Now that the holidays are behind us, it's time to gear up for 2019. With all the recent tragedies over the last few months (floods, fires and earthquakes), I encourage you to register for the upcoming eLearning Webinar: Identifying & Prosecuting Disaster Relief Fraud. This webinar is free to members so take advantage of this benefit!

Always an exciting time of year, Regional Conferences are fast approaching! In addition to CE and CLP classes, all regions will be offering opportunities for lots of laughter, fun, and fellowship. Be sure to volunteer and go the IAIP Community Calendar to check out conference dates.

The Road to Reno: How are you getting there? Have you heard about the virtual journey to the 2019 IAIP International Convention? A shout out to Las Vegas Insurance Professionals in Region VII, who have stepped up and accepted the challenge by posting on their Facebook page for members to keep track of their steps and post their results monthly. Way to GO ALL IN!

Speaking of the Convention, check out the event web site where you can find registration, lodging and travel information and things to do in Reno. This is definitely a Convention you don't want to miss.

Here's to a prosperous New Year and remember to live life to the fullest and focus on the positive as we continue to Connect Members and Build Careers.

In Fellowship,
Kim Cameron, CPIW, CLP
Region VII RVP

The Road to Reno

Experience Reno
There are so many amazing things to see and do in the Reno/Tahoe area that we realized we needed to narrow it down to highlight a few of our favorites. Here are our top (Lucky) Seven things to experience in Reno in 2019:

1. Lake Tahoe - widely regarded as one of the most beautiful places in the country, with soaring mountains, crystal-clear waters, sprawling beaches, ample boating and fishing opportunities and well-maintained hiking trails it makes for an excellent summer getaway.
2. **Riverwalk** - located along the Truckee River between Arlington Avenue and Lake Street in downtown Reno, the Riverwalk draws both art lovers and foodies with its amazing collection of galleries and restaurants.

3. **National Automobile Museum** - even if you don't consider yourself an automobile aficionado, you don't want to miss this collection of 200 vehicles ranging from horseless carriages to race cars to celebrity rides. Some of the museum's most notable pieces include the Thomas Flyer (winner of the 1908 around-the-world race) and the 1949 Mercury driven by James Dean in the film, *Rebel Without a Cause*.

4. **Animal Ark** - not a zoo, but rather a "safe haven for non-releasable wildlife," according to its website. Animals from all over the world have taken shelter within the ark's 38 acres because they lack the necessary skills to live in the wild, often because they were injured or abandoned.

5. **Downtown Reno kayak park** - kayakers flock to the river throughout the winter and spring to practice their freestyle stunts in the rapids, and in the summer when the current is slower, kids on inner tubes splash in the pools.

6. **Aceball** - Reno has a new baseball stadium and its own AAA team, the Aces. Home games are scheduled for June 4-10, tickets are only $8 for general admission, and every seat is a good seat. While you are there, walk them down to Circus Circus for some midway games, or grab a bite to eat in the Freight House District.

7. **Nevada Museum of Art** - it's the oldest established cultural center in the state, but you wouldn't know that by looking at it. In 2001, the museum underwent a $22 million renovation; now it's a fantastic example of modern architecture inspired by the landscape and the geological formations of the Black Rock Desert.

Learn about more things to do in the Reno area. Make plans now to extend your 2019 IAIP Convention trip into a vacation so that you have time to experience it all!
Legacy Foundation Scholarship Deadline

**Scholarship Deadline:**
**January 15**

Don't miss your last chance for a scholarship! The Legacy Foundation scholarship covers educational opportunities to enhance insurance knowledge, helps you obtain designations or insurance related degrees, or to attend IAIP conventions or conferences. The Legacy Foundation is a great resource to assist members with their educational goals. Applications are due by January 15, 2019. **Apply today!**

Board Summary

The [December Board Summary](#) is now available online.

Career Center Contest

Congratulations to the winner of the [IAIP Career Center](#) contest that began on October 1, 2018 and ended December 31, 2018. Each of the members that uploaded a resume to the IAIP Career Center during the contest period was entered to win. One lucky winner was randomly chosen and emailed on January 2nd.

Welcome our Newest Corporate Partner: AYPO

Meet IAIP's newest Corporate Partner: [At Your Pace Online](#)

At Your Pace Online offers online continuing education to help licensed insurance agents satisfy their CE requirements nationwide. They also have state-approved pre-license training available to help aspiring insurance agents start their new careers. Their innovative courses, customer service, and tech support are there for you, from start to finish. They would love for you to visit them for your education needs.

Identifying & Prosecuting Disaster Relief Fraud
January’s eLearning webinar, Identifying & Prosecuting Disaster Relief Fraud, describes the primary types of fraud that arise during disasters such as hurricanes, wildfires, and tornadoes. The session will assist the attendee in understanding, identifying, and abating disaster fraud. Using case law and current statutory law, the attendee will learn how disaster fraud is being combated on a regular basis.

Mr. Parker began his career investigating suspicious insurance claims and is now the Managing Partner of Parker, LLP Attorneys at Law. Combining his experience in the SIU and insurance fraud industry with his service to our country in disaster relief efforts as recently as Hurricane Harvey, Michael Parker has dedicated his career to serving insurance carriers, businesses and individuals, providing superior legal representation in insurance fraud, defense and coverage matters throughout the US.

This webinar is complimentary for IAIP members and only $15 for non-members. Pre-registration is required to receive the webinar access link. This webinar qualifies for IAIP Education hours for CIIP and DAE designations. Register today!

2019 eLearning Calendar

The new IAIP eLearning webinar calendar has been updated for 2019! Check out the dynamic line up of topics and presenters you have to look forward to in the new year!

FIT Professionals

The Biggest Winner Challenge

Kick-start your personal health goals with the FIT Task Force’s Biggest Winner Challenge. Each week will focus on one health challenge. It will include education, motivation and encouragement to incorporate the highlighted topic into your everyday life. In February, we would like participants to submit a testimonial on what they "gained" from the challenge. This could include weight loss, better nutrition habits, consistent exercise plan, or just moving more. All information will be provided on our Facebook page so be sure to Like our page. If you don't have Facebook, please email us and we will ensure that you receive all the weekly information. The FIT Task Force will review all testimonials and select the 2019 Biggest Winner!

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