AAMVA Mourns the Passing of Pat Crahan

AAMVA is sad to report that Pat Crahan, a longtime staple in the AAMVA Community, passed away on December 31st. He was 89 years old. A veteran of the U.S. Air Force, Crahan joined the U-Haul Team in 1963. At his initial job interview, he so impressed U-Haul co-founder L.S. "Sam" Shoen that Shoen asked Pat to be the marketing company president (MCP) for what was then U-Haul Company of Oklahoma and Arkansas. That marked the beginning of a 54-year U-Haul career for Crahan, who wasted little time making his mark. In 1974, he was named vice president of Government Relations, the title he held until 2014, when he transitioned into what he called a "working retirement." Crahan received high accolades from U-Haul over the years. In 1985, he received the Hap Carty E&E Award, the highest award in the Company.

Because he spent more than 40 years as VP of Government Relations, Crahan, along with his beloved wife Velva, was an AAMVA institution. From his first AAMVA event, Pat was a trusted business partner on important issues like multiyear trailer plates and truck apportioning. In 2000, AAMVA honored him with the Distinguished Service Award-Distinguished Community Member, and in 2014 Jennifer Cohan presented both Pat and Velva with the Chair's Award of Excellence in recognition of their many years of service.

For more than four decades, Crahan generously hosted the Traditional Past Presidents'/Chairs' Salty Dog Breakfast at every AAMVA conference, providing breakfast with shirts and toys included. Pat and Velva, married for over 65 years, were advisors and confidants to many, using their years of experience and life lessons to help anyone who was smart enough to listen. He is survived by Velva and their four children, along with several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He will be deeply missed.

FDR e-Learning Updated for 2018

Fraud Detection and Remediation (FDR) e-learning, our most widely-accessed voluntary program, has been updated and is now available to member jurisdictions! The 2018 Annual Update features a number of important enhancements and new information. Please visit the AAMVA website and follow the FDR Training path to review program details and access the download page. Please remember that you will need to use your AAMVA User ID and Password to access the material. Individual students should not attempt to retrieve the courseware from the AAMVA website. Instead, downloads are designed so that single training contacts can access the courseware on behalf of their agencies and then deploy the training throughout their organizations. AAMVA has developed an FDR Implementation Tutorial to accompany the printed Implementation Guide. Learn how to use FDR in the classroom, distribute electronically, or install on a Learning Management System. The tutorial is included in each download pack, or can be viewed directly on the AAMVA website https://www.aamva.org/FDR-Training/.
## Systems Training

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### Regional 1 News

#### Division of Motor Vehicles Announces Online Renewal Services (Delaware)

The Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles announced it is offering online driver license and ID card renewals. DMV customers needing to renew their Delaware driver license or ID card may do so at their convenience, 24/7. Read the article at [dooverpost.com](http://dooverpost.com).

#### New Jersey Immigration Under Murphy: Driver's Licenses

Twelve states and Washington, D.C., allow unauthorized immigrants to apply for driver's licenses. Gov.-elect Phil Murphy wants New Jersey to become the 13th. It's no secret that unauthorized immigrants across the state risk driving without a license — advocates argue it's the only option for some workers — and don't have car insurance either. Read the article at [app.com](http://app.com).

#### A Real ID Will Cost Pennsylvania Residents $60.50; PennDOT Makes Plans to Handle Rush of Customers

Unless you pay the one-time fee of $30 on top of the current $30.50 license renewal fee starting next year, you won't get a Real ID in Pennsylvania. Read the article at [lancasteronline.com](http://lancasteronline.com).

#### New Pennsylvania Laws for 2018 Expand Gambling, Allow Golf Carts On Roads

Driving a golf cart on Pennsylvania roads, gambling online and keeping your tax collector from skimming off your tax payments will all get a little easier under new legislation that takes effect this month. Read the article at [poconorecord.com](http://poconorecord.com).

#### Texting Ban May Soon Be Enforced on Florida's Deadly Roads

Florida, with some of the nation's deadliest roads, is one of the last states to not fully ban texting while driving, but the Legislature will soon consider a bill that would. However, studies conflict over whether such bans have any effect. Read the article at [usnews.com](http://usnews.com).

#### Glitch Shuts Down Vehicle Registration Statewide. What to Do If You Need to Renew. (Kentucky)

A glitch in the statewide software program used to issue car tag renewals led to long lines and problems for the state's county clerks on Tuesday. The state tested a new software program this weekend and it had no problems. But on Tuesday, the first day county clerks offices were open after New Year's Day, the software had so many problems the state opted to shut down the entire system so it could fix the problem, said Don Blevins Jr., the Fayette County Clerk. Read the article at [kentuckuy.com](http://kentuckuy.com).

#### Louisiana Residents Could Need 'REAL ID' or Alternate To Fly Starting This Month

A law passed more than a decade ago could keep you from boarding a commercial airplane later this month if you’ve got a Louisiana state driver’s license or ID. Louisiana is one of just three states that are not compliant with the REAL ID Act, passed after Sept. 11, 2001. Read the article at [wdsu.com](http://wdsu.com).

#### What Real ID Means to South Carolina Residents This Year

After years of resisting the federal government's requirements for more solid forms of identification at airports, this is the year South Carolina gets serious about complying. It's also the year many residents will have to start lining up the documents for the Real ID licenses that will be required to board commercial planes throughout the country. Especially for those whose licenses are expiring
Residents Asked to Upgrade to Real ID (Indiana)
When Kim Warren brought her 15-year-old son to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles branch to get his learner’s permit, she was handed a checklist for upgrading to Real ID. The credential is part of federal law establishing new requirements for issuing driver’s licenses and identification cards following the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks. Beginning in October 2020, residents without a Real ID license or card will be barred from boarding commercial airplanes or entering federal courthouses, military bases and other security-sensitive facilities. Read the article at journalreview.com.

Feds to Iowa: Cite Truckers for Cellphone Use or Lose Highway Funds
Truck drivers, bus drivers, and other operators of commercial vehicles could be more likely to lose their licenses for texting while driving, under legislation the Iowa Department of Transportation will ask state lawmakers to approve this year. Operators of commercial vehicles in Iowa are already pulled over and fined for texting or operating a handheld mobile phone, but it’s a general citation for violating federal rules. Read the article at iowapublicradio.org.

State Reveals List of 11,000 Disapproved License Plate Configurations, Combinations Added In 2017 (Michigan)
Many Michigan drivers want their own custom license plate configurations but sometimes a particular combination of symbols, letters and numbers isn’t always, well, appropriate. That’s why the Michigan Secretary of State’s office has a list of 11,114 rejected personalized plate requests that are not approved for use. Read the article at themorningsun.com.

In 2040, All New Cars Sold In California Would Be Emission-Free, Bill Says
In just 22 years, every new car sold in California would have to be a zero-emission...
vehicle, under a bill introduced Wednesday by San Francisco Assemblyman Phil Ting. Ting’s bill would require every new passenger vehicle sold after Jan. 1, 2040, to be zero-emission, in line — he says — with a goal Gov. Jerry Brown has set for 1.5 million zero-emission vehicles in the state by 2025. Read the article at sfgate.com

**Lifelong Driver Approved by California DMV for Mature Driver Insurance Discount**

Insurance companies are now eligible to offer discounts to California customers age 55 or older that complete Lifelong Driver, a crash avoidance training program created by ADEPT Driver. The California Department of Motor Vehicles (CA DMV) has approved Lifelong Driver as a Mature Driver Improvement Course, one of the driver training programs listed by the DMV as specifically developed for senior drivers. Read the article at prnewswire.com.

**How Tech Will Help California Now that Pot Is Legal**

A day after recreational marijuana sales became legal in California, a top Los Angeles police official said authorities are working to ensure that soon-to-be-permitted retail establishments in the city — and marijuana users — comply with the rules. Read the article at govtech.com.

**Some States Put a THC Limit On Pot-Smoking Drivers — Here’s Why California Doesn’t**

California will not set a THC level limit for determining marijuana DUlIs when pot legalization laws take full effect Monday with the first sales of recreational cannabis in some cities. Unlike the nationally accepted 0.08 percent blood alcohol concentration limit used in DUI arrests, there’s no scientific consensus on a base blood level of THC that can prove impairment. Read the article at sfchronicle.com.

**Tougher Penalties for Impaired Driving May Be Changing How People Drink In Saskatoon (Saskatchewan)**

Jim Bence says 2017 will go into the books as the year when the province’s war on impaired driving hit the businesses that serve booze. Read the article at cbc.ca.

**Technology Is Turning Wrong-Way Drivers Around**

If a driver turns the wrong way onto the freeway here, northwest of downtown Phoenix, the driver should instantly know he’s made a grave error. If not, though, at least others will. Read the article at pewtrusts.org.

**Companies' Failure to Publish Robot Car Safety Self-Assessments Shows NHTSA's Voluntary Standards Don't Work, Consumer Watchdog Says**

The failure of virtually all robot car developers to publish safety self-assessments described in the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s policy on automated driving systems demonstrates the failure of voluntary standards to protect highway safety, Consumer Watchdog said today. Read the article at prnewswire.com.

**FMCSA Plan to Eliminate Exemptions for Diabetic Drivers in Limbo**

Greg Crawford, an insulin-dependent commercial motor vehicle driver from Oak Park, Mich., says he had to wait months for a medical expert’s verification that his condition was stable before federal regulators cleared him to get back behind the wheel. Read the article at ttnews.com.

**TSA Delays Real ID Requirements**

Anyone who has passed through a Transportation Security Administration (TSA) airport checkpoint in the past year has probably seen signs warning that TSA ID requirements will be changing effective January 18, 2018. In a nutshell, some state’s driver’s licenses may soon no longer be valid to grant a passenger access to domestic flights. Read the article at travelpulse.com.
On Twitter
@AAMVAConnection has been watching the twitter feed and decided to highlight some of the tweets here. Links are provided within most of the tweets, and we have also provided a link to each tweet as well. Note that you do not have to have an account or sign in to Twitter to view the message posts, images associated with the post, and the reach of the message (retweets, favorited, etc.).

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