



Insurance Update

February 16, 2009

Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association

Individual Highlights:

Convention a Success!

VFF Renewal

SUMA Golf Tourney

EI Premium Reduction

Attachments:

none

Links:

www.suma.org

www.greatwestlife.com

www.vfis.com

www.aon.com

104th Annual SUMA Convention

SUMA celebrated another successful convention. Thank-You to all of you that attended the convention and made time to tour the trade show area and drop by the SUMA booth.

Tauna and I enjoyed seeing you all again and had some great questions and feedback at the booth.

It's always so nice to have the chance to reconnect with old friends and an opportunity to meet some of our new administrators.

Congratulations to Jim Gallant of the Town of Churchbridge! Jim was the winner of the toy fire truck given away at the SUMA booth.

FINAL REMINDER - VFF Renewal

This is the final reminder you will receive for your Volunteer Firefighter Insurance Renewal. All participating municipalities should have received renewal invoices.

The deadline to renew coverage is February 28, 2009.

If you plan on renewing this coverage and have not already done so, please send a copy of your invoice along with your payment to the SUMA office ASAP.

Late renewals will result in a lapse in coverage!

2009 SUMA Golf Tourney hosted by: The Town of Willow Bunch - August 13 & 14, 2009

Registration forms for the annual SUMA golf tournament are now available on the SUMA website. This year the tournament is being hosted by the Town of Willow Bunch.

Register soon, space is limited!

If your community is interested in hosting the SUMA golf tournament a representative from your community must be present at the tournament. The location will be voted on by all golfers in attendance.

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Employment Insurance Premium Reduction Program

Belonging to SUMA's short-term disability program qualifies your municipality/organization for a reduction in your Employment Insurance (EI) premiums. This reduction is not automatic but must be applied for through EI. A portion of the premium reduction must be passed on to the employees either as a cash refund or as new or increased employee benefits.

When applying for the reduction you are asked to provide "a copy of your formal commitment (describing your Weekly Indemnity Plan or your Paid Sick Leave Plan)". Advise/Inform EI that they have a copy of it on file under ***Multi-Employer Plan File No. M268***.

This file describes SUMA's short-term disability plan and lists all municipalities and organizations who have short-term disability coverage through SUMA.

If you have SUMA's short-term disability coverage and have not applied for this reduction, please call:

Human Resources Development
Canada,
Employment Insurance Premium
Reduction Branch:
1-800-561-7923