



TOIRMA Update

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Renewal Packets should be a part of your New Year's Resolutions

IT'S A NEW YEAR! The time of the year when we say goodbye to the old, welcome the new, and hopefully take the opportunity to refocus and improve upon ourselves. A traditional part of this transition is "New Year's Resolutions." What are resolutions anyway? I understand they began when ancient Babylonians made promises to their gods at the start of each year. Obviously this practice has carried over to the 21st century.

Resolution: "the act determining upon an action or course of action, method, procedure, etc., the act of resolving."
Source: Dictionary.com

Today, resolutions come in all shapes and sizes. Lists commonly include items such as: watching what you eat, trying to lose 10 pounds; exercising on a regular basis; stop drinking so much soda; saving more money; spending more time with family; and improving xyz at work. I won't share with you my scorecard from last year, but let's just say my batting average would be pretty good in the major leagues. I'm sure like most, you are in the process of completing your list. By now, you may be asking: "what does this have to do with township government?" Well, we are in need of your assistance. We ask that you add one more thing to your New Year's Resolutions relating to your TOIRMA coverages.

In January, we will be sending to each of our members an Annual Renewal Packet. Packets will be sent to the listed contact person. If you are that contact person, please add the review and contents of the packet to your resolutions (to-do) list. If you are not the contact person, please ask your contact person to make sure the review and response is completed.



Each township and/or road district (at least the supervisor and highway commissioner) should review and send back the requested information. Packets include: (1) Comprehensive General Liability Questionnaire, (2) listing of the Values for Vehicles; Inland Marine Equipment; and Buildings/Contents, and (3) listing of Estimated Payroll. **Your coverage is dependent on the accuracy of this information, so your reply is key.** Renewal packets are due to TOIRMA by March 1, 2015.

Thank you for your time and consideration, have a Happy New Year, and good luck with your resolutions in 2015!

As always, if you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me toll-free at (888) 562-7861 or by e-mail at jdonelan@toirma.org.



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