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## Executive Directors Message



### The unofficial end to summer....

comes this weekend...Labor Day! And after that brief respite - the Fall semester will start again on September 15th for our online **MyGlassClass.com** for our students.

Also coming up in September is NGA's premiere event - **GlassBuild America**. Check out all the offerings at the national conference in the article below.

**Save the date** for our Trade Show - *GlassDay New England* - **April 2020!**

September 12 is the second annual **Kellie Kennedy Golf Classic**. Below you can find out how to support this event.

**Got projects?** We know you are working, so share your project pics with us on Facebook!

Any questions, comments or concerns, you can reach me at [Jessica@ctcapitolgroup.com](mailto:Jessica@ctcapitolgroup.com).

Thanks as always for your continued support of CGDA and the industry.

Jessica Olander  
Executive Director

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## Apprentice Program Update

**MY**glassclass.com

**Fall Semester begins September 15, 2019!**



#### **NGA Glazier Training Approved for Use in Connecticut Apprenticeship Program**

The National Glass Association’s glazier training curriculum—featuring 33 online MyGlassClass.com courses and six instructional manuals—has been approved for use in the Registered Apprenticeship Program for glaziers available through the Connecticut Glass Dealers Association (CGDA), [ctglass.org](http://ctglass.org). Upon completion of the three-year program, glaziers are eligible to receive their required license from the state’s Department of Consumer Protection.

“We are thrilled to be able to provide new glaziers in the state of Connecticut with the classroom training they need to become licensed installers,” says Jenni Chase, Director of Education & Training for NGA, [glass.org](http://glass.org). “This partnership with the CGDA shows how we can cooperatively work at the state and national level to ensure those new to the industry have access to the training they need.”

CGDA Executive Director, Jessica Olander adds, “This updated curriculum and online coursework development with our national association was a labor of love for our organization. We are proud to offer this to our members and the industry. As we all know, there is a severe shortage of skilled labor here in CT, and this apprenticeship training program is a start to fill that void.”

The NGA glazier training curriculum offers 436 hours of coursework necessary to meet the classroom requirements of most three-year state and federal apprenticeship programs. For additional information on how to incorporate the curriculum—or MyGlassClass.com courses—into your training program, contact Jenni Chase at [jchase@glass.org](mailto:jchase@glass.org). For information on the CGDA apprenticeship program, specifically, contact Jessica Olander at [jessica@ctcapitolgroup.com](mailto:jessica@ctcapitolgroup.com).

The CT Glass Dealers Association provides networking, training and education to both flat and auto glass shops in the state. For more information please visit us online at [www.ctglass.org](http://www.ctglass.org) or on Facebook at [@ctglasdealers](https://www.facebook.com/ctglasdealers).

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## *Associate Member Profile*



**Architectural Glass Industries, LLC**

AGI is a wholesale glass and aluminum fabrication company that services companies in the glass and aluminum industry, manufacturing companies that utilize glass in their products and companies that sell glass products.

**AGI offers:**

**Manufactured Products**

**Tempering**

**Hardware**

**Laminated Glass**

**Insulated Glass**

**Glass Coating and Distribution**



Glass Railings



Conference Room



**tabletop, interior glass, exterior glass & framing**

**For more information,  
visit them online at:  
[www.architecturalglassindustries.com](http://www.architecturalglassindustries.com)**



**2nd Annual Kellie  
Kennedy Golf Classic**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Thursday,  
September 12, 2019**

**[Click here](#) to register, sponsor, donate or volunteer!**

September 17-19  
Atlanta, GA

[Click here](#) for schedule, sessions and more!



## CGDA Member Benefits

We sincerely thank each of you that have chosen to renew your CGDA Membership or become a new member for your support of the CGDA!

[2019 DUES INVOICES HAVE BEEN SENT](#)

Members enjoy many benefits such as:

- Your Voice at the State Capitol - CGDA, through our lobbyists at TCORS, advocates on your behalf to protect the interests of you and your trade. All CGDA members receive timely alerts on legislative and other regulatory issues affecting your business as they arise.
- Glazier's Point Newsletter - Jam-packed with the latest information on industry trends.
- Insurance - Your CGDA membership will save you money on your insurance needs. Liability, disability and workers' compensation insurance are just some of the ways CGDA members have saved money through CGDA endorsed plans.
- Discount Admission - The CGDA offers the best in educational seminars, social events, and even our golf tournament. Active CGDA membership guarantees you and your staff the best rates for all these events.
- Free Technical Support from CGDA - Help is just a phone call away with the CGDA HR Hotline. Whether you're in auto glass or flat glass, we have the information you need. Our HR Hotline is brought to CGDA by Robert Noonan and Associates of New England who is a prominent attorney and consultant in the HR field and it's FREE.
- Exclusive Rights to Use the CGDA Logo - Only CGDA members may use the CGDA logo in the Yellow Pages, on business letterhead, business cards, etc.

- State Approved Flat Glass - **and coming soon, a revamped Auto Glass** - Apprentice Programs - CGDA offers these apprenticeship education programs exclusively to our members. The flat glass apprentice education program is a three-year course. At the end of these courses, apprentices will be prepared to sit for the appropriate state licensing exam.
- Website Opportunities - CGDA's website will continue to provide the most up-to-date information on industry trends, and provide immediate access to the CGDA membership directory and publications, licensing info, legislative issues and event information.
- CGDA Members Prosper - Statistics prove that trade association participation increases profitability. You'll be more professional and a better informed business owner!

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