



TOIRMA Update

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TOIRMA Executive Director

We need your feedback

At TOIRMA, we are proud of our mission: “Through innovative management, leadership, and financial administration, TOIRMA will provide the necessary coverage to help townships solve problems and operate in the most fiscally efficient way.” Part of what enables us to perform our mission is the interaction and feedback we receive from our members.

On September 28, 2018, TOIRMA mailed to each member’s designated contact our *Annual Member Survey*. The mailing included a self-addressed stamped envelope to aid in a timely response. We appreciate your help in completing the survey and returning it to our office. The survey is due back to TOIRMA on October 19, 2018.

We utilize the survey as a tool in measuring how effective TOIRMA is at meeting our members’ needs. Each response is evaluated by our staff and the feedback assist us in improving the TOIRMA Program. The response rate from our membership in recent years has been over 70%, and we are grateful for the attention given to the survey by our members.

The Board of Trustees and management has improved our coverages over the years based on member feedback from the survey. Examples of enhancements to our coverages include the following: adding bridge coverage (up to \$50,000); adding equipment breakdown coverage (boiler and machinery); adding optional general, auto, and public officials liability coverages in excess of the standard limitations of \$3 million (up to \$5 million or \$10 million accordingly); increasing the premises medical liability limit from \$5,000

to \$10,000 per person; adding cyber liability coverage at no additional charge, and increasing the towing limitation from \$250 to \$750 per occurrence.

Thank you for your past and future attention to TOIRMA’s Annual Member Survey.

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

Think Safe...Drive Safe... Work Safe

As of September 24, 2018, the following TOIRMA members have not deposited their 2018 dividend check. If your township/road district is on this list below, please deposit your dividend as soon as possible. Thank you!

TOWNSHIP	COUNTY
ATLAS	PIKE
CLYDE	WHITESIDE
COLUMBUS	ADAMS
GENEVA	KANE
MORGAN RD DIST 11	MORGAN
SERENA	LASALLE
SIGEL	SHELBY
STONEFORT	SALINE
UNION	CUMBERLAND
WEBBER	JEFFERSON

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REMEMBERING SEPTEMBER 11TH

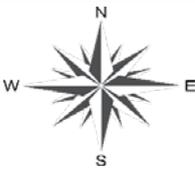
IT'S BEEN 17 YEARS since September 11, 2001. In a way it seems like a very long time ago, and in a way it doesn't. All of us remember exactly what we were doing when we first heard about a plane colliding with the north tower of the World Trade Center, and then the realization of what was truly happening when the second plane hit the south

tower. This coupled with the tragedies at the Pentagon and Somerset County, Pennsylvania, is forever etched in our minds. The tremendous loss of life that day will never be forgotten.

At the time of the September 11th attacks, I was still in my twenties, just starting our young family, and serving as Associate Director of the Township Offi-

cials of Illinois (TOI). Recently, I pulled out a fall 2001 issue of *Township Perspective* to see what I had written about. The text below still rings true today. We have something special here in America, and we will always remember those who lost their lives on that September day.

There has been an endless amount to think about these past two months. In the wake of the unfortunate events that unfolded on September 11, 2001, our nation has truly shown we are the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. U.S. flags are everywhere, and people are going out of their way wearing renditions of our great symbol on their person. Having been fortunate enough to have visited our Nation's capital only three days prior to the attacks, I had planned an article in *Township Perspective* on the importance of recognizing what we have here in America. However, after watching our country come together, there is no need for me to get on my soapbox or remind anyone. You have all witnessed and participated in bringing our country together in your own unique way. In a way, we have already won the battle. What was intended to divide our country has brought us together. What was intended to close our eyes has opened them. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for assisting the needy in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania, and for showing the world what it means to be American. Thank you. God Bless America.



Navigating Township Government

Trustee Division

Name: _____

Township: _____

Calling all Township Trustees: Bring this ad to the Trustee's Division Booth at the annual TOI conference and be entered into a drawing for a \$250.00 VISA gift card. Drawing will be at the Trustee's Division Meeting, Tuesday afternoon November 13, 2018. Must be a paid member of the Trustee's Division and present to win.