

## Mr. Oyster Roast 2010

Terry Crawford, Regional Manager of Terry's Tire Town in Odenton, MD was named Mr. Oyster Roast 2010, Sunday, March 14 by the Chesapeake Automotive Business Association. The award was made during the 63rd Annual CABA Oyster, Bull & Shrimp Family Fun Feast held this year at the Martins West banquet hall near Baltimore.

The Mr. Oyster Roast award is made annually to a person who has contributed significantly over many years to the social spirit and success of the CABA Oyster Roast. "Terry [Crawford] has brought hundreds of his employees and customers to the Oyster Roast in the last decade," explains Sally Ernst, Assistant Executive Director of CABA. "He and his staff buy tickets, sponsor prizes and then come to the event and have as much fun as anyone here," she continued.

More than 400 people were on hand to witness Crawford's award, which was held as a secret by his employees and customers and came as a complete surprise to him. "A very big surprise," said Crawford.



## 63rd Annual CABA Oyster Roast Continues Tradition of Food, Fun & Prizes

It began in 1947 as a social gathering for employees and customers of the local small business auto parts and service aftermarket and continues through its 63rd year in the greater Baltimore-DC-Annapolis metro area. The "Oyster Roast" became an event of the old Chesapeake Automotive Wholesalers Association in the early 1960s and remains somewhat of a celebration of the end of winter for members and guests of the Chesapeake Automotive Business Association. What was once a stag party in a smoke-filled gambling hall has evolved into an elegant but casual family fun feast in a smoke-free banquet hall.

Many traditions remain. The naming of Mr. Oyster Roast is an honor bestowed on a long-time supporter of the event.

Thousands of dollars in prizes are donated by dozens of event sponsors and more than 50 guests walk away with the bounty that ranged, this year, from a coffee-maker to a 37" LCD television. Although much subdued by Maryland and county law, gambling continues, now with wheels that provide significant entertainment throughout the 5 hour event. The \$1,000 cash raffle is still a popular element of the Oyster Roast. But most amazing is the feast that spans long buffet stands providing at least roast beef, shrimp and oysters in many forms.

Planning for the 64th Annual Oyster Roast has already begun with a March 2011 Sunday date and area location likely announced before May 1, 2010.



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## Big Prize Winners at 63rd Annual Oyster Roast



(Above) Carl Childs of Whitehall Shell won the \$1,000 raffle.



(Above right) Chuck Mosser of Standard Auto Parts won the 37" LCD flat screen television.



(Right) Mary Ann Lyon of Brooks-Huff Tire was the very happy winner of a 19" Sharp LCD television.



Jimmy Ditman (Brian's Auto) wins the mini computer



(Top) Heather Gildea, Brooks-Huff Tire, won the \$100 cash donated by Ferguson Corporation.



(Below) Tommy Berry (left) won the \$100 Restaurant certificate presented by Jim Geisbert (right) of the V.W. Brown Insurance Company, donor of the prize.



Robert Borgmann (Terry's Tire Town) wins the microwave donated by Graeves Automotive & Appliance.