

President's Report Krista Davis

Well, it's springtime in Michigan! One day you're in shorts & flip flops & the next day you're pulling on a sweater and grabbing an umbrella. One thing is certain...warmer days are ahead. What's uncertain is how our industry will be changing....again....possibly in the not too distant future. [Read More](#)



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Ryan Burtka, MAHU Lobbyist

April marks the start of the real work on the State budget for Fiscal Year 2018 that begins October 1st. Much of the policy work slows down for a few weeks while appropriations subcommittee chairs hold hearings and eventually pass budgets related to individual state departments. Those individual budget bills are then combined into two large omnibus bills [Read More](#)



Success! 2017 LEG DAY

The MAHU Day at the Capitol for 2017 was a great success. A special thanks goes out to our guests, Rep. Barrett, the sponsor of MAHU's Continuing Education rollover legislation, and Rep. Lana Theis, the chair of the House Insurance Committee. Unfortunately, due to a medical emergency, Representative Barrett was unable to attend. His staff filled in and mentioned that the Representative is working on legislation allowing for membership in a professional organization, such as MAHU, to be counted towards CE credit. Thanks to those MAHU members that made it the Capitol Day. The feedback I received from meetings with legislators and their staff is helpful to develop a plan to get our issues heard. Additionally, it helps raise the awareness of MAHU and makes lobbying efforts such as "Operation Shout" much more effective.



State & Local Chapters Working Hard

Congratulations to our local chapters, and to the state chapter who have been working hard to

ensure the Association continues to provide value to our members through education, advocacy and professionalism. By each local achieving at least Silver certification, MAHU continues the tradition of being awarded the Blue Ribbon of Excellence! Last year, only 10 states (including Michigan) achieved this award. Michigan has won Blue Ribbon of Excellence every year since inception in 2009! Again, thank you to each local chapter, without you, there is no Blue Ribbon of Excellence award!

Below is the list of each chapter, along with the certification level and chapter awards each has filed. We're looking forward to Krista Davis walking vs. sitting at NAHU's Annual Convention Award Ceremony in Orlando from June 25 through 28.

MDAHU - Platinum Certified; Pacesetter; Presidential Citation
NMAHU - Silver Certified; Website
SMAHU - Gold Certified; Website
WMAHU - Gold Certified; Website
MAHU - Platinum Certified; Landmark; Website



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Edward Claboine
Dean Clemons
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IT'S A WRAP

Suzy Alberts, Professional Development Chair

Staying educated is key to success in our industry, in addition to being a requirement of maintaining an insurance license in the State of Michigan. On March 6, MAHU hosted a very successful all-day event for insurance professionals from across the state. In total, 54 members and non-members participated in the classes, held at the Marriott Hotel in East Lansing. [Read](#)

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REGION 3 MEETING SAVE THE DATE

MAHU will host the Region 3 meeting at the Amway Grand Plaza in Grand Rapids. The event dates are August 14 & 15. More information to come soon.



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REBC - Earning the Registered Employee Benefits Consultant® (REBC®) designation elevates your credibility as a professional. The field of employee benefits continues to evolve rapidly. A year does not go by without new government regulations, new or modified coverages, and new techniques for controlling benefit costs. To best serve their clients, professionals need to have a current understanding of the provisions, advantages, and limitations associated with each type of benefit or program as a method for meeting economic security.

The new REBC now allows a combination of courses offered by NAHU and those that may have been completed through one of the approved American College programs to count towards designation requirements. REBC now includes NAHU's Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act certification training as a core designation component. Students who are pursuing the REBC designation and have already completed the ChHC designation will receive reciprocity credit for ACA and Advanced Group benefits against REBC core requirements. Additionally, the ChHC designation individual market course counts as 1 of 3 required electives.

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