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**GRC 26TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 17-20, 2017**

**KING & PRINCE BEACH RESORT
ST. SIMONS ISLAND, GA**

Keynote Speaker: George Bandy, Jr. VP of Sustainability

Mohawk Group



We are pleased to announce that our keynote speaker this year is George Bandy, Jr.; he serves as vice president of sustainability for Mohawk Group, a leading commercial flooring company known for cutting-edge and innovative flooring solutions. George is responsible for managing the comprehensive concepts and practices of sustainability for Mohawk. He identifies opportunities to position environmental, economic and socially responsible solutions for both the organization and its customers so that, together, they can demonstrate the type of sustainability leadership that will result in a brighter future for us all.

George is a highly sought after presenter on key topics such as the business of sustainability, biophilic design, social sustainability, circular economy, greening the supply chain, health and wellness in the built environment, and innovative smart design. Prior to joining Mohawk Group, George worked for Interface, where he most recently served as the flooring company's vice president of sustainability, and was also a member of Interface's Americas Sustainability Council. Before working at Interface, Bandy was employed as the University Sustainability Officer for the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston. He is the immediate past board chairman of the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC).



During the first week of May GRC's Membership Management System automatically sent renewal notices to all members to renew for the [GRC July 2017-June 2018 Member Year](#). It includes an invoice for your convenience. You will need to log in to pay your membership renewal using your email address (this allows a credit card payment option); if you forgot your password or if this is your first time logging in, just click "forgot password" and it will send you a link to change it. You can also print out the invoice and US mail with a check—whichever works for your accounting system.

**RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP**



For the first time in ten (10) years, you will see a slight increase in the annual dues as recommended by our Membership Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. The deadline for renewal is **June 30, 2017**; as always we understand that some of you may have to wait until after July 1 for new budget cycles to begin, so we will have a grace period to a month later.

If you joined during the member year, you will see a pro-rated amount for renewal giving you credit for the months of that membership year (July-June) prior to joining; If you have questions, please email us at garecycles@mindspring.com.

Our success is your success... a coalition by definition is an alliance for combined action. We are allies, partners and colleagues working together to keep recycling strong and working in Georgia. The success of our organization in fulfilling its mission is reliant upon people who commit time, energy and resources to its support. Thank you for your contribution to our collective success and let us hear from you with comments, suggestions, etc. about how we may add value to your membership in GRC.

President's Column

June 2017



Summer has officially kicked off which means it's time for some fun in the sun! And what could be more fun than attending the premier recycling event of the year at one of the top ten islands in the United States? "Taking Aim At The Next 25 Years" is the theme for this year's 26th Annual GRC Conference scheduled for September 17-20 at the King and Prince Hotel in St. Simon's Island.

If you want to "Hit The Target" and advance your recycling program to the next level of performance, then there is no better place to improve your skill set, network with industry professionals and gain invaluable knowledge about the industry, while also spending time on the glorious white sands of Georgia's golden coast.

As always the conference will feature the Hall of Fame inductee, the Spirit of Green Awards and the infamous GRC Auction, but this year the event will allow participants to take aim at a very unusual target. As a brand, new added feature of the conference, attendees can sign up for Skeet Shooting at the Sea Island Gun Club! Now that's one way of hitting your target!

Another highlight of the conference is the Keynote Speaker. George Bandy, Jr., Vice President Sustainability at Mohawk Group, a leading commercial flooring company known for cutting-edge and innovative flooring solutions. George is responsible for managing the comprehensive concepts and practices of sustainability for Mohawk. He identifies opportunities to position environmental, economic and socially responsible solutions for both the organization and its customers so that, together, they can demonstrate the type of sustainability leadership that will result in a brighter future for us all.

So, we invite you to take aim at your own target and connect with statewide industry officials. Become a sponsor, an exhibitor or just attend. I am confident you will find the conference a worthwhile investment. And did I mention, the event is at the Beach?!!!

To register, or obtain additional information, visit <http://georgiarecyclingcoalition.wildapricot.org/>

Marla Prince
2017 GRC President

The Georgia Recycling Coalition (GRC) is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization that was formed to complement and coordinate the activities of professionals, organizations, government agencies and individuals related to recycling; to foster communications among those groups; to promote sustainable reduction and recycling programs; and to provide a forum to and from which its membership may enhance recycling efforts in Georgia

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

August 28-30, 2017

September 17-20, 2017

September 25-27, 2017

October 15, 2017

November 15, 2017

January 22-25, 2018

Resource Recycling Conference

GRC 26th Annual Conference

WasteCon/ISWA World Congress

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America Recycles Day

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Hyatt Minneapolis, MN

King & Prince, St. Simons Island, GA

Baltimore, MD

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Nationwide

Atlanta, GA

GRC in the News

Georgia leads the nation in recovery and recycling by processing one-third of all plastic beverage containers recycled in North America. We are also home to the headquarters for Novelis, one of the largest aluminum recyclers in the world. Combine all that with innovative leaders in energy creation, storage and conversion technologies, it is no surprise that these companies and many others call Georgia home.

Acuity Brands Inc.
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Interface, Inc.
Liberty Tire Recycling
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Georgia Department of Economic Development

GRC was proud to provide information and be included in an ad in the April issue of Delta Sky magazine developed by the Georgia Department of Economic Development, touting the economic viability of the sustainability focused industries in Georgia. Many of our member companies were recognized for their contribution to economic development in Georgia. Also, several slides depicting recycling's contribution to Georgia's economy are included in a presentation running continuously on a 60 inch TV at the Visitor Information Center (Rest Stop) in West Point, GA.

New Member Spotlight

Founded in 1999, Charity Recycling Service (CRS) was created with the business model of sustainable and environmental partnerships with more than 1,000 nonprofit and corporate organizations throughout the U.S. for fundraising and clothing/textile recycling.

Georgia organizations include: The Dave Thomas Foundation via Wendy's stores, Gwinnett County Public School district, Georgia World Congress Center Authority, Spelman College, Center for Hard to Recycle Materials (CHaRM), Lifecycle Building Center and Woodward Academy. CRS collects, diverting from landfills, and domestically and internationally repurposes more than 20 million pounds annually. The collection and repurposing of used textiles serves two very important purposes by creating jobs worldwide and protecting the environment. 85% of clothing goes into local landfills. CRS is committed to a longstanding global social, economic and environmental initiative and impact.



"In Georgia, CRS partners with hundreds of organizations, both commercial and nonprofit, to raise funds and benchmark sustainability goals," explains Andrea Burroughs, CRS Georgia Program Director. This is both a humbling and rewarding experience to set up and begin textile recycling programs, in some cases, an organizations first step in sustainability practices, or expand an organization's recycling from traditional paper, plastic and metal. Gwinnett school district, in its first year, collected more than 100,000 pounds, and was paid more than \$10,000."

Brenda McDaniel, Gwinnett County Public Schools Environmental Manager shares, "It is exciting to see a textile recycling program now servicing Gwinnett County Schools. CRS provides collection bins to the schools at no cost, yet the schools earn money for collected materials. The program is easy on staff as the bins are equipped with sensors that notify CRS before the bin is full. - Therefore no monitoring. A win-win!" Examples of more mature school districts: Miami Dade Schools collected over 360,000 pounds raising \$36,000 and Palm Beach Schools collected over 580,000 pounds raising \$58,000. CRS is the only textile recycling company in the country to have invested in and deployed bin monitoring technology in every bin. Sensors within the bins take photos throughout the day and communicate with software for service routing, minimizing fuel consumption and carbon footprint.

To promote the organizations' initiatives, signage on the bins states "Proceeds benefit (organization name)", mission statement and website. Collection bins are stainless steel, made in the U.S.A., and require less than 1/4 of a parking space.

For more information, contact Andrea Burroughs, Georgia Program Director, 404-663-5755, aburroughs@charityrecyclingservice.com - www.charityrecyclingservice.com/GA

Spotlight on Board Members

Bruce Battle

Bruce Battle works for Burton Energy Group, where he provides consultation and program management for corporate sustainability programs. His primary expertise is in materials management, and much of his time is dedicated to helping manage Staples' national waste & recycling program. His previous experience is with a non-profit organization (Livable Buckhead) where he managed a district-wide commercial office recycling program, and in addition to a Masters in Environmental Planning (from Georgia Tech) he is accredited as both a LEED AP and as a Zero Waste Business Associate.



The youngest member of the GRC Board, Bruce comes to us with a passion for innovation and a desire to see Georgia's recycling industry grow and adapt to the rapidly-changing economy. He serves on the Communications Committee, so feel free to reach out to him if your organization is looking to promote its role in making Georgia's recycling industry stronger and more sustainable

Welcome New Members

Business

ABC Waste Of Savannah - Charles Stewart
Combined Metal Industries SE
Holly Anderson
Recycling Management Resources
Ashley Swilley
Q2 Earth-Kevin Bolin

Government/Non-Profit

Keep Cobb Beautiful - Kimberly White

Individual

Mike Ernst - MODRoto

Associate

Carolyn Stewart - ABC Waste of Savannah

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Republic Services

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Recycling Partnership Opens RFP for Bin Grants



The Recycling Partnership has announced its third annual request for proposals to help local governments make the switch to cart-based recycling collection. The national nonprofit will be giving out funds on a rolling process throughout the year. Any county, municipality, solid waste district/authority or tribe with at least 10,000 residents is eligible to apply. For programs with weekly collections, carts must be at least 60 gallons, and at least 90 gallons for biweekly. All carts must include embedded RFID tags as well.

The Partnership is offering \$7 per household for cart purchases and \$1 per household for education. Additional technical assistance and educational materials are worth an estimated \$139,000. For Info: <http://recyclingpartnership.org/>.

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

The Georgia Recycling Coalition (GRC) is offering advertising in its quarterly newsletter. What better way to get the word out on what your organization is offering to the waste reduction and recycling community? Your ad will be seen by all GRC members and readers of the printed newsletter.

Take a look at our rates, consider the benefits, and give us a call!

RATES:

Size: _____	Cost
Business Card	\$100
1/6 page	\$200
1/4 page	\$300
1/2 page	\$400
Full page	\$600

DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE:

- 25% discount for all GRC members
- 25% discount to non-members who advertise in 4 consecutive issues
- 50% discount to GRC members who advertise in 4 consecutive issues



**Georgia
Recycling
Coalition** INC.

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For more info on placing
an advertisement or for
membership information
call 404-634-3095.

Georgia Recycling Coalition 26th Annual Conference Registration Form

Circle Appropriate Option/Complete Contact
Info Below

EARLY DEADLINE is August 17, 2017

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION

If Registered by August 17th

GRC Member	\$335
Non-Member	\$385
KAB Directors/Staff*	\$315

After August 17th early deadline

GRC Member	\$360
Non-Member	\$410
KAB Directors/Staff*	\$335

*(Attendee must be GRC member to receive this discount)

ONE DAY ATTENDANCE

Mon, September 18	\$200
Tues, September 19	\$200
Wed, September 20	\$150

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Conference Cancellation Policy: Refunds less a \$75 administration fee will be made upon written request received prior to September 1, 2017. No refunds will be made after this date. All refunds will be mailed after the conference. Substitute attendees may be made at any time before September 1, 2017 provided written notice is provided to Georgia Recycling Coalition.

26th Annual Georgia Recycling Coalition Conference

September 17-20, 2017

HOTEL REGISTRATION

King & Prince Beach Resort

www.kingandprince.com

Reservations by phone: (800) 342-0212

Group Block: *Georgia Recycling Coalition*
(Block is for Sun Sept 17 - Tues Sept 19;
Check in at 4:00 PM/Check out 11:00 AM)

Reservations online:

<http://www.kingandprince.com/group-reservations.aspx>

Click Group Reservations/Group Code is:
recycle (case sensitive)

Room Rates:

Standard	\$110
Resort View	\$120
Ocean View	\$133
Ocean Front	\$143

GA state sales tax is 5%, Glynn room tax is 5%,
and local tax is 1% for a total of 11%

GA Transportation Fee - \$5 per room night

Reservation deadline: August 17th, 2017

Conference Fee Payment Info

Checks made payable to GRC and mailed to:
Georgia Recycling Coalition PO Box 550667
Atlanta, GA 30355

Questions (?) 404.634-3095 or
garecycles@mindspring.com
FAX # 404.350.8780

Pay online at:

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via online registration; our staff cannot handle
credit card payments for you, but we can invoice
you if necessary via our PayPal Pro account.**

GRC 26TH Annual Conference EXHIBITOR SCHEDULE

King & Prince Beach Resort—St Simon's Island, GA
September 17-20, 2017 • TRADE SHOW September 17-19

SET UP - Delegal Room:

Sunday, September 17, 2017 4:00-6:00 PM-set up for Exhibitors
(Opening Reception w/Exhibitors from 6:30-8:00 PM)
Monday, September 18, 2017 10:45-11:15 AM Networking Break w/Exhibitors
Monday, September 18, 2017 2:00-2:45 PM Networking Break w/Exhibitors
Tuesday, September 19, 2017 8:00-9:00 AM Visit w/Exhibitors during breakfast
Tuesday, September 19, 2017 11:00-12:00 Noon Networking Break with Exhibitors
Exhibitors may break down after the Tues AM Break.

PLEASE NOTE: THE BOOTH SPACES will be about 8 ft wide and about 6-8 ft deep; a draped 6 ft table will be provided; there will be no back draping & nothing may be attached to the walls of the room. **Chairs will be available. SPACES ARE NOT NUMBERED BUT WILL BE MARKED ON YOUR ARRIVAL-STAFF ASSISTANCE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ASSURE WE ACCOMMODATE YOUR NEEDS.**

- 1) **ACCESS TO ELECTRICAL POWER** will be available in all spaces
- 2) **The FLOOR is CARPETED**
- 3) **PLEASE ADVISE IF YOUR EXHIBIT IS FREE STANDING or TABLETOP**
- 4) **ANYTHING ELSE WE NEED TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR EXHIBIT?**

The address for **SHIPPING** is:
King & Prince Beach Resort
201 Arnold Rd.
St. Simons Island, GA 31522
912-638-3631

They will accept shipments from September 11-15, 2017 (Mon-Fri) and hold them for you. Box or label needs to have the following information: **HOLD FOR GEORGIA RECYCLING COALITION SEPT 17-20.**

Please contact the hotel directly for potential handling costs depending on the number/size of pieces you are shipping. It can be picked up to ship back after 12 noon on Tues. September 19 or anytime on Wed. September 20.

QUESTIONS? Contact:
Gloria Hardegree
(404) 634-3095
Georgia Recycling Coalition
garecycles@mindspring.com

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Reservation Deadline: August 17, 2017

GRC EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION

26th Annual Conference (Sept 17-20, 2017)

Deadline for lowest rate: August 17, 2017

Check Appropriate Option(s)

_____ **GRC Member Exhibitor:** **\$585** If registered by August 17th
 \$610 After August 17, 2017 early deadline

_____ **Non-Member:** **\$635** If registered by August 17th
 \$660 After August 17, 2017 early deadline

Includes Exhibit Space+ one full registration for one representative*

*Additional Exhibitor Attendee

_____ **GRC Member:** **\$290** If registered by August 17th
 \$310 After August 17, 2017 early deadline

_____ **Non-Member:** **\$335** If registered by August 17th
 \$360 After August 17, 2017 early deadline

Exhibitor Organization: _____

Attendee Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Additional Attendee Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address if different: _____

Additional Attendee Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address if different: _____

Total: \$ _____

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 Stay-Rite Solutions, LLC • Strategic Materials • TreeZero • Toter • USAgain LLC • Waste Management

Conference Highlights

Last year we celebrated **25 YEARS** as a vibrant state recycling organization.

This September, we will be **TAKING AIM AT THE NEXT 25!** What lies ahead will be innovative and often challenging, but we are on a path to continue growing and sustaining recycling as an environmental solution and economic driver in Georgia. So plan now...mark your calendar. Become a sponsor or exhibitor, volunteer to work on the Program Committee, procure a unique and cool piece for the auction, hone your skeet shooting skills and get ready to take aim at determining the next steps for recycling in our state and how GRC will hit the target!

Speakers

This year's agenda is shaping up nicely with pertinent topics and expert industry leading speakers. Entities represented include Shaw industries Group, WestRock Recycling, More Recycling, Strategic Materials, Moore & Associates, Steel Recycling Institute, Resource Recycling Systems, Ripple Glass, Pratt Industries, Rubicon Global, American Chemistry Council, Dow Chemical, ECOFLO, Athens-Clarke Co. Recycling, Keep North Fulton Beautiful, Harbin Engineering, FLETC, Sustainable Generation, LLC, Food Well Alliance, and USGBC/Zero Waste Business.

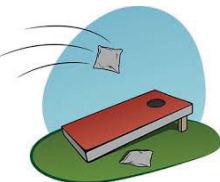
Skeet Shoot



Tues September 19, 2017
1:00-5:00 PM

We depart this year in keeping with our **TAKING AIM** theme and hold a Skeet Shoot at the Sea Island Club. The Fee is \$150 per person including gun, ammo and skeet. Limited to first 40 registrations; SPONSORSHIPS Available that include one registration. Transportation will be by car pool and a release of liability will be required for all registrants.

Taking Aim Game Night Info



Wear your favorite sports team shirt (any sport!), your best golfing outfit, bowling shirt or other team sports attire! Hone your skills for putting, aluminum bottle bowling, corn hole, "pin the bale on the truck", darts, and more.... for a fun night of beverages, music, silent auction and games!

Facility Tour

Tues September 19, 2017 1:00-5:00 PM
\$25.00

Florida Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC)



A paradigm shift in thinking began in earnest in November 2013, when the FLETC's Assets and Logistics Management Division (ALM) in collaboration with the Firearms Division (FAD) and the FLETC Sustainability Officer initiated a pilot recycling project on two firearms ranges. Until then, these ranges disposed of the paper targets, cardboard target backers, plastic ammunition trays and paperboard ammunition boxes as solid waste. These items were carried by students to dumpsters at the end of a training period causing a loss in training time. As the program has matured, The FLETC in its continuing efforts to be a good community partner, as signed a memorandum of Understanding with the Brunswick Job Corps Training Center to provide a learning opportunity to Job Corps Trainees who have an interest in the field of sustainability and the recycling industry.

Golden Isles Conservation Center:



The Golden Isles Conservation Center is located in Nahunta, Ga. and is part of Seven Islands Environmental Solutions, a subsidiary of Cox Enterprises. The Center utilizes an eco-friendly process to remove materials from the waste stream and repurpose them for extended usage. The Center has the capability of removing the equivalent of five tons of tires daily from landfills and waterways. The initial focus is on recycling tires. A front-end system utilizes organic materials, wood chips & plywood scraps to generate heat. The heat breaks down tires into their three original components – synthesis oil, carbon black and synthesis gas – while producing NO harmful emissions. The synthesis oil and carbon black will be repurposed for many uses, including the creation of filtration systems, rubber hoses and inks, among others. The synthesis gas will generate energy for the closed-loop Center and will be fed back into the grid, creating clean energy for the community.

Resources

Spirit of Green Awards Opens Nomination



Recognizing Excellence in Recycling & Waste Reduction in Georgia
Nomination Deadline: August 1, 2017

Award Categories

- Volunteer of the Year ●
- New Member of the Year ●
- Outstanding Institutional Program ●
- Outstanding Government/Community Program ●
- Outstanding Corporate Leader ●
- Innovation Award ●
- Environmental Stewardship ●

DOWNLOAD the APPLICATION FROM THE GRC Website-Conference Page

GRC Hall of Fame Nominations Sought



Last September during our 25th Anniversary Conference, GRC inducted two members into its newly formed Hall of Fame. The inaugural inductees were **Abby Goldsmith of A. Goldsmith Resources, LLC.** and **Steve Levetan of Pull-A-Part, LLC.** Both were founding members of the organization, serve as Honorary Directors, and have remained active member supporters throughout the history of the state recycling organization.

This year, we look to induct a new person into our ongoing Hall of Fame.

DOWNLOAD the APPLICATION FROM THE GRC Website-Conference Page

Let us know if you have questions and we look forward to receiving nominations.

CONNIE BURNS SCHOLARSHIP -2017

College & University Scholarship—Deadline to Submit is June 30, 2017



PLEASE FORWARD TO COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY REGISTRAR OFFICES AT YOUR SCHOOL, OR TO ANY POTENTIAL CANDIDATES YOU MAY KNOW.

Connie Burns, of Effingham County, GA was an active Georgia Recycling Coalition (GRC) member for several years and was renowned for her spirit, love of life and adventure, and her true understanding of and dedication to effective waste reduction and recycling practices. The solid waste and recycling community lost Connie to an unexpected death in August of 2012. As a way to remember and honor her life and work, GRC in partnership with SWANA Georgia Chapter, established the **Connie Burns Scholarship Program** dedicated to assisting and mentoring Georgia college and university students interested in a career path in recycling, composting, environmental practices, and sustainability.

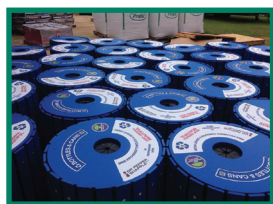
GRC is proud to offer this scholarship for the 6th year. **Scholarship(s) are awarded annually to one or more students, not to exceed \$1,000** per individual. Registration and lodging are provided to the recipient (s) to attend the 2017 annual conference. DOWNLOAD the APPLICATION FROM THE GRC Website

We need your assistance in promoting this opportunity to potential applicants at your schools; also, please forward to other contacts you may have at Georgia colleges and universities.....thanks!

Industry News

Dr Pepper Snapple Group & Keep America Beautiful

Award 41 Grants to Improve Recycling in Public Parks



Dr Pepper Snapple Group in partnership with national nonprofit Keep America Beautiful is funding 914 new recycling bins in public parks across the country as part of a grant program. The Recycling Bin Grant Program, now in its fifth year, has provided more than 4,300 recycling bins to local governments and community organizations across 41 states.

A recent national survey conducted by Keep America Beautiful revealed a lack of away from home recycling opportunities. While more than 90 percent of people indicated it was not a challenge to recycle at home, over 55 percent found it difficult to recycle in public places such as parks. Congratulations to Georgia recipients: Keep Golden Isles Beautiful and Keep Oconee County Beautiful.

Rubicon Partners with Columbus, GA



Rubicon Global announced a public-private partnership with the Columbus, GA Consolidated Government aimed at helping to improve residential waste and recycling services through the use of new technology and data analytics. Columbus will begin using Rubicon's proprietary cloud-based platform, including its mobile app and desktop vendor software. The technology will provide data to Columbus and enable it to assess landfill diversion and recycling rates.

The technology will also provide the Columbus Consolidated Government with planning data, most notably by enabling real-time information on current landfill diversion and recycling rates. The data will help the city understand how to better focus its recycling education efforts, measure the carbon avoidance from recycling activities and determine vehicle emission reduction targets in Columbus's waste fleet through route optimization and other features.



Let's Hit the Bullseye on Sponsorship

Georgia Recycling Coalition Annual Conference
September 17-20, 2017; St Simons Island, GA

Premiere Sponsors

Opening Night Reception * \$2500

Tues Night Auction Reception* \$2500

*Includes one Attendee Registration

Elite Sponsors

Promotional Material \$1500
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Mobile App \$2400 or 2 @ \$1200
(Includes Name Recognition on APP + Program)

Legendary Sponsors

\$1000 (2)-AM & PM Breaks

\$1000 (Tour)

Monday AM Exhibitor Break

Monday PM Exhibitor Break

(Includes Name Recognition at Event-Logo on Program)

Tour Sponsor (Tues PM to FLETC + Golden Isles Conservation Center)
Includes two tour registrations+Logo on Program

Right on Target Sponsors

\$500

Skeet Shooting Event
(Includes Event Fee for One+ Logos on Program)

Taking Aim Sponsors

\$400

(Includes Logo on Program + Company Overview /Contact Info)

Paper _____ Plastics _____

Glass _____ Metals _____

Organics _____ Textiles _____

Tires _____ Carpet _____

Hauler _____ MRF Processor _____

Registration is Online or Email us at
garecycles@mindspring.com.

Still looking for answers on glass recycling?



The Glass Recycling Coalition <http://www.glassrecycles.org> offers tools, resources and webinars to get glass back into your programs. Check their website and look for free webinars to learn more about your options. We DO have markets for glass in Georgia; in fact 3 bottle to bottle plants and 3 fiberglass manufacturers depend on recovered glass to operate.

COMPOST ROW



Proud to be the host state for the U S Composting Council's Annual Conference in Atlanta in January 2018. Mark Your Calendar—details will be forthcoming over the next few weeks! Scott Jenkins, GM of the Mercedes Benz stadium and president of the Green Sports Alliance will be the keynote speaker.

ICAW Re-Cap

What did you do the first week of May to promote compost production and use in Georgia? Food Well Alliance held a Soil Festival.



Americans composted nearly two million tons of food, and food-composting collection programs reached more than 2.8 million households in 2014 according to a November 2016 EPA report. However, the agency estimates that Americans produced more than 38 million tons of food waste in 2014. We have work to do!!!

Join the GRC & "Get In The Loop"

The Georgia Recycling Coalition, Inc. (GRC) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to complement and coordinate the activities of professionals, organizations, government agencies and individuals related to recycling; to foster communications among those groups; to promote sustainable reduction and recycling programs; and, to provide a forum to and from which its membership may enhance recycling efforts in Georgia.

Please choose a membership category, complete the information below, and return to:

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I would like to join at the following level:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Partner | (\$3,500 or more) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainer | (\$1,750 or more) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patron | (\$875 or more) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business/Trade Association | (\$400) |
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