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Paul Steier Selected as AAMVA's New Law Enforcement Program Manager

AAMVA is pleased to announce Paul Steier has been selected as our new Law Enforcement Program Manager. This is a new position that reports to the Director of Law Enforcement within the Member Services & Public Affairs Division. He has served 25 years with the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT), including as a Major in the Motor Vehicle Enforcement Office and his most recent role as director of Iowa DOT's Bureau of Investigation & Identity Protection. Paul begins his new role with AAMVA on January 30, 2017. Please join us in welcoming Paul to AAMVA's team!

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OUR EVENTS

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NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group Accepting Volunteer Applications

The NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group currently has three vacancies to fill. The Working Group is seeking one jurisdiction member with experience in the NMVTIS business process, and two jurisdiction members with NMVTIS information technology experience. Eligible applicants will be expected to attend in-person and virtual meetings. If you are interested in volunteering for this Working Group, [please complete the application](#) and submit to committees@aamva.org **no later than February 1, 2017**. If you have any questions regarding the Working Group, please visit [the group's web page](#), or contact [Casey Garber](#).

REGION I NEWS

Pagan Priest Wins Right to Wear Goat Horns in License Photo, Saying They Are 'Religious Attire' (Maine)

It doesn't matter how many articles of clothing Phelan Moonsong puts on before walking out the door each day: If he's not wearing his favorite pair of goat horns, the Pagan priest might as well be naked. Unless the 56-year-old Millinocket, Maine, man is sleeping or bathing, his beloved horns are rarely far from his scalp.
[Read the full story at WashingtonPost.com.](#)

Maryland Proposes I-95 as Testing Ground for Driverless Cars

Interstate 95 and other major arteries around the Baltimore region could become a testing ground for driverless cars starting in 2018 under a proposal Gov. Larry Hogan's administration announced Wednesday. [Read the full story at BaltimoreSun.com.](#)

DMV to Begin Suspending Registrations of Toll Scofflaws (New York)

Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced Wednesday that as of January, the state Department

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Orlando, Florida

MARCH



OUR WEBINARS

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OPEN RFPs

Check out AAMVA's [Open RFPs page](#) for potential opportunities.

OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Connecticut, Saskatchewan, Texas, Illinois, Quebec and AAMVA.

[Central Issuance/Remote Renewal](#) (Ends 12/30/2016)
Responses received from AB, AL, DC, FL, GA, IL, IN, ME, MN, NO, ND, NE, NH, NY, TN, VA, WI.

[Electronic Driver's License/ID Cards](#) (Ends 01/06/2017)
Responses received from AB, AL, BC, IL, IN, ME, MN, MS, ND,

of Motor Vehicles will begin suspending the registration of scofflaws who rack up three toll violations over five years. [Read the full story at Blog.TimesUnion.com.](#)

DMV Sweeps Net Record Arrests in 2016 (New York)

Underage drinking sweeps conducted by Department of Motor Vehicles investigators in 2016 resulted in the seizure of 862 fraudulent licenses and the arrest of 818 individuals for underage drinking, both single-year records, according to a media release Thursday from the governor's office. [Read the full story at TheDailyStar.com.](#)

Report Questions Driver's Licenses Suspensions in Pa. for Drug Crimes

A recent report from a criminal justice reform group said Pennsylvania should stop automatically suspending driver's licenses for drug convictions not related to driving. The report by the Prison Policy Initiative focuses on the 12 states, including Pennsylvania, and Washington D.C., that automatically suspend driver's licenses for all drug convictions. [Read the full article at post-gazette.com.](#)

REGION II NEWS

Driver's Licenses Redesign Holds Up Developmentally Disabled Designation, DMV Says (Florida)

When Ellen Kleinert-Cohn went to get a new driver's license for her developmentally disabled son, she was shocked when DMV workers told her no. Florida driver's licenses were supposed to be available with a "D" imprinted on them as of Oct. 1, 2016. The "D" is meant to signify that the carrier is developmentally disabled, a message to law enforcement or other authorities to use caution and not take sudden movements or erratic behavior as warning signs. [Read the full story at Sun-sentinel.com.](#)

Dept. of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Warns of Scam (Florida)

According to the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV), emails have been sent to Floridians requesting payment for outstanding citations. The message contains the DHSMV logo, a citation number and a link that must be utilized to pay the outstanding fee. [Read the full article on naplesherald.com.](#)

North Carolina Ranks at The Top in Speed-Related Fatalities

A recent study lands North Carolina fourth in the country in speed-related fatalities. A report by CarInsuranceComparison.com ranks North Carolina fourth in speed-related fatalities. According to the report, 38.7 percent of the fatalities on North Carolina roads are the result of someone driving too fast. [Read the full story at TWCNews.com.](#)

REGION III NEWS

Customers, Staff at Secretary of State Offices Donate 10 Tons of Food to Harvest Gathering (Michigan)

Secretary of State Ruth Johnson today announced that SOS branch offices collected more than 21,000 pounds of food and \$7,000 during the 2016 Harvest Gathering food drive. [Read the SOS press release.](#)

REGION IV NEWS

Uber Sending Self-Driving Cars to Arizona

NE, NH, NJ, SC, TN, TX, VA, VT.

[Armed Car Service for](#)

[Deposits](#) (Ends 12/29/2016)

Responses received from AB, AL, AR, DE, FL, GA, IL, MD, MI, MS, NC, ND, NH, NY, OH, RI, SC, TX, VA, WA.

[Facial Recognition Practices](#)

[and Business Models](#) (Ends

01/19/2017) Response received from MO.

[Applying Salvage or Equivalent](#)

[Designation](#) (Ends 12/30/2016)

Responses received from AB, AL, BC, CA, DE, FL, IA, IL, KY, MD, ME, MN, NC, ND, NH, NY, OH, OK, OR, RI, SC, UT, VA, VT, WA, WY.

These jurisdictions appreciate your assistance with their research. If you need a Web password or have any questions about using the survey tool, please send an e-mail to webportalsupport@aamva.org or call Janice Dluzynski at 703-908-5842. All online surveys can be found on the [AAMVA Web site](#).

Uber is moving its self-driving pilot project to Arizona, one day after the California Department of Motor Vehicles ordered the autonomous vehicles off the roads in San Francisco. [Read the full story at SFGate.com](#).

California DMV Pulls the Plug on Uber's Self-Driving Cars – For Now

Uber has discontinued its self-driving car test program in the City by the Bay after just one week. Following a dustup between Uber and state officials, the California DMV took action and revoked the registrations of the 16 cars involved. It's not the end of the story for Uber though, as the company says it's working with the DMV – and the Golden State bureaucracy – to get the cars re-certified and back on the road. [Read the full story at sports.yahoo.com](#).

Cost of SGI Road Tests More Than Double (Saskatchewan)

Anyone in Saskatchewan who takes a driver's road test next year will pay more — more than twice as much as drivers paid this year, in many cases. On Tuesday, Saskatchewan Government Insurance announced a series of fee increases related to driver's testing, licences, driver training and impaired driver courses. [Read the full story at CBC.ca](#).

OTHER NEWS

These are the Safest New Cars Hitting the Road in 2017

If you're considering a new car purchase in 2017, it's important to know which makes and models will keep you and your family safe in the event of a crash. (Because really, this should be the first thing we look at before we buy!) [Read the full article at www.wkbw.com](#).

Traffic Deaths Are Rising. These Are America's Most Deadly States

If you're planning to take a road trip sometime soon, here's something to keep in mind: Getting on the road in some states is far more dangerous than in others. Your chances of getting killed in a car crash in Montana, South Carolina or Arizona are two to three times greater than if you were cruising through Massachusetts, Minnesota or Washington DC, the three safest locales. [Read the full article on forbes.com](#).

Google's Waymo and Chrysler Unveil Self-Driving Minivan

The companies developing self-driving vehicles have so far tinkered with sedans, sports cars, trucks, shuttle buses and SUVs. Next up, the minivan. [Read the full story at SFChronicle.com](#).

Elderly Japanese Drivers are Being Offered Discounted Ramen if They Relinquish Their Driving License

As we age our eyesight, reactions, and physical coordination deteriorates, to the point that elderly drivers can become quite dangerous on the road. [Read the full story at Motor1.com](#).

DID YOU KNOW?

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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National LEL Program @nlelp | [View the Tweet](#)

Impaired dodge ball in TX, driverless cars on I-95 & fewer traffic fatalities in medical marijuana states: <http://eepurl.com/cu1qbv>

Arizona DOT @ArizonaDOT | [View the Tweet](#)



Welcome to #Arizona, @Uber. These self-driving vehicles are arriving for a welcome by Governor @DougDucey. #azmeansbiz

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@LGHolcomb announces picks for @IndStatePolice , @hoosierlottery & other agencies



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