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President's Message

For those of you who may be unaware, the CGDA pays a yearly fee to monitor the Legislative Session at the State of Connecticut General Assembly. We monitor for any proposed changes in state laws that can affect glass dealers in Connecticut. Well, this year our monitoring paid off. In May, it was brought to the CGDA Board of Directors' attention that the CT Anti-Steering statute, which impacts the auto glass repair and replacement shops, was being targeted. There was an amendment being proposed to completely remove just the auto glass repair and replacement work from the Anti-Steering statute. Knowing full well that the elimination of one sentence in this legislation would be detrimental to the independent auto glass shops, the CGDA Board voted to lobby against this change, and in doing so, successfully kept the legislation from being changed. Starting October 1, 2009, the law will continue to read: "(b) No insurance company doing business in this state. or

agent, or adjuster for such company shall (1) require any insured to use a specific person for the provision of automobile physical damage repairs, automobile glass replacement, glass repair service or glass products...". CGDA needs the continued support of its members so the association can continue to lobby this and other important issue that impact our industry.

I would also like to thank all of the sponsors and participants in our Annual Sal Vece Memorial Golf Tournament. Due to a family commitment, I was unable to attend myself this year, however, based on the feedback from those that were there, it was a fun day. I would also like to thank our Executive Directors, Valerie and Allyson, for always making sure our events run smoothly.

Enjoy the rest of your Summer!
Jennifer Russell-Vanasse
President CGDA

The Connecticut Glass Dealers Association publishes *The Glazier's Point* for its members. It is published four times a year. Contributions of all kinds are welcome and encouraged. Letters to the Editor are printed at the discretion of the editorial staff and should be less than 300 words in length. Materials must be submitted to the CGDA headquarters, to the attention of *The Glazier's Point*. All submitted materials become the property of *The Glazier's Point*. Materials are subject to review and modification by *The Glazier's Point*, serving as Editor-in-Chief.

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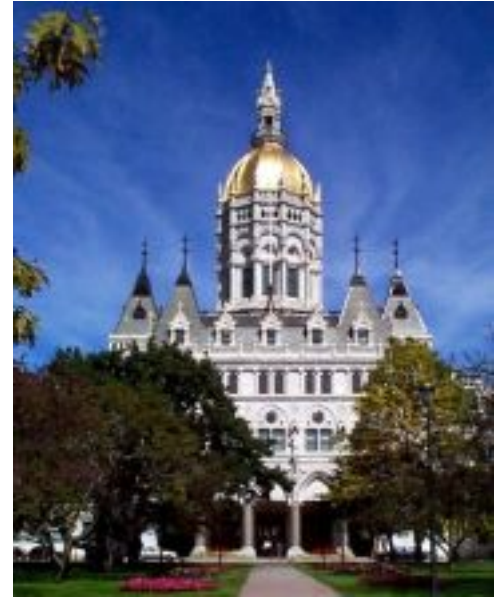


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Capitol Alert!

In the 2009 CT General Assembly Legislative Session CGDA fought to lobby against an amendment that would have, if passed, legalized the steering of auto glass in CT. An Amendment was filed on Senate Bill 457 - An Act Concerning Motor Vehicle Repairs. CGDA was fine with the Bill itself but it was Amendment, LCO 5964 that was troublesome to CGDA members. The Amendment stated, "In line 29, before "automobile" insert an opening bracket In line 30, strike ", ("." After further research CGDA's lobbyists, TCORS Capitol Group, determined that the amendment, if passed, would remove the words *automobile glass replacement, glass repair service or glass products* from the following excerpt of the CT Statutes. "(b) No insurance company doing business in this state, or agent or adjuster for such company shall (1) require any insured to use a specific person for the provision of automobile physical damage repairs, automobile glass replacement, glass repair service or glass products,..." CGDA's lobbyists were successful in stopping the amendment from being called on the Senate floor hence keeping the anti-steering law intact, as it applies to auto glass companies in CT.



Apprentice Corner

The CGDA Apprentice Program just concluded its Spring semester. The Fall Semester will begin at the beginning of October. Don't forget to sign up your apprentices!



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The OldCastle Foursome



The GGI Foursome

Seventh Annual Sal Vece Memorial Golf Tournament

On Tuesday, June 23, CGDA members and friends hit the links at the Traditions Golf Club in Wallingford. The weather this year has not been great, but we were lucky enough that the rain held off long enough to get a whole day's worth of golf in! CGDA would like to thank all those who participated and especially those who sponsored the event!

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8 CGDA Board of Directors Meeting
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9 CGDA Glazier's Point Newsletter
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23 Automotive & Flat Glass State
Licensing Board Meeting
DCP - 9:30 am