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OUR EVENTS

AUGUST

19-20 | [Board of Director's Meeting](#)
San Francisco, California

20 | [Industry Advisory Board Meeting](#)
San Francisco, California

Awards Presented at 2017 Region I Conference

Congratulations to all the winners of [AAMVA Awards](#) who were recognized at the 2017 Region I Conference in Portland, Maine:

PACE Awards

Category 1C: Other Print and Electronic Publications

- New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, Top 5 DMV Mistakes and How to Avoid Them
- Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Driver & Vehicle Services, Seniors Driving Safely - Mature Driver Publication Series

Category 3D: Indoor or Outdoor Print or Digital Advertising

- Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration, Noah's Law Gas Pump Top Advertising

Category 4A: Media Events/Press Day

- New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, Protect Your Melon Press Conference

Category 5A: Video Production, Internally-Produced

- Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Driver & Vehicle Services, Your Safety, Your Responsibility

Category 5B: Video Production, Externally-Produced

- Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration, Noah's Law Training Video

Category 6A: News Release

- New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, New York State to Pokemon Hunters: Popular New App is Not Meant to be Used While Driving

Service and Security Awards

Community Service

- Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration, *Adopt-a-Senior*
- Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles, *New Bedford Connect*

Excellence in Government Partnership

- Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles, *Driving Privilege Card*



21-23 | [Annual International Conference](#)
San Francisco, CA

SEPTEMBER

26-28 | [2017 Region IV Chief Administrators Meeting](#)
Tempe, Arizona
By invitation only

OCTOBER

3-4 | [2017 Combined Standing Committees Meeting](#)
Reston, Virginia
By invitation only



24-26 | [Region III Information Exchange](#)
Oak Brook, IL

SYSTEMS TRAINING

*Register for the following training sessions [HERE](#).

JULY SCHEDULE

25 | CD07 Add New Driver (intermediate)

26 | CD09 Change Data (intermediate)

27 | CD15 Update AKA Data (intermediate)

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- New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, *MLK Food Drive Campaign*
- Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicles, *Dress Down for Charity*
- Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles, *2016 Region I Conference Charity Event*

Improvement through Efficiencies

- New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, *Electronic Salvage Certification Project*

Innovative Use of Technology

- Ontario Provincial Police, *Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Collision Scene Mapping*

International Driver Examiner Certification (IDEC)

- Daniel Young, Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles
- Debra Leonard, New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles
- Glenn Baran, New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission
- Eric Stirtzinger, Ontario Ministry of Transportation
- Hannah Whittemore, Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles

Customer Convenience

- Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, *Driver & Vehicle Services, Third Party Non-Commercial Skills Test Program*

Fraud Prevention and Detection - Law Enforcement Individual

- Maryland State Police, Jason Whetstone, Trooper First Class

Fraud Prevention and Detection - Motor Vehicle Individual

- New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, Stacie Iovinelli, Investigator

Fraud Prevention and Detection - Motor Vehicle Agency

- New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, Division of Field Investigation, Operation Prevent

REGION I NEWS

MVA Debuts Electronic School Bus Inspection System

The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration has installed a new electronic system of reporting school bus inspections, replacing its old, paper-based system, the agency announced Thursday. [Read more at baltimoresub.com.](#)

Fines For Driving Without Insurance Identification Begin (Maryland)

Heads up Maryland drivers! Fines enforcing a new law start this month. The law requires drivers to carry a current insurance identification card, or he/she will face a \$50 fine. The card must be in a tangible or electronic format. [Read more at localdvm.com.](#)

DMV Cracks Down On Toll Evaders By Suspending Registrations (New York)

Pay that toll — or else! The state Department of Motor Vehicles has suspended the vehicle registrations of more than 4,900 motorists who crossed New York bridges and tunnels without paying tolls, officials told The Post. [Read more at](#)

OUR WEBINARS

JULY

25 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature](#)

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OPEN RFPs

[Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles Third Party Title and Registration](#)

Proposals Due: July 28, 2017 @ 3:00 PM EST

nypost.com.

PennDOT Secretary Leslie Richards Named First Female PA Turnpike Chair

PennDOT Secretary Leslie S. Richards of Whitmarsh Township was named chair of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission as part of a reorganization commissioners approved today during a bimonthly meeting of the five-member panel. [Read more at theprogressnews.com](#).

DMV Facial Recognition System Deemed Illegal By Vermont Attorney General

A facial recognition system in place at Vermont's Department of Motor Vehicle has been suspended indefinitely after a review by the state's Attorney General found that the system violates state law. The finding by Attorney General TJ Donovan's office confirms what the Vermont chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union said in May when the group called for a stop to the program: A state law passed in 2004 explicitly prohibits the DMV from using biometrics. [Read more at digital.vpr.net](#).

REGION II NEWS

Alabama To Allow Digital Version Of Vehicle Registration During Traffic Stops

Traffic stops may get easier and more efficient for Alabamians starting very soon. On Aug. 1 drivers will be able to offer officers a digital version of their vehicle registration. [Read more at wsfa.com](#).

Human Trafficking Prevention Course Required For Arkansas CDL Holders

A new law will require truck drivers who are applying for or renewing a Class A commercial driver's license in Arkansas to complete a human trafficking prevention course. The law goes into effect on July 31. [Read more at landlinemag.com](#).

Better Call Behnken: Owner Of Tampa Car Dealership Accused Of Rolling Back Odometers Arrested (Florida)

The owner of a Tampa car dealership faces 42 felony charges, accused of funneling cars through her company, then rolling back odometers and flipping the vehicles to unsuspecting buyers on Craig's List. [View the article at wfla.com](#).

State Driver Services Reminds Motorists Of Georgia SUPER SPEEDER Laws

In case you haven't heard, this entire week, the Georgia Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) and law enforcement agencies throughout the State of Georgia are teaming up with their counterparts in Alabama, Florida, South Carolina, and Tennessee in "Operation Southern Shield", a week-long speed prevention and enforcement initiative in each of their respective states on interstates, major highways and local roads. [View the press release for more](#).

Lawmaker Hopes Vertical Driver's License Reduces Underage Alcohol Sales, But Will It? (Tennessee)

Nearly everyone, it seems, supports the concept of a vertically-oriented driver's license to help alcohol sellers quickly identify an underage person. But does the idea actually work? [Read more at knoxnews.com](#).

Texas Slams The Brakes On A Major Odometer Fraud Operation

A man suspected of rolling back the odometers on hundreds of vehicles to defraud innocent Texas consumers was arrested following a three-year investigation by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV), the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS), the Fort Worth Police Department, the Grand Prairie Police Department, the Tarrant County Regional Auto Crimes Task Force and the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office. [View the press release.](#)

REGION III NEWS

Robot Cars Hits Speed Bump In Illinois

The push to allow testing of autonomous vehicles on Illinois roads has stalled for now, but the sponsor of the measure hopes to rev up talks again soon. State Rep. Mike Zalewski, D-Riverside, said one speed bump that is slowing down the bill is liability. [Read more at altondailynews.com.](#)

SOS Suspends Licenses Of Pontiac And Waterford Auto Dealers (Michigan)

Secretary of State Ruth Johnson announced today that the license of three used vehicle dealers in Pontiac and Waterford have been summarily suspended for failure to follow proper procedures as required by law. [Read the press release.](#)

MDOT Video Reminds Drivers Of Their Role In Reducing Fatalities (Michigan)

Driver behavior is a contributing factor in at least 90 percent of all fatal traffic crashes and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is reminding motorists of the critical role they play in traffic safety. [Read more and access the video at content.govdelivery.com.](#)

REGION IV NEWS

AZDPS Receives \$600,000 To Improve Computerized Dispatch (Arizona)

Computer aided dispatch (CAD) is the virtual life-line for law enforcement officers at the hands of dispatchers. Thanks to the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS), the Arizona Department of Public Safety will be able to replace its aging CAD system with new, Spillman state of the art technology, enabling the agency to interface with other state agencies, specifically the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT). [View the press release.](#)

Caltrans Begins Modifying Roads For Self-Driving Cars (California)

In yet another sign of the rapid advance of self-driving technology, California has already started adapting roads for autonomous vehicles, a new report says. [Read more at siliconbeat.com.](#)

California Legislature Advances New CDL Training Requirements

A bill nearing completion in the California Legislature is intended to improve safety on the state's roadways by implementing new federal commercial driver regulations. Additional truck driver safety requirements would also be added. [Read more at landlinemag.com.](#)

California Could Be In Line for Gender-Neutral Identification

California lawmakers are considering a proposal to provide gender-neutral

identification. State Sen. Toni Atkins (D - 39th District) introduced a bill to streamline the process of providing a gender neutral or nonbinary option on the California driver license, birth certificate and other forms of state identification.

[Read more at nbclosangeles.com.](#)

Self-Driving Car Arrives In Seattle After 2,500-mile Autonomous Cross-Country Trip (Washington)

Washington Gov. Jay Inslee is already seeing results of his new executive order that encourages self-driving technology testing. [Read more at geekwire.com.](#)

State Patrol: Driver Had 54 Times The Legal Limit For Marijuana Intoxication (Washington)

Results from a blood test on a driver arrested in May by the Washington State Patrol show he had 54 times the legal limit for marijuana's most active ingredient in his bloodstream - the highest level recorded in Washington state in at least eight years. [Read more at komonews.com.](#)

OTHER NEWS

Should Gender Be Removed From Identification Documents?

A campaign has been launched to get rid of gender distinctions from government ID documents. A baby born in Canada may be the movement's first success story.

[Read the article at Healthline.com.](#)

Instead Of Hacking Self-Driving Cars, Researchers Are Trying To Hack The World They See

A self-driving car is theoretically able to replace a human driver because it can see and react the way a human would—or better. But AI researchers are now debating whether their software could be susceptible to “hacks” of real-world objects like stop signs, invisible to the human eye but seen by machines. [Read more at qz.com.](#)

U.S. House Panel Approves Broad Proposal On Self-Driving Cars

A U.S. House panel on Wednesday approved a sweeping proposal by voice vote to allow automakers to deploy up to 100,000 self-driving vehicles without meeting existing auto safety standards and bar states from imposing driverless car rules.

Representative Robert Latta, a Republican who heads the Energy and Commerce Committee subcommittee overseeing consumer protection, said he would continue to consider changes before the full committee votes on the measure, expected next week. [Read more at reuters.com.](#)

With New Takata Air Bag Recalls, Automakers May Face More Liabilities

Takata Corp's bankruptcy filing last month was meant to draw a line under the auto industry's biggest safety recall, but last week's announcement of more air bag inflator recalls suggests automakers could face fresh liabilities in the future. [Read more at reuters.com.](#)

Cop Unlocks Key To Identifying Criminal Aliens Using Stolen Identities

Police Officer James Scott of Saugus, Massachusetts, is an expert in impostor detection, and he has developed a training program for law enforcement officers that equips them with the knowledge and skills necessary to identify suspects who are in the country illegally. [Read more at lifezette.com.](#)

GAO Urges Commercial Motor Agency To Re-Strategize Its IT Modernization

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration needs to go back to the drawing board to better plan the modernization its IT systems, says a new report by the Government Accountability Office. [Read more at fedcoop.com](#).

DID YOU KNOW?

On Twitter

@AAMVAConnection has been watching the twitter feed and decided to highlight some of the t }?re. 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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