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## Letter from the President

Dear Northern Nevada Association Members,



Summer has arrived with high temperatures and thunderstorms! Staying hydrated is important to your health as well as making sure you're not the lightning rod. So carry a couple of water bottles in your car and don't stand under a tree in an electrical storm!

We had our annual membership drive in the form of a [BBQ mixer](#) at Rancho San Rafael Park. As you will recall, if you paid your membership dues, the Association provided the BBQ.

Members were able to set up information booths and hand out promotional items. This is different from our regular meetings in that only the lunch sponsor is allowed to make a presentation with promotional materials. This was a well-attended event with over 50 in attendance, so thank you to all who were able to make it and set up booths! The board with some volunteers shopped, set up, and cooked. The reason we have seen the growth and success of our organization is due to Board participation. Thank you board and to our members that also volunteered.

We also want to acknowledge our May lunch presentation by Joe Van Walraven from the Law Office of Van Walraven and Harris on product defect liability and investigation. We all must be aware that to prove a case one way or another can hinge on preservation of the evidence in a proper manner.

The June lunch presentation was by Jim McCurley of RGL Forensic Accountants on Employee Dishonesty and Fraud Investigation. Mr. McCurley shared his insights on fraud indicators and that checks and balances in any organization are worthwhile. Our sponsor was Almost Home Accommodations

The August lunch presentation was by Nevada Insurance Commissioner, Scott Kipper on fraud and regulations. Mr. Kipper shared his vision for the insurance industry in Nevada, stressing the important role of adjusters, and fielded questions. We hope to have Mr. Kipper return and address our Association again. Our

### Upcoming Events

[September 16 Bowling Tournament](#)

[October 8 and November 12 Lunch & Learns](#)

[IICRC WRT Certification](#)

### Other Links of Interest

[Nevada Department of Insurance](#)

[NWS Storm Predictor](#)

[Real-Time National Weather Service Hurricane](#)

[Forecasts](#)

[Real-Time Earthquake Info  
for NV and CA](#)

[Catastrophes: Insurance  
Issues](#)

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sponsor was [Guardian Environmental](#).

The date and time for our annual **Bowling Tournament** is:



Wednesday, **September 16**, 2009  
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** High Sierra Lanes  
3390 South Virginia St., Reno

Food, Drink, and Trophy  
sponsorships are available. We  
also need lots of **Door Prizes**.

This tournament is in honor of the  
memory of Marshall Newman who  
was highly involved in this  
Association.

The theme this year is based on  
"The Simpsons". I hope to see  
some blue hair, spiked hair, no  
hair (Homer), so be creative.



Marshall at last year's  
Bowling Tournament.

Proceeds benefit [CARE Chest](#)  
and the Northern Nevada Claims  
Association, so...

dough!



Sign up for bowling, become a sponsor, or donate a door prize.  
There are 24 lanes, so we need to fill them up!!!!

Paul R Camacho, ARM, RPA  
Mission Adjusters  
President, Northern Nevada Claims Association

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## Lunch & Learns

Mark your calendar for our October and November Lunch & Learn  
Presentations. The location will be announced soon. We keep  
outgrowing our accommodations, so if you know of a good meeting  
room that can handle up to 60 people, please [let us know](#).

**Cost:** Members: \$20, Non-members: \$25

**Sponsorships:** (\$150). Allows your company to put promotional items at each seat and make a 3-minute presentation at the beginning of the meeting. [More details.](#)

### October Lunch & Learn

Thursday, **October 8**, 2009 • 12 noon - 1:00 p.m.

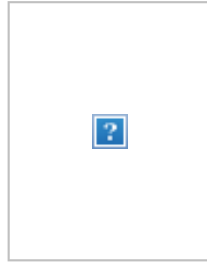
**Location:** TBA

**Topic:** Worker's Compensation and Disability

**Speaker:** Donna Stewart, RWCS, Risk Services Consultant, Well Fargo Insurance Services

**Sponsor:** [Ringler Associates](#)

### November Lunch & Learn



Thursday, **November 12**, 2009

12 noon - 1:00 p.m.

**Location:** TBA

**Topic:** Xactimate Tips & Tricks

**Speaker:** Paul Gardner  
of BELFOR Property Restoration,  
Certified Xactimate Trainer

**Sponsor:** [Intracorp](#)

Get [more details](#) about Lunch & Learns or [RSVP Online](#) or by calling (775) 333-5967 to reserve your spot for an upcoming presentation.

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## More Classic Quotes from Actual Auto Claims



"The indirect cause of the accident was a little guy in a small car with a big mouth."

"The telephone pole was approaching. I was attempting to swerve out of the way when I struck the front end."

"The gentleman behind me struck me on the backside. He then went to rest in a bush with just his rear end showing."

"I had been learning to drive with power steering. I turned the wheel to what I thought was enough and found myself in a different direction going the opposite way."

"I was backing my car out of the driveway in the usual manner, when it was struck by the other car in the same place it had been struck several times before."

"When I saw I could not avoid a collision I stepped on the gas and crashed into the other car."

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**Nevada Claims Association Mission Statement**

The object of the Association shall be to guide the activities of insurance adjusters in Nevada in such a way as to maintain the dignity of the profession; to establish standards of conduct and technical abilities; to encourage cooperation and foster cordial relations among them; to improve adjusting methods; to encourage educational efforts in all subjects relating to adjusting and to promote the general welfare of the insurance business.

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