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AAMVA is happy to announce the release of the 2013 AAMVA DL/ID Card Design Standard (CDS). AAMVA strongly recommends that jurisdictions beginning new card design and production efforts base their work on the 2013 standard. Get a quick briefing on the CDS from the people who helped craft the document in this video:

Learn more about the CDS and download the document online at http://www.aamva.org/DL-ID-Card-Design-Standard/

Watch the PACE Awards Video

At the 2013 Annual International Conference, AAMVA announced the Overall Division Winners of the Public Affairs and Consumer Education (PACE) Awards. A video featuring all of the PACE Overall Division Award Winners can be found on AAMVA's YouTube Channel.

Region III Information Exchange - Hotel Information

Register now for the Region III Information Exchange, September 24-26 in St. Louis, MO. The Sheraton Clayton Plaza - the site of the 2013 Information Exchange - no longer has rooms available on the evening of the 25th as they are completely sold out that night. The overflow hotel is The Crowne Plaza Clayton, 7750 Carondelet Avenue, Clayton, MO 63105. The Crowne also provides complimentary shuttle service from the airport.

You can make a reservation at the Crowne Plaza Clayton by calling 314-726-5400. Be sure indicate you are with the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators group. The room rate is the same - $129.
AAMVA Webinar Series: System Modernization Lessons Learned

Join us for a webinar discussion on System Modernization, Wednesday, September 18, 2013, 2:00 - 3:00 PM (EST). System modernization projects require significant dollars, resources and time. They present tremendous challenges to the implementing agency. Project timelines are often extended, unanticipated costs are incurred and turnover in personnel can be taxing. Those who have been down the system redesign road have learned many lessons along the way. Some positive, some detrimental. Join us for this panel discussion on the do's and don'ts of system redesign. Hear from those who are making the journey and learn from their experiences. Register now!

AAMVA Webinar Series: Legalization of Marijuana - Highway Safety Implications

Register now for our October webinar, Legalization of Marijuana - Highway Safety Implications, Wednesday, October 16, 2013, 2:00 - 3:00 PM (EST). Legalization of marijuana in Colorado and Washington has forced both states to navigate uncharted territory. These laws were implemented before they were able to fully promulgate the rules and regulations governing the legal production, sale, and use of marijuana, and conflict with current federal laws and regulations. On the traffic safety side, law enforcement and prosecutors are dealing with both expected and unforeseen consequences of legalized marijuana and its affect on highway safety. Hear from Courtney Popp, Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor for the State of Washington on some of the steps taken to mitigate the negative traffic safety effects of these laws. Register today to join in on the discussion.

Group to Gather, Organize and Share Information on Autonomous Vehicles

New technology has been developed and continues to evolve that allows vehicles to be operated with less human interaction than is required today. The AAMVA community needs to understand this technology as it emerges and prepare for the impact it will have on vehicle and driver programs as well as gain an understanding of the effect on the legal and enforcement sectors.

A group within the AAMVA community will be formed to gather, organize and share information related to the development, design, testing, use and regulation of autonomous vehicles and other emerging vehicle technology. The group will meet through a series of conference calls over the next year. If you are interested in participating in this group, please contact Cathie Curtis, Director of Vehicle Programs at ccurtis@aamva.org by September 13, 2013. Depending on the response, it may be necessary to limit the number of participants to keep the group at a manageable size optimal for interaction.

New Process for Out of State Titles Surrendered to Arkansas

Currently, actual out of state titles surrendered to Arkansas are mailed back to the state where they were issued. Beginning Monday September 30, 2013, Arkansas’ Office of Motor Vehicle will no longer send the physical surrendered titles back to the titling state. Arkansas’ Office of Motor Vehicle can send a report of the surrendered titles to the titling states if they wish to receive the report. Arkansas’ Office of Motor Vehicle will ask that each state if they wish to receive this report, provide an email address. Requests for the report, and an email address for which to send them, should be sent directly to Sheila Prior (sprior@aamva.org) or Patrice Aasmo (paasmo@aamva.org).
New Vermont Titles
Vermont began transitioning to a new Certificate of Title on September 01, 2013. For more information, see this document.

Colonel Hickethier Announces Retirement
Colonel Ken Hickethier of the Montana Highway Patrol has announced his retirement effective September 30. Until a replacement appointment is made, Lt. Colonels Watson and Butler are in command. We wish Colonel Hickethier best wishes in his retirement.

FMCSA to Host Medical Registry Webinar

FMCSA's Medical Programs Division announces a Webinar "Understanding and Navigating the National Registry System," September 11, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. EST

During this webinar you will receive an update of the status of the National Registry. In addition, you will receive a live demonstration of how to navigate the National Registry system website. This will provide you with the information you need to respond to inquiries from drivers, motor carriers and MEs.

This webinar is limited to 125 people. To register, please send an email stating you plan to attend torobin.hamilton@dot.gov. Below is the information you need to access the meeting via the web and phone.

Website: www.connectmeeting.att.com
Meeting number: 8773361839
Access code: 5003140