Greetings!
It's exciting to be starting the 2015-2016 year and I'm happy to say we have the task forces in place and are ready to jump start the year! We are continuing with the same task forces we have had in place the last couple of years and have brought back the Mentoring Task Force. The Task Forces were developed to address specific areas allowing the Board of Directors to concentrate on the overall strategic plan of the association.

Thank you to all Task Force Chairs and Committee Members! Your support is greatly appreciated!

I thought it would be helpful to provide a brief overview of each task force and who will be chairing each one. I'm sure they would appreciate any constructive input from the members.

**Association Revitalization chaired by Marie Ellenburg (Reg VI) and Kim Cameron (Reg VIII).**
The Task force will concentrate on understanding the areas of success and areas of need within the local associations that would lead to the development of additional resources and programming necessary to assist in the growth and strengthening of all local associations.

**Convention chaired by Carrie Mott (Reg I) and Co-Chaired by Lauri Oakden (Reg VIII).**
This Task Force will assist in the planning of the 2016 International Convention to provide visionary programming in a high-quality adult learning environment and numerous networking opportunities.

**Education chaired by Cindy Prud'homme (Reg IV).**
They will continue to support the overall direction of education for IAIP through the management of the current course catalog, methods of delivery, and future programming.

**FIT Insurance Professionals chaired by Diane Martel (Reg II).**
The FIT Task Force will continue to provide fitness information via The Connections e-Newsletter and Social Media Outlets as well as encourage fitness breaks at Council, Regional and International meetings.

**Legacy Foundation chaired again by Margaret Wildi (Reg III) and Co-chaired by Victoria Rivas.**
They will continue to support promotional efforts of the Foundation, to increase awareness, determine promotions to assist in the solicitation of donations and help to grow the Foundation funds.

**Members-At-Large Task Force chaired by Kate Houston (Reg I).**
This Task Force was formed and charged with determining options for best supporting the Member-At-Large membership category.

**Mentoring chaired by Geraldine Plott (Reg II).**
We recognized the need to bring this Task Force back to life to assist in developing a mentoring program that can be implemented at the appropriate levels of the association.

**Publications chaired by Sue Adams Quimby (Reg I).**
*Today’s Insurance Professionals* has really been elevated in the last couple of years to a quality magazine and we want to keep the momentum going! This Task Force will also be supporting the development for the monthly e-Newsletter, *The Connections*.

**Student Members chaired by Past International President, Linda Wilson (Reg I).**
This Task Force is moving from just focusing on the GIS students to developing marketing to all students focused on the insurance and risk management profession.

**Website Content / Social Media chaired by Michele Luthringer (Reg I).**
This task force has been charged with increasing awareness of IAIP and enhancing the membership value by delivering insurance related content for the website as well as other social media sites.

**Young and New Professionals (YNP) co-chaired by Jennifer Kubiak (Reg I) and Kellie Dohery (Reg I).**
The YNP task force will support the marketing endeavors of IAIP to young and new professionals in the insurance industry with the goal of recruiting and engaging them.

On behalf of your 2015-16 Board of Directors
Debbi Kuhne, AAI, AIC, AIS, CIIP, CELS, DAE
International President
Phase two of the membership recruitment or “Go All In” campaign is now underway. The goal is to take advantage of your expertise to assist in the overall membership recruitment efforts through the use of personal testimonials submitted as videos. A prize will be drawn from all entries for complimentary registration to the 75th Annual IAIP Convention in Richmond, VA. Enter to win today!

Testimonials should be brief and concise (less than 45 seconds), upbeat, high energy and positive. It's very simple: just describe how your IAIP membership has benefited you personally and/or professionally. Each current member can only submit one video testimonial for the purposes of the contest, and only those submissions that are used/published by IAIP for the purposes of membership recruitment will be entered into the drawing. All entries must be submitted prior to December 1, 2015. View contest rules and details here.

Education Updates

IAIP Education Hours from Convention
If you attended the CLP courses Critical Thinking or Project Management at the 2015 International Convention, you must take and successfully pass the 10 question quiz to receive education hours for these courses. Read full article.

Legacy Foundation
The NAIW Legacy Foundation is pleased to announce the candidates appointed for officer and director positions on the 2015-2016 Legacy Foundation Board of Directors which begins July 1, 2015. Read full article.

Webinar Wednesday in July
Don't miss Insurance Claims: A Basic Overview (I CAN! A Step Above) presented by Faye Evans on Wednesday, July 15 at 2:00pm eastern.

The jobs of claims professionals are critical to the insured and to the insurance industry as a whole. Claims professionals are the individuals who must have a complete understanding of and comply with regulations pertaining to claim acknowledgement, notices of coverage or no-coverage, documentation, and investigation in addition to other requirements. In this information packed webinar, an overview of claim basics will be discussed and include topics such as coverage, ways to investigate a claim, how to document damage, settling the claim, subrogation and litigation.

This webinar is $15 for members/ $20 non-members and includes the student guide. Pre-registration is required to receive the webinar access link. Space is limited so register today! Visit the website for Webinar Wednesdays 2015 schedule.

It's Time to Renew

IAIP wants to continue to help you develop and nurture your inner leader! For members with a renewal date of July 1st, if you haven't already done so - please renew today. Your renewed IAIP membership will allow you to continue to connect with other industry professionals, enhance your educational opportunities, and build your career. Membership renewal is due on Wednesday, July 1. Are you ready to say "I'm All In?"

YNPs: Share the News!

We Want to Spotlight Your YNP You may have seen the very popular "YNP Spotlight" in the past several issues of The Connections e-Newsletter. We would love to hear from the YNPs in your association! It's simple to participate. Just email a professional photo, and the answer to the YNP Spotlight questions
FIT Insurance Professionals

Making a Fabulous First Impression
By Katharine M. Nohr, J.D.
First impressions in business are made during the first 15 seconds of that first encounter, which could be a job interview, meeting a new client or a new boss. Will you come across as someone who spends the time to take care of yourself by eating a healthy diet and exercising or will you come across as someone who is deconditioned, overweight and unhealthy? ...Read full article.

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