# MEMBERSHIP

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# NEWSLETTER

INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF CENTRAL NEW YORK, INC.

# PROMOTING THE VALUE OF INDEPENDENT **INSURANCE AGENTS** in CENTRAL NEW YORK **Independent Insurance Agents Trusted Choice**® of Central New York Inc.

# MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER

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# President's Message



The mission of IIACNY is to:

Promote the Value of Independent Insurance Agencies in Central New York and Provide Quality Programs, Education and Networking for its Members.

IIACNY members are proud to work in and give back to the Central New York community! For the past 12 years IIACNY has raised over \$100,000 for local charities with our annual golf tournament. We had a great turnout for our 2015 golf tournament with the proceeds going towards donations to Central New York charities. We held an event in July where we presented checks to the following charities: Joseph's House, St. Lucy's, YMCA Partnership, David's Refuge, Meals on Wheels, Boy's & Girl's Club, CNY SPCA and Helping Hounds.

IIACNY is dedicated to promoting the insurance industry and careers in insurance to high school students through InVEST programs in Central New York. IIACNY has presented a total of over \$37,000 in scholarship dollars to Central New York high school students. Our Board members also go into to classrooms and attend career fairs to speak to students to explain the industry and career opportunities.

In addition to raising money for scholarships and charity, IIACNY members volunteer in the CNY community and donate hats, mittens and scarves for St. Lucy's Church in conjunction with our annual holiday party. We recently made a \$1200 donation to purchase 100 pairs of boots for homeless men and women that live in shelters on the Southwest side of Syracuse.

IIACNY members also meet with legislators to discuss insurance issues and how insurance agents, brokers and consumers are impacted. We had great attendance to our Annual Legislative breakfast in November and we also meet on a regular basis with legislators in their CNY offices. Please contact me if you are interested in joining us to support our legislative issues and be an advocate for the industry on which our livelihood depends.

The IIACNY Board meets on a monthly basis to address issues and plan events for independent insurance agents and brokers in Central New York. Join us on January 21, 2016 for our Annual Holiday Party at Coleman's. We will also hold a complimentary member-only CE class on March 10 at Drumlins presented by Tim Dodge. We have also decided to change the venue for our annual golf tournament to Drumlins in June 2016. Please check our website at <a href="www.iiacny.com">www.iiacny.com</a> for information on upcoming events. If you are interested in joining the IIACNY Board please contact me at <a href="mailto:steve@rgwrightagency.com">steve@rgwrightagency.com</a>.

- Steve

### **OUT & ABOUT**

#### 2015 IIACNY Annual Legislative Breakfast



IIACNY members held their 2015 Annual Legislative Breakfast on November 13 at Bellevue Country Club. The Syracuse CPCU Society Chapter cosponsored the event, where members were able to meet and talk with their local and state legislators. Jill Muratori, VP & Counsel with Barrett Associates, reviewed IIABNY's 2016 Legislative Agenda and discussed related issues that IIABNY is working on in Albany. IIACNY members also meet quarterly with legislators in their CNY offices.

If you are interested in participating, please contact IIABNY Legislative Chair, Nick Masterpole at <a href="mailto:nick@masterpolemurphy.com">nick@masterpolemurphy.com</a>





LEGISLATIVE POSITION PAPER

The 2016 Legislative Position Paper is now available! If reading this digitally, <u>click here</u> to access a PDF.

If you are reading this in print, please visit:

www.iiabny.org/GovernmentAffairs/Pages/OurPositions

### WHAT'S HAPPENING

From events
planned for you our members - to
presenting awards in
our community, your
local team is working
hard for you.

#### **Dates to Note**

Jan. 21

**IIACNY Holiday Party** 

Coleman's Syracuse, NY

#### **Mar. 10**

IIACNY Member Giveback

Drumlins Country Club Syracuse, NY

#### **June 27**

IIACNY Annual Golf Tournament

New Location!

Drumlins Country Club Syracuse, NY

Oct. 25

Syracuse I Day

Syracuse OnCenter

## **IIACNY Annual Golf Tournament**



#### June 22, 2015

Over 120 Central New York agents, brokers, insurance companies and vendors enjoyed a great day of golf at the Pompey Club, followed by cocktails and a cooked-to-order steak dinner! It was a great day to connect with old friends and make new connections. Dick Poppa, IIABNY President and CEO conducted the 2015-16 Installation of Officers.

IIACNY President Steve Corapi thanked all sponsors and attendees for their support. The IIACNY Golf Committee is committed to planning this annual event that allows the CNY insurance community to connect with old friends and make new ones!

The proceeds of the tournament will be donated to Central New York charities and InVEST scholarships for high school students.



## **GIVING BACK**

# IIACNY Raises More Than \$10,000 for Local Charities

(DeWitt, New York, July 28. 2015) — Eight local charities benefited from \$10,500 raised by the Independent Insurance Agents of Central New York Inc. during the organization's annual golf tournament held June 22 at The Pompey Club. Proceeds from the tournament were awarded by IIACNY on July 29 during a check presentation ceremony at the office of the Independent Insurance Agents New York, Inc. in DeWitt.







### \$1,200 Donated to St. James Emmaus Ministry

(Syracuse, New York, November 5. 2015) — IIACNY members donated \$1,200 to St. James Emmaus Ministry to purchase winter boots for homeless men and women. President Steve Corapi and Past President Tim Toomey presented the check to Sheila Austin, Director.

### **INSURANCE IN A CHANGING WORLD**





FREE Program for IIACNY Members ONLY! Filed for CE

Led by:
Tim Dodge
AVP of Research
IIABNY

March 10, 2016 Drumlins Country Club 800 Nottingham Rd Syracuse, NY 13224 3:00 – 4:45 pm Class Program 4:45-6:30 Cocktail Reception

Guns. Medical marijuana. Uber. Climate change. These are some of the topics that Tim Dodge, IIABNY's AVP of research, will discuss in this class. He'll look at the loss exposures that insurance agents and brokers should know about. In addition, he will answer the questions members often ask about New York rules. Bring your questions about rebating, referral fees, certificates of insurance, the changes to the automobile photo inspection rules, electronic auto insurance ID cards, and more.

#### Please Complete the Following Registration Form and Return to:

IIABNY, Attn: Kathy Lawler, 5784 Widewaters Pkwy, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Dewitt, NY 13214 OR fax to 888.432.0510 OR scan and email to edu@iiabny.org

Registrant Name(s):			
Business Name:			
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Questions? Contact Kathy Lawler at 800.962-7950 ext 218 or klawler@iiabny.org.



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#### SPRING 2016 WEST CENTRAL CALENDAR

<u>ROCHESTER</u>



Feb 26 2015 & Beyond: Employee Benefit Regulations Filed for CE

Mar 1 ACSR 5 Professional Development & Account Management 6+1 (All Licenses) NYCR-245159 + NYCX-245159

Mar 23 Commercial Lines Insurance Kaleidoscope Filed for CE

Apr 6 ACSR 7 Commercial Lines Liability

7 + 1 CE Credits (PC, BR, C3, PA) NYCR-237227 + NYCX-237227

Apr 14 AAI 81B Personal Insurance

7 + 1 (All Licenses) NYCR-236124 + NYCX-236124

Apr 27 NYAIP Certification Program

5 CE Credits (PC, BR, C3, PA) NYCR-251808

May 25 AAI 83B The Insurance Production Environment 5+1 CE Credits (All Licenses) NYCR-245320 and NYCX-245320

June 8 IIABNY 2016 Annual E&O Loss Control Seminar: Video Filed for CE

BUFFALO



**SYRACUSE** 

Jan 28 2015 & Beyond: Employee Benefit Regulations Filed for CE

Feb 10 ACSR 5 Professional Development & Account Management

Mar 3 There is No Place Like Homeowners

Mar 24 Commercial Lines Insurance Kaleidoscope

Apr 7 ACSR 7 Commercial Lines Liability

Apr 28 NYAIP Certification Program

5 CF Credits (PC RR C3 PA) NYCR-25180

May 4 IIABNY 2016 Annual E&O Loss Control Seminar: Live

May 26 AAI 83B The Insurance Production Environment 5+1 CE Credits (All Licenses) NYCR-245320 and NYCX-245320

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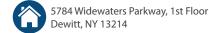
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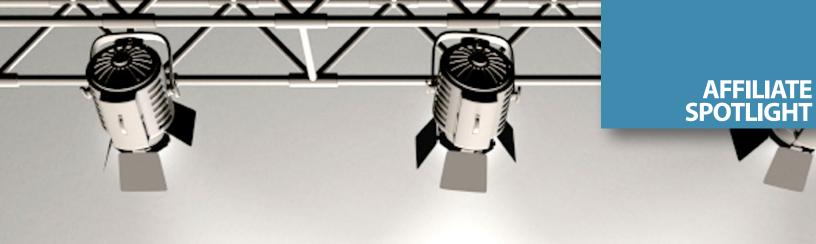












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Travelers

Companies and vendors that are supportive of the independent agency system are eligible to join IIACNY as Affiliate Members. There are two Affiliate Member categories:

- Individual Level: \$75 Annual Membership Fee
- Business Level: \$250 Annual Membership Fee

Affiliate members receive IIACNY member communications and four complimentary registrations to attend IIACNY events (not including annual golf tournament).

Contact Kathy Lawler at klawler@iiabny.org to join!

