May 25, an amendment stripped out the guts of the possession law, including the section presuming that secondary metals recyclers and others listed are presumed to be legal possessors. We worked with legislators and staff and alongside the DA and auto dealers associations to restore the presumption language and on some of the other provisions.

Although RANC did not originate this bill, it presented an opportunity to work closely with the DAs and auto dealers since we all had a common interest. Those relationships could be helpful in the future. We also worked closely with key legislators and staff in both houses on this matter.

Thanks to RANC members who contacted legislators about this matter and to legislators such as Senator Tom McInnis (author of the 2021 catalytic converter theft law), Speaker of the House Tim Moore, and Representative Jason Saine for working on this bill.

Adjournment

Under the adjournment resolution (S 917) passed by the General Assembly, members can return to Raleigh about once a month on "a date certain" for the remainder of 2022. The next such date is August 23. A limited number of topics, such as bills that the Governor has vetoed, appointment confirmations and conference committee reports, can be considered upon return. It is possible that an agreement on Medicaid expansion could surface as a conference committee report and therefore, be considered during one of these sessions.

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