Region 3 Conference This Week!
The 2018 Region 3 Conference will get underway this week, October 23 – 25, in Oak Brook, Illinois! Register online today! Special features unique to this conference will include a Jurisdiction Showcase, for attendees to share their successes and challenges with their colleagues, and a scenic cruise on Lake Michigan. The conference provides an opportunity for you and your peers to discuss relevant driver's license, motor vehicle, and law enforcement related issues. As with every AAMVA conference, the ability to network is one of the most beneficial experiences, and this year's regional conference provides several networking opportunities as well as interactive learning opportunities. Jurisdiction attendees will learn about the successes and challenges of others, share ideas, build relationships, and discover the many products and services provided by our industry partners that can assist in your mission. Industry attendees will have the opportunity to meet with key players in the driver's license, motor vehicle and law enforcement arenas. Visit the 2018 Region 3 Conference Website for more information and to register! If you plan to attend the conference, please be sure to register.

Proposed AAMVA Law Enforcement Policy – Membership Vote Coming Soon
Jurisdictional voting delegates will soon be asked to vote on a new proposed “Automated Traffic Enforcement” policy. The ballot will open on November 26th and will stay open for 30 days. In consultation with the Chief Administrator of each dues-paying agency, one “policy voting delegate” has been named for each jurisdiction. The full language of the proposed policy and related background can be found on AAMVA’s website. If you have questions about the policy or the voting process, please contact AAMVA’s Director of Government Affairs, Cian Cashin.

AAMVA Congratulates Louisiana on a Successful S2S Launch
AAMVA congratulates Louisiana on successfully implementing State-to-State Verification Service (S2S) during the weekend of October 20, 2018 and becoming the 20th participant using the new service. All migration activities have completed on schedule. CDLIS and S2S services are fully operational now. AAMVA would also like to thank volunteer states South Dakota and New York who assisted with Louisiana’s migration. Utah is scheduled to begin using the State-to-State Verification Service (S2S) on January 28, 2019. Other jurisdictions will also begin using the State-to-State Verification Service (S2S) in the upcoming months and AAMVA looks forward to supporting them during their onboarding process. Read
AAMVA 2018 Fiscal Year Report Released
In fiscal year 2018, AAMVA members and staff worked hard to provide our community with programs, solutions, and services to meet members' business challenges. Our three standing committees—Driver, Vehicle, and Law Enforcement—and their various working groups tackled today's challenges with member-driven solutions to prepare us for tomorrow's opportunities. By marshalling their collective knowledge and wisdom, they developed new tools and resources to add to our ever expanding library. These resources include topics such as ignition interlock (an update from the 2015 edition), disability placards and plates, testing and deployment of highly automated vehicles, and electronic odometer disclosure. Click here to download the full report.

Joint mDL Working Group Meets in Tampa
The Joint mDL working group held a face-to-face meeting in Tampa where it continued with its work on the mobile driver license program. The group is finalizing the first official technical guidance for the mDL. This standardization is being led by ISO JTC1/SC17/WG10 and the initial guidance is being developed for offline & online/attended use cases. The group also continues to monitor and promote opportunities to study and “test-drive” the operational concepts for mDL as well as present both inside and outside the association. Mobile DL will be a topic for a session at this week’s Region 3 conference – in addition to external events like next month’s NAPHSIS Identity and Security conference.

AAMVA at Vermont Highway Safety Meeting
AAMVA’s Ian Grossman represented the Road to Zero Coalition at the 2018 Vermont Highway Safety Alliance meeting. He discussed the activities of the coalition as well as how states and individual safety professionals can contribute to ending roadway fatalities by 2050. The meeting was attended by nearly 200 Vermont highway safety professionals including many AAMVA members from the Vermont DMV and State Police.

AAMVA Attends New York Highway Safety Annual Fall Symposium
Staff Sergeant Terence McDonnell, New York State Police and Cathie Curtis, AAMVA’s Director of Vehicle Programs, spoke at the New York Highway Safety Annual Fall Symposium in Lake Placid, NY last week. Staff Sergeant McDonnell provided a thorough explanation of automated vehicle technology, and Cathie gave an overview of the AAMVA Jurisdictional Guidelines for the Safe Testing and Deployment of Highly Automated Vehicles. The NY government officials, police officers, first responders and highway safety advocates were very pleased to hear about the progression of the technology, how it works and how AAMVA is helping jurisdictions to prepare for the impact.

AAMVA Visits Vermont's State House

Members of AAMVA's NMVTIS Team - Sam Amaya, Vivienne Cameron, Amir Chaudhry, Tom Manuel - visited Vermont's State House with Commissioner Wanda Minoli and her DMV team. The visit was a part of a meeting to discuss and gain understanding of NMVTIS as Vermont makes plans for participation in the future.

Card Design Standard Committee Looking for Law Enforcement Representative

The Card Design Standards Committee has been jointly working with the eID Working Group on the topic of mobile driver licenses (mDL). The joint working group has been charged with the review and potential leveraging of existing identity credential standards and recommend standards for the AAMVA membership relating to the emergence and rising popularity of electronic identity (mDL being a prominent use case). The joint working group typically meets in-person once or twice annually, and members are funded for travel to this meeting. Additionally, members are expected to complete occasional assignments between meetings. At this time the Card Design Standard Committee is specifically looking for a Law Enforcement Representative (e.g., sworn trooper/officer). If you are interested in applying for the Card Design Standards Committee, please complete the application and return it to committees@aamva.org by November 30, 2018. If you have questions about the committee's activities, please contact Geoff Slagle, Director, Identity Management.

AAMVA Leadership Academy Applications Now Being Accepted

The Leadership Academy provides professional development opportunities for future leaders in the AAMVA community. This program is designed for jurisdiction employees who have demonstrated leadership potential and the ability to succeed in positions of greater responsibility within their agencies. The program will take place April 29 – May 2, 2019. Attendees must have the approval and support of the Chief Administrator of their agency to apply. All expenses will be paid by AAMVA. This week-long program will include modules on defining leadership, team work and collaboration, change management, and more. It is an intense training opportunity focused on the unique characteristics of leading and managing a motor vehicle or law enforcement agency. The draft course outline provides more information on what topics will be included. If you are interested, please fill out the application form and send it along with your resume to Janice Dluzynski. Class size will be limited to eighteen participants and we can accept only one application from each member agency. Applications are due by November 5, 2018. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact: Janice Dluzynski or 703-908-5842. See what prior participants had to say about the AAMVA Leadership Academy in this video.

This Week's Webinars

NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) – How to Correct Title and Brand Data on the Central Site

Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm (ET)

In the past, states contacted the AAMVA Help Desk directly if they needed to make a data correction. As part of the NMVTIS reengineering effort, a Help Desk feature was created to allow states to correct their title and brand data on the central site. When states perform their own data corrections the timeliness and accuracy of the data corrections improves substantially. This webinar is focused on explaining the capability of the Help Desk feature as included in the SWI. Data correction scenarios are explained and matched to the correct update operation within the SWI. A brief overview of the SWI application will also be provided. Note: This webinar is for AAMVA jurisdiction and federal members only.
Our Surveys

Please respond to these surveys from Connecticut, Florida, Maryland, Indiana, New Hampshire, Kansas, and New Jersey.

Employee Engagement Survey
(Ends 11/15/2018) Responses received from ME, MS, NM, PA, TX.

Covert Monitoring of CDL Tests
(Ends 10/26/2018) Responses received from AR, AZ, CO, IA, IL, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NM, SC, SD, TX.

Asset Management Plan (Ends 11/12/2018) Responses received from CO, MS, PA, SC.

Data Sales Model
(Ends 10/29/2018) Responses received from DE, IL, MI, MS, NJ, SC, TN.

Hazardous Material Endorsement
(Ends 10/31/2018) Responses received from HI, IL, LA, NJ, SC, WA.

Legislative Language for ID Card Renewals
(Ends 10/26/2018) Responses received from CA, DE, IL, IN, LA, ME, MO, MS, NE, NJ, NY, OR, PA, SC, TX, VA.

Online and Mobile Driver's License Renewals
(Ends 11/15/2018) Responses received from AB, CO, DE, IA, ID, IL, ME, MO, MS, NH, NJ, NY, OH, SD, VA.

Electronic Signature on Titles
(Ends 11/12/2018) Responses received from AL, AR, CA, GA, ID, KY, LA, MD, MN, ND, NE, NH, NM, NY, OR, PA, SC, TX, WV.

License Plates - Types, Characters
(Ends 11/12/2018) Responses

Jurisdiction News

CHP Receives Grant to Increase Motorcycle Safety and Awareness
With more than 1.4 million Californians licensed to ride motorcycles, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) looks for ways to increase motorcycle safety. A federal grant to develop the Get Educated and Ride Safe (GEARS) program will promote motorcycle safety and awareness. Read more here.

NCDMV Visit to PA
Commissioner Torre Jessup and his leadership team from the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles spent two days in a jurisdiction-to-jurisdiction visit with PennDOT Driver and Vehicle Services leadership team. The two jurisdictions shared information about a wide variety of operational topics, including document management and processing, modernization, security, and REAL ID. PennDOT was happy to host its North Carolinian counterparts, and was grateful for the opportunity to learn more about North Carolina’s operations.

Some North Carolina DMV Fees Waived Following Hurricane Florence
North Carolinians living in 28 counties heavily impacted by Hurricane Florence will not have to pay certain fees assessed by the N.C. Division of Motor Vehicles through Dec. 31. On Thursday, Governor Roy Cooper signed an executive order waiving fees and penalties for certain driver and vehicle services for residents living in counties that were designated after Hurricane Florence as disaster areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Read more here.

North Dakota Vision Zero Five-Year Plan Announced
The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) today announced the release of the North Dakota Vision Zero Plan, the Strategic Highway Safety Plan update for 2018-2023, to reduce motor vehicle crash fatalities and serious injuries to zero. The Vision Zero Plan was developed over nine months by North Dakota state agencies and more than 200 traffic safety partners representing state, local and tribal governments, and private organizations. The detailed plan uses data to identify areas of improvement through education, roadway safety enhancements and policy decisions. The updated plan incorporates the vision, mission, and short-term goal of the newly launched strategy, Vision Zero. Read more here.

Pennsylvania Governor Wolf Signs Legislation to Protect Workers, Motorists in Work Zones

NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States (AMIE Version) – Part 1
Thursday, October 25, 2018, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm (ET)
NMVTIS has two third party transactions that involve updates between the central site and multiple states. Because the transactions involve multiple states and the central site, it is possible for a transaction to break down before it completes. Further activity against this title record is greatly restricted until the problem is resolved. This webinar provides instruction as to how to identify and resume suspended transactions. The intended audience for this webinar are NMVTIS Help Desk Personnel, Business Process Analyst and IT System Integrators.

Note: This webinar is for AAMVA jurisdiction members only.
Governor Tom Wolf today signed Senate Bill 172, the Automated Speed Enforcement in Work Zones legislation, which aims to deter speeding in work zones and ultimately improve motorist and roadway worker safety...This new law has three key provisions, one of which allows the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission (PTC) to perform a five-year pilot program in which some construction and maintenance work zones will have cameras equipped with LIDAR or radar to take photos of license plates of any vehicle exceeding the work zone speed limit by 11 mph or more when workers are present. Read more here.

FEDERAL NEWS

Senator Barrasso Introduces Federal Highway User Fee Legislation

Senator John Barrasso (R-WY) has introduced legislation that would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to terminate the credit for new qualified plug-in electric drive motor vehicles. More significantly the legislation provides for a federal highway user fee on alternative fuel vehicles. The imposition of the new fee is applicable to any “alternative fuel vehicle” used in the U.S. during a taxable year. The legislation tasks the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Transportation to establish categories of similar motor vehicles for purposes of administering the fee and assigning all vehicles to one category for purposes of administering the annual user fee. The legislation states that the fee shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as federal taxes. AAMVA has prepared a legislative analysis of the bill that is provided for members in the Government Affairs section of the AAMVA website. Read more here.

NHTSA Retooling Recalls - Registration Open

After several years of high-profile recalls, a question still remains -- how can we ensure that vehicles subject to safety recall are being repaired? Please join the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, industry leaders, safety advocates and stakeholders on November 8 as we convene for Retooling Recalls in Washington, D.C. Read more here.

PARTNER NEWS

New Guide on Marijuana Legalization’s Impact on Traffic Safety Released

New research from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety and the Highway Loss Data Institute (HLDI) finds the number of motor vehicle crashes reported to insurers and to police has increased in the first states to legalize recreational marijuana sales when compared with neighboring states that have not legalized marijuana. This research is a reminder that states need to consider the traffic safety impact before legalizing marijuana. This new research adds to the body of knowledge on the impact of marijuana legalization on traffic safety, which GHSA aggregated into a newly-released succinct guide summarizing the most pertinent marijuana driving studies to date. Read more here.

Deadly Combination: Teen Driver and Teen Passenger in Vehicle Increases Risk of Death in a Crash by 51 Percent for Everyone

Teen drivers put everyone on the roadway at risk of a deadly crash, especially if they are bringing teen passengers along for the ride. New research from the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety found that when a teen driver has only teen passengers in their vehicle, the fatality rate for all people involved in a crash increased 51 percent. In contrast, when older passengers (35 or older) ride with a
teen driver, overall fatality rates in crashes decreased eight percent. Considering the increased risk created by a combination of teen drivers and teen passengers, AAA emphasizes the need for teen drivers to gain adequate supervised training, especially in different driving scenarios, before taking what could be a fatal drive. Read more here.

**TRB: A Strategic Approach to Transforming Traffic Safety Culture to Reduce Deaths and Injuries**

TRB's National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Web-Only Document 252: *A Strategic Approach to Transforming Traffic Safety Culture to Reduce Deaths and Injuries* provides guidance on developing a strategic approach to transform the traffic safety culture of road users and stakeholders. The goal is to use this approach to sustain improvements in traffic safety for all road users, including non-motorized users. For the purpose of this project, traffic safety culture is defined as the values and beliefs shared among groups of road users and stakeholders that influence their decisions to behave or act in ways that affect traffic safety. Read more here.

**Countermeasures Against Prescription and Over-the-Counter Drug-Impaired Driving**

Driving under the influence of potentially impairing prescription and over-the-counter (OTC) drugs is a large public health concern. This report describes prescription and OTC countermeasures related to pharmacy and medical; data recording and toxicology; law enforcement and judicial; and education and advertising. Read more here.

**Legal Pot – Crashes Are Up in States with Retail Sales.**

Crashes are up by as much as 6 percent in Colorado, Nevada, Oregon and Washington, compared with neighboring states that haven't legalized marijuana for recreational use, new research from IIHS and HLDI shows. The findings come as campaigns to decriminalize marijuana gain traction with voters and legislators in the U.S., and Canada begins allowing recreational use of marijuana across all of its provinces this month. Read more here.

**Guide to Developing Financial Plans and Performance Measures for Transportation Asset Management.**

TRB's National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) has released a pre-publication, non-edited version of Research Report 898: *A Guide to Developing Financial Plans and Performance Measures for Transportation Asset Management*. The report presents guidance for state departments of transportation (DOTs) and other agencies conducting financial analyses and developing financial plans to support efficient and effective management of the agency’s transportation assets. The guide addresses fiscal and programmatic constraints associated with federal and state legislation; methodologies for valuing assets, forecasting and allocating financial resources; financial performance measures and targets; and practical concerns related to financial markets and accounting requirements. Read more here.

**New Website Provides States with Tools to Further Reduce Teen Driver Crashes**

Today the National Safety Council (NSC) and the Traffic Injury Research Foundation (TIRF) launched the online teen driving resource, GDL Framework Safety Center – a library of the latest research, practical tools and user-friendly resources that was developed by TIRF with input from teen driver professionals. The Center is designed to support states’ and advocates’ efforts to pass effective teen driver legislation or strengthen existing policies and programs. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for teens in the U.S. Read more here.
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