Risk Management Services at the 2012 “Highway Congress”

On June 7th, 2012 the Risk Management Services (RMS) Loss Control Department staffed a booth at the MCAPWA 21st Annual Highway Congress. RMS participates in this event annually as one of the eight “Time Out for Training” stations that are located throughout the Skowhegan Fairgrounds.

The training station topic provided by RMS Loss Control staff focused on “mounting and dismounting vehicles and use of 3-point positioning” and featured informational displays, a participant quiz and a drawing. The lucky winners of our drawing for a “Bag of Stuff” were Todd Hubbard from Cape Elizabeth Public Works and Jeff Libby from Guilford Public Works.

As always, we enjoyed participating in the Annual MCAPWA Highway Congress and seeing all of the municipal employees who were in attendance. We look forward to seeing you again next year.
Celebrating the Property & Casualty Pool Partnership
25 Years Strong and Growing

We wish to personally thank our loyal and committed membership.

Municipalities

25 Years (cont'd)


Special Purpose Districts & Schools

Acadia Disposal District, Alfred Water District, Anson Madison Starks Ambulance Service, Aroostook Valley Solid Waste, Ashland Water & Sewer District, Auburn Housing Authority, Auburn Residential Development Corp, Auburn Sewerage District, Auburn Water District, Auburn-Lewiston Municipal Airport, Bath Water District, Bayville Village Corp., Belfast Water District, Berwick Sewer District, Boothbay Harbor Sewer District, Boothbay Region Water District, Boothbay Region Refuse Disposal, Bowdoinham Water District, Bristol/South Bristol Transfer Station, Brunswick & Topsham Water District, Brunswick Economic Development Corp., Brunswick Sewer District, Caribou Utilities District, Carrabasset Valley Sanitary District, Central Penobscot Solid Waste, Charlotte School Department, Coastal Recycling Corp., Freeport Sewer District, Gorham Economic Development Corp., Great Salt Bay Sanitary District, Guilford-Sangerville Water District, Guilford-Sangerville Sanitary District, Hancock County Planning, Holbrook Regional Recreation, Kennebec Regional Development Authority, Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District, Kennebec Valley Regional Waste Corp., Kennebec Water District, Kittery Water District, Lake George Corp., Limestone Water & Sewer, Lincoln Water District, Lower Kennebec Regional School Unit #1, Manchester Sanitary District, Marion Transfer Station, Mars Hill Utility District, Mechanic Falls Sanitary District, Mid-Coast Regional Planning Committee, Mid-Coast Solid Waste Corp., Mid-Maine Solid Waste Corp., Monhegan Plantation Power District, Monson Utility District, Mount Desert Water District, Northern Aroostook Regional Incinerator Facility, Northern Oxford Regional Ambulance, Owls Head-South Thomaston-Thomaston Solid Waste Corp., Passamaquoddy Water District, Pembroke Schools, Penquis Solid Waste Corp., Pleasant River Ambulance, Pleasant River Solid Waste, Presque Isle Industrial Counsel, Rangeley Water District, Richmond Utilities District, RSU #78, Rumford Water District, Sabattus Sanitary District, Sanford Sewerage District, Sanford-Springvale Development Corp., Scarborough Economic Development Corp., Seaport Water District, Solon Water District, South Berwick Sewer District, South Berwick Water District, Stonington Water Company, Tenants Harbor Water District, Tri-Community Recycling & Sanitary Landfill, Tri-County Solid Waste, Vezzie Sewer District, Waldoboro Utility District, Warren Sanitary District, Washington County EMS Authority, Wells EMS, Winter Harbor Utilities, Wiscasset Water District, Yarmouth Water District, York Sewer District

Welcome New Members

Property & Casualty Pool

Bowdoinham; Brighton Plantation; Gorham Economic Development; Hammond; Hiram; Ludlow; Northport; Owls Head Thomaston South Thomaston Solid Waste; Rumford Water District; Sangerville and West Forks

Workers Compensation Fund

Hammond, Kingfield, Kingsbury Plantation and Ludlow

Unemployment Compensation

Ludlow

JOIN RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES AS WE CELEBRATE THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROPERTY & CASUALTY POOL at the Annual MMA Convention October 3 & 4, 2012 at the Augusta Civic Center. Bring your questions about our programs and enjoy the convention.

We look forward to seeing you there!
Rewarding Safety

Maine Municipal Association Risk Management Services continues to reward safety. Since 1999 Risk Management Services has been assisting the safety efforts of participating members of the Workers Compensation Fund through the Safety Enhancement Grant Program. The Grant program has awarded more than $2.6 Million through the funding of Safety Enhancement Grants and Scholarship Grants. Since the inception of the grant programs, MMA Risk Management Services has approved 2074 grants.

The Safety Enhancement Grant and Scholarship Grant Programs offer financial incentives to members of the Maine Municipal Association Workers Compensation Fund. Safety Enhancement Grants are used to purchase safety equipment or services that assist in reducing the frequency and severity of workplace injuries. Grants are awarded in May and October each year.

Ed MacDonald, Loss Control Manager for MMA Risk Management Services, reported that the program received 190 grant applications for the May 2012 period and that the committee approved 153 grants totaling $182,922.

For those of you who missed the May application deadline, please note you can again apply for Safety Enhancement Grants by the end of September for the October Grant period. All that you need to do is follow the instruction and FAQ information that is available on the MMA Risk Management Services Website at http://www.memun.org/rms/lc/grant.htm. Further information can be obtained by contacting your assigned Loss Control Consultant or Ed MacDonald, Loss Control Manager at 1-800-590-5583.

EXCITING NEWS:
Dividends Approved

We are pleased to announce that due to the continued good risk management practices and favorable loss experience of its members, the Board of Trustees of the MMA Workers Compensation Fund and the Board of Directors of the MMA Property and Casualty Pool approved the payment of annual dividends to eligible members of the two programs.

On May 24th, 2012 the respective Boards approved the scheduled distribution of $1,150,000 in dividends to their members. We look forward to delivering your dividend check later this summer.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE FOR VOLUNTEERS
July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013

Reduced Premium Effective 07/01/2012

Maine Municipal Association Risk Management Services is pleased to announce that the Accident Insurance for Volunteers (AIV) coverage is now available through The Hartford Life Insurance Company at a reduced premium effective July 1, 2012. The program provides coverage limits of $50,000 for accidental medical expenses at a reduced rate of $2.25 per volunteer. Last year 87 members participated in this MMA sponsored program, providing excess medical coverage to 6,633 volunteers.

If you have any questions with Accident Insurance for Volunteers (AIV) or the Volunteer Firefighter Blanket Accident Program (VFF), please contact Judy Doore jdoore@memun.org or 1-800-590-5583, ext 2255.

RWL&B Congratulates MMA Property & Casualty Pool on their 25th ANNIVERSARY!