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OUR EVENTS

OCTOBER

18-20 | [2016 October NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group Meeting](#)
Phoenix/Scottsdale, AZ

AAMVA Joins Public and Private Sector Safety Leaders to Launch 'Road to Zero Initiative'

On Wednesday AAMVA, together with the National Safety Council, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), and a diverse group of stakeholders from non-profit safety groups, to public health officials, to car and technology companies, announced the **Road to Zero initiative** to focus on addressing preventable deaths with the goal of ending fatalities on the nation's roads within the next 30 years. The Road to Zero will prioritize efforts in highway safety and develop a new partnership focused on reaching zero fatalities on our highways AAMVA Chair of the Board, Jean Shiomoto along with Ian Grossman, Vice President, and Cian Cashin, Director of Government Affairs joined safety leaders from the public and private sector to launch this important initiative. View the **October 5th AAMVA Special Alert** for more details.



AAMVA at National Safer Roads Partnerships' Conference

Brian Ursino, AAMVA Director of Law Enforcement, attended and presented at the National Safer Roads Partnerships' Conference in Manchester, England, September 27 – 28, 2016. He presented on AAMVA's Autonomous Vehicle Working Group, and during his stay, he met with numerous law enforcement professionals and had conversations on many hot topics, including Drug-Impaired Driving, Data-Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS), and more. Ursino made contacts for future strategic partners for AAMVA, including the U.K. Centre for Connected and Autonomous Vehicles.



South Dakota Implements S2S; Nebraska to Follow

AAMVA congratulates South Dakota on successfully implementing the State-to-

Working Group members only.

19-20 | [2016 October Motor Carrier Working Group Meeting](#)

Oklahoma City, OK

Working Group members only.

25-26 | [Region III Information Exchange](#)

Oakbrook, IL



[Register online!](#)

OUR WEBINARS

OCTOBER

11 | [NMVTIS SWI - Understanding the Administrative Features](#)

19 | [NMVTIS SWI - Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature](#)

25 | [NMVTIS SWI - How to Correct Title and Brand Data on the Central Site](#)

OPEN RFPs

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

OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Vermont, District of Columbia, New Jersey, Ontario, Connecticut, and North Carolina.

[Processing vehicle registration/title transactions](#)

(Ends 10/25/2016) Responses received from FL, IL, NY, RI.

[DMV's Providing Vehicles for NCDL Road Tests](#)

(Ends 10/26/2016) Responses received from FL, GA, ID, IL, MO, NJ, NY, OH, RI, SC, VA, VT.

[Intrastate Medical Waiver for CDL Drivers](#)

(Ends 10/17/2016) Responses received from IL, MD, MN, ND, NH, RI, SC, VT.

State Verification Service (S2S) during the weekend of October 2, 2016 and becoming the 8th participant using the new service. South Dakota will now be able to use SPEXS to perform its CDLIS and S2S functions. South Dakota can now track pointer information related to its Base Driver Licenses, permit for Base Driver Licenses, and Identification Cards. This supports, among other goals, limiting any person to only one driver's license. All migration activities have been completed as per schedule. CDLIS and S2S services are fully operational now. Nebraska is scheduled to begin using S2S on October 16, 2016. Other jurisdictions will also begin using S2S in the upcoming months, and AAMVA looks forward to supporting them during their on-boarding process. [Read more here.](#)

REGION I NEWS

Malloy Threatens To Sue After AAA Affiliate Halts Licensing Service (Connecticut)

Gov. Dannel P. Malloy has threatened legal action against one of the state's two AAA affiliates after the organization said it would no longer let nonmembers renew their driver's licenses at its eight locations in Fairfield, New Haven and Litchfield counties. [Read the full story at Courant.com.](#)

DC Council Considers Suspending Driver's Licenses for Texting, Talking on Cell Phones

If a DC Council bill becomes law, not only can you be fined for texting or talking on the phone while driving, you could also have your driver's license suspended. A DC Council committee unanimously approved a bill to add suspension of driver's licenses to the punishments for texting or for talking and holding a phone while driving. [Read the full story at WJLA.com.](#)

A \$12.5 Million Program Aims to Prevent Drunk and Distracted Driving in Maryland

After motor vehicle deaths increased in 2015, an initiative from Gov. Larry Hogan's office allocated \$12.5 million grant program to promote traffic safety, with money going to more than 80 groups throughout the state, such as the University of Maryland and the Prince George's County police departments. [Read the full story at DBKNews.com.](#)

Governor Cuomo Announces Results of Underage Drinking Crackdown at Summer Concerts (New York)

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced the results of coordinated sweeps during the summer concert season to crackdown on underage drinking across the state. Investigators arrested 411 people for underage drinking and confiscated 437 fake identification documents during these events. The Operation Prevent sweeps were carried out by DMV investigators in conjunction with local law enforcement, the State Liquor Authority, New York State Police, and New York State Parks Police to deter underage drinking in local communities and make roadways safer across New York. [Read the full press release.](#)

REGION II NEWS

Officials Ask for Extension as Real ID Deadline Looms (Kentucky)

In less than a week, the state's extension to comply with the federal government's REAL ID law will expire, and despite criticisms from policymakers, officials see it as a priority for the 2017 legislative session. [Read the full story at KentuckyNewEra.com.](#)

[Personalized Licence Plate Complaints](#) (Ends 10/21/2016)

Responses received from FL, IL, NY, VT.

[Call Center Self-service](#) (Ends 10/19/2016) Responses received from AL, DC, GA, MD, NE, NH, SC, SK, VA, VT.

[DMV Fees - Vehicles](#) (Ends 10/19/2016) Responses received from AL, AR, BC, CA, IA, IL, MD, ME, MI, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OK, RI, UT, VA, VT, WI.

[Real ID Photo-up-front](#) (Ends 10/19/2016) Responses received from AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, IA, IL, IN, LA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, NH, OR, SC, SD, TX, WI.

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](#).

DMV is Not Responsible: Virginia Denies Claim It Unfairly Suspends Driver's Licenses

After a class-action lawsuit claimed Virginia suspends the driver's licenses of those too poor to pay fines and court costs in an "unconstitutional scheme," the state replied Monday, saying the suit raised no legitimate complaint. [Read the full story in TheWashingtonPost.com](#).

REGION III NEWS

KHP: No Visible Tattoos Allowed... Still (Kansas)

Tattoo-loving troopers will still have to cover up. After spending the summer investigating whether or not Kansas Highway Patrol (KHP) troopers would be allowed to have visible tattoos, law enforcement officials say such a change isn't necessary anymore. [Read the full story at WIBW.com](#).

License Plate to Aid Dream Field Now Available (Ohio)

A new specialty state license plate, "Baseball for All," is now available for purchase, with proceeds going to help maintain the Mirolo Dream Field in Grove City for disabled children. [Read the full story at Dispatch.com](#).

Wisconsin Governor: Voter ID Issues Found at DMV Offices

Gov. Scott Walker says the state Department of Justice found problems with how Wisconsin's voter ID law was being administered during spot checks at Division of Motor Vehicle driver's license stations. [Read the full story at ABCNews.Go.Com](#).

Wisconsin State Patrol Recruit Class Begins Training

The Wisconsin State Patrol welcomed 51 recruits to the State Patrol Academy at Fort McCoy on Sunday, Oct. 2, to begin an intense 25-week training program that will culminate in their graduation as troopers or inspectors on April 7, 2017. [Read the DOT press release](#).

Federal Judge Orders Investigation into Wisconsin's Voter ID System

A federal judge on Friday ordered Wisconsin officials to investigate whether DMV workers are giving prospective voters correct information about a system meant to provide IDs to those who might have trouble getting them. If they aren't, it could jeopardize the state's voter ID law. [Read the full story at WashingtonPost.com](#).

REGION IV NEWS

Santa Cruz County Resident is First Legally Non-binary Person in California

Kelly S. Keenan was recently granted a gender change from female to "nonbinary." Keenan is the first in California and the second in the nation. As Kelly Keenan stood before Santa Cruz County Superior Court Judge Robert Attack on Sept. 26, the judge held the first legal document in California history — and only the second in U.S. history — with a third gender option checked. Attack officially had granted Keenan a gender change from female to "nonbinary." [Read the full story at SantaCruzSentinel.com](#).

TESLA: California Regulators to Demand Cease & Desist Advertising "Auto-pilot"

California Department of Motor Vehicles formally issued draft regulation demanding Tesla Motors Inc. to cease and desist from using the terms "self-

driving,” “automated,” or “auto-pilot” in advertising unless vehicles are capable of driving themselves without any human back-up. [Read the full story at Breitbart.com.](#)

California Passes Law Allowing Unmanned Autonomous Cars to be Tested on Public Roads

Late last year, Google expressed its disappointment over the California Department of Motor Vehicles’ restrictive draft proposals regarding self-driving cars. The proposed law stated that autonomous vehicles must have a steering wheel, and a licensed driver must be present to take over if the systems fail. [Read the full story at TechSpot.com.](#)

FTC Accuses L.A. Auto Dealer Group of Using Illegal, Deceptive 'Yo-Yo' Sales Tactics (California)

A big auto dealer group in Los Angeles has been doing the “yo-yo” on car customers for years, according to the U.S. Federal Trade Commission. The yo-yo is an illegal dealer tactic that preys on people with bad credit. After being lured in by advertisements pitching low prices and low financing costs, customers are allowed to take the vehicle home before financing is complete. Then they’re pulled back to the dealership and told their credit is bad, so they’ll have to pay more to keep their new ride. [Read the full story at LATimes.com.](#)

MADD and Saskatchewan Officials Meet to Talk Impaired Driving Legislation

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Canada met with two Saskatchewan government ministers Tuesday to offer recommendations addressing impaired driving in the province. [Read the full story at GlobalNews.ca.](#)

OTHER NEWS

Happy Thanksgiving, Canada! For Canadians, Thanksgiving Is a ‘Quieter’ Affair in October

Most of the year, Canadians living in the United States look, talk and act so much like their neighbors that their nationality draws no attention at all. Autumn is a season of danger, though, when the mask of assimilation can be ripped off, forcing some Americans to face the unnerving, if fleeting, realization that Canada is an entirely different country. [Read the full article in The New York Times.](#)

The Road To Zero Begins Now

The Interstate system ceremonially begins at Zero Milestone, a small and often overlooked obelisk next to the National Christmas Tree on the Ellipse south of the White House. It is the point from which a historic Army convoy led by Lt. Col. Dwight Eisenhower began in 1919, making clear our nation’s need for a system of highways and byways. Now, we are at a new milestone. We are embarking on a similarly ambitious quest, and we need you to come with us. We call it the “Road To Zero.” [Read more on the FastLane.](#)

Register for the Seat Belts Save Challenge

Participating schools must register and submit a signed School Participation Form by Oct 15, 2016. Four week challenge must be completed by Nov 15, 2016. Schools can win up to \$1500, along with trips and other great prizes. [Register today at NOYS.org!](#)

An Alarming 10% Rise in Traffic Deaths in the First Half of 2016

Traffic deaths in the United States rose 10.4 percent in the first half of this year

compared with the same period in 2015, maintaining a steady climb. [Read the full story at NYTimes.com.](#)

Google's Self-Driving Cars Hit 2 Million Autonomous

In the latest milestone towards our apparently-inevitable future full of people twiddling their thumbs behind the wheel, Google has announced that its self-driving vehicles have logged 2 million miles of autonomous driving on public roads. Which sounds pretty impressive...until you remember that Tesla's Autopilot system has racked up more than 50 times as many miles of autonomous operation. [Read the full story at TheDrive.com.](#)

Volvo CEO: Fully Autonomous Cars Are Worth \$10,000 Extra

While many automakers and tech companies believe motorists are eager to ditch their cars in favor of shared transportation services, at least one car company banks on personal ownership as a big part of its future business plan. Self-driving capabilities will separate luxury vehicles from the rest of the market for those consumers still interested in buying cars outright, according to Volvo CEO Håkan Samuelsson. [Read the full story at en.motorwebs.net.](#)

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.).

Stay on top of the chatter in the MVA and LE community. You may be surprised at what you're missing! [Follow @AAMVAConnection.](#)

[Check out recent @AAMVAConnection Twitter action.](#)

Thank you for the @AAMVAConnection mentions!

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We're on the #RoadtoZero. The @roadtozero coalition is working to end fatalities on U.S. roadways within next 30 yrs

Road to Zero @RoadToZeroUS

Thrilled to have @AAMVAConnection along for the ride! #RoadtoZero

Road to Zero @RoadToZeroUS | [View the Tweet](#)

We haven't yet presented the American people with an alternative to accepting road deaths as a reality, says @AAMVAConnection's Ian Grossman

Doug Fun @dougfun | [View the Tweet](#)



.@aamvaconnection's Ian Grossman calling for improved roadway safety with @NSCsafety's Deb Hersman at #RoadtoZero summit.

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.@aamvaconnection's Ian Grossman promoting roadway safety at today's national #RoadtoZero summit.

MDTransportationDept @MDOTNews | [View the Tweet](#)



.@NHTSAgov Make the choice—driving or drinking. Never both. #BuzzedDriving is drunk driving.

Georgia DPS @ga_dps | [View the Tweet](#)

What a great job our Troopers & MCCD Officers did today, along with @GaDNRLE @GADeptofTrans @GaTrees & @GeorgiaEMA #HurricaneMatthew

GDOT East Traffic @GDOTEastTraffic | [View the Tweet](#)

Well you don't reverse an interstate everyday. Thanks to all local and state agencies working #HurricaneMatthew evacuation & next few days.

FHP Orlando @FhpOrlando | [View the Tweet](#)



Prayers are w/ALL our first responders as they stand ready #HurricaneMatthew. Times like this were are thankful to all our public servants.

TN Highway Safety @TNHSO | [View the Tweet](#)

.@TNHSO, @TNHighwayPatrol & local partners to collaborate for TN's first Brakes on Fatalities event: <http://tntrafficsafety.org/tennessee-highway-safety-office-asks-drivers-help-put-brakes-fatalities> ... #LawEnforcement

GHSA @GHSAHQ | [View the Tweet](#)

Webinar alert! Join GHSA, @FordDSFL & @njsafe on Thurs, 10/20 at 2pm EDT to talk teen drivers. Register here: <http://bit.ly/ghsateenwebinar16> ...

Zero Fatalities @ZeroFatalities | [View the Tweet](#)

If you are driving longer than 100 miles or 2 hours, make sure you give yourself proper rest breaks #DontDriveDrowsy



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