**Region IV Conference Wraps Up**

This year's Region IV Conference was held in sunny Seattle, Washington. Attendance figures were terrific with 380 attendees - near record attendance. Attendees had a great three days of informative sessions and fun networking opportunities. Agenda topics included system modernization, mDL, fraud, engaging employees, human trafficking, and much more. This year's charity auction raised almost $9,000 with proceeds benefitting the Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation. In the last 11 years, Region IV has raised almost $70,000 on behalf of law enforcement charities. Sarah Garcia was sworn in as the new Region IV President, and will host the 2018 Region IV Conference in Big Sky, Montana.

**AAMVA Says Goodbye to Sheila Prior, Welcomes Julie Knittle**

AAMVA bids a fond farewell to Sheila Prior, Director of Member Support for Regions III and IV, as she heads into retirement. Sheila has had a long and well-respected career in the AAMVA Community, starting at the Missouri Driver's License Bureau, joining the industry side for several years, and serving two tenures at AAMVA. The AAMVA Community wishes her all the best on a well-deserved retirement – hear what her friends and colleagues had to say in this [Farewell Video](#).

AAMVA welcomes Julie Knittle to the association as the new Director of Member Support for Regions III and IV. Julie has been a fixture in the AAMVA community for many years and most recently served as the Assistant Director of the Programs and Services Division for the Washington Department of Licensing. She brings to AAMVA more than 14 years of service to WA DOL and 27 years in state government. Members who normally contacted Sheila for assistance should now turn to Julie for their AAMVA needs. Julie’s contact information at AAMVA is: jknittle@aamva.org, (571) 405-1016.

**IDEC Executive Board Seeks Volunteers**

The IDEC Executive Board is seeking two jurisdiction members to serve on the IDEC Executive Board - one from Region I and one from Region II. The IDEC Board is made up of one representative from each of the four AAMVA regions. The members of the Board bring global views and innovative ideas to the examiner training arena, provide outreach to the AAMVA jurisdictions to gain input on jurisdictional driver examiner training programs and provide accreditation of those driver examiner training programs. If you are interested in serving on the IDEC Executive Board, please fill out the [IDEC Board Application form](#) and send it back.
JUNE

1 | 2017 June State to State Governance Committee Meeting
Arlington, Virginia

19-22 | 2017 Region II Conference
Chattanooga, Tennessee

This Week’s Webinars

Understanding MEC Search Inquiry (NR03) National Registry System Specification
May 31, 2017, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)
This webinar provides an overview of the NRII project solution, a detailed explanation of the Mini Specification for the Medical Examiner Certificate (MEC) Search Inquiry (NR03) transaction, and information regarding Mini Spec documents. The intention of this webinar is to help SDLAs learn about and understand the new transaction, which will assist SDLAs in making preparations for the changes. The primary audience for this webinar will be the jurisdictions CDL Managers/Coordinators and Technical Staff that will be responsible for developing, testing and successfully implementing the National Registry II Solution.

Resources For DMV Investigations, Part 1: Law Enforcement Programs Overview, Investigator and Fraud Integration, and the Fraud Detection & Remediation (FDR) Program
June 1, 2017, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)
This two part webinar series will provide a look into services and products offered by AAMVA for those working in all areas of DMV investigations. Attendees will hear from experts in a variety of fields to learn how AAMVA investigative related resources can be utilized and learn how to maximize their potential to enhance investigative success. This first session will share information on the strategies and resources compiled by the DMV Investigator Integration Working Group along with providing details on how these strategies and resources are being implemented. A discussion of AAMVA and the Law Enforcement Standing Committee mission and goals will provide insight into the role and responsibility DMV investigators perform within the AAMVA community. One of AAMVA’s most popular fraud fighting resource, the Fraud Detection & Remediation (FDR) training program, will be detailed with a focus on how it can be utilized by those working DMV investigations. This webinar is for anyone working in and around DMV investigations including front line investigators, supervisory staff, and administrators. Attendees will benefit by attending one or both sessions and can view a previous webinar by visiting the AAMVA website.

JULY

9-12 | 2017 Region I Conference
Portland, Maine

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AUGUST

19-20 | Board of Director’s Meeting
San Francisco, California

20 | Industry Advisory Board Meeting
San Francisco, California

21-23 | 2017 Annual International Conference
San Francisco, California

Pennsylvania Governor Wolf Signs ‘REAL ID’ Bill Into Law
Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf signed Senate Bill 133, known as the Pennsylvania REAL ID Compliance Act (Act 3 of 2017), which will allow Pennsylvania to offer residents an optional REAL ID-compliant driver license or state identification card, which can be used to access airports, and federal facilities. Under the federal REAL ID Act, beginning January 22, 2018, residents in states that have not come into compliance with federal requirements or obtained an extension will need to show an alternative form of identification such as a passport at airports and when accessing federal buildings and military bases. PennDOT anticipates the U.S. Department of Homeland Security will continue to issue extensions to Pennsylvania until REAL ID products are available for residence. Under SB 133, no Pennsylvania resident will be required to get a REAL ID-compliant driver license or identification card, but residents who choose to do so will be able to use those forms of identification when the new federal requirements go into effect. Read more here.

MARK LOWE NAMED DIRECTOR OF IOWA DOT
Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds announced Interim Director of the Iowa DOT Mark Lowe will serve as the department’s permanent director, effective immediately.

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Brand Data on the Central Site

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(SWI) – Instant Title Verification
Using the VIN Search Feature

DOJ Issues Memo on Conditions of Grant Awards for
Sanctuary Jurisdictions

United States Attorney General Jeff Sessions has issued a memorandum clarifying the Department of Justice’s stance regarding provision of grant funding to “sanctuary cities.” The memorandum states that the Department of Justice (DOJ) will require jurisdictions applying for certain Department of Justice grants to certify their compliance with federal immigration law as a condition for receiving an award. Any jurisdictions that fail to certify compliance with federal law will be ineligible to receive such awards. The certification requirement will apply to any existing grant administered by the Office of Justice Programs and the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services that expressly contains the certification condition and to future grants for which DOJ is statutorily authorized to impose such a condition. The memo also defines sanctuary jurisdiction to refer “only to jurisdictions that ‘willfully refuse to comply with 8 USC 1373.’”

FMCSA Delays Entry Level Driver Training Final Rule

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has delayed the effective date of its final rule regarding “Minimum Training Requirements for Entry-Level Commercial Motor Vehicles Operators.” This final rule was initially effective on February 6, 2017. The action taken by FMCSA, in accordance with the Presidential directive as expressed in the memorandum of January 20, 2017 entitled “Regulatory Freeze Pending Review” temporarily delays the effective date further until June 5, 2017.

FMCSA Seeks Approval for Collection of HAZMAT
Information

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has requested an extension of an existing information collection request (ICR) on “Hazardous Materials Safety Permits.” This ICR requires companies holding safety permits to develop communications plans that allow for the periodic tracking of the shipments. A record of the communications that includes the time of the call and location of the shipment may be kept by either the driver (e.g. recorded in a log book) or the company. These records must be kept, either physically or electronically for at least six months at the company’s principal place of business or readily available to the employees at the company’s principal place of business. FMCSA had previously not received comment on the notice published on November 10, 2016.

President Trump Submits Budget to Congress

President Donald Trump has submitted his fiscal year 2018 budget proposal to Congress. The budget request cites eight focus areas for reforming government and increasing economic growth: health reform; tax reform and simplification; immigration reform; reductions in federal spending; regulatory rollback; American energy development; welfare reform; and education reform. The budget submission would provide for a $52 billion increase in spending over 2017 amounts for the Department of Defense, with offsets made by targeting reductions
Open RFP's will be included in AAMVA's Regional News and The Week In Review newsletters to provide maximum exposure for jurisdictional procurements.

OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Florida, Massachusetts, Indiana, Virginia, North Carolina, and AAMVA.

Facial Recognition and Fraud Detection (Ends 06/02/2017) Responses received from AR, CT, LA, ME, MN, MNO, NJ, NM, PA, QC, TN, VA, VT.

Reusing Title Control Numbers (Ends 06/12/2017) Responses received from IL, LA, ME, MI, UT, VT.

REAL ID Communications Support (Ends 06/23/2017) Responses received from LA, MO, NE, NH, TX.

IRS Form 2290 & Registering Heavy Weight Vehicles (Ends 06/12/2017) Responses received from AL, GA, ID, IL, KS, ME, MI, NC, NE, UT, VA, UT, WA, WI.

Barment from DMV Property (Ends 06/12/2017) Responses received from FL, ID, KS, LA, ME, MI, MS, MT, NC, SC.

License Plate Process (Ends 06/12/2017) Responses received from AL, GA, ID, IL, IN, ME, MI, ND, NE, NM, OH, OR, UT.

Disability Placard/Plate Fraud Working Group (Ends 06/19/2017) Responses received from CA, FL, ID, IL, KS, MB, ME, MN, ND, NH, PA, UT, VA, VT, WI.

Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse Final Rule (Ends 06/02/2017) Responses received from KS, MD, ME, MI, NC, ND, NE, NM, OH, SC, VA.

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

in other, mainly domestic spending programs. The budget request provides $44.1 billion for the Department of Homeland Security and $27.7 billion for the Department of Justice for law enforcement, public safety and immigration enforcement programs and activities. The budget proposal includes $200 billion in outlays related to public/private infrastructure investment, but does not provide specifics on how that investment will ultimately achieve the goal of meeting $1 trillion in infrastructure funding. The budget again expresses the intention to move air traffic control functions to an independent, non-governmental organization beginning in 2021, with a cap reduction in discretionary spending of $72.8 billion. The Discretionary Overview by Major Agency is provided on page 42 of the budget.

TRB: Connected and Automated Vehicles: NCHRP Support for Transportation Agency Leaders

TRB's National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) has released a brochure that summarizes its research in the field of connected and automated vehicle. This resource explores how TRB is coordinating research to explore the legal, societal, operational, and other impacts that connected and automated vehicle technology may have on transportation agencies and the traveling public. The brochure explores how TRB is administering projects, issuing reports, and convening top-level leaders to address these emerging issues. Read more here.