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MARCH

2026 Newsletter

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 23	Deadline to order an FIWT logo hoodie. *See flyer inside.*
March 26	IWSA luncheon celebrating 82 years.
March 26	The Independent Insurance Agents of Houston will host its 34th Annual Charity Crawfish Boil. Visit IIAH.org for more information.
March 27	Deadline for group rate room reservations for Mid-Year Expo. See flyer inside for 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 14	Independent Insurance Agents of Dallas will host its Scholarhip Shootout at Elm Fork Shooting Sports. Registration is available online at *iiadallas.org.*
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.*
April 21	IWSA monthly luncehon at Anne Marie's.
August 4	IACC Pitch In and Play Ball. Cheer on the Corpus Christi Hooks at a fun IACC fundraiser. *Flyers inside.*
Oct. 22-25	FIWT 82nd Annual Convention, Embassy Suites by Hilton, Denton Convention Center. Room rate is $179 per night.

Message from FIWT Vice President

READY….SET….REGISTER!

Our Mid-Year Leadership and Education Expo is right around the corner and is returning to College Station on April 17-19.



As always, this year's event will have an abundance of Continuing Education (CE) classes (8 hours to be exact!), the CIPT Module (#2) and Update (You're a new manager-Now what?").

Attendees can expand their knowledge and stay ahead in the industry with our expertly curated CE classes, covering critical topics such as:

-Getting your submission to the top of the stack
-Additional Insured's
-Contractual Liability
-Hey, that's Fraud
-Premium Finance Express

For those participating in CIPT, the module and update will provide essential updates and knowledge enhancements to keep professionals informed of the latest trends and regulatory changes.

We will also be offering (back by popular demand) a Non-CE class by our very own; President Elect- Meagan Kennemer called "Excel with Excel," teaching the basic use of Excel along with tricks and tips so that you can EXCEL with EXCEL! You won't want to miss this class taught by our newly married President-Elect.

We are thrilled to welcome Courtney Parker as our keynote speaker. Courtney is the founder of Stage 3 Scholarship. Stage 3 Scholarship was built out of love for those students who have seen what cancer can do to their families. It is also our president's cause for her year as president.

Don't miss this opportunity to advance your education, network with industry peers, and gain insights from top experts. For more information, visit our official website www.fiwt.com or contact our Executive Board at FIWT@FIWT.com. I hope to see many of you in College Station!

Destinie Kindle Palmer
2025-2026 FIWT Vice President

Mid-Year Expo Hotel Reservations

For hotel reservations, contact Hilton College Station directly.
Call 979-693-7500. Room rate is $160 for double or king.
Cutoff for room rate is March 27.



Important Announcements

Mid-Year Expo Door Prizes
Send an email to Conya Harris letting her know of your commitment for door prizes. Since MALs do not maintain a checking account, please bring cash donations and prizes to Mid-Year and turn in at the registration desk. Cash, gift cards and merchandise are all welcome. As customary, local associations are encouraged to help with door prizes and centerpieces for meals. (Friday dinner is in need of a volunteer local for table centerpieces.)

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 with link to online registration.**

Complimentary subscription
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.

Local Association News Briefs

Insurance Women of San Antonio collected children's books to celebrate Read Across America. New and gently used books benefited the children at Haven for Hope. IWSA thanks all for their generous donations.

IWSA is working to beef up the local's attendance at Mid-Year by offering its members who have yet to attend a Mid-Year the opportunity for a registration scholarship through a drawing. One lucky member will have his or her egistration paid (but not lodging) for the Expo. Drawing for the winner will happen at the IWSA board meeting on March 10. If you're eligible as an IWSA member who would be attending Mid -year for the first time, let Sue Finke know to include you in the drawing.



Sue Finke models a tee that she plans to wear to the Mid-Year Hollywood Bingo on Saturday night. Available for purchase by IWSA members.

Members-at-Large who are attending Mid-Year Expo are asked to arrive early, preferably on Thursday. The registration desk must open at 7:30 a.m. on Friday. The first classes begin at 8 a.m. Let Conya Harris know when you will be arriving.

Insurance Associates of Corpus Christi Installed officers for 2026-2027. Check out some pictures on flyer inside this issue.

We Care

Tammy Tabor's husband Roy underwent knee replacement surgery on Feb. 23. Please join us in wishing Roy a speedy and full recovery. Tammy is a member of East Texas Insurance Association.

Jocelyn Chambless' mother Charlene Gayoso passed away unexpectedly on Feb. 23. The family needs our prayers and the peace of our heavenly Father. Cards can be mailed to Jocelyn Chambless, P. O. Box 148, Winona, TX 75792. Joycelyn is a member of East Texas Insurance Association.

East Texas Insurance Association Member **Mike Harris** will have neck surgery on Monday, March 2 at Baylor Hostpital in Dallas. We need to pray also for his wife Lisa as she takes care ofhim. Lisa will update us after the surgery. Mike's address is 8604 Radcliffe Dr., Tyler, TX 75703.

Perry Hallet, father of IPOGC Member **Melaine Hallet,** has been in and out of the hospital since January battling stomach issues. He is in ICU. Please pray for his recovery, as knowing so many join the family in prayer brings more comfort than words can express. Cards will warm their hearts. Send to Melanie Hallett, IPOGC, and Barbara Hallett, P. O. Box 1360, Galveston, TX 77553.

Member-at-large **Sheila Lemma-Swartz** died tragcally in traffic accient in Bryan, Texas, on Feb. 1. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Donna Williams' daughter-in-law Kelli Vallance passed away on Feb. 3, after a long fight with cancer. Her family's address is 2005 Gettysburg Pl., Bedford, TX 76022. Donna served as FIWT president 2016-2017.

Cindy Condron's husband Joe fell and broke his hip. He had hip replacement surgery on Feb. 18 and is now home from the hospital. Joe will have a lengthy recovery at home where Cindy will take good care of him. Get well messages can be sent to Cindy and Joe at c.condron@yahoo.com or 1203 Land Rush, Arlington, TX 76012.

Tara Preston's father-in-law, Randy Preston, passed away. Cards can go to Tara at 589 Leona, White Oak, Texas 75693. Tara is a member of East Texas Insurance Association.

Friend of FIWT and Metroplex Insurance Professionals **Phil Klein,** former vice president of the Granbury office of Specialty Insurance Managers, passed away in December. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 21, at noon, at the DeCordova Bend Country Club dining room, The Cover, in Granbury.

Erin LeBlanc reported that, while she has sent cards when aware of events, illnesses and times of sorrow, she learned how impactful these cards are when she was on the receiving end. "It truly does mean so much, so thank you," said Erin.

from Member Care Chairman
Tanya Wyatt

FIWT Committee News

Education Resource Committee



Be sure to attend the business meeting at the Mid-Year Expo to hear an exciting announcement in the Education Resource Report.

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.



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 March issue: Destinie Kindle Palmer, Conya Harris, Tanya Wyatt, Sandra Jones, Lisa Hull, Vanessa Torres, Debbie Trees, and Meagan Kennemer. And proofreaders: Conya Harris, Angie Cash, Lisa Bumpas and Lucy Martinez.



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.

Have you sent your local association’s contribution yet?

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

Parliamentarian's Corner



March brings you seven important tips from Parliamentarian Debbie Trees.

Parliamentarian's Tip #1 – Be Recognized
Always wait to be recognized by the Chair before speaking. This keeps meetings orderly and ensures everyone has an equal opportunity to participate.

Parliamentarian's Tip #2 – Motions in Writing
For board meetings, main motions must be submitted in writing. This helps avoid confusion and ensures the intent of the motion is clear for the record.

Parliamentarian's Tip #3 – Speak to the Chair
All comments and questions should be addressed to the Chair, not directly to other members. This promotes respectful discussion and keeps debate focused.

Parliamentarian's Tip #4 – Time Limits Matter
Be mindful of speaking limits. Keeping remarks concise allows more members to participate and helps meetings stay on schedule.

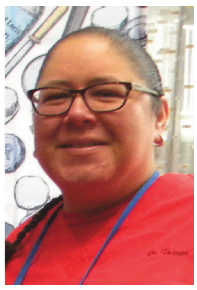
Parliamentarian's Tip #5 – One Speaker at a Time
Avoid interrupting or speaking over others. Robert's Rules are designed to ensure thoughtful discussion and fairness for all.

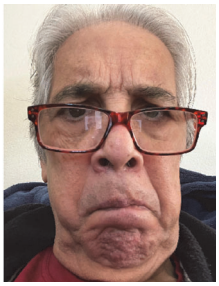
Parliamentarian's Tip #6 – Seconding a Motion
Seconding a motion does not mean you agree with it—it simply means you believe the motion should be discussed by the group.

Parliamentarian's Tip #7 – Respect the Outcome
Once a vote has been taken, respect the decision of the majority so the meeting can move forward efficiently.



Bylaws ... made fun by Vanessa Torres with Uncle Robert





This is the first of an eight-part survival guide to structure, order and keeping our meetings civilized.

Part 1: The Organization's Prenup

I like to think of bylaws as our organization's prenup. Not because we're expecting drama… but because we're smart enough to plan ahead.

Bylaws spell out who can do what, who votes on what, and who actually has authority to sign things.

Here's what I mean:

Imagine a committee chair signs a contract thinking she's authorized — but the bylaws clearly say only certain officers can bind the organization.

Now we're having uncomfortable conversations.

Bylaws keep "I thought I could…" from turning into "Well… that's unfortunate."

Insurance Associates of Corpus Christi

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



INSTALLATION OF 2025 - 2026 OFFICERS
President - Tamela Gutierrez
Vice President - Cassie Ramirez
Recording Secretary - JoAnna Ringel
Corresponding Secretary - Theresa Gidley
Treasurer - Terri Hower











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MID-YEAR ANNOUNCEMENT

🎉 **Ready, Set, Register!** 🎉
Mid-Year Registration is officially open and waiting for you online!

Click the link below or go to FIWT.com > Event>Mid-Year

Click here to Register online

FIWT.com

IACC LUNCHEON

MARCH 24TH

AT THE EXCHANGE

224 N MESQUITE ST,
CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78401

LUNCH WILL BE BUFFET STYLE AND WE WILL BE SERVING:

- STREET CORN QUESO
- KING RANCH CHICKEN
- FAJITAS
- RICE
- BEAN

$20 PER PERSON

Please RSVP using the link below by March 20th

RSVP HERE



Insurance Women of San Antonio

You're Invited!

IWSA 82ND BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

MARCH 26, 2026

REGISTRATION 11:30 AM

12475 STARCREST DR, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216

GUEST SPEAKER:

JANET DAWSON, FIWT PRESIDENT

Menu:

1/2 Chicken Salad on croissant sandwich, side salad with strawberries, feta cheese & walnuts with Chicken Tortilla Soup

Reservation Deadline:

Monday, March 23rd at 9am

RSVP: Lee Ann Schmidt at iwsacorrsec@gmail.com

or online www.iwsatx.com

Please register by the deadline to guarantee a Lunch

$35.00 cash, check or credt card

Please note there is a $1 processing fee on all credit card payments

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FIWT Hoodie-Pre Order

We are taking pre-orders for the below hoodie with the FIWT logo embroidered on them.

These will be available by pre order only to be delivered in April at Mid- year in College Station.

There will be no sales or additional stock available at Mid-year.

Product photo



The easy choice for laid-back, lightweight and layerable style.

- 4.6-ounce (155 GSM)
- 60/40 combed ring spun cotton/polyester, 30 singles
- Dyed-to-match drawcords and zipper
- Shoulder to shoulder twill taping
- 1x1 rib knit cuffs and hem
- Tear-away label

CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Machine wash cold. Tumble dry low. Do not bleach. Cool iron if necessary.

Deadline: March 23rd 2026

Pricing:

XS-XL	$45
2XL	$46
3XL	$48
4XL	$49

$2 fee for credit card.



Please send order to: Sheryl Watkins at sheryl.watkins@marshmma.com



We're excited to invite you to a night of baseball, community, and giving back at our annual IACC fundraiser!

Pitch IN & Play Ball!
Join us on **August 4th** for an IACC Night at the Ballpark as we cheer on the Corpus Christi Hooks and raise support for our organization. This is a great opportunity to connect with fellow members, bring your family, entertain clients, and support IACC's mission — all while enjoying America's favorite pastime.

Whether you attend as a guest or participate as a sponsor, your support helps us continue the important work we do for our members and community.

⚾ **Ready to join us?**
Please use the link below to register and secure your tickets/Sponsorship:

Registration & Sponsorship Form – Fill out form

If you need an actual form in LIEU of the link or have any questions, feel free to reach out.

We can't wait to see you at the ballpark!

Play Ball!

IACC's SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNTIES

Diamond Sponsorship:
- $2,200.00
- Includes:
  - Package for 8
  - Sign Recognition
  - Merch Table

Platinum Sponsorship:
- $1,000.00
- Includes:
  - Package for 5
  - Sign Recognition

Gold Sponsorship:
- $800.00
- Includes:
  - Package for 4
  - Sign Recognition

Silver Sponsorship:
- $600
- Includes:
  - Package for 3
  - Sign Recognition

Bronze Sponsorship:
- $450.00
- Includes:
  - Package for 2
  - Sign Recognition

Single Registration:
- Non- Member: $160
- IACC Member: $100

Insurance Associates of Corpus Christi

IACC's SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNTIES

Baseball Cap
(Exclusive - 1 Available)
- $2,500.00
- Includes your Logo

Beverage Sponsor:
- $250.00

Inning Sponsor:
- $100.00
- 1 Per Inning, First Come first Serve

Hooks Dinner Sponsor
- $300.00

Door Prize:
- You have multiple options to choose from, including customizing.

Goodie Bag Items:
- Minimum of 125 Each

Payment:
- Pay By Mail: PO Box 271571, Corpus Christi, TX 78427
- Invoice can be emailed upon request

Insurance Associates of Corpus Christi





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:

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Insurance Professionals

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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**

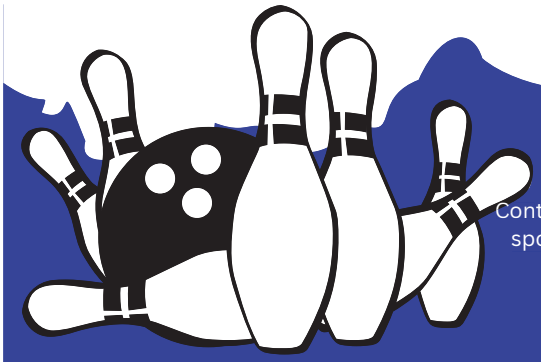
Strike Level Sponsor $650.00 cash/check $670.00 credit card 1 Available (Spirit Sponsor)
Includes Three (3) bowler registrations which covers lunch and shoe cost
+ Company Logo on ALL drink tickets
+ Sign Recognition at registration table
+ Streaming of company name & logo
+ Advertisement Flyers in bowler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

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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.

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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.



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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
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Leadership & Education
Mid-Year Expo
April 17-18, 2026

Hilton College Station
801 University Drive,
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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.

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- Free Parking
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- Complimentary WIFI
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- Shuttle service
- Earn Hilton Honor points

NOTE: Reservations must be made on or before the date of March 27,2026.

Email: fiwt@fiwt.com
Phone Number: 361-405-5838
Website: www.fiwt.com

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APRIL 18TH, 2026

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HOLLYWOOD BINGO

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April 18th, 2026

Where:
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$1,000

Oscar Award

Reserved Table (8 players)
4 extra set of cards
16 raffle tickets
Online recognition

$750

Golden Globe

Reserved Table (8 players)
3 extra set of cards
8 raffle tickets
Online recognition

$500

Academy Award

2 extra set of cards
4 raffle tickets
Online recognition

$250

Emmy Award

1 extra set of cards
2 raffle tickets
Online recognition

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People Choice Award

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Margarita Machine

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___$1,000 Oscar Award ___ $750 Golden Globe
___ $500 Academy Award ___ $250 Emmy Award
___ $100 People's Choice Award
___ $300 Margarita Machine ___ $250 Snacks

Name:_____
Company:_____
Phone:_____
Email:_____

Method of payment:
___ Mail Check
___Send me invoice to pay by card

When:
April 18th, 2026

Where:
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Contact: Lynell Bennett
Email: lynben1212@hotmail.com call/text: 713-705-7754
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HOLLYWOOD BINGO

REGISTRATION

$40 -15 GAMES

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ADDITIONAL RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE

Name:_____

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Method of payment:

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___Send me invoice to pay by card

Individual registration available on mid-year registration forms as well

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Where:
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Email: lynben1212@hotmail.com

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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 FIWT Education Resource Chair

_____ _____

Date Date

FIWT Committee Chairs, 2025-2026

Committee	Chair of Committee	Email Address
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❒ 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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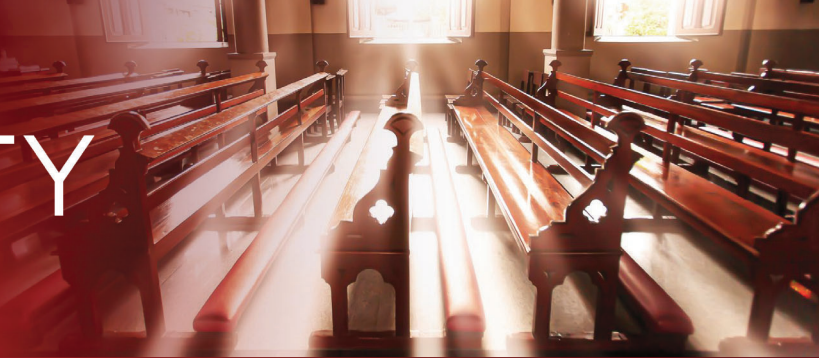
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