

NEWS BULLETIN

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ANNUAL MEETING AND CONVENTION PROGRAM

Your association's 66th annual meeting and convention will begin on Friday, June 25 and extend into Sunday morning, June 27. Our host site will be The Harborside Hotel and Marina in downtown Bar Harbor. The annual meeting and convention will bring dealers from all sections of Maine together to receive information on current developments in the automobile industry in Maine and the nation, as well as to hear expected future activities of your association as MADA represents dealerships during the Fall season of State regulatory activity. In addition, we will preview the coming gubernatorial and State legislator elections, and take a brief look at the campaigns for Maine's two U.S. House of Representative seats.

Bar Harbor and Mount Desert Island offer a wide variety of recreational opportunities, not the least of which are Acadia National Park, the various small towns and harbors of Mount Desert Island, and oceanfront activities (whale watching, kayaking, sightseeing by boat). For early arrivals to the convention, MADA's Memorial Golf Tournament will begin at 11:45 a.m. on Friday with a shotgun start at the Kebo Valley Golf Club in Bar Harbor.

MADA's convention program allows plenty of time for conventioners to enjoy Bar Harbor and the surrounding area. The MADA registration desk will provide information which attendees can utilize to determine their weekend experiences. MADA's registration desk will open late morning on Friday, June 25, in the historic Bar Harbor Club adjacent to the Harborside Inn, where attendees can pick up convention identification and program details, as well as the information about local attractions and recreational opportunities.

The first official activity of the convention for all attendees is the annual New England Lobsterbake, to be hosted at the Bar Harbor Club beginning early Friday evening with a social hour. This event offers attendees the opportunity to greet old friends, renew acquaintances, and develop new friendships with other Maine dealers, dealership personnel, companies with dealership relationships, and everyone's families. While lobster is the featured menu item, alternatives are available.

On Saturday morning, an expansive array of breakfast food will offer conventioners the opportunity to pack some energy for a great day in Bar Harbor. Our breakfast is sponsored by Acadia Auto Auctions, our perennial host for this occasion.

MADA's annual meeting will consume Saturday morning, and will feature a panel presentation on the contents and impact of new 2010 Federal legislation significantly impacting health care in the United States. MADA will present reports on government affairs endeavors on behalf of dealers. Summaries of past years operations for the Insurance Trust and Workers Compensation Trust will also be presented. An extensive health care presentation will address the changes necessitated in both the short and long term by this so-called "health care reform" legislation. The requirements of this new law are far reaching, and involve areas of dealership operations which have no relation to health care. The focus, however, will be on the health care aspects of this legislation, including the much-hyped extension of coverage for children up to age 26, the mandatory full coverage for prevention services (however they are eventually defined), mandatory contribution levels by employers, the mandatory participation in health insurance by all U.S. citizens, the ability to use medical reimbursement accounts in the future, and the tax implications for both individuals and businesses.

Other topics to be addressed during Saturday morning's annual meeting will include State agency rulemaking on stormwater runoff requirements for dealerships and other businesses, the waste oil remediation program associated with the former George West operations, the Federal legislation known as the HIRE act, labor law issues affecting Maine dealership pay plans and operating guidelines, and the future look of MADA membership.

Prior to the beginning of MADA's official convention weekend on Friday afternoon, your association's Board of Directors and the Trustees of the Employee Benefits and Workers Compensation Trust will be meeting Thursday afternoon and Friday morning. A summary of these discussions will be incorporated in Saturday morning's annual meeting. This report will include a brief preview of the coming year expectations for both Trusts.

Saturday afternoon is open for convention attendees to further enjoy the Bar Harbor and Mount Desert regions.

Throughout the convention, the Harborside's Spa experience is available for conventioners to enjoy. Please find enclosed a summary of the offerings of the Harborside Spa. Attendees can feel free to schedule any spa activities of their choice by calling in advance of your arrival.

Saturday evening's gathering at the Bar Harbor Club for a social hour and meal will again offer the opportunity for all conventioners to gather together and enjoy the camaraderie of the MADA family. A variety of food will be available in the buffet style serving. Throughout the evening, MADA conventioners will be able to enjoy the Jim Morris band, flown in from Florida especially for MADA convention attendees through the generous support of the Darling's Insurance Agency. The Jim Morris band is renowned for its island style music. A more complete description of this Saturday evening entertainment is found on the accompanying page.

MADA looks forward to an educational and relaxing weekend in one of Maine's superb oceanfront resort settings. If you haven't yet decided to join your fellow dealers in Bar Harbor, please feel free to contact your MADA office.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

MAINE AUTOMOBILE DEALERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Please take notice that the Annual Meeting of the members of the corporation will be held at the Harborside Hotel & Marina in Bar Harbor, Maine on Saturday, June 26, 2010 at 8:15 a.m. to transact the following business:

1. Election of the Board of Directors and other Officers of the Corporation.
2. To Receive the Annual Reports of the Treasurer and Officers of the Corporation.
3. To Receive the Report of Charles R. Gaunce
N.A.D.A. Director for Maine, on N.A.D.A.'s Activities.
4. To Receive the Annual Report of the M.A.D.A. Insurance Trust.
5. To Receive the Annual Report of the M.A.D.A. Workers Compensation Trust.
6. To Transact Such other and further Business as may legally come before Said Meeting.

Dated this 3rd Day of June, 2010.

Attest:

Thomas T. Brown Jr.
Clerk



Jim Morris is an articulate singer/songwriter with a devotion to storytelling. Whether it is a thoughtful ballad about doomed love or an anthem to a night of drunken revelry, the listener can always count on well-crafted songs with carefully drawn characters, clever lyrics, and satirical charm.

Although Jim's musical style is admittedly reminiscent of Jimmy Buffett and Jerry Jeff Walker, he has a knack for defying categorization. He mixes a whimsical island sound with a splash of Texas to produce a sound that is uniquely Gulf and Western.

Jim grew up in Georgia and has a heritage rich in music. His grandfather led a dance band, and everyone in the family either played an instrument or sang. At age 10 Jim taught himself to play the guitar by listening to Hank Williams records. After college (BA in English and graduate studies in English and Human Resources Management) while pursuing a career in human resources management, he continued to write songs and dream of the day when he could do it full-time. "After I graduated, I wanted to be a drifter and a writer; instead, I settled for corporate executive and closet entertainer."

During his 15-year corporate career, his job allowed him to live in several interesting locales, such as Montana, New Orleans, and St. Simons Island, all of which would figure prominently in his writing. Following a business trip during which he renewed his love affair with the southwest coast of Florida, Jim took the leap he had been contemplating for some time and left the corporate world for good.

Jim spent the subsequent years writing songs and playing gigs around Florida. From the beginning he took a big risk by featuring original music. "I spent about a year writing and developing a catalog of songs. I was unsure of my ability to sing and play the guitar professionally, but I thought my songs might separate me from the other performers."

A fortuitous meeting with recording artist Randy Matthews would result in Matthews producing Morris' first recording, "Laid Back and Key Wasted," released in 1996 by Fish Head Music. As you would expect, each song tells a story: the title track is about a guy who gives up the corporate world for the beach; one is about the exploits of a pilot who flies contraband; another is about roadkill and the people who collect it; others tell great stories of sailing, fishing, and drinking. "After my first CD was released, I changed my focus. I stopped playing bars so much and I worked coffeehouses and bookstores. I wanted to play before a listening audience who might appreciate what I had to say. I made less money, but I started to develop a fan base."

Jim returned to the studio during the summer of 1997 to work with noted guitarist/producer Chris Hattingh. The result was "Bocanuts" which was released by Fish Head Music the following November. "Bocanuts" shows again that Jim is capable of creating memorable stories in a variety of musical moods. "With 'Bocanuts' I found a formula that I'm comfortable with and that people seem to enjoy: some tropical, some jazz, some country, some acoustic folk, and some humor. It certainly reflects my musical tastes."

With the success of "Bocanuts" and a growing catalog of songs, Jim decided to release a CD every year. In November of 1998 he was back with Hattingh recording "Looking for a Place to Happen" which was released in February 1999. "The CD didn't turn out exactly as planned," says Morris. "Several songs I was hoping to include were not as good as I wanted them to be. Sensing my frustration, my wife, Sharon, sat me down with a list of my songs and pointed out a lot of songs I had neglected. Consequently, songs like "What Kind of Fool Can I Be," "The Hammock Club," "Gatsby Dreams," and "Sometimes I Wish" were added." "Looking for a Place to Happen" became the most critically acclaimed CD to date. Hattingh had little doubt that the CD would be successful. "As soon as we listened to the final mix, I knew that Jim had topped his other CDs. For a CD with a variety of musical styles, it had such an amazing continuity."

Following the release of "Looking for a Place to Happen," the pressure grew to perform more outside the state of Florida. "I wanted to be a 'lifestyle artist,' fishing by day and playing music by night. But I also wanted to broaden my fan base, so I hit the road a bit." He also formed the Big Bamboo Band in order to capture the full sound of his CDs in live performances. "Playing with the Big Bamboo Band required more discipline and concentration than playing solo. It took a while to get used to it. Playing with a band is like playing team sports, and you get the same feelings after a tight performance that you do when you win the big game."

True to his plan to produce a CD every year, December 1999 found Jim back in the studio working on his fourth CD, "Bar Stools and Beach Chairs." He took a different approach this time, preferring creative spontaneity to careful planning. "I wanted to feel my way through the project and do some tweaking and changing as we went along." As it turns out "Bar Stools" may be his best effort yet. Along with his customary strong lyrics Jim has produced a work with remarkable musical diversity. Chris Hattingh knew that once again Jim had a winner. "I know that Jim felt some pressure to top "Looking for a Place to Happen," but there is something for everyone on this CD."

Jim will direct his efforts to expanding his fan base and touring with the Big Bamboo Band. He will still make time to fish and will always be on the lookout for song material. "I don't have much to show for my years except some great experiences, and that's what I write about - the characters I've met and the places I've been. The thing that is both satisfying and alarming is that most of it is true."

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