

# GODDARD AUTO TECH CENTER

## ELECTION NEWS BULLETIN

NASA-Goddard Space Flight Center

July 24, 2000

### **ELECTIONS --**

Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm  
Building 32, Room E109/E103

The first building on your right after you go through the gate when going to the Garage.

PLEASE BE ON TIME SO THAT WE CAN ACHIEVE A QUORUM QUICKLY.

#### **AGENDA**

1. Eat
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Elections
4. Open Forum (Optional)
5. Adjournment

### **RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW**

All gray membership cards are invalid after August 1<sup>st</sup>. Please send a check for \$25 membership fee plus \$20 user fee if your name is not on the list of those who performed at least one "volunteer" hour. Membership renewal forms and the volunteer list were published in the last newsletter dated July 10<sup>th</sup>. Also, include any outstanding debts owed to the Club such as parking fees or a new card will not be issued.

### **ELECTIONS**

It is that time of year again. Please come to the election meeting to eat, vote, discuss Club issues, and to meet new members. Your presence and inputs are welcomed and necessary so that we can pursue operating the Club in a manner that best benefits you, the membership. If you are unable to attend, send an absentee ballot with your vote. Otherwise, we may not be able to achieve a quorum, and the election process will have to be repeated in order to be in compliance with the Club by-laws wasting valuable time and effort.

### **NOT ABLE TO MAKE THE MEETING?**

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Please submit an absentee ballot  
Your vote is important

### **PARKING TROUBLES**

The parking lot is full. When parking, make sure to display your name and date parked on the dashboard. Those who have been parking long-term and who have not been making any progress are asked to remove your vehicles to alleviate the parking problem. Also, make sure not to park between spaces.

### **HOUSEKEEPING**

1. Keep the place clean and orderly
2. Empty the trash
3. Dispose of oil soaked kitty litter in the designated container
4. Put used oil filters in the designated container
5. Do not allow oil to remain anywhere on the premises outside the building
6. Do not dispose tires, batteries, engines, or transmissions at the Garage
7. The lot is not for storage of vehicles
8. Report violations to an officer

### **MUCH THANKS**

Frank DeMare is stepping down as Club Secretary after having served in this position for several years. Frank has been active in numerous Club projects and has been responsible for developing and maintaining our Club database. Frank brought us into the 21<sup>st</sup> century by printing membership cards directly from the Club database. I expect to see Frank continue to be active in Club activities and I wish to thank Frank for all his past and future service for this Club.

## '00/ '01 GATC Election Platforms

### **Kenneth A. Blumenstock/Presidential candidate platform (incumbent)**

Previous Experience: President 2 years, Vice-President 6 months, Treasurer 3 years

Dear fellow Auto Tech Center members:

I wish to thank the membership for their cooperation and enthusiasm in the maintaining and improving of our Club. I have not yet accomplished many of the improvements that I would like our facility to have. We need to upgrade some of our equipment and better organize what tools and equipment that we have. A card key system would be a convenience that all would benefit and enjoy. A sink and bathroom would be a big improvement. I would like to work toward having these benefits at our Garage. With your help, the Garage will be clean, orderly, better equipped, and more convenient to use for all.

Sincerely,

Kenneth A. Blumenstock

### **Larry Phillips /Vice President platform (incumbent)**

I've been a member of The Goddard Auto Club for 6 + Years, served in the positions of both the Secretary and Vice President and countless volunteer positions/jobs/hours. As your Vice President I shall continue my efforts to improve the GAC Facilities. We have an excellent facility for working on our automobiles. I will continue to foster full cooperation with the GEWA Committee and GSFC Administration. In addition, I plan to continue to help the membership in any way possible.

Thank You,

Larry Phillips

### **Joe Schepis/Secretarial candidate platform**

Dear fellow Auto Tech Center members:

I'd like your vote as I place my name on the ballot for club secretary for 2000 – 2001. I've not been a club member for long – just a couple of years – and I've never been an officer, but many of you may be familiar with me based on the web page I built and run for the club as well as designing and producing last year's membership cards. If elected, you can count on me to work with the other officers to continue to provide the excellent services we've enjoyed over the last few years. I plan on continuing the web site with the goal of making it even more useful in terms of automotive links and discount parts sources as well as to revamp the membership database and email lists for compatibility and streamlining of membership card production and mailing lists.

Sincerely,

Joe Schepis

### **Joe Generie /Treasurer (incumbent)**

To: Goddard Auto Club Members

Re: Election for Treasurer

Fellow Members:

Another year has come and gone! Ken (Mr. Blumenstock, aka "the Pres") has informed me that it is time for our yearly elections. I would like to thank everyone that had voted for me in the previous year. It has been a good year, financially, for the club and I hope to keep doing my part for this organization. I think that sound fiscal management will be needed to accomplish our near and far-term goals. For example, one of the far-term (within a 2-year time frame) goals is the addition of a water drainage system. This system will be used to catch oil-contaminated water so that we meet the objectives of Goddard's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWP<sup>3</sup>). Funding, by the club, will be needed to complete this project. Through sound management, we could meet our financial commitment with little or no difficulty. I thank you for your time and your vote.

Regards,

Joseph A. Generie

### **Frank Shelton /Facilities chairman**

Previous Experience: Facilities Chairman (June '97 – July '00, Nov '90 – June '91, June '72 – '83) Total

Number of Terms in Current Position: 16+

Campaign Platform: If reelected, I promise to...

1. Continue to improve our Garage (appearance, accessibility & operability) for everyone!
2. Do Good and avoid evil!
3. Get more members to volunteer!

## GATC Absentee Ballot Election of Officers

This ballot must be submitted to the designated Election Committee member below before voting commences on July 31, 2000. GSFC internal mail, US Postal Service delivery or hand carry only; do not FAX your ballot.

**For President**

- A. Ken Blumenstock (incumbent) .....
- B.
- C.

**For Vice-President**

- A. Larry Phillips (incumbent) .....
- B.
- C.

**For Secretary**

- A. Joe Schepis .....
- B.
- C.

**For Treasurer**

- A. Joe Generie (incumbent) .....
- B.
- C.

**For Facilities Chairman**

- A. Frank Shelton (incumbent) .....
- B.
- C.

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The information you provide below is mandatory and is used by the Election Committee for the sole purpose of verifying ballot validity.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (print)      Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_      Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail absentee ballot to the Election Committee member below, or bring to the election meeting:

Chuck Engler  
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Greenbelt, MD 20771

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Code 030.4  
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**IMPORTANT: RENEWAL AND ELECTION MATERIAL. PLEASE RESPOND ASAP.**