

AAMVA's The Week in Review – March 4, 2013



2013 Workshop & Law Institute Session Spotlight: Unique Fraud Cases

Just about a week to go until AAMVA's 2013 Spring Workshop and Law Institute, March 12-13 in Atlanta! [Register now to join us.](#) Here's a taste of some of the great sessions we have planned:

Stop Fraud in Its Tracks

Fraud is an ever evolving and increasingly common problem faced by DMV's today. As jurisdictions take steps to improve security of both their documents and their processes, criminals are becoming more creative in circumventing the system to garner genuine documents. Illegally obtained jurisdictional-issued driver licenses and ID cards are worth thousands of dollars to criminals who use the documents to perpetuate a multitude of crimes. Join us for the session called "**So You Think You've Seen Everything? Unique Fraud Cases**" and learn about some of the schemes that individuals are using to defraud your agency. From identity theft, to loan fraud, to employee collusion, to document security, we will take you on a tour of some of the unique fraud cases being seen throughout the country. You'll also hear from ICE about a new - and now defunct - website that offered counterfeit licenses from every state that were so authentic looking they would fool most people. Don't miss this opportunity to man yourself with the tools to return home and fight the good fight! [Download the full program here!](#)

Apply Now for the 2013 PACE Awards

AAMVA's PACE Awards Program recognizes public relations, public affairs and consumer education excellence among the motor vehicle, law enforcement and traffic safety agencies across North America. They recognize creativity, cost effectiveness and the ability to reach consumers with a well crafted, measured and executed message. [Take a look at the full list of categories and complete the 2013 PACE Awards Application form, available here.](#) To apply, complete the first page of the document, the questionnaire on the second page, and include any supporting documentation or materials. Please limit your entries to no more than six submissions to allow us to properly evaluate all the entries we receive. Entries must be submitted (postmarked) by **March 25, 2013**. For more information, contact Claire O'Brien at cobrien@aamva.org. And take a look at some of last year's winners at <http://www.aamva.org/PACE-Award-Winners/>

Apply Now for the Martha Irwin Award for Lifetime Achievement in Highway Safety

The Martha Irwin Award for Lifetime Achievement in Highway Safety is presented annually to an AAMVA member jurisdiction employee, or other individual whose primary function is directly associated with highway and traffic safety efforts.

Nomination Guidelines

- AAMVA member jurisdiction employees, or other individuals whose primary function is motor vehicle or highway safety, are eligible.

- Interested jurisdictional members are encouraged to submit nominations to their chief motor vehicle or chief law enforcement administrator who will then submit one nominee per jurisdictional agency to AAMVA Director of Law Enforcement Brian Ursino at bursino@aamva.org.

[Click here for the 2013 Martha Irwin Award nomination form.](#) Nominations must be received by **April 30, 2013**.

For more information, contact [Brian Ursino](#) via email or at 703-350-5103.

New IDEC Executive Board Members

The IDEC Executive Board would like to welcome two new members to their ranks - Duane Blank (NV) as the new Region IV Representative and Jen Blumhagen (ND) as the new IDEC Executive Board Vice Chair. Congratulations to you both!

For more information on AAMVA's IDEC program, visit <http://www.aamva.org/IDEC/>.



ISO/SC17 WG10 Winter Meeting

Geoff Slagle and Michael Calvin from the AAMVA staff along with Lito Vila the Motor Vehicle Administrator from the County of Maui in the State of Hawaii participated in the winter meeting of ISO/SC17 WG10 (Working Group on Driver Licenses and Identification Documents). The meeting was held in Kahului, Maui in the State of Hawaii, on February 27, 28 and March 1st. The meeting was hosted by Mr. Vila and took place at the Maui District Office of the Hawaii Department of Transportation.

A total of 20 representatives from seven countries including (South Africa, France, Germany, Japan, Switzerland, The Netherlands and the United States) were in attendance. WG10 is an International Standards group, working through the ISO structure, that deals with issues related to the Driver License document. AAMVA helped start the working group more than fifteen year ago.

CDL Train the Trainer Class Announcement

On behalf of Andrew Krajewski (MD), Chair, AAMVA Test Maintenance Subcommittee, AAMVA announces a Commercial Driver License (CDL) Train-the-Trainer Class scheduled for Monday, April 22, 2013 through Friday, April 26, 2013 in St. Petersburg, Florida.

The class is designed to be a hands-on training class for lead examiners, or trainers, who conduct examiner and refresher training in their jurisdiction as required. The training class will utilize the curriculum as published in the Certified Commercial Examiner (CCE) Instructor Manual developed by the AAMVA International Driver Licensing Examiner Certification Executive Board. There is no tuition or registration fee for this training. All travel, room and board expenses will be paid by AAMVA.

The session is 40 hours in length and the class size is limited to fourteen persons. ***Nominees must have a thorough knowledge of the CDL program, current experience conducting the CDL Skills Tests; as well as experience training State Examiners or Third Party Examiners on CDL test administration.***

Please complete the [Nominee Form](#) for each individual being nominated and submit them to Karen Morton no later than **Friday, March 15, 2013**, as class sizes are limited.

Due to class size limitations, priority will be given to nominees from jurisdictions that implemented the 2005 CDL Testing System after July 1, 2012; or who will be implementing the test system by July 1, 2014.

NOTE: The preferred method of submission is via email to kmorton@aamva.org. If you are unable to do so, nominations may be faxed to (703) 908-5890.

Webinar: "Vehicle Identifier Requirements for Graduated Driver Licensing: A Case Study in New Jersey"

Findings in a study, "**Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL) Decal Law: Effect on Young Probationary Drivers**" published by the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia suggest that New Jersey's GDL decal law is positively affecting probationary drivers' safety. The results of this study contribute to building the evidence base for the effectiveness of decal laws and provide valuable information to U.S. and international policymakers who are considering adding decal laws to enhance existing GDL laws. Want to know more about New Jersey's novel program? Mark your calendars now to participate in the Webinar about GDL identifiers and the NJ experience being hosted by the Network for Public Health Law on **Thursday, March 21, 2013 from 1 - 2 p.m. (ET)**. Click on the link below to register for the event.

http://www.networkforphl.org/network_resources/webinar_series/

Traffic Safety Community Calls on Congress to Fully Fund Highway Safety Grant Programs

Six major highway safety organizations called on Congress to fully fund the Priority Highway Safety Grant Program, known as Section 405, when Congress considers funding for the remainder of FY 2013. Section 405 provides performance-based incentive funding for states to address key areas of highway safety that include impaired driving, distracted driving, occupant protection, motorcycle safety, traffic records and improving graduated driver licensing laws. The Section 405 program, authorized under the recently enacted surface transportation legislation known as MAP-21, did not increase federal spending for highway safety. It merely took existing budget authority under other incentive grant programs and re-packaged it into a single consolidated grant program. Last year Congress passed a six month Continuing Resolution (CR) to keep the federal government funded through March 27. Unfortunately, this legislation failed to include a funding change, known as an anomaly, for the Section 405 program. If Congress fails to provide funding for this program in the next Continuing Resolution, it would constitute a 53% reduction in funding to states to improve the safety of drivers and other road users. Highway safety funding would be at levels not seen since the 1980's. Read more at <http://www.ghsa.org/html/media/pressreleases/2013/20130304funds.html>.

FHWA Webinar on Registration Data Collection

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) collects state motor vehicle registration data using a form (Form FHWA-561) that requires states to fill out over 200 data items. The FHWA would like to reduce the number of items on the form to decrease the burden on states, while still maintaining data reliability. To make these proposed changes, feedback on the form's questions is critical. The quality of the registration data is important to the AAMVA community as we use the FHWA data as part of calculating member dues rates and NMVTIS fees for U.S. jurisdictions. The FHWA is scheduled to have four repeated webinars to present the preliminary proposal, obtain feedback, and discuss potential issues. We strongly recommend that members attend the webinars to engage in the process of ensuring the most accurate data possible.

All four webinars will collect feedback and information from participants and in addition, the fourth and final webinar will also summarize findings from the previous three webinars. The webinars are as follows:

Webinar 1	2/13/2013	11 am to 12 pm EST
Webinar 2	2/19/2013	4 pm to 5 pm EST
Webinar 3	2/26/2013	11 am to 12 pm EST
Webinar 4	3/5/2013	3:30 pm to 4:30 pm EST

All webinars at: <https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/a55098539/fhwatalkingtraffic/>
Phone: 1- 877-848-7030 Passcode: 6217068

For more information see the complete announcement [here](#).

2013 National Roadway Safety Awards Call for Nominations

The National Roadway Safety Awards is a biennial competition sponsored by the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Roadway Safety Foundation (RSF) to recognize roadway safety achievements that move the United States towards zero deaths and serious injuries on the Nation's roadways. Deadline for nominations is March 31, 2013. For full information, visit <http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/roadwaysafetyawards/>.