Local Officials Urge NYS DMV To Suspend Online Permit Testing Due to Fraud (New York)
The NYS Inspector General's office is currently looking into claims of people who are fraudulently obtaining learner permits. Local officials are asking for the NYS DMV to immediately suspend their online permit testing. The DMV virtual permit testing program launched months ago to make it more convenient for New Yorkers to take their tests at home. Read more at news10.com.

Ontario Getting Rid of Mail Notices for Expiring Health Cards and Driver's Licences
The Ontario government is changing the way it's communicating with residents about renewals for health cards and driver's licences. The Ministry of Government and Consumer Services confirmed that residents with health, driver's licences and licence plates that are set to expire on or after March 1, 2022 will no longer be mailed paper renewal notices and will instead receive digital reminders. Read more at iheartradio.ca.

Ontario Digital ID Program Delayed Until 2022
The launch of Ontario's digital ID program is delayed until next year after the government had to shift its focus to its COVID-19 response. The Ontario Digital Identity (DI) Program was set to be introduced sometime later this year. However, a spokesperson for Associate Minister of Digital Government Kaleed Rasheed said resources shifted to the proof of vaccination system. Read more at globalnews.ca.

Perry County Woman Tells Cautionary Tale About Online Car Buying (Pennsylvania)
Online car buying has seen a dramatic increase during the COVID-19 pandemic. But an 8 On Your Side investigation found a Susquehanna Valley woman – and thousands of other consumers – are telling a cautionary tale of car buying online. For Sandy Harriott, of Liverpool, Perry County, it was all about convenience. Read more at wgal.com.
The Lutzie 43 Foundation and Georgia Department of Transportation Commit to Two Year Partnership in an Effort to End Distracted and Impaired Driving in Georgia

The Lutzie 43 Foundation and Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) have agreed upon a two year partnership that will launch ahead of holiday travel. The partnership will promote the Lutzie 43 Foundation’s 43 Key Seconds safe driving initiative and the Georgia Department of Transportation’s Drive Alert Arrive Alive campaign in an effort to reduce the number of crashes and fatalities in Georgia caused by unsafe driving such as distracted and impaired driving, speeding and not wearing a seatbelt. Read more at mailchi.mp.

‘We've Got a Real Problem’: With 1,000+ Dead in NC Every Year What Does It Take To Reduce Traffic Fatalities? (North Carolina)

More than 1,000 people die on North Carolina roads each year. Five years ago, the state launched an initiative aimed at changing that. The goal of NC Vision Zero is to cut traffic fatalities and serious injuries in half over 15 years, with the ultimate goal of cutting it to zero. So, where do things stand five years in? Read more at wnct.com.

DMV Urges Caution for Motorists and Motorcyclists This Fall (Virginia)

Crisp fall weather and colorful scenic routes are an undeniable call for motorcyclists to take a ride. In light of recent roadway trends, the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles is reminding all motorcyclists and motorists to use caution...In fact, more motorcyclists have already died in crashes this year than all of last year (87 motorcyclist fatalities in 2020). Read more at gazettejournal.net.

Illinois DMV's Changing to “Appointment Only” for Certain Services

Starting next month, you’ll need to make an appointment to do many things at the local licensing office. On Wednesday, Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White’s office announced it will require appointments for behind-the-wheel road tests, REAL IDs, standard driver’s licenses and ID cards. These appointments will be required, beginning on December 1st. Read more at 1470wmbd.com.

Indiana BMV Keeps License Bureau Wait Times Offline for Now

The Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles has stopped providing an online service that allowed customers to know a license branch’s wait time before arriving because the state agency found the posted times were often inaccurate. The state agency initially halted the wait time service in spring 2020 because of changes made to branch operations in the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic. Read more at wrtv.com.

A License for Kindness: Northfield DMV Specialist Brightens the Day for Customers (Minnesota)

Generally speaking, visits to Department of Motor Vehicles service counters rank right up there with root canals...Lucky, then, are those directed to the attention of Jim Pence. The part-time DMV specialist in Northfield provides
the type of respectful customer service most people only dream of. And that's
drawn some unexpected attention. Read more at startribune.com.

DMV Extends Search, Bumps Up Pay Range for Deputy Director/CIO (California)
Key responsibilities of the position include policy development and
implementation, internal program management, IT governance, executive
interaction and external program management, according to the job posting
and duty statement. Read more at techwire.net.

California Wants Spanish Speakers for These State Government Jobs. How to Apply
Are you bilingual, fluent in Spanish and looking to work for the state of
California? Look no further. Here’s a list of the top jobs currently looking for
Spanish-speaking applicants. Note: Many of these positions require that you
pass a Spanish fluency exam. Read more at fresnobe.com.

California Boosts Truck Weight Limits to 88,000 Pounds To Ease Port Snarls
California will increase weight limits for trucks carrying goods in and out of its
ports in an effort to ease supply chain bottlenecks and clear containers off the
docks of Los Angeles and Long Beach. Starting Nov. 17, the state will issue
temporary permits that will bring weight restrictions for trucks to 88,000
pounds, up from 80,000 pounds, Gov. Gavin Newsom said at a briefing with
reporters at the Port of Long Beach. The extension will apply through June
30. Read more at ttnews.com.

With Growing Population and Young People in Mind, Nevada DMV Plans To Allow All Services Online
Nevada's Department of Motor Vehicles will have an important role in our
lives as we continue to grow from Meadows to Metropolis. With the population
expected to increase by about a million people in the next decade, the DMV is
funding a major effort to revolutionize how we utilize its services. Read more
at ktnv.com.

Canadian Manufacturing Sales Fell in September as Chip Shortage Hurt Auto Sector
Canadian manufacturing sales fell three per cent to $58.5 billion in September
as motor vehicle sales fell due to the ongoing shortage of semiconductors that
has hurt auto production. Statistics Canada said Monday sales of motor
vehicles fell 35.6 per cent to $1.9 billion, the lowest level since May 2020,
while sales of motor vehicle parts dropped 13.5 per cent to $1.8 billion. Read
more at bnnbloomberg.ca.

60 Minutes: Packed Ports and Empty Shelves: Inside the Issues Behind the U.S. Supply Chain Crisis
60 Minutes follows the U.S.'s struggling supply chain, from choked ports on
the West Coast, to packed rail yards in Chicago. Along the way, we found
finger-pointing, huge profits, and massive losses. Read more at
cbsnews.com.
‘Beyond Unprecedented’ Surge in Authorized Drivers Continues to Flood Market
Over the past 16 months, more than 113,000 for-hire trucking applications have received federal operating authority, according to data from consultancy FTR. More than 100,000 of those applicants representing a pool of 195,000 drivers still held authority as of Nov. 1, according to FTR’s analysis of government data. Read more at freightwaves.com.

UPS Teams up With Waymo To Test Autonomous Freight Trucks
UPS and Waymo are teaming up to test autonomous freight trucks. The Alphabet-owned self-driving vehicle startup will conduct trial runs over the next several weeks using its Waymo Via Class 8 trucks equipped with its fifth-generation Waymo Driver technology. The trial runs will take place in Texas, where Waymo Driver will deliver for UPS’ North American air freight unit between facilities in Dallas-Forth Worth and Houston. Read more at foxbusiness.com.

Tesla Recalls 7,600 U.S. Vehicles for Potential Air Bag Issue
Tesla is recalling 7,600 vehicles in the United States because the driver's air bag cushion may tear during deployment, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said Thursday. The recall covers some 2021 Model X and Model S vehicles, the auto safety agency said. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed Jan. 7. Read more at reuters.com.

We Tried Tesla’s ‘Full Self-Driving.’ Here’s What Happened
When a dozen small children crossed in front of our Tesla with “full self-driving,” I had good reason to be nervous...The Model 3’s “full self-driving” needed plenty of human interventions to protect us and everyone else on the road...The software is still in Beta and is currently available to only a select group of Tesla owners, though CEO Elon Musk has claimed that a wider rollout is imminent. Read more at cnn.com.

Uber Adds New Features to Driver App To Help With Rising Gas Costs
Uber is adding a new partner and a new feature to its app to help its ride-hailing and delivery drivers find public restrooms and save money on gas. With gas prices soaring to new highs on Monday, the San Francisco-based company announced a partnership with GetUpside and GasBuddy to launch a Rest & Save feature in its driver app. It is designed to show drivers nearby public restrooms, real-time gas prices and offer them savings at select gas stations, Uber said. Read more at nbcbayarea.com.

Stay on top of the chatter in the MVA and LE community on social media. You may be surprised at what you’re missing! Here are a few highlights of last weeks’ activity.
Congratulations to our own Susie Guyer, who was awarded the AAMVA Region 3 Lifesaver Award for partnering with @DonateLifeIN.

Just like license plates help you identify your ride, pronouns help identify you. Celebrate #InternationalPronounDay by updating your pronouns in the Lyft app.

Pronoun Plates — A Celebration of Pronouns
#internationalpronounsday
In this month's episode of Conversations with Chrissy, Administrator Nizer discusses Real ID, Maryland Remembers, Roadside Emergency Safety, and more! #MDOTsafety

@MassDOT @MBTA @MassRMV @Massport #Thanksgiving travel & service info: blog.mass.gov/transportation...
Impaired driving takes a deadly toll on those who drink and drive and the families and friends left behind after tragedy. Today, as we kick off our OPP Festive RIDE campaign, we bring you a special message from Mothers Against Drunk Driving. ^dr @maddcanada @MADDCanadaPres
Do you know someone that was in a motorcycle crash and their life was saved because they were wearing a helmet? Nominate them for Motorcycle Ohio's Saved By the Helmet Award at bit.ly/3jWl4qI
Happy Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day! This special event gives children the opportunity to celebrate Ruby’s courage by walking to school & learning about the civil rights movement.

Visit oregonsaferoutes.org/rbwtsd/ for more historical background & resources! #SafeRoutesToSchool
I start my day helping a concerned mother install her 9-month old daughter’s child seat.

I opened the car door and get met with this view...

A look of innocence and frailness.

To me, it’s a look asking for help and protection.

It’s #WhyIWearABadge.
Este choque ocurrió ayer en la intersección 5 cerca de Mount Vernon. Después que el camión de remolque levantó el camión la conductor salió de su vehículo con lesiones mínimas. El conductor de el camión recibió una infracción por seguir el tráfico muy cerca.

Translating Tweet

Trooper Rocky Oliphant @wspd7pio · Nov 16
There’s really not a word to describe this collision. Miraculously believed to be minor injuries. The car was struck from behind, folded the car in haf, and semi came to rest on top of the car. in my 14 year career, I have never seen anything like it. twitter.com/wspd7pio/status...

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