

SAE[®] Mid South Section

MAY 2007 NEWSLETTER

Our Vision Statement

The Mid-South section will be the local leader to industry in promoting the advancement of the mobility community and will fulfill a mentorship role with the student members to develop future leaders.

MAY TOUR

Superior Coach Interiors



Date: Thursday, May 17, 2007
Time: 3:00 PM Central Time
Place: Superior Coach Interiors
Address: 312 Babb Drive
Lebanon, TN 37087

Contact: Kevin Line
kevinline@yahoo.com
Pricing: No Cost for this Tour
RSVP Deadline: 5-15-07

Superior Coach Interiors has been producing premium motor coaches for touring entertainers for the last 11 years. Located in Lebanon, Tennessee just east of Nashville, Superior has produced coaches for musicians such as Aerosmith and Tori Amos and other entertainers like Tony Hawk. Nick Audino started the business that now staffs many outstanding artisans to produce the cabinetry and upholstery for these high-end clients.

The SAE Mid Section is offering a tour of the facility. We will have the opportunity to see in-progress coaches and some of the process of creating the interiors. Superior also provides maintenance for all of their coaches and we will be able to tour their overhaul facility just down

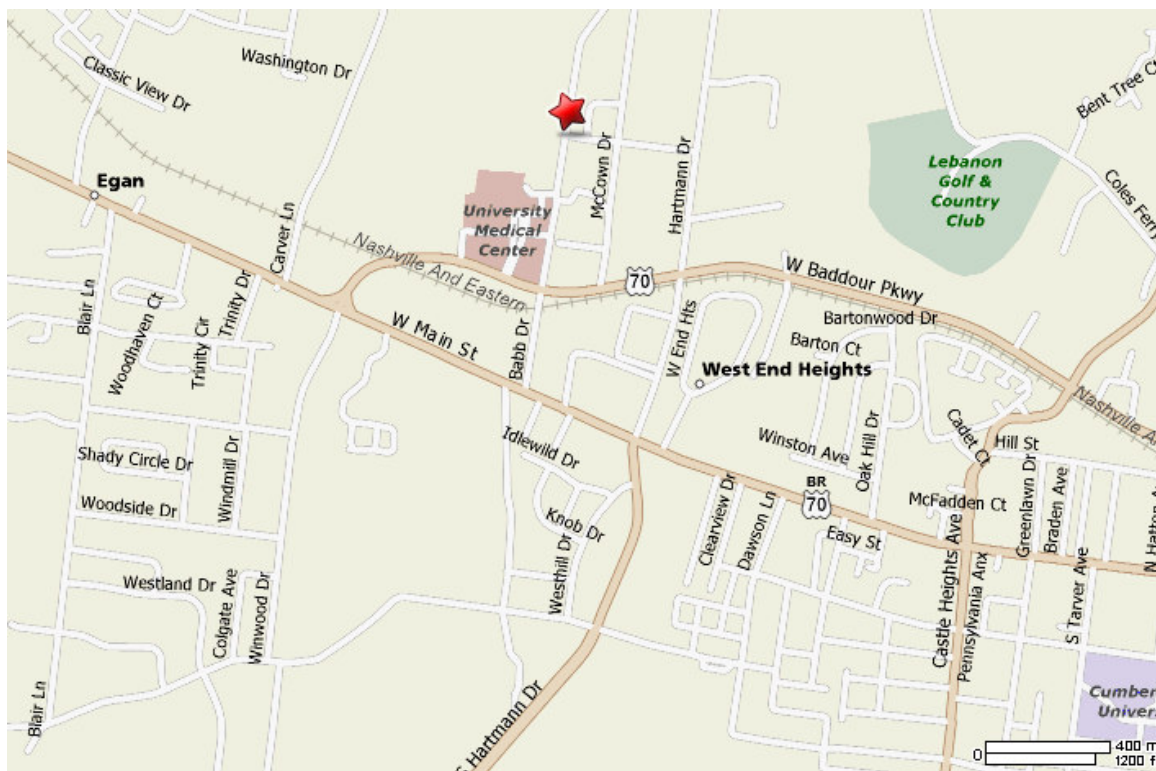
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the street. The pictures here are the interior of their manufacturing floor and an example of the interiors produced.

Directions to Superior Coach Interiors

The superior coach facility is located 312 Babb Drive in Lebanon, TN. The map below shows the location. From Nashville travel east on I-40 until you reach exit 236. Take a left onto S Hartman Dr, then left onto main street and finally right on Babb. We will meet at the facility at 3 PM for the interiors production tour, then move to the overhaul facility tour starting at 4 PM.



2007- 2008 Officers

SAE Mid South Section has elected the following officers for service in the 2007 – 2008 year.

Chair - Doug Fleenor

Treasurer - Ron Childers

Vice Chair - Kevin Line

Secretary - Dan Parker

Vice Chair of Student Activities - Chris Lehman

AWIM Coordinator: Chad Ice

Web Site Administrator - Carlton Kinslow

Publicity Chair - Open at this time

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Chairman's Comments

I was not able to attend the Siemens VDO plant tour but have received feedback that it was a mighty fine tour. I also heard that the attendance was only around 15 people. That surprised me as we did this as a joint with the Alabama Section. Hopefully we can improve that attendance number with this month's tour of Superior Coach Interiors.

On a departing note, this is the last newsletter you will receive from me as your SAE Mid South Section Chair. I will hand this duty over to Mr. Doug Fleenor at the end of this month. Before I do though, I would like to reflect some. Over the course of the last year, we have promoted SAE by speaking to the student bodies of most of the universities in this area, by advertising and helping to organize the 2008 Baja Event to be held at TTU and by working with some younger potential SAE members doing AWIM activities. We have served our members by arranging several interesting events including plant tours, technical presentations, and a golf tournament. We have educated our board members with formal training from SAE International on how to run an SAE section; and, last but definitely not least, we have served ourselves by attending these events, developing these relationships, and growing our knowledge of the world of engineering. As I step down from this position in the organization, I commend and thank all the members of our board this year that have worked to make this year a success and thank all the active members of this section for your attendance of our events.

Following normal procedure, the section will have no formal events until September 2007. Our 2007 – 2008 yearly planning meeting will be held in August of 2007. Please contact me or Doug Fleenor for more details about this meeting when we get closer to it if you are interested in attending.

Sincerely,

Carlton Kinslow