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LET OUR STRENGTH SHINE with FIWT

February

2026 Newsletter

Feb. 10	Metroplex Insurance Professionals monthly dinner meeting, TexasStar Golf Course and Conference Centre, Euless. 6 p.m., $25 per person, cocktails extra.
Feb. 18	Tarrant County Insurance Professionals monthly luncheon meeting at Pulido's Mexican Restaurant, 2900 Pulido, Fort Worth. Noon.
Feb. 26	IWSA Luncheon at Anne Marie's with Book Drive for Haven for Hope. *Flyers inside.*
March 5	Insurance Women of San Antonio's Blooming Bingo, Anne Marie's Catering, $50 per person. 5 p.m.
March 6	Metroplex Insurance Professionals annual bowling tournament, Alley Cats, 2008 W. Pleasant Ridge Dr., Arlington.
March 26	IWSA luncheon celebrating 82 years.
March 27	Deadline for group rate room reservations for Mid-Year Expo. See flyer inside for room rate and reservation code.
April 13	IWSA 30th Annual Swing into Spring Golf Tournament, The Club at Sonterra. $200 per golfer. For sponsorship or player information, contact Krysten Haga, iwsafinance@gmail.com. *Flyer inside.*
April 17-18	FIWT Leadership and Education Expo at Hilton College Station. Room rate $160. *Details inside.*
April 18	FIWT Hollywood Bingo fundraiser, Hilton College Station. $40. Open to all insurance folks in College Station as well as expo registrants. *Save the date iand sponsorship info inside.*
August 4	IACC Pitch In and Play Ball. Cheer on the Corpus Christi Hooks at a fun IACC fundraiser. *Save the date inside.*
Oct. 22-25	FIWT 82nd Annual Convention, Embassy Suites by Hilton, Denton Convention Center. Room rate is $179 per night.

Message from FIWT President-Elect

As we settle into the winter months, we hope this newsletter finds you staying warm and well!



This season is also a great time to reflect on the strength of FIWT—and that strength comes directly from our members. With 173 members to date, including 25 Industry Members, FIWT continues to grow as a vibrant, supportive community of women and men in the insurance industry. Being a FIWT member means building meaningful connections, gaining leadership experience, growing professionally, and supporting one another along the way. This year's theme, "Let Your Strength Shine Through with FIWT," is a reminder that every member plays a role in shaping who we are and where we're going.

Inviting new members helps keep our organization active, diverse, and forward-moving. New voices bring fresh ideas and renewed energy, helping ensure FIWT can continue offering valuable programs, events, and opportunities for years to come. We're also excited to share that we are bringing back our Beacon Program, designed to help guide, encourage, and connect members as they navigate their FIWT journey. If you know someone who would benefit from connection, encouragement, and involvement, we encourage you to invite them to join FIWT and let their strength shine.

Meagan (Hoff) Kennemer
2025-2026 FIWT President Elect

Mid-Year Preview
detailed schedule to follow

Mid-Year will include CIPT Module #2 and CIPT update on Friday morning. Registration includes lunch and dinner on Friday and Saturday. Saturday's lunch will include a keynote speaker. Classes will begin at 8 a.m. on both Friday and Saturday, continuing after lunch. There will be a Board Meeting on Friday afternoon, along with an FIWT Town Hall on Saturday afternoon. Saturday dinner will be followed by Bingo.





ASAP
Sign up for an official visit by FIWT President Janet Dawson to your local association. Form to fill out is included in this issue.

Tell the boss
Industry membership includes an ad in every newsletter for the annual membership price of $200. Member application inside this issue. There are other membership benefits as well.

March 27
Deadline for reservations for the Hilton College Station, for Mid-Year Expo. **See flyer in this issue for rates and group reservation code.**

BOLO - Mid-Year Expo

Attention Local Association Presidents: Please be on the lookout for the Members-at-Large requests for table decorations for three meals as well as door prizes.
Conya Harris,
Mid-Year Liaison

FIWT members can sign up for a free subscription to the Texas Surplus Line Reporter and Insurance News. Send your preferred U.S. mail address to **adegraw722@aol.com** if you are not already receiving your complimentary copy of the monthly news.

Members at Large are looking forward to hosting the 2026 Mid-Year Expo, April 17-19 in College Station, Texas. Please see flyers included in this newsletter for additional details. And please
Make plans to attend Mid-Year!

A corrected listing of the 2025-2026 Officers, Local Presidents and Committee Chairs with their contact information is included in this newsletter issue. Might be a good idea to save these pages for quick reference.

We Care

Tammy Tabor's sister Candy Ford passed away on Jan. 5. Services were held on Jan. 8. Cards can be mailed to Tammy Tabor, 10985 Providence Road, Shreveport, LA 71129, and to Allan and Ashley Ford (Candy's husband and daughter), 13901 County Road 1122 N, Kilgore, TX 75662. Tammy is a member of East Texas Insurance Association and the Tarrant County Insurance Professionals.

from Member Care Chairman
Tanya Wyatt

FIWT officers met in January, working diligently to plan upcoming events

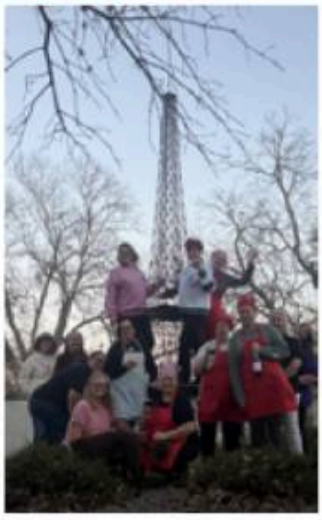


...okay, so it wasn't all work

















For some of the fruits of their labor, be sure to attend Mid-Year Leadership and Education Expo in College Station, April 17-18

FIWT Committee News

Community Service and Under 40



Sue Finke, FIWT community service chair, and **Macy Bennett,** FIWT Under 40 chair, remind members of locals to bring items requested for the FIWT community service project to an upcoming local meeting to make certain that the items get to Mid-Year. The FIWT Under 40 Committee is putting together bags at Mid-Year to distribute to families in the midst of a cancer fight. See the flyer in this newsletter for the item your local is asked to bring. Hoping to fill 30 bags of similar items. Look for the flyer in this newsletter.



Beacon Program

Janet Dawson is restarting the FIWT Beacon Program, which pairs seasoned members with new members to help them navigate FIWT during their first year of membership. Beacons will share information about FIWT, Mid-Year Expo and Annual Convention. Each local and MAL should appoint a Beacon to serve new members to help strengthen the connection and engagement of newcomers.

Education Resource Committee



Any FIWT member interested in becoming a CE instructor will need to complete an application included in this newsletter or contact **Conya Harris** at **charris@sunstarins.com** or 682-247-6634 cell. If your local is interested in having one of the FIWT CE classes, please choose a class from the list of 13 classes and complete the class request form included in this newsletter.

Note Conya's new email address.



Newsletter Committee

Shirley Bowler requests that all flyer and ad submissions for the FIWT newsletter be sent in PDF format, sized to 8.5" x 11" so no cropping or resizing is required to fit the flyer or ad in the newsletter. News for the following month is generally due by the 25th of the month, but Shirley will insert full page PDFs up until delivery to the past president for distribution.

Special thanks to Newsletter contributors for the February issue: Destinie Kindle Palmer, Terri Hower, Debbie Trees, Meagan Kennemer, Krysten Haga, Conya Harris, Tanya Wyatt, Lynell Bennett, Sue Finke. And proofreaders: Conya Harris, Angie Cash and Lisa Bumpas.



Scrapbook

This year, the scrapbook will be a star-studded production of videos and digital photos. Please send digital photos and videos of activities throughout the year to give Janet Dawson a full record of her term as president of FIWT. Send photos and videos to Fiwtscrapbook@gmail.com.

Scrapbook Chair **Krysten Haga** will be assembling the Oscar-worthy scrapbook.



Parliamentarian's Corner

At each FIWT Board Meeting—Mid-Year, Annual, and Post—the Parliamentarian formally reads and presents a motion to adopt the Orders of the Day. These Orders establish the procedural framework that governs the conduct of business during the meeting. Presented below are the Orders of the Day, along with a brief explanation of each order.

1. Motions and seconds to be made by board members only. *Only board members may make motions and seconds.*
2. Members shall be recognized by the chair, state name, office or local association, and then state motion. *Before speaking, a member must be recognized by the chair, state their name and office or local association, and then present their motion.*
3. Member who seconds motion need not give name. *A member who seconds a motion does not need to state their name.*
4. All main motions presented to the board must be in writing, signed and submitted to the presiding officer. *All main motions submitted for consideration by the Board must be presented in writing, signed by the maker, and submitted to the presiding officer prior to discussion.*
5. Any board member may enter into discussion after being recognized by the chair. *Any board member may participate in discussion after being recognized by the Chair.*
6. A member presenting a motion will be granted the privilege of speaking first, if they desire. *The member who makes a motion may speak first, if they choose.*
7. Debate will be limited to five minutes on any one subject, except by consent of the majority of the board. *Discussion on any single topic is limited to five minutes unless a majority of the board agrees to extend it.*
8. Debate by any person will be limited to two minutes, and no one may speak a second time if other members desire to speak, except by consent of the majority of the board. *Each speaker is limited to two minutes, and no one may speak a second time until others have had a chance, unless the board agrees otherwise.*
9. Regular decorum in the conduct of business to be complied with according to Robert's Rules of order, newly revised. *All meetings will follow proper decorum in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.*
10. If time permits, the chair may allow discussion from entire membership. Items 7, 8, and 9 will apply to this discussion. *If time allows, the chair may open discussion to the full membership. Such discussion shall be governed by the provisions set forth in Items 7, 8, and 9 above.*

DEBBIE TREES, 2025-2026 Parliamentarian

FIWT Committee Chairs
2025-2026

Committee	Chair of Committee	Email Address
Annual Convention Golf Tournament	Angie Cash	acash@nautilus-ins.com
Annual Convention Liaison	Carolyn Maples	Carolyn.maples@gmail.com
Budget/Audit (2 Year)	Terri Hower (2025-2027)	thower@higginbotham.net
Bylaws Standing Rules	Vanessa Torres	vtorres@simtexas.com
CIPT Designation	Gigi Heffernan	gigi@heffernaninsuranceagency.com
Community Service	Sue Finke	sfinke@sbcglobal.net
Education Resource (2 Year)	Conya Harris (2025-2027)	charris@sunstarins.com
FIWT Under 40	Macy Bennett	macy@blitzinsurance.com
Insurance	Jan Savage	
Long Range (2 Year)	Lisa Bumpas (2024-2026)	lisabumpas@gmail.com
Member Care	Tanya Wyatt (bc only, please)	twyatt@bigwf.com
Membership Marketing	Lynell Bennett	Lynben1212@hotmail.com
Mid-Year Bingo	Lynell Bennett	lynben1212@hotmail.com
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Minutes	Jennifer Brecht	jbrecht@brechtassoc.com
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Parliamentarian	Debbie Trees	dtrees@higginbotham.net
Past Presidents	JoAnna Ringel	Joanna.Ringel@amwins.com
Scholarship	Erin LeBlanc	erin@heffernaninsuranceagency.com
Scrapbook	Krysten Haga	krysten@vip-satx.com
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Tellers	JimmieGale Berg	Jimmiegale.berg@rtspecialty.com
Treasurer (2 Year)	Karen Ashton (2025-2027)	kashton@simtexas.com

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Members at Large	Conya Harris	charris@sunstarins.com
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North Texas Insurance Women	Cindy Jordan	redcindyjordan13@gmail.com
Insurance Women of San Antonio	Lucy Filipowicz	lfilipowicz@cavalryconstruction.com
Tarrant County Insurance Professionals	Debbie Hamilton	debbie.hamilton@frostinsurance.com ; djhamiltontx@gmail.com

Officers
2025-2026

President	Janet Dawson	Firedupredhead60@gmail.com
President-elect	Meagan Kennemer	mhoff@higginbotham.net
Vice President	Destinie Kindle-Palmer	dkindle@crcgroup.com
Recording Secretary	Teresa Arizmendi	tarizmendi@simtexas.com
Corresponding Secretary	Sheryl Watkins	Sheryl.watkins@marshMMA.com
Past President	Debbie Johnson	Insdeb93@gmail.com



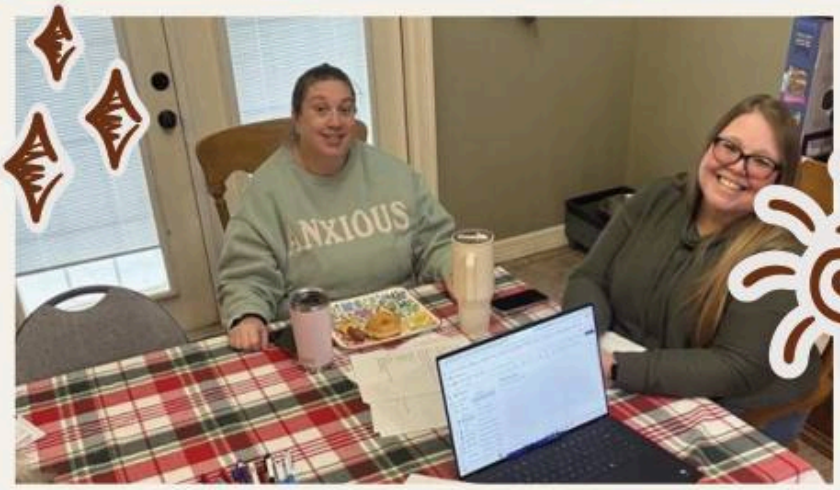
IACC's Christmas Dinner

IACC, had a small intimate Christmas dinner at A1 Steakhouse. It was filled with love and laughter.

We hope that everyone has a safe and blessed Christmas!













IACC had their annual planning meeting, we cant wait for the year to come!









TARRANT COUNTY INSURANCE PROFESSIONALS

MONTHLY MEETING

DATE

3RD WEDNESDAY
MONTHLY

TIME

12:00 PM

WHERE

PULIDO'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT
2900 PULIDO IN FT. WORTH

Follow us:

tarrantcountyinsurance@gmail.com

Insurance Women of San Antonio

February Luncheon

February 26, 2026, Registration: 11:30 AM

12475 Starcrest Dr San Antonio, TX 78216

Devin Bryant discussing "Strategic Questioning & Why Silence Sells"

Menu: Beef pepper steak in ginger soy sauce sided with white rice and steamed broccoli

$35.00 cash, check or credit card

Please note there will be a $1.00 processing fee on credit card payments

Reservation Deadline:
Monday, February 23rd at 9am

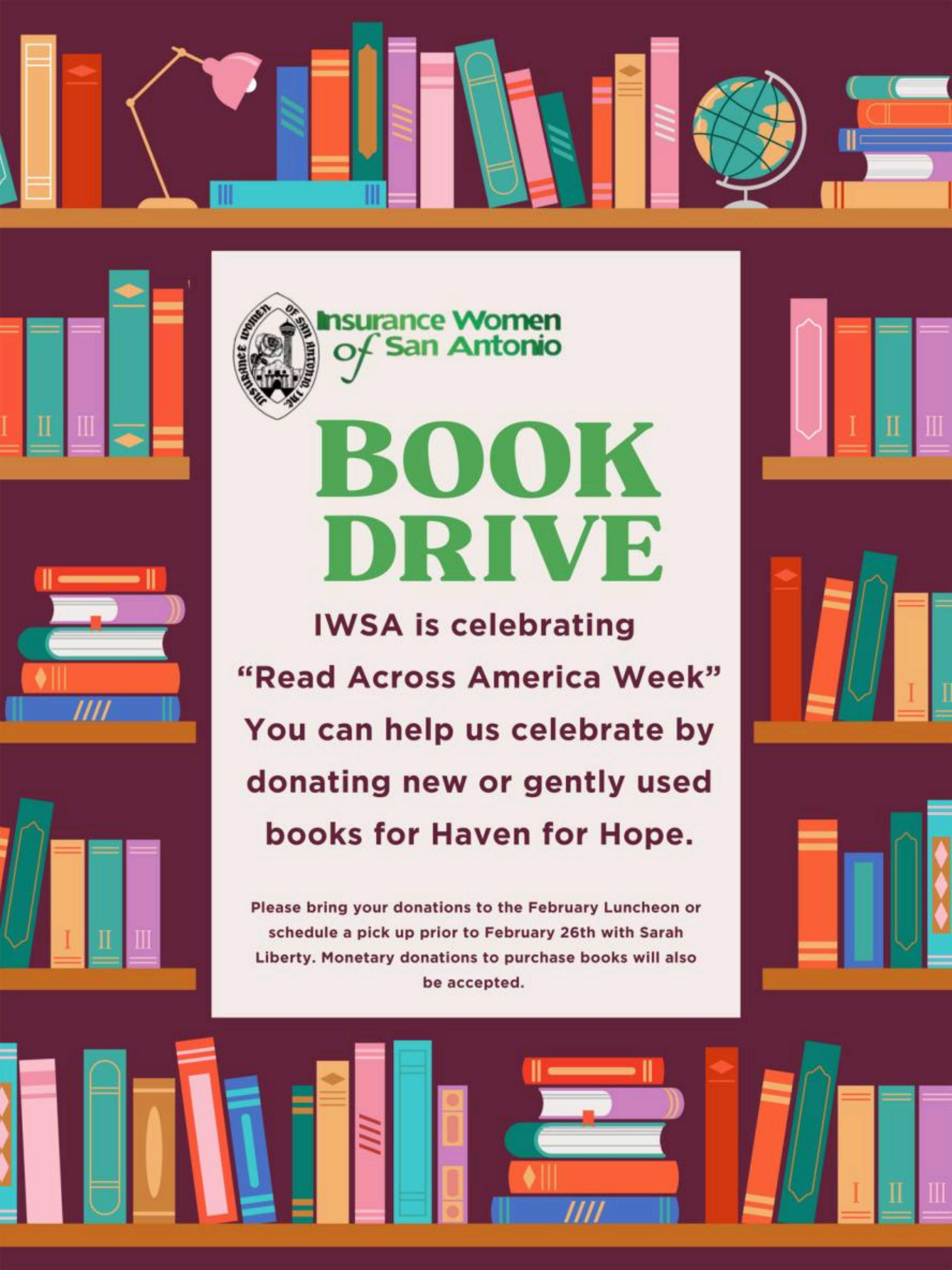
RSVP: Lee Ann Schmidt at
iwsacorrsec@gmail.com or
online www.iwsatx.com
Please register by the deadline to guarantee Lunch



Luncheon Sponsored by

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Insurance Women of San Antonio
BOOK DRIVE
IWSA is celebrating
"Read Across America Week"
You can help us celebrate by donating new or gently used books for Haven for Hope.
Please bring your donations to the February Luncheon or schedule a pick up prior to February 26th with Sarah Liberty. Monetary donations to purchase books will also be accepted.

METROPLEX
Insurance Professionals

24 TH ANNUAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sponsored by the Metroplex Insurance Professionals (MIP)
Fundraiser to benefit MIP Educational Scholarship Program

We cannot do this without you!

Perfect Game Level Sponsor $800.00 cash/check $825.00 credit card 1 Available
Includes Four (4) bowler registrations which covers lunch and shoe cost
+ Company Logo on Registration Packets
+ Sign Recognition at registration table
+ Streaming of company name & logo
+Advertisement Flyers in bowler packets**

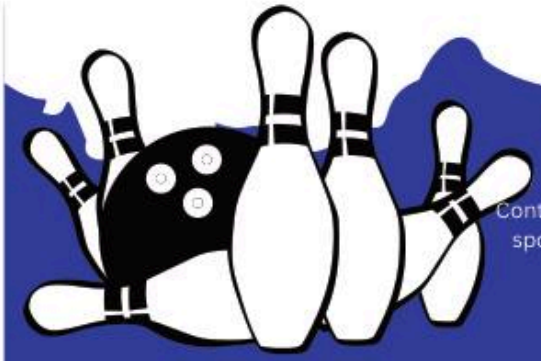
Strike Level Sponsor $650.00 cash/check $670.00 credit card 1 Available (Spirit Sponsor)
Includes Three (3) bowler registrations which covers lunch and shoe cost
+ Company Logo on ALL drink tickets
+ Sign Recognition at registration table
+ Streaming of company name & logo
+ Advertisement Flyers in bowler packets**

Spare Level Sponsor$450.00 cash/check $465.00 credit card 1 Available (Lunch Sponsor)
Includes Two (2) bowler registrations which covers lunch and shoe cost
+ Company Logo on ALL lunch tickets
+ Sign Recognition at registration table
+Streaming of company name & logo
+ Advertisement Flyers in bowler packets**

PBA Sponsor $450.00 cash/check $465.00 credit card - 1 Available (Prize Sponsor)
Includes Two (2) bowler registrations which covers lunch and shoe cost
Company Name will be included in the 1st , 2nd , and last place prize envelopes
+Sign Recognition at registration table
+Streaming of company name & logo

Alley Level Sponsor$250.00 cash/check $260.00 credit card - Limited Number (Lane Sponsor)
Includes One (1) bowler registration which covers lunch and shoe cost
+ Advertisement flyers in bowler packets**
+ Company name Streaming at the lanes

Cash Donor – Unlimited
Cash donations of any amount will be recognized in bowler packets!
Door Prize Donor–The cost is whatever you bring!
Recognition during prize distribution!



Contact Team Captain Donna Williams 214-675-6667 or donna@midcititesins.com and let her know which sponsorship you want. She will let you know if it is still available. (They are on a first come "paid" basis!)
All sponsorships must be reserved by February 20, 2026. Reserved upon receiving payment.
Please send the company logo with registration.
**If Advertisement Flyers are part of your sponsorship package, please provide 100 flyers.



Save the date
ANNUAL
Bowling tournament

FRIDAY
6 MAR
12:00 PM

Alley Cats
2008 W Pleasant Ridge Dr
Arlington, TX 76015

Please join us for an afternoon of fun & games with some terrific networking opportunities!

Team Captain: Donna Williams
donna@midcitiesins.com
214-675-6667

Co-Captain: Shanna Sutton
ssutton2006@hotmail.com
469-964-1425

More information to follow

METROPLEX
Insurance Professionals

MONTHY MEETING



When:
Second Tuesday of Every month
Where:
Texas Star Golf Course and Conference Centre
1400 Texas Star Parkway
Euless, TX 76040
The Treaty Room
Located at the back of the Restaurant
Time:
6:00pm
Cost:
$25.00 per person
(Alcoholic drinks available for purchase separately)

Exciting News for 2026!
We're looking forward to a fresh start in the new year, and MIP is ready to grow. Help us spread the word and invite others to join us!

Join us for a dinner meeting

January 13, 2026
February 10, 2026
March 10, 2026
April 14, 2026
May 12, 2026
June 9, 2026
July 14, 2026
August 11, 2026
September 8, 2026
October 13, 2026
November 10, 2026
December 8, 2026

R.S.V.P to Janet Grenvall, MIP President jgrenvall@usgins.com

Insurance Women of San Antonio

Blooming Bingo

Blossoms, Bingo & Bottomless Margaritas

Thursday, March 5, 2026
5:00 PM

Anne Marie's Catering
12475 Starcrest Dr, San Antonio

$50 Per Person

Includes Dinner, 20 Bingo Games & Margaritas

Register Online at www.iwsatx.com

Insurance Women of San Antonio

Blooming Bingo

$1000-Garden Glory Sponsor

Includes recognition on signage and social media
4 paid meals and bingo cards
12 extra raffle tickets

$500-Petal Power Sponsor

Includes recognition on signage and social media
2 paid meals and bingo cards
6 extra raffle tickets

$250-Margarita Magic Sponsor

Includes recognition on signage and social media
1 paid meal and bingo cards
4 extra raffle tickets

$100-Bingo Blossom Sponsor

Includes recognition on
signage and social media

For more information, contact Krysten at iwsafinance@gmail.com

Insurance Women of San Antonio

30TH ANNUAL SWING INTO SPRING TOURNAMENT

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026

The Club at Sonterra

Registration: 7:30 AM
Shotgun Start: 9:00 AM

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PLAYER REGISTRATION: $200 PER PLAYER
INCLUDES: BREAKFAST, LUNCH, GREEN FEES, CART, RANGE BALLS

For more information contact Krysten Haga at iwsafinance@gmail.com.

Insurance Women of San Antonio

SWING INTO SPRING
30th IWSA
GOLF TOURNAMENT

Player Registration

$200 Per Player

Includes: Breakfast, Lunch, Green Fees, Cart, Range Balls,

Company Name _____

Contact _____

Address_____

Phone_____

Email_____

Team Members

Player 1 _____

Player 2_____

Player 3_____

Player 4_____

Registration – 7:30 am

Breakfast / Driving Range – 7:30 - 9:00 am

Shotgun Start – 9:00 am

Lunch, Awards, Door Prizes to follow

You may register online at iwsatx.com or send filled out form and payment to:

IWSA Golf Tournament

PO BOX 461083

San Antonio, TX 78246-1083

If you have any questions, please contact Krysten Haga at 210-254-4007 or iwsafinance@gmail.com

Insurance Women of San Antonio

SWING INTO SPRING
30th IWSA GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sponsorship Registration

Platinum Sponsor $3500	____	Bloody Mary/Mimosa Sponsor $400	____
Elite Sponsor $2500	____	Putting Contest Sponsor	SOLD OUT
Legacy Partner $1000	____	Keg at a Hole Sponsor $500	____
Photo Sponsor $1000	____	Longest Drive Men's $350	____
Lunch Sponsor $1000	____	Longest Drive Women's $350	____
Trophy Sponsor $800	____	Closest to the Pin Men's $350	____
Breakfast Sponsor $750	____	Closest to the Pin Women's $350	____
Drink Sponsor $700	____	Hole Sponsor $250	____
Hole in One Sponsor $500	____		

Company Name _____

Contact _____

Address_____

Phone_____

Email_____

We will contribute a Door Prize of: _____

We will contribute to Golf Swag Bag: ____ (Please drop off items (100+) no later than April 6th)

Breakfast & Lunch only $50 x ____

You may register online at iwsatx.com or send filled out form and payment to:

IWSA Golf Tournament

PO BOX 461083

San Antonio, TX 78246-1083

If you have any questions, please contact Krysten Haga at 210-254-4007 or iwsafinance@gmail.com

Insurance Women of San Antonio

SWING INTO SPRING
29th IWSA GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sponsorship & Advertising Opportunities

Platinum Sponsor - $3500
- 12 Tournament Players - including breakfast & lunch
- Super Ticket for each player
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website

Elite Sponsor - $2500
- 8 Tournament Players - including breakfast & lunch
- Super Ticket for each player
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website

Legacy Partner - $1000
- 4 Tournament Players - including breakfast & lunch
- Super Ticket for each player
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website

Photo Sponsor - $1000 - 1 AVAILABLE
- Signage on Photo Cart
- Company logo on photo frames
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website

Lunch Sponsor - $1000
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Signage at lunch

Trophy Sponsor - $800
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box

Breakfast Sponsor - $750
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Signage at Breakfast

Drink Sponsor - $700
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box

Keg-at-a-Hole - $500 - 4 AVAILABLE**
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box
- ***Keg provided by Sonterra***

Hole-in-One Sponsor - $500 - 1 AVAILABLE
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box
- ***Must have witness at hole***

Bloody Mary/Mimosa Sponsor - $500
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Signage at Breakfast

Putting Contest Sponsor - $500 - SOLD OUT
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box
- ***Sponsor needs to provide prizes & sit at hole***

Longest Drive Men's - $350 - 1 AVAILABLE
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box

Longest Drive Women's - $350 - 1 AVAILABLE
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box

Closest to the Pin Men's - $350 - 1 AVAILABLE
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box

Closest to the Pin Women's - $350 - 1 AVAILABLE
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box

Hole Sponsor - $250
- Listed on Sponsor Signage
- Listed on Website
- Sponsor Signage at Tee Box

*** ALL Sponsors will be recognized at Luncheon ***

** Hole Sponsors have the opportunity to sit at their designated tee box and hand out marketing items.

IACC's

BASEBALL *Night*



SAVE THE DATE

TUESDAY, 4TH AUGUST

PITCH IN & PLAY BALL

Join IACC for an exciting night at the Corpus Christi Hooks baseball game on August 4th! Enjoy America's favorite pastime while pitching in to support IACC's mission. Cheer on the Hooks, and help make a difference in our community – all while having fun at the ballpark.

Insurance Associates of Corpus Christi

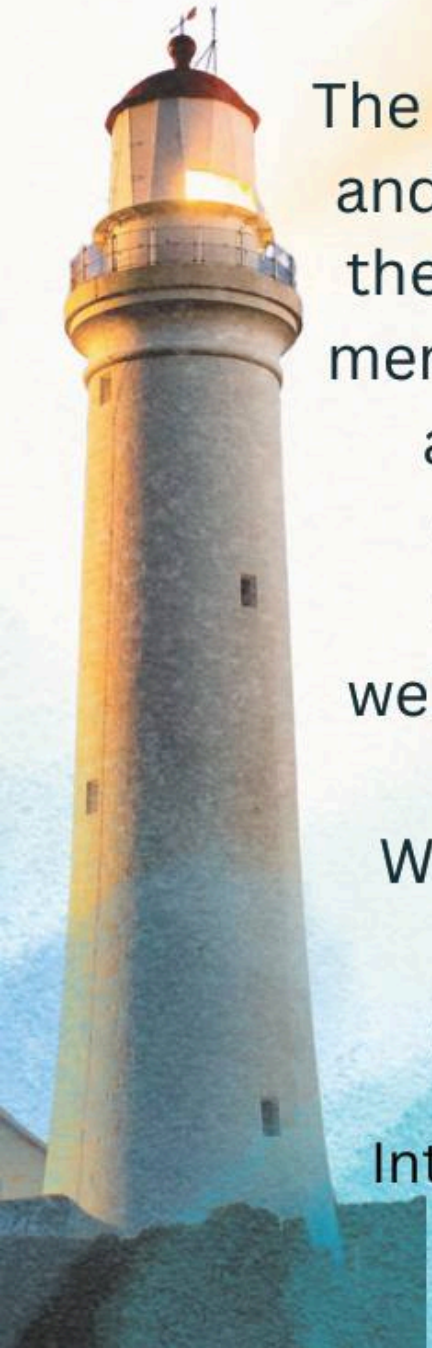
WELCOME BACK

FIWT

FEDERATION OF INSURANCE WOMEN OF TEXAS

STUDY ★ SERVE ★ SUCCEED

BEACON PROGRAM



The Beacon program is designed to support and guide our new members as they begin their FIWT journey. Beacons will help new members navigate FIWT, share information about both the Mid-Year and Annual Convention, and serve as a friendly resource to help new members feel welcomed, comfortable, and confident in their membership.

We look forward to seeing this program help strengthen engagement and connection within our organization!

Interested in being a Beacon for your local?
Email us at fiwt@fiwt.com

Under 40 Community Service Project

Cancer Care Packages

At mid-year the Under 40 are collecting items to build cancer care packages for the President's community service project. Locals & MAL are asked to gather donations of the below items within their local to bring to mid-year where we will create the bags which will then be donated to those who's loved ones are going through cancer.

MAL
Pack of wipes & Hand sanitizer

Dallas
Journal, Pen & pack of greeting cards

Metroplex
Word puzzle/puzzle book & highlighters

Corpus Christi
Small lap blanket

North Texas
Fuzzy socks & hand warmers

East Texas
Adult coloring book & map colors

San Antonio
Neck pillow

Galveston County
Beanie & pack of playing cards

Tarrant County
Snacks, water flavors, hard candies

Houston
Lip Balm/Chapstick & Lotion

Please bring 30 of each item



Hosted by FIWT Under 40
Macy Bennett
macy@blitzinsurance.com

LET OUR STRENGTH SHINE THROUGH FIWT

FIWT
FEDERATION OF INSURANCE WOMEN OF TEXAS
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Leadership & Education
Mid-Year Expo
April 17-18, 2026

Hilton College Station
801 University Drive,
College Station, TX 77840
Bingo Tournament – Saturday April 18
Mid-Year Expo – Friday April 17 – Saturday April 18

The hotel is offering special FIWT group rate of $160 single/double.

Please call 979-693-7500
Ask for the FIWT Mid Year Conference group rate.

Hosted by Members at Large

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FIWT President's Official Visit

Association Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Office Phone: _____ Cell Phone_____

Fax Number_____ Email:_____

Date of Event – 1st Choice_____ _____ Time: Arrive by: ___

Length of Time Scheduled for President's Part: _____

Location Address of Meeting: _____

Visit Function: ( ) Installation of Officers ( ) Social Only ( ) Employer Recognition
( ) Joint Association Meeting ( ) Business Meeting
( ) Other: _____

Note: If Officers' installation, please provide list with name of each incoming and outgoing officer and the duties of each of the offices. The cost of installation props and/or gifts for the incoming officers is the responsibility of the location association. The cost is not an expense covered within the President's FIWT budget. It is recommended that the local purchase the props/gifts and have them available at the installation. If the local prefers the President to pick a theme and bring the prop/gifts, please advise the budget limit for the items. The President will provide the local with the receipt for reimbursement.

( ) Officer props/gifts will be provided by the local.

( ) Officers props/gifts will not be provided by the local.

Local's theme_____; or, ( ) President's choice of theme

Recommended Dress: ( ) Business Casual ( ) Formal ( ) Church Dress
( ) Work/Professional ( ) After 5:00 ( ) Costume ( ) Casual

If airport transportation or overnight lodging is required, will your local association make these arrangements?
( ) Yes ( ) No

If yes, please phone, email, or fax necessary information to my office.
If no, please recommend local accommodations.
We would also accept invitations to lodge in member's homes, if offered, to help reduce expenses.

Other Dates/Events: 2nd Choice _____ _____ Time: Arrive By: _____

Other Dates/Events: 3rd Choice_____ _____ Time: __ Arrive By: _____

Please Return to: FIWT Corresponding Secretary: Sheryl Watkins, Sheryl.watkins@MarshMMA.com

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	FIWT Continuting Education Courses	FIWT TDI CE Provider #32337			9/25/2025
TDI CE Course ID	Course Title	CE Course Hours	Course Type	Course Effective Dates	Instruction Method
136715	Princess and the Policy	1	Ethics	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136716	Sailing Through the Claims Triangle	2	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136718	Study of Employment Practices Liability	1	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136719	7 Deadly Sins in Covering Your Accounts	1	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136720	Ethics by Avoiding the 7 Deadly Sins	2	Ethics	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136721	How to be a Mother Trucker	2	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136722	Commercial Property	2	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11-2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136723	The Customer Bought a Boat	1	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136724	Mayberry Ethics - The Pickles	1	Ethics	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136725	Non-Subscription Basics	1	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136726	Non-Subscription Explanation of Benefits	1	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136727	Study of Errors & Omissions	1	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery
136728	Study of Cyber Liability	1	General	09/11/2025 - 09/11/2027	Classroom or Live Webinar Delivery

Thank you for your interest in the ***FIWT Education Programs***. Please help us with the arrangements for this class by completing the following information and emailing it to fiwt@fiwt.com Attn: Education Resource Chair.

FIWT is very pleased to offer this service to you and hope this is a favorable experience for your local association. **FIWT** does pay expenses for the instructor, however, if your local association would like to share in the expenses, please indicate in the appropriate space below.

***FIWT members will continue to receive their membership benefit of classes through FIWT. The classes are free from FIWT fees but will charge the minimal TDI Sircon fee of $1.30 per CE hour per attendee. People attending the classes that are not members **will be charged a $10 per class fee.** This fee will include the Sircon fees and other related FIWT fees.

Name of Requested Class:_____

Preferred Date or Dates:_____

Time:_____

Location of Class:_____

Expected attendance of Class:_____

Address of Class:_____

Local Contact Name:_____

Phone Number:_____
Email:_____

Who will handle arrangements and pay for:

Travel Arrangements	_____FIWT	_____Local	_____ Instructor
Lodging	_____FIWT	_____Local	_____Instructor
Transportation from hotel	_____FIWT	_____Local	_____Instructor
Meal	_____FIWT	_____Local	_____Instructor

FIWT INSTRUCTOR APPLICATION

NAME: _____

Employer: _____

Local Association to which you belong: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email address: _____

1. Number of years in insurance: _____
2. Area of Expertise: _____
3. How long a member of FIWT? _____
4. Education Degree(s): _____
5. Insurance Designations you hold: _____
6. Have you taught any classes before? _____
7. If yes, what have you taught: _____When?_____

Please answer the following questions.

A. Why do you want to teach a class for FIWT?

_____

_____

_____

B. Describe the role of education in the insurance industry.

_____

_____

_____

C. Are you interested in teaching CIPT classes? _____

Please attach a recent photograph

INSTRUCTION CERTIFICATION

The Texas Department of Insurance Continuing Education Program rules require providers to certify that course instructors will be experienced and qualified in the subject to be taught. Further, providers and instructors must certify that they will comply with all provider and course requirements as outlined in the program rules. This certification, or a document similar to this certification, must be maintained by providers for four years and be available to the department upon request.

_____

Instructor's Full Name

_____ _____

Residence Address Residence Phone

_____ _____

Employer Name Employer Phone

_____

Business address, City, State, Zip Code

Insurance licenses held:

License Type	License Number	Date of issue	In which state?
License Type	License Number	Date of Issue	In which state?

Any other licenses held:

License Type	License Number	Date of Issue	In which state?
License Type	License Number	Date of Issue	In which state?

This instructor is experienced and qualified in the subject(s) to be taught, based on the criteria listed below: **(Instructor must meet at least <u>one</u> of the criteria.)**

_____ Instructor is and has been properly licensed as a licensee subject to continuing education under this act for at least five years.

_____ Instructor is the holder of a professional designation recognized by the department which relates directly to the subject the instructor will teach; or

_____ Instructor is or has been engaged in a recognized profession that is pertinent to the subject to be taught, including, but not limited to: licensed or certified medical Professionals, Certified Public Accountants, and members of a state bar.

_____ Instructor is and has been in the practice of teaching insurance courses for at least the last three years and has the knowledge and experience in the subject the instructor will teach.

This instructor will be teaching any CE courses for this provider organization: (Attach a separate sheet for additional courses.)

As agreed upon in 2019, all FIWT Instructors should have completed or be working towards the CIPT designation. Since the CIPT is an education product of FIWT, it is important for our instructors to be actively involved in that program.

I Certify that the above information is true and correct and that I will conduct the course in compliance with applicable rules of the Department of Insurance. I understand that failure to comply with the requirements specified in the continuing education program rules, or falsification of any records or participation in any activities which allow circumvention of the requirements of the applicable statures of the continuing education program rules may subject the courses of the provider to be immediately removed from the list of registered courses and cause possible suspension from participation in the continuing education program for up to one year.

_____ Instructor Signature

_____ Date

_____ FIWT Education Resource Chair

_____ Date

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Please complete this application and submit to the address below. You may attach your check or you will be billed if you prefer.

❒ Check Enclosed ❒ Invoice Company

Name:_____

Company:_____

Address:_____

City:_____ **State:**_____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____

Email: _____

FIWT year runs November 1st of one year to October 31st of the following year. Annual membership dues are $200.

November 1st to April 30th Dues are $200

After May 1st Dues are $100

Complete form and email to:

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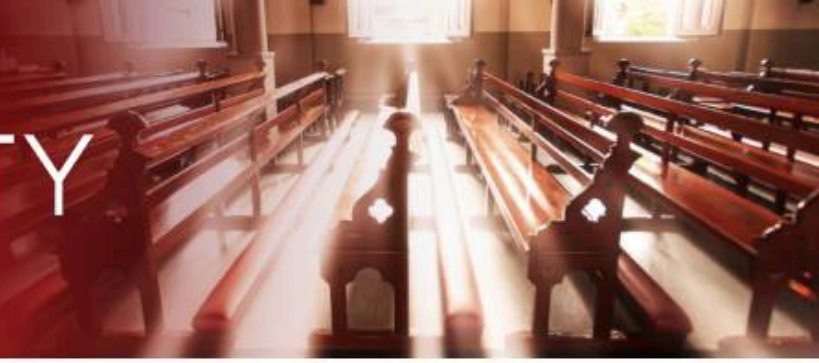
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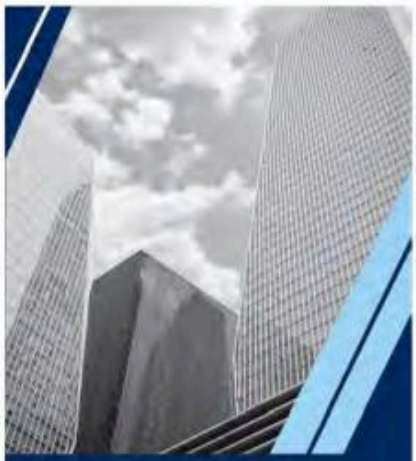
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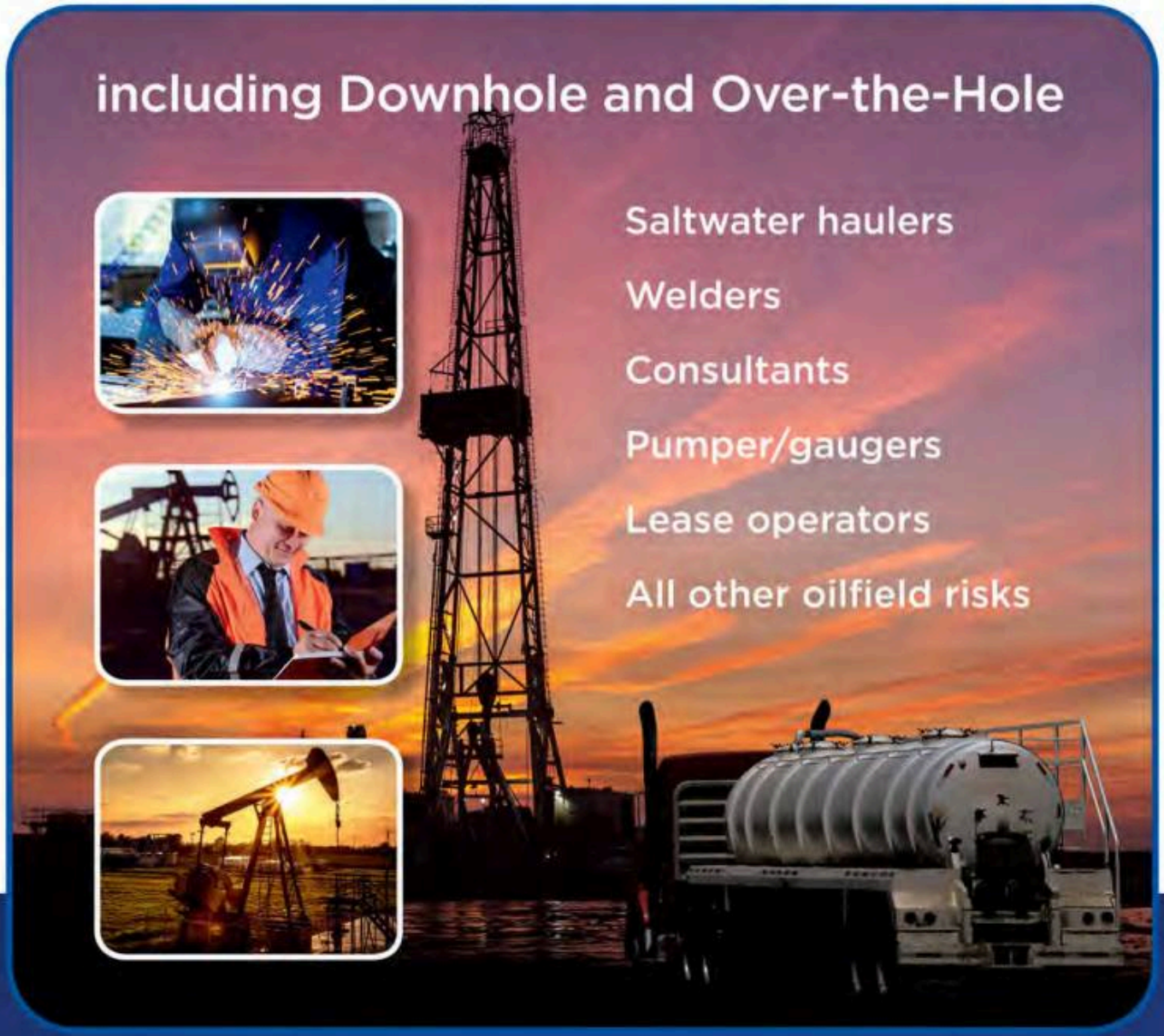
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