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From the President.....

As I write this article it is May 28, 2011, the start of Memorial Day Weekend and a few days away from the start of Hurricane Season. As we enjoy and celebrate this Memorial Day please remember the soldiers that made it possible and their families; when you see a Veteran or Soldier thank them for their service. Let us all salute them!

It has been an active year so far, are those signs of what is to come this summer and fall? It started with the earthquake and tsunami in Japan and has continued with the Midwest being pounded by Tornados and the Mississippi showing its wrath with the river and its tributaries at record flood levels. Many of you are finally working after what has seemed to be a never ending slow period. Hopefully you are getting plenty of claims and not working just to pay your home away from home bills. Keep up the good work and be safe, we know you are working while many of your friends and family are home and cannot be with you. There is no holiday weekend while you are on storm, just work! Go get em!

In the last article I mentioned we were on a membership drive and asked for your help. We have made it easier to join the organization by modifying the bylaws so that members don't have to wait a year for enrollment. Please join with me in thanking the new members and those who made it possible for them to join. Help us to continue to bring in new members. This month is dues month, if you have not paid your dues, now it the time to do so. The board and membership committee with be making personal phone calls this month to past members to request they reconsider NACA and current members who have not paid their dues.

You will also recall that in the last newsletter I requested articles for future Newsletters; we would like your photos and stories from the road. Please keep them coming.

The convention for 2012 "NACA, A Sure Bet" is shaping up. We have over 20 vendors committed to the show so far, there are 50 spaces available. We expect to fill those quickly and will assign spaces based on a first come first serve basis. Lori has the details. The convention site is also a sure bet, the room rate is the best in years and the meeting space is first rate. We want to encourage everyone who is coming to sign up early and to mention it to others that might be interested.

The 2011 Hurricane season starts next week. I have a feeling this will be the year, it is predicted to be an active one, but that seems to be the scenario every year. So be prepared to make yourself lucky! Get your training, update your hardware and software, have reliable transportation, be professional. Good Luck!

See you in Vegas! Warren Aplin Your 2011 president waplin@aplinpeer.com



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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

The membership committee is pleased to announce eight new General Members, two new Associate members and seven new Business Associate members!

Please welcome Deborah Wolfenbarger, Randal Rolfenbarger, Lenny Aulivola, Karl Bach, Darrell Davis, Ken Agnew, Shelby Mighell and Russell Doe as General Members!

Please welcome Rubert Brinson and Geoffrey Strickland as Associate Members!

Please welcome the following Business Associate Members: ANYTHING WEATHER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (Bill Combes)

CENTRAL ADJUSTMENT COMPANY, INC. (David McCullough)

CRENSHAW CONSULTING GROUP, LP (Vickie Crenshaw)
GALE CLAIMS SERVICE, INC. (David Gale)
NADO INSURANCE SERVICES (Jeff Gwinn)
ONLINE REPORTING, INC. (Dean Varillas)
ROYAL PLUS, INC. (Nancy Hoeflich)
RYTECH (Kelly Hennigar)

The bylaws change which will allow membership applications approved throughout the year has been passed by the membership! Please continue to encourage your fellow adjusters to apply to NACA for membership!

NACA Membership dues need to be sent in by June 30th!

Robert Uhler, RPA, AIC Membership Committee Chairman ruhler@eberls.com



NACA..... A SURE BET!

Mark your calendars now to attend the 2012 NACA Convention Jan. 15-19, 2012 South Point Hotel & Casino Las Vegas,

HEALTH INSURANCE UPDATE

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In the last Newsletter we discussed ways to make NACA Membership more attractive. One of the items we explored was Healthcare membership. We consulted with several healthcare providers and agents. We hit a stone wall at each stop. Until healthcare is able to be bought across state lines it is impossible for an organization like ours to offer an across the board healthcare plan. That was only one of the issues, the others were the size of our organization, to that end we even discussed partnering up with other insurance industry organizations and we were still not able to find a carrier to underwrite such a plan. We will keep the membership posted if something comes about.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE BY JUNE 30TH

All membership dues must be received in the NACA office no later than June 30th. Members not paid by that date will be dropped from the membership and must be reinstated to be added back to the membership listing.

There are several ways to pay:

- 1) Print an invoice from the <u>website</u> and mail it along with your check to the NACA office.
- 2) Pay with a credit card at the NACA <u>website</u>. Scroll to the bottom of that page and click on the appropriate payment for your membership.
- 3) Call the NACA office directly to make your credit card payment over the phone.

We cannot guarantee your contact information will appear in the 2011-2012 NACA Roster unless your payment is received by June 30th.

Please take a moment to review your contact information on the website <u>listing</u> to make certain it is correct. You may also submit a brief resume by clicking on the blue notepad to the right of your listing. This is one more opportunity to advertise your certifications, qualifications and experience.

2012 NACA VENDOR SHOW



The 2012 Vendor Show will be different from any other NACA vendor show. We have lots of surprises that will be unveiled soon. One major difference is that, once we have a floor plan, vendors will be able to pick their booth on a first paid basis. At the conclusion of

the 2011 show, the following vendors pledged their attendance at the 2012 show:

CatManDo Crawford & Co. Donan Engineering Co., Inc. Eberl Claims Service, Inc. **GAB Robins NA Geo Estimator** Haag Engineering Co. **HSA Engineers & Scientists** ITEL Laboratories, Inc. Marshall & Swift/Boeckh OnLine Reporting, Inc. **PuroClean RJMW Claim Services** Simsol Software **Temporary Accommodations** Top Adjuster Xactimate Training Vale Training Solutions

This is just the beginning!
You will not want to miss this convention!

