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American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators

2018 Awards Program to Open For Submissions Soon
We are excited to roll out the 2018 AAMVA Awards Program and we will be accepting submissions soon. Please check back at our website for updates. There are two major changes from previous years. The deadline for submissions (including Martha Irwin Award nominations) will be December 22, 2017. All entries must have been conducted (produced, implemented, and/or developed) between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017 (does not apply to the Martha Irwin Awards). If an entry won an award in 2017, it cannot be resubmitted in 2018 unless it has major upgrades or developments. If you have any questions about the awards program, please send an email to (awards@aamva.org).

AAMVA At IACP Annual Conference
AAMVA was well represented at the 2018 IACP Annual Conference last week. Jim Epperson, Assistant Chief, California Highway Patrol, and member of the AAMVA Law Enforcement Standing Committee; Brian Ursino, AAMVA Director of Law Enforcement; and Kurt Meyers, Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania DOT and Chair of the AAMVA International Board made a presentation on Autonomous Vehicles in Philadelphia, PA, on Monday, October 23, 2017. The session was well attended and received, and was even translated live into Portuguese for a delegation attending from the Portugal National Police.

Region III Information Exchange Wraps Up
The 2017 Region III Information Exchange wrapped up last week in Oak Brook, Illinois with the highest number of attendees ever - 197 total! DMV and law enforcement attendees from across the Region gathered to discuss hot topics such as autonomous vehicles, mDL, fighting fraud, auditing and interfaces and much more. Industry attendees connected with motor vehicle representatives, while law enforcement attendees in Region III received an AAMVA update on all things law enforcement. Networking opportunities were well-attended and enjoyed by all. Regional awards were presented and jurisdictional representatives had the time for an extended roundtable to discuss their activities and challenges.

Awards Presented at Region III Information Exchange
The following awards were presented at the 2017 Region III Information Exchange:

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NOVEMBER
1-2 | 2018 Region II Planning Meeting
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

9 | 2017 November State to State Governance Committee Meeting
Minneapolis, Minnesota
By invitation only

14-15 | 2017 November Joint mDL Working Group Meeting
Tampa, Florida
By invitation only

15-16 | 2017 November Internet Vehicle Sales Working Group Meeting
Arlington, Virginia
By invitation only

DECEMBER
5-6 | 2017 New Administrator Orientation
Arlington, Virginia
By invitation only

12-13 | 2018 Region 4 Board Planning Meeting
Scottsdale, Arizona

OCTOBER
31 | NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature

NOVEMBER
8 | NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States (AMIE Version) - Part 2

9 | NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States (AMIE Version) - Part 1

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21 | NMVTIS State Web Interface

Exchange:

**PAGE Awards**

- **Category 1C: Other Print and Electronic Publications** - Wisconsin Department of Transportation, *Rustic Roads Guide*
- **Category 2A: Logo** - South Dakota Department of Revenue, Motor Vehicle Division, *South Dakota Motor Vehicle Division Logo*
- **Category 2C: Display** - Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles, *Bureau of Motor Vehicles Pride Poster*
- **Category 3A: TV Commercial or PSA, Externally-Produced** - Manitoba Public Insurance, *Bright Future*
- **Category 3C: Radio Commercial or PSA, Externally-Produced or Internally-Produced** - Manitoba Public Insurance, *Bright Future*
- **Category 3D: Indoor or Outdoor Print or Digital Advertising** - Manitoba Public Insurance, *Bright Future*
- **Category 4B: Non Media Event** - Iowa Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicle Division, *International Student & Law Enforcement Outreach Initiative*
- **Category 6C: Feature Story** - Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles, *Bureau of Motor Vehicles and Department of Corrections Partnership Provides IDs to Inmates*
- **Category 7A: Website, Internally-Produced** - Michigan Department of State, *Safe Drivers Smart Options: Keys to Lifelong Mobility*

Service and Security Awards

- **Customer Convenience** - Missouri State Highway Patrol, *Troop A’s Motor Vehicle Inspection Team Exceeding Expectations*
- **Excellence in Government Partnership** - Michigan Department of State, *Safe Drivers Smart Options: Keys to Lifelong Mobility*
- **Fraud Prevention and Detection - Law Enforcement Individual** - Michigan State Police, *Taylor Bonovetz, Detective Trooper, Special Investigation Division, Fraud Investigation Section*
- **Fraud Prevention and Detection - Motor Vehicle Agency** - Office of the Illinois Secretary of State, *RISER-Return Mail Information Services*
- **Improvement through Efficiencies** - Iowa Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicle Division, *Iowa Department of Transportation’s Station Evolution Project*
- **Innovative Use of Technology** - Office of the Illinois Secretary of State, *RISER-Return Mail Information Services*

International Driver Examiner Certification (IDEC)

- Ben Kreger, Iowa Office of Driver and Identification Services
- Michael Webber, Minnesota Driver and Vehicle Services
- Brenda Binder, North Dakota Drivers License Division
- Marv Whitman, Wisconsin Department of Transportation Program

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 30 - May 3, 2018**. 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, organizational performance 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 15, 2017**. 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) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature**

**Tuesday, October 31, 2017, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)**

Before a jurisdiction issues a title or other ownership document or record, the SWI can provide information to help the jurisdiction determine whether the ownership documentation presented with the application are valid. The information supports jurisdictions’ titling processes for both new and used vehicles. The Anti-Car Theft Act requires each jurisdiction to perform an instant title verification check before issuing a title to an applicant claiming to have purchased the vehicle from an individual or entity in another jurisdiction. The SWI VIN search feature can be used to satisfy this legal requirement. In addition, the NMVTIS best practice is that jurisdictions perform an inquiry before issuing a title or other ownership document or record, whether or not the applicant claims to have purchased the vehicle in another jurisdiction.

### Oregon DMV Teams Up To Save Lives

More than 3,000 people in the Pacific Northwest are on the waiting list to receive a life-saving organ transplant. Nationally, more than 117,000 people are waiting. Oregon DMV is working to help those people stay alive. Last year alone, the Beaverton DMV Field Office registered 26,443 people for organ and tissue donation, adding a “D” for donor to their driver license or Identification card. Donate Life praised the Oregon DMV’s efforts during the second annual National DMV Appreciation Week Sept. 25-29, thanking DMVs across the nation for their contribution to registering donors for organ and tissue transplants. [Read more on page 5 of Inside ODOT](#).

### NHTSA Announces Automated Driving System Public Meeting

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has announced a [public meeting](#) seeking input regarding their *Automated Driving Systems 2.0: A Vision for Safety*. NHTSA’s document provides voluntary guidance to support the automotive industry and other key stakeholders as they consider and design best practices for the testing and deployment of Automated Driving Systems (Ads). Best Practices for Legislatures, as well as a framework for States to develop procedures and considerations for the safe operation of ADSs on public roadways. The objective of the public meeting is to identify if further clarification is necessary to support voluntary implementation of the new voluntary guidance. The meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2017 at 9 a.m. While the meeting will be held at DOT headquarters in Washington, DC – the notice provides that the meeting will be webcast and that a link to the actual webcast will be made available at a later
MN, NH, NJ, OK, WY.

Customer Satisfaction (Ends 11/15/2017) Responses received from FL, ID, IL, KS, NH, OH, WI.

Registration of Antique Vehicles (Ends 11/15/2017) Responses received from AB, AL, CO, CT, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, MI, NE, NH, NM, OH, OR, PA, VT, WA, WY.

Customer Relationship Management Software (CRM) (Ends 11/27/2017)

You can view all open surveys and responses to all surveys by visiting the survey tool. Please contact Janice Dluzynski if you have any questions about using the survey tool.

NHTSA Requests Comment on Traffic Records Program Assessment Advisory

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is in the process of reviewing the Traffic Records Program Assessment Advisory, DOT HS 811 644 (Advisory) and requests comments to determine if updates or improvements are appropriate. States need timely, accurate, complete, and uniform traffic records to identify and prioritize traffic safety issues and to choose appropriate safety countermeasures and evaluate their effectiveness. The Advisory provides information on the contents, capabilities, and data quality attributes of an effective traffic records system, and includes assessment questions that qualified independent assessors use to evaluate the capabilities of a State’s traffic records systems. NHTSA anticipates issuing a revised Advisory by June 2018. Jurisdictions submitting comments are encouraged to copy governmentaffairs@aamva.org so that the association may reflect those comments in their own.

NHTSA Grants Petition for Reconsideration on Performance Test of Electronic Stability Control Systems

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has granted a petition for reconsideration of the final rule for Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 136, Electronic stability control systems for heavy vehicles. The petitioner, Truck and Engine Manufacturers Association (EMA), requested that NHTSA amend the test conditions for the agency’s performance test by allowing a larger lane width for long wheelbase truck tractors. After a careful technical review of the petition, and the issues raised by the petitioner, the agency has decided to grant the petition because there is sufficient evidence to indicate that a larger lane width is needed for testing of long wheelbase truck tractors.

DOT Reopens and Extends Comment Period on National Multimodal Freight Network

The United States Department of Transportation (DOT) is reopening and extending the deadline and comment period for materials related to the Interim National Multimodal Freight Network (Interim NMFN), as established in a notice published on June 6, 2016. The original notice requested comments by September 6, 2016. The reopening and extension of the comment period is based on input received from DOT stakeholders that the September 6, 2016 closing date did not provide sufficient time for submission of comments to the Department, as well as an analysis that some comments submitted by States did not include the required statutory certification. Comments associated with the docket must be received on or before February 22, 2018 to receive consideration by DOT with respect to the final designation of the NMFN.

U.S. DOT Invites Comment on Draft Strategic Plan for FY 2018-2022

The United States Department of Transportation (DOT) has invited comment on the draft DOT Strategic Plan for FY 2018-2022. The draft DOT Strategic Plan reflects the Secretary’s priorities for achieving DOT’s mission through four strategic goals: Safety; Infrastructure; Innovation; and Accountability. These strategic goals are supported by objectives that reflect the outcomes DOT is trying to achieve and strategies that describe how DOT plans to make progress towards the objectives. Comments on the DOT strategic plan must be received on or before November 13, 2017. AAMVA members submitting comments are requested to copy governmentaffairs@aamva.org so that their comments may be reflected in our own.
U.S. House Adopts Budget Blueprint
The United States House of Representatives has narrowly adopted a final 2018 budget blueprint by a vote of 216-212, with all Democrats and 20 Republicans voting against the measure. The vote sets the stage for Congress to start consideration of comprehensive tax-reform legislation, requiring only a simple majority for passage in the Senate. The budget measure’s reconciliation instructions allow for up to $1.5 trillion in revenue losses over the next 10 years. The measure also included reconciliation instructions to the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee to find $1 billion in 10-year savings which is expected to come from opening of protected parcels of the Alaska Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for energy prospects. House and Senate budget proposals differed wildly in the weeks preceding the vote, with the House including many more considerations for a deficit neutral tax plan – the chambers ultimately agreed to move the Senate proposal with slight modifications and deal with spending cuts separately.

GAO Issues Report on Federal Driver and Vehicle Data Sharing Efforts
The United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) has published a report entitled, “Driver and Vehicle Data: Federal Efforts and Stakeholders’ Perspectives on Facilitating Data Sharing.” The Report cites that the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and Justice (DOJ) have facilitated the sharing of states’ driver and vehicle data through the development of three driver and vehicle data systems required under federal law. The report cites the Commercial Driver’s License System (CDLIS), the Problem Driver Pointer System (PDPS) and the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System. The report identifies key steps that DOT and DOJ have taken to facilitate sharing states’ driver and vehicle data, citing the benefits of the systems and stakeholder perspectives on use of the systems. The report is meant to be used as an educational product and includes no formal recommendations from GAO.

Evaluation of Sketch Level Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Quantification Tool
The National Center for Sustainable Transportation at the University of California, Davis has released a report that compares and evaluates vehicle miles traveled (VMT) estimation tools across a sample of land use projects. The researchers compare the results from different tools for each project, consider the applicability of methods in particular contexts and for different types of projects, and assess data needs, relative ease of use, and other practical considerations. Read more here.

AAA: Visual and Cognitive Demands of Using In-Vehicle Infotainment Systems
The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety has released a report that examines how InVehicle Information Systems (IVIS) in 2017 model year vehicles impact a driver’s workload. The researchers investigate which task types are most distracting and what are the sources of distraction (e.g., visual/manual vs. cognitive); what is the workload associated with different modes of IVIS interaction (e.g., center stack, auditory vocal, center console); and what are the bases for any differences in the workload associated with their use. Read more here.