

to keep the state out of the pockets of small businesses, we would hack it around the course for a few hours. The golf wasn't great, but the camaraderie was the point.

During the past couple of years when Ed was going through his health issues, I didn't see him much, but I e-mailed him reports of the goings on in Sacramento and we talked every month about issues affecting the tire dealers and, from our friendship, our respective families.

I was pleased and happy to see him bright and energetic last November at a meeting held at Kings Wholesale Tire in El Monte. Not only was it a great meeting with a delicious catered dinner (Middle Eastern cuisine), but 24 tire dealers attended asking really good questions about events in Sacramento that would affect them and their businesses. Most importantly though, Ed reminded me of the "Ole Ed" he always signed off on his letters to me. He was sharp, witty, and sarcastic. I like to think that he saw the gathering and knew the organization was in good hands for the future. When I told him I had to go, he gave me that crooked smile of his and I could see him positively glowing about the evening's events.

Sadly, it was the last time I saw Ed. However, if there is anything such as a good last good-bye, this was it. I will miss him greatly.

**Legislation:**

This is the most recent update on bills that affect tire dealers either directly or indirectly. While we know that new governmental requirements make it more difficult to do business, tire dealers are also affected when the state uses tire fee money for projects other than those directly focused on cleaning up tire piles, diverting tires from landfills, or helping develop an infrastructure for tire-derived products.

- 1) **AB 323 (Yamada, D-Davis)** requires anyone selling and/or installing replacement tires to disclose the date the tires were manufactured on the invoice. With our opposition and that of Les Schwab Tire Centers, Assembly Member Yamada dropped her bill in late January.

**1-800 EveryRim.com**

***The original USED RIM crew!***

**1-800 383 7974  
Stock OEM Wheels**

**Used, Reconditioned, Replicas -  
Buy or Sell**

**Right on Price, Right on Time, Every Time!**

**9935 Beverly Blvd. Pico Rivera, CA 90660**

**1-800 383 7974**

**Sales@1800EveryRim.com / Fax 562 692 3851**

