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TGA – NTD Member Mixer and Corn Hole Tournament

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

5:00pm – 8:00pm

ONLY 10 TEAM OPENINGS AVAILABLE!



- TGA – NTD Corn Hole Tournament
November 15, 2023
- TGA – NTD Christmas Party
December 8, 2023

Letter from the President



October 2023

Greetings from the President

To our members:

The holidays are fast approaching, and we are excited to see you at one or all the following events:

- October 31-November 2, GlassBuild
- November 15, NTGA Member Mixer and Cornhole Tournament
- December 8, NTGA Christmas Casino Awards Banquet and Toy Drive

This month we served 5 families in Denton with a *Gift of Glass* to help protect them from the elements as this winter season moves in. Thank you to our volunteers for donating their Saturday morning to help someone in need. We look forward to being able to make a greater impact next year so join the board and stay connected!

We are currently looking to fill **FIVE** open board member seats for glasshouse/installation companies only. The success of this organization is solely dependent on your participation. If you are interested in joining the table, please contact me directly by email at kristina@dfgdbiz.com.

As I prepare for the upcoming end of the year, I started to think back to all the changes I wanted to make this year. When I found my list of New Years Resolutions, I quickly realized I haven't even started on some of them yet! Luckily, a wise person once said, "It's not how you start; it's how you finish." Which is a good thing for me because we still have some time. So, if you're like me and haven't started yet, let's start now finish strong!

See y'all soon!

Sincerely,

Kristina Buckett

President 2023-2025



NTGA Membership Mixer and Cornhole Tournament!

When: 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 15

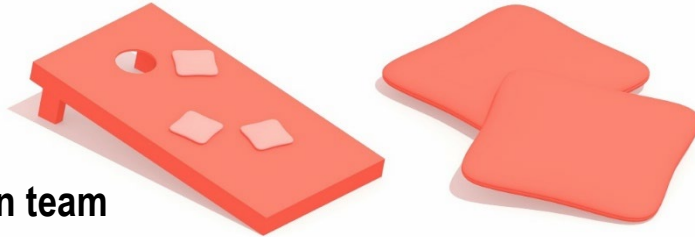
Where: PGP Design Center. 921 N Riverfront Blvd, Suite 200, Dallas, TX

Registration:

Members – No Charge

Non-Members - \$25

Tournament Entry: \$100 per two-man team



Join us for happy hour with brews and bags as we kick off our first Membership Mixer of 2023! One of the benefits of being a TGA member is your exclusive access with other industry professionals. Share your stories and get helpful advice from others who “have been there” by building those relationships.

To register to attend this event please email Michelle at mordonez@specifyqpc.com no later than **Friday, November 10th.**

We are providing Dinner and Drinks!!

Tournament Information:

Only **10** team openings available! Each team will consist of 2 people. **Play will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.** and will be played as single elimination. The money received will be split evenly between the winning team and the 2023 NTGA Yearly charity donation at the Christmas banquet. Please contact Wayne Kent at wayne.kent@dormakaba.com with any questions.

Company name: _____

Player 1 Name: _____ Player 2 Name: _____

To pay by Credit Card please provide information below: Amount to be charged: \$ _____

Visa \ MasterCard \ American Express - Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____ Exp: _____ Security Code: _____

Billing Address/Zip code: _____

Phone: _____ Email for Receipt: _____

2023 Texas Glass Association – North Texas Division

Christmas Casino Night and Santa's Helpers Toy Drive

This year our Christmas Party will be on **Friday, December 8, 2023** at the **Marriott Las Colinas 223 W Las Colinas Blvd., Irving, TX 75039**.

We want this to be fun evening for you and your guests to enjoy with others we share this industry with. The NTGA is your organization and we appreciate everything you do all year to make this event and others possible.

Join us for a great night with great food as we celebrate! We will be running our annual **toy drive** so make sure and bring your toys to receive a raffle ticket for every **\$5** value. We will hear from speakers of the amazing charities you helped throughout the year and give some awesome door prizes away! After dinner we will scoot on down to try our luck at the NTGA Casino and Raffle!

Date:	December 8, 2023
Start time:	6:00pm
Location:	Marriott Las Colinas 223 W Las Colinas Blvd., Irving, TX 75039
Cost per person:	\$60.00 – member \$80.00 – non-member

REMEMBER for every unopened toy with a value of \$5.00 or more, you will receive a raffle ticket to win great gifts!

[Donation & Sponsorship Levels and how it works:](#)

Our Sponsors and donations are what make this night possible. We've combined the sponsorships with free advertising to allow you to write it off as an advertising expense. We also accept Checks made out directly to Santa's Helpers!

Our grand prize will be \$500 in cash! Among other highly sought after gifts like, a YETI cooler, gift certificates to great restaurants, electronics, items for the home, designer jewelry and more. If there is something you want a chance to win, let us know! Email kristina@dfgdbiz.com with your suggestion or donation!

The Christmas Dinner and Casino Night is a non-profit function and the TGA members appreciate any support you are able to contribute.

Sincerely,

Kristina Varela



2023 Texas Glass Association – North Texas Division
Christmas Casino Night and Santa’s Helpers Toy Drive
Donation and Sponsorship Levels

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP:
\$1,500.00

- Entitles company to name recognition as a CORPORATE sponsor throughout the evening.
- Dinner prize given away in your honor.
- Free entry to the Christmas Party (up to 6 individuals).

PLATINUM SPONSORSHIP:
\$1,000.00

- Entitles company to name recognition as a Platinum sponsor during the evening.
- Dinner prize given away in your honor
- Free entry to the Christmas Party (up to 2 individuals).

GOLD SPONSORSHIP:
\$500.00

- Entitles company to name recognition as a Gold sponsor during the evening.

RAFFLE PRIZE SPONSOR: (provide 1 prize valued at \$100 or more)
\$100.00 (+)

- Announcer will announce a “Thank you to – your company name” and prize during casino raffles
- Sponsor card with your company logo next to your prize on the table
 - Note: Prize must be dropped off to Kristina NO LATER than: Wednesday, December 6th.

By signature, I, (name) _____, authorized representative for (company) _____ herewith pledge the amount of, \$_____ to the 2023 TGA Christmas Party and Santa’s Helpers fund raiser.

Attendee’s registration is on the following page. Please send pages to kristina@dfgdbiz.com or mordonez@specifyqpc.com to register.



**2023 Texas Glass Association – North Texas Division
Christmas Casino Night and Santa’s Helpers Toy Drive
Registration Form**

Company Name: _____

People attending: 1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____ 4. _____
5. _____ 6. _____
7. _____ 8. _____
9. _____ 10. _____

TOTAL FOR NUMBER OF PEOPLE AT \$60.00 PER PERSON (MEMBER) \$ _____
TOTAL FOR NUMBER OF PEOPLE AT \$80.00 PER PERSON (NON-MEMBER) \$ _____
SPONSORSHIP (from previous page) \$ _____
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

NOTENEW ADDRESS AND CONTACT****
Please make checks payable Texas Glass Association/North Texas Division and mail with the registration form to: Attn: Michelle Ordonez, 1838 Forms Dr, Carrollton, TX 75006

If paying by Credit Card please provide information: Amount to be charged: \$ _____
Visa \ MasterCard \ American Express - Name on Card: _____
Card Number: _____ Exp: _____ Security Code: _____
Billing Address/Zip code: _____
Phone: _____ Email for Receipt: _____

REMEMBER for every unopened toy you bring with a value of \$5.00 or more, you will receive a raffle ticket to win great gifts!

WE HOPE TO MAKE THIS A GREAT EVENING AGAIN! SEE YOU THERE!!



OPTIMIZING CARBON EMISSIONS IN INSULATING GLASS AND ALUMINUM FRAMES



Buildings are responsible for a staggering 39% of worldwide carbon emissions – from both building operations (28%) and building construction (11%). At a recent Façade Tectonics Institute (FTI) forum in Los Angeles, members of the FTI carbon working group provided insights into the biggest levers for reducing carbon emissions related to fenestration. These insights are important because it focuses action on the most impactful strategies.

EMBODIED CARBON VS. OPERATIONAL CARBON

Recognizing the dual impact of embodied and operational carbon emissions is vital as trade-offs between the two forms are often required.

Embodied carbon represents the carbon emissions generated during the construction process, including the manufacture of building materials. Operational carbon accounts for emissions incurred during a building's use.

INSULATING GLASS AND CARBON EMISSIONS

Insulating glass units (IGUs) are fundamental components of modern building envelopes, providing thermal insulation, solar control and daylighting, reducing a building's operational carbon. Yet flat glass is a carbon intensive product to make

because of the high-temperature gas-fired float glass process. Emissions from making flat glass comprise 75% or more of the total embodied carbon of an IGU.

The biggest theoretical levers for reducing the embodied carbon for flat glass are renewable fuel and high quantities of post-consumer recycled content. While there is progress in these areas, the technical barriers are high to rapid supply chain transformation. Currently, the most impactful levers for minimizing embodied carbon are:

Design: The number of glass panes and their thickness determine an IGU's embodied carbon, as well as quantity used. However, this is not a window-to-wall-ratio trade-off since opaque walls can also have high embodied carbon. Whole life carbon assessments are critical to understanding the balance between operational carbon improvements and embodied carbon investment for triple pane glazing. IGU lite thicknesses are based on the strength requirements of the largest unit. This configuration is then replicated throughout the building, irrespective of size. Designs with many unique sizes increase glass waste at the manufacturer. Both strategies increase embodied carbon.

Durability: Investing in IGU durability is critical to preserving the carbon investment in flat glass. While the edge seal material's impact on emissions is minimal (around 5%), material choices and quantities significantly affect the IGU's lifetime and should be specified wisely.

ALUMINUM FRAMES AND CARBON EMISSIONS

While it is challenging to move the needle on embodied carbon in glass, for aluminum there are easier levers:

Energy Sources: Carbon emissions from the smelting of alumina depend on the electricity grid energy source. Smelting processes using hydropower results in significantly lower carbon emissions. Aluminum sourced from regions with gas and coal-powered grids, such as China and the Middle East, has a higher embodied carbon.

Recycled Content: Increasing recycled content of aluminum reduces its embodied carbon. However, this must be balanced with the availability of recycled aluminum and the impact on surface finish quality.

Integrating complex thermal barriers into aluminum frames improves building operational carbon, adding approximately 10% to the embodied carbon of aluminum extrusions. Typically, this is a wise investment.

HOW TO TAKE DEMOUNTABLE GLASS WALL SYSTEMS TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Unlocking the Potential of Demountable Glass Walls with Decorative Glass



In the ever-evolving landscape of workplace design, architects, designers, and manufacturers continually seek innovative solutions to create flexible and functional office environments. One such solution that has gained prominence in recent years is the use of demountable glass walls and partitions.

These versatile elements not only transform office spaces but also offer a unique canvas for enhancing aesthetics through various glass options and the process of digital imaging.

GLASS WALLS MEET THE NEEDS OF THE MODERN WORKFORCE

Workplace design has come a long way from the days of cubicles and closed-off offices. Today, businesses understand the importance of creating flexible office spaces that foster collaboration, productivity, and well-being among employees.

Demountable glass walls, sometimes referred to as movable or operable glass wall systems, have emerged as a key element in achieving these goals. These movable and customizable glass partitions offer a myriad of advantages that cater to the demands of modern office design.

BENEFITS OF DEMOUNTABLE GLASS WALLS

VERSATILITY IN SPACE UTILIZATION

Demountable glass walls are designed to detach from the ceiling and floor for ease of moving to another location. This provides architects and designers with the freedom to divide and reshape office spaces as needed. Whether it's creating separate meeting rooms, private offices, or open collaborative areas, these walls offer the flexibility to adapt to changing requirements.

NATURAL LIGHT AND OPENNESS

One of the standout features of glass walls is their ability to allow natural lighting to be shared between workspaces. This reduces the need for artificial lighting while also creating a sense of openness. [Studies](#) continue to show that daylighting in the workplace is a top-ranking attribute desired by employees.

NOISE CONTROL

Glass partitions can be fitted with [soundproofing materials](#), offering the perfect balance between an open environment and privacy. This is especially valuable in a busy office where concentration and confidentiality are essential.

AESTHETIC APPEAL

The sleek and modern appearance of glass walls can be utilized to add a touch of sophistication to the interior design. They add transparency and a sense of connectivity that creates a positive work atmosphere.

COST-EFFICIENCY

The ability to reconfigure spaces with ease makes demountable glass walls a cost-effective approach for business owners and developers.

ELEVATING AESTHETICS OF DEMOUNTABLE GLASS WALLS



Demountable glass partitions offer a blend of functionality and design versatility for office interiors.

A variety of decorative glass options are available to create one-of-a-kind interior workspace designs addressing the specific requirements of architects, designers, and manufacturers.

4 GLASS TYPES TO TAKE WORKSPACE DESIGNS TO THE NEXT LEVEL

DIRECT-TO-GLASS PRINTING

[Direct-to-Glass printing](#) technology allows for the application of intricate designs, logos, or graphics directly onto the glass surface—and multiple glass surfaces. This option enables branding and customization, turning glass partitions into captivating visual elements that align with the office's identity. From [distraction markers](#) on glass doors and partitions—to full sized [standard](#) or custom artwork, there is no limit to what can be achieved with digital imaging.

TEXTURED PATTERNS

[Textured patterns](#) on glass partitions add depth and interest to office spaces. These patterns can range from subtle textures for a touch of sophistication to more pronounced designs that create a striking visual impact with varying levels of privacy and diffused lighting.

SATIN-ETCHED GLASS

[Satin-etched glass](#) provides a soft aesthetic that enhances privacy without compromising the sharing of light between spaces. It is an excellent choice for creating elegant and discreet divisions within the workspace. Geometric or nature-inspired designs are available to complement any interior design.

GLASS MARKER BOARDS

Unlike mass-produced dry erase boards, custom fabricated glass marker boards are [customizable office solutions](#) that serve as multifunctional surfaces to facilitate meetings, brainstorming sessions—and in general promote a more creative and collaborative workplace environment. They offer the benefits of traditional dry erase boards while elevating the brand culture and office aesthetics.

WELLNESS DESIGN BENEFITS OF GLASS PARTITIONS

After years of global health concerns, wellness design has taken center stage in workspace design. Glass partitions offer several advantages in maintaining a clean and healthy office environment:

EASY CLEANING

Glass surfaces are non-porous and can be easily cleaned and disinfected, reducing the risk of germs and viruses lingering on surfaces—without concern for degradation.

MINIMAL DUST ACCUMULATION

Unlike traditional dividers, glass partitions accumulate less dust and allergens, contributing to better indoor air quality.

VISUAL TRANSPARENCY

The transparency of glass partitions allows for easy monitoring within the workplace.

DAYLIGHTING

Statistics continue to share the benefits of [natural lighting](#) which can flow throughout interior spaces with ease when glass doors and interior walls are utilized.

SEPARATION WITHOUT ISOLATION

Demountable glass partitions provide physical separation while maintaining a sense of openness, promoting social distancing without creating the feeling of isolation among employees.

As workspace design continues to evolve, demountable glass wall systems represent opportunity for the glass and glazing industry to show value in supporting architects, interior designers, and manufacturers in creating flexible and inviting environments for the modern workforce.

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*****NOTE ADDRESS CHANGE*****

Membership Renewal

ALL RENEWAL PAYMENTS GO TO THE TEXAS GLASS ASSOCIATION.

For membership renewal mail checks to:

Texas Glass Association
P.O. Box 2248
Cedar Park, TX 78630

Jennifer Fontana, CAE

TGA Executive Director
512-663-6629

Email: jennifer@texasglass.org
www.texasglass.org

TGA Membership Benefits

Your TGA membership includes membership to the Texas Construction Association and all of TCA member benefits. TCA is introducing the Association Retirement Collective 401(k) Plan, exclusively for association members.

Click here for full benefits details https://www.texcon.org/texcon/Member_Benefits.asp

TCA Retirement Collective 401(k)

The TCA Retirement Collective is a multiple employer 401(k) Plan exclusively designed for TCA Member Companies to provide 401(k) Plans to their employees. Our multiple employer plan functions as a company's 401(k) support team so a company's staff doesn't need to act as 401(k) experts. The TCA Retirement Collective eases plan administration, is customizable, reduces employer fiduciary liability by 95%, is fully compliant, has low fees due to volume pricing and is serviced by our experienced national providers: The Retirement Advantage, Raymond James Financial Services, & Ameritas Retirement Plans. Contact Patrick Finnegan at pfinnegan@texcon.org, or by phone at 512-473-3773.

TGA/NTD
2023 Board of Directors

Executive Board (350 hours/year)

Kristina Buckett	President	Dallas Flat Glass Distributors	Term Exp: 12/31/2024
Brian Risinger	Vice President	Country Glass and Mirror	Term Exp: 12/31/2023
Amber Jones	Secretary	PGP	Term Exp: 12/31/2023
Austin Jones	Treasurer	PGP	Term Exp: 12/31/2023

Board Member (200 hours/year)

Kevin Spivey	Alpha Glass	Term Exp: 12/31/2023
Valerie Nagy	Hartung	Term Exp: 12/31/2023
Robert Varela	Dallas Flat Glass Distributors	Term Exp: 12/31/2023
Brian Risinger	Country Glass and Mirror	Term Exp: 12/31/2023
Wayne Kent	dormakaba	Term Exp: 12/31/2023

New Board Members (200 hours/year)

James LaRocca	Gibraltar Glass, Inc.	Term Exp: 12/31/2023
Michael DeFrank	World Resources	Term Exp: 12/31/2023
Robert Heffernan	Binswagner Glass	Term Exp: 12/31/2023
Rachel Tillbrook	Southern Stretch	Term Exp: 12/31/2023

Membership Renewal

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE TGA/NTD. OUR SUCCESS AS AN ORGANIZATION DEPENDS ON YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!!

WE NEED YOU!!

For membership renewal mail checks to:

TEXAS GLASS ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 2248
Cedar Park, TX 78630

Jennifer Fontana, CAE

TGA Executive Director
512-663-6629

Email: jennifer@texasglass.org
www.texasglass.org

PLEASE NOTE:

The Texas Glass Association should be set up as one vendor and the Texas Glass Association/NTD as another vendor.

For meetings, sponsors and TGA/NTD events mail checks to:

TEXAS GLASS ASSOCIATION/NORTH TEXAS DIVISION or TGA/NTD
P.O. Box 541596
Dallas, TX 75354-1596

For questions or assistance please contact:

Kristina Varela

TGA/NTD President

Phone: 972-506-9580

Email: kristina@dfgdbiz.com

Advertise in the Best View

Business card	\$55.00	for three months
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BUSINESS INFORMATION

Company Name _____

Business Address _____ Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Work Phone _____ Mobile _____

Principal(s) _____ Email Address _____

Referred By _____ Date _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

Company primary business (*check as many as apply to your business*)

- Dealer/Retailer Fabricator Supplier Contract Glazing
- Distributor Manufacturer Sales Rep Other _____

Please check appropriate category.

- REGULAR MEMBER:** Any firm or corporation which is:
 - (a) Engaged in the furnishing, installation, replacement, or repair of glass products, including, but not restricted to architectural glass, auto glass, mirrors, and leaded glass. (b) Conducting business as a glazing contractor.
- ASSOCIATE MEMBER:** is any individual, firm or corporation engaged in the manufacturing, distribution and/or sales of glass or architectural glass products to installing glass companies/glazing contractors.
- LONE STAR PARTNER** - is a businesses or individuals that are engaged in the role of support to the glazing industry.

Included in your membership dues is enrollment in one of the TGA Divisions your company will be assigned based on the county in which your business is located. Associate Members and Regular Members whose gross sales are more than \$5 million will be members of all TGA Chapters.

TGA MEMBERSHIP DUES & PAYMENT INFORMATION

- Check (enclosed)
- Credit card: ___VISA ___MasterCard ___AMEX ___Discover

Name on card _____

Card Number _____ Exp. _____

Security Code _____ Zip _____ Amount \$ _____

Billing Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

GROSS ANNUAL SALES	DUES
>499,999	\$375 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,000 - \$1,999,999	\$525 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$2 million - \$4,999,999	\$775 <input type="checkbox"/>
\$5 million and above	\$900 <input type="checkbox"/>
Associate Members	\$900 <input type="checkbox"/>
Lone Star Partner	\$900 <input type="checkbox"/>

_____(Initial) I certify that my company's dues category and location information are correct and agree to abide by the By-laws of the Texas Glass Association and their affiliated chapters.