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Executive Director's Corner

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By Sue Miles, Executive Director

As we move into fall, there is a lot happening at the Indiana Towing & Wrecker Association. While some of our work is easy to see through events, contests, meetings and newsletters, much of what ITWA does for our members happens quietly behind the scenes throughout the year.

Fall Chapter Meetings & Elections

Our **Fall Chapter Meetings** will be held between late October and November, and I strongly encourage every member to make plans to attend their local meeting.

These meetings are especially important because we will be holding **Chapter Director Elections**. One director position in each chapter will be up for election for a two-year term.

Your chapter directors are an important connection between our members and the ITWA Board. They help bring forward the concerns, ideas and challenges facing towing companies in their areas. Attending your chapter meeting gives you an opportunity to participate in that process, hear what ITWA is working on and have a voice in the direction of your association.

Dates and locations will be announced as they are finalized, so please watch your email, our website and Facebook page for details.

Legislative Work Continues Behind the Scenes

Our legislative work does not stop when the General Assembly adjourns.

ITWA continues to work closely with our lobbyist, **Hamilton Smith of Ice Miller**, monitoring issues that could affect Indiana's towing and recovery industry and preparing for the next legislative session. ITWA maintains a full-time lobbying presence as part of its work representing the towing industry at the Statehouse.

Hamilton and I have a meeting scheduled with **Indiana State Representative Jim Pressel** to begin discussing the upcoming legislative session and the issues or changes ITWA may want to address. Representative Pressel has been involved with towing-related legislation, including serving as a coauthor of 2026's HB 1184, which became law earlier this year.

These conversations are an important part of preparing before the legislative session begins. We want to identify concerns affecting our members, understand where changes may be needed and make sure Indiana's towing industry has a voice when legislation affecting our businesses is considered.

This is also why we need to hear from you. If there is a law, regulation or industry issue you believe ITWA should be looking at, please bring it to our attention. Our members are the ones dealing with these issues every day, and your experiences help guide the conversations we have at the Statehouse.

NEW — ITWA Member Spotlight

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I'm excited to introduce a new feature beginning with this month's newsletter: our **ITWA Member Spotlight**.

Each month, we plan to feature **one ITWA member company**, giving them an opportunity to tell their story and allowing the rest of our membership to get to know the people and businesses that make up our association.

We want to learn how your company got started, meet the people behind the trucks, hear about the services you provide, learn what makes your company unique and share some of the history, accomplishments and experiences that have shaped your business.

Our association represents companies of all sizes from communities across Indiana, and every one of those companies has a story. We think those stories deserve to be told.

Be sure to check out our first Member Spotlight in this month's newsletter!

Hooked on Indiana Calendar Contest

Our **"Hooked on Indiana" 2027 ITWA Calendar Photo Contest** continues on Facebook, and there are still plenty of opportunities to participate!

Each week brings a different theme and another chance for an ITWA member company to earn a featured month in our **2027 ITWA Calendar**.

Don't just watch the contest — **get involved!** Submit your photos, encourage your employees and families to participate, and vote for your favorites. We've enjoyed seeing the trucks, companies, families and personalities that make Indiana's towing community special.

Watch the official ITWA Facebook page each week for the newest category and voting information.

Christmas Will Be Here Before We Know It!

And finally, mark your calendars for our **ITWA Annual Meeting & Christmas Party on Saturday, December 5, 2026, at the DoubleTree in Lafayette**.

We are working on plans for a fun evening for our towing families as we celebrate Christmas, wrap up another year and spend some time together away from the everyday demands of the towing business.

More information about registration, activities and this year's festivities will be coming soon, **but save the date now!**

Stronger Together

Whether we're meeting with lawmakers, preparing for chapter elections, recognizing one of our member companies, planning an event or simply giving members an opportunity to connect with one another, the purpose remains the same: **to strengthen Indiana's towing and recovery industry**.

ITWA works best when our members participate. Attend your chapter meeting. Run for a director position or support someone who will represent your chapter well. Send us the issues affecting your business. Enter the calendar contest. Read and share our Member Spotlights. Come celebrate with us in December.

Most importantly, stay involved.

Thank you for your continued membership and support of the Indiana Towing & Wrecker Association. There is a lot happening this fall, and I look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming meetings and events.

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Sue Miles

Executive Director

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From the Desk of President Bill McClanahan

Hello everyone!

As we look back over the current landscape of the towing and recovery industry, we welcome fall. I want to take a moment to reflect on our shared progress and different challenges especially the rising cost of fuel and equipment. On a positive note we are all in this together and will continue to work together as a team serving our communities, with safety being one of the top priorities.

Please plan on attending your fall chapter meetings. Be sure to save the date for the Indiana Towing and Wrecker Association's Christmas Party on December 5th at the DoubleTree by Hilton Lafayette East. Hope to connect with each of you sometime soon.

God Bless and stay Safe!

Bill McClanahan

ITWA Ladies Auxiliary

Hello everyone. With fall coming we will soon be enjoying cooler weather, a very welcome change after such a hot summer. As we welcome the fall season, we also look ahead with plans for the holidays. The Ladies Auxiliary again this year will be hosting the ITWA Christmas Party. This holiday celebration will take place on Saturday December 5 at the Double Tree by Hilton Lafayette East.

As the Ladies Auxiliary continues to support ITWA through fundraisers, we will have a silent auction again this year. Please consider providing a gift basket or an item. Also be sure to ask the vendors that you do business with to donate. A big thank you in advance to all those who donate items for the silent auction.

Be sure to include the ITWA Christmas Party when making your holiday plans.

Save the Date: December 5, 2026

Until Next Time Stay Safe,

Crystal

In Remembrance

ITWA extends its deepest condolences to the family and friends of **Barbara Lacey**, who recently passed away.

Barbara faithfully served ITWA as a Director and Secretary. We are grateful for her service, dedication and contributions to the Association and Indiana's towing community.

Our thoughts and prayers are with her family during this difficult time.

Member Spotlight



Silver Creek Transportation LLC

Henderson, Kentucky and Evansville, Indiana

The Silver Creek family in front of one of the company's wreckers

“We’re not really in the towing business. We’re in the people business.”
Jason Cowan

This month, ITWA is proud to spotlight one of our newer member companies, Silver Creek Transportation LLC, owned by Jason Cowan. While Silver Creek Towing & Recovery may be relatively new to the towing side of the industry, the Cowan family’s transportation experience goes back more than three decades.

Jason began his transportation career in 1994 when he purchased a local aggregate-hauling company in Henderson, Kentucky. Today, Silver Creek has grown into an operation with 85 power units, approximately 150 trailers and a full-service towing and recovery division, with locations in Henderson, Kentucky, and Evansville, Indiana.

From One Wrecker and a Rollback

Silver Creek’s towing operation began out of necessity. With a background in towing and recovery, Jason initially purchased a tow truck to handle the needs of the company’s own trucking operation. It was not long before he saw a larger opportunity. Jason believed the Henderson-Evansville market had room for a towing and environmental company built around dependable service, fair pricing and integrity. Silver Creek started with one 25-ton wrecker and one rollback. Then, as Jason puts it, “the phone started ringing, and it really hasn’t stopped.”

Today, the towing operation includes eight drivers, two dispatchers and a finance team member, while the trucking side of Silver Creek employs approximately 105 people.

A Family Business

At its heart, Silver Creek is a family operation. Jason started the company, with his father later joining him. His three sons — Zach, Zane and Zebb — are also part of the Silver Creek story. Zebb is regularly involved in daily towing and recovery work, while Zach and Zane step in whenever things get busy.

Jason's wife, Penny, helps with towing dispatch, keeps things organized when calls start piling up and photographs many of Silver Creek's recoveries. "Everybody has a place," Jason says. "When things get busy, our family knows how to pull together."

Ready for Just About Anything

Silver Creek's services range from everyday light-duty towing and roadside calls to complex heavy recoveries. The company also provides environmental spill mitigation, roadside mechanical assistance, forced regens, breakdown and tire service, fuel delivery, lockouts and jump-starts.

The company handles local police calls and Kentucky State Police rotation calls, works with major motor clubs and serves as the AAA provider for Henderson County, Union County and parts of Webster County, Kentucky.

Silver Creek currently operates three heavy wreckers, including a Peterbilt with a Miller 50-ton rotator, a Peterbilt 389 with a Vulcan V-70 and a Peterbilt with a Miller 5030, along with a Freightliner 16-ton unit and four car carriers.

Those carriers bring a little fun to the fleet with superhero themes, including the Hulk and Spider-Man. The company has also invested in air-cushion recovery bags, wireless communication equipment, heavy-duty dollies and even a fire truck that provides water and foam capabilities during spill and recovery scenes.

Building a Reputation Through Training

For Jason, having the equipment is only part of being prepared. Training is a major priority. Silver Creek operators participate in WreckMaster training appropriate to their positions, and the company also has TRAA-trained operators. Silver Creek has invested heavily in safety equipment, communication and continued education.

Jason understands that newer towing companies are often watched closely. That makes professionalism on every call especially important. Some of his proudest moments have come after difficult recoveries when firefighters, EMS personnel and law enforcement officers have approached the Silver Creek team to thank them for their professionalism. "That is the kind of reputation and legacy we are trying to build," he says.

The Silver Creek Promise

Perhaps nothing explains Silver Creek's philosophy better than what the company calls the "Silver Creek Promise." When the company responds to an accident involving a teenage driver, the team commits to looking after that young person, helping reunite them with their family and making sure they are safe until a parent or family member can arrive.

It is part of Jason's belief that towing professionals often meet people on one of the worst days of their lives — and how they are treated during those moments matters. "We want their parents to know that we will look after their child until they can get there," Jason explains.

That philosophy extends throughout the company. "We don't really consider ourselves to be in the towing business," Jason says. "We are in the people business. The trucks, rotators and equipment are simply the tools we use to solve problems and take care of people."

A Team Worth Celebrating

Ask Jason about the most rewarding part of Silver Creek and his answer is immediate: the people. He credits the company's team members with making Silver Creek what it is today. One especially proud moment came when Silver Creek was named Overdrive magazine's Small Carrier of the Year after competing against approximately 1,600 trucking companies. For Jason, the recognition belonged to the entire team.

He also remembers Silver Creek's first loaded tractor-trailer recovery. The call brought darkness, rain and a major highway — all the ingredients for a challenging recovery. The team worked to protect the tractor, trailer and cargo while preventing additional damage, completed the recovery professionally and charged what Jason describes as a fair price. The result was more than a successful recovery: they earned a customer for life.

Why ITWA

Silver Creek attended its first Indiana tow show this year, where Jason says the team made several new friends and came away wanting to become more involved in the association. His vision fits closely with one of ITWA's most important goals — bringing towing professionals together to strengthen the industry.

"We believe in training, having a voice in legislation and showing the public the level of professionalism that exists within our industry," Jason says.

Jason would especially like to see more regional, hands-on training opportunities for towing companies. He sees value not only in advanced recovery training but also in practical instruction that helps operators become safer and more efficient during everyday calls. He also believes training should not stop with operators. Dispatchers and office personnel are equally important to a successful towing operation and can benefit from industry-specific education as well.

Growing the Right Way

Silver Creek is not finished growing. The company has developed a phased growth plan and identified additional markets where it believes the Silver Creek model can be successful. It continues to work with equipment distributors to add trucks and tools while investing in additional training for its people.

But Jason is clear that growth itself is not the ultimate goal. "We want to grow, but we want to grow the right way. I never want our growth to outrun our ability to provide good service."

Run Your Own Race

Jason's advice to someone entering the towing business reflects the same philosophy that has guided Silver Creek: take care of the customer, operate with integrity, charge a fair price, work hard, treat people right — and do not forget to enjoy it. When Silver Creek entered the towing market, Jason says some people told them the market was already full. Instead, the family discovered there was room for a company willing to work hard and provide dependable service.

"Run your own race and have fun doing it. Your real competition is not the company down the road. Your goal should be to become better tomorrow than you were today."

And if you meet Jason at an ITWA event, there is a pretty good chance you will hear one more phrase: "It's a great day to be alive." For Jason, Penny, their family and the entire Silver Creek team, that attitude is about more than towing trucks. It is about serving families, taking care of people, supporting fellow towing companies and helping make the industry stronger. Silver Creek may be one of ITWA's newer member companies, but they are ready to be part of the towing community and help wherever they can. As Jason puts it, "At the end of the day, all a person truly has is their word and their integrity."

ITWA is pleased to welcome Silver Creek Transportation LLC to our association and looks forward to their continued involvement in Indiana's towing and recovery community.

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We have all received some very obviously fake emails asking us to file a form or pay for a compliance requirement. As email marketing grows in sophistication more will receive some convincing emails that appear legitimate; often threatening some sort of legal or regulatory penalty if action is not immediately taken. These solicitations cost the trucking industry millions of dollars each year.

As a compliance specialist and consultant, it infuriates me when less than scrupulous companies send these advertisements under the pretense of official notifications. It makes the legitimate companies look bad, adds confusion to an already complex regulatory environment and scams hard-working towers out of money for services that are usually either free or available at a very low cost when done yourself.

How do you spot these scam messages? With very close scrutiny and a little independent verification.

These solicitations usually come in bunches around certain regulatory compliance deadlines. The most common will come with an official sounding title like "Motor Carrier Compliance Division" or similar; and inform you that you are out of compliance with some common filing requirement such as Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) or the bi-annual update of your US DOT number. While these are legitimate compliance requirements for most towers and the Agencies involved have begun to send out email reminders, they never send out emails with big "action" buttons (click here to file).

Note, the filing period for UCR opens on October 1st this year and must be completed by Dec. 31st. Anyone with an active US DOT number must file UCR, which can be done without a service charge, at www.ucr.gov

Here are some simple tips to help you decide if an email or letter you have received is legitimate or simply a sales pitch. If you still have concerns or doubt after applying these tips then feel free to reach out to a trusted compliance expert of your choosing for more detailed guidance. You can even find some information about these solicitations from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration by typing in "solicitations" in the search bar at the top of their official website.

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Bottom line, the state and federal motor carrier enforcement agencies usually do not initiate communication via email, they prefer regular US Mail. The biggest exception to this is the new entrant safety audit notice which will arrive via email from a state partner of the FMCSA.

If you get an email or telephone call demanding immediate action, is it likely to be a high-pressure sales pitch at best or an outright scam at worst. If in doubt you can always hang up and call the agency in question directly to confirm.

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DOT Update

Brent Hoover

Hello and welcome back! My name is Brent Hoover. I am a Master Trooper with the Indiana State Police. October of 2026 will mark the beginning of my 23rd year with the ISP. I am assigned to the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division or CVED for short. My primary daily duties are to enforce the State and Federal Regulations for CMV's in the State of Indiana. I am certified to complete Part A and B Inspections as well as General Haz-mat and Cargo Tank inspections. I am also a Part B Instructor for the National Training Center, which means I teach new inspectors on how to inspect and Document Level 1 inspections. I am a Certified Master Instructor as well. I have competed twice in the North American Inspectors Championships. I am the current administrator of the CVED Facebook page where I post about tips and tricks to improve your pre-trip inspections and to avoid common roadside violations. I have been involved with Indiana Towing & Wrecker Association for the last 6 years. I truly believe that safety and the towing industry go hand and hand.

I want to take a minute this month to catch up on some changes in my personal/work life.

After fourteen years living in Vermillion County north of Clinton Indiana, we have moved back to Southern Indiana. I am originally from Southern Indiana, from a place called Santa Claus. Along with moving my wife Hannah, a School Nurse and my daughters Allison and Brynn, Freshmen and Sophomore to a new school I moved ISP positions. I am the new School Bus Inspector for the Jasper ISP District. I will be responsible for everything School Bus related. In my non-Bus days, I will be free to still conduct roadside inspections on CMVs. I look forward to this new position and move back home!

So please hit me up with questions or ideas for a topic of the month. Also, if you are located in Southern Indiana and would like me to stop by for a driver meeting or safety day please reach out as well!

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact me at bhoover@isp.in.gov



Tow Operator Spotlight

Every successful towing company has dedicated people working behind the scenes and on the roadside—often in difficult weather, late at night and under challenging conditions.

Beginning with an upcoming issue, ITWA would like to recognize the drivers, dispatchers, mechanics, office personnel and other team members who help keep Indiana's towing companies moving.

Do you have an employee who deserves recognition? Send us:

- Employee's name and job title
- ITWA member company
- Years in the towing industry
- A short description of what makes them special
- A favorite towing story or accomplishment
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Selected employees may be featured in a future ITWA newsletter and on our Facebook page.

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News Worth Watching

A recurring look at Indiana and national developments — and why they matter to Indiana towers.

Indiana Commercial Vehicle Enforcement: 9,455 Violations Reported

Indiana State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division activity reported for July 15 through August 15 included 4,770 commercial motor vehicle inspections and 9,455 total violations. The report also listed 608 drivers and 655 vehicles placed out of service, along with 452 oversize and 234 overweight violations.

Why it matters: Tow trucks operating as commercial motor vehicles are part of the same enforcement environment. This is a good reminder to stay on top of vehicle condition, driver qualifications, hours-of-service requirements when applicable, size and weight rules, and documentation.

Source: TheTrucker.com, Sept. 4, 2026 — reporting Indiana State Police CVED figures.

EV Roadside Calls Are Changing the Tow

A September industry discussion with Nation Safe Drivers highlighted how electric vehicles are changing roadside assistance. The conversation emphasized that EV roadside calls may center on energy and charging issues rather than traditional mechanical failures and that flatbed transport is increasingly important.

Why it matters: Proper EV recovery and transport procedures, vehicle-specific guidance, battery awareness and continued training are becoming everyday towing skills — not specialty knowledge.

Source: Ratchet+Wrench, Sept. 9, 2026.

Autonomous Vehicles: Another Technology to Watch

NHTSA is evaluating Tesla's rollout of its Cybercab, a purpose-built autonomous vehicle without traditional controls such as a steering wheel or pedals. While widespread autonomous fleets are still developing, new vehicle designs will eventually create new questions for roadside responders and towing operators.

Why it matters: As vehicle technology changes, towers will increasingly need reliable manufacturer information on safe shutdown, loading, transport and recovery.

Source: Reuters, Sept. 4, 2026.

NEWS WORTH WATCHING

Have you seen a towing, recovery, roadside or regulatory issue we should cover next month? Send it to ITWA. Our goal is not just to repeat headlines — it is to explain what they may mean for Indiana towing companies.

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ITWA ADVOCACY UPDATE

Working for Indiana Towing

Amicus Brief — Continuing to Stand Up for the Industry

ITWA's amicus curiae brief in the Tri-State Towing matter is an example of why a strong state association matters. The case involves an insurance-coverage dispute over towing and recovery costs, and ITWA took action to help make sure the towing industry's perspective was presented as the matter moved through the Indiana Court of Appeals.

Thank you again to the members who responded so strongly when ITWA asked for support. That response demonstrated what "strength in numbers" really looks like.

Preparing for the Next Legislative Session

ITWA officers continue working with lobbyist Hamilton Smith and attorney Ryan Leagre on legal and legislative issues affecting Indiana towing companies. As the next legislative session approaches, identifying problems early and hearing directly from members will be important. If you are seeing a recurring problem involving law enforcement rotations, insurance companies, vehicle releases, private-property towing, abandoned vehicles, commercial vehicle rules or another issue affecting your operation, let ITWA know. Real-world examples help us understand where the industry needs attention.

Indiana Compliance Reminder

Indiana towing laws have seen significant changes in recent years. Members should continue reviewing their procedures for vehicle releases, documentation, storage, private-property towing and tow-away signage. Policies for secured lots should protect safety and property while still complying with lawful release and inspection rights.

IMPORTANT

This newsletter provides general industry information and is not legal advice. When a specific legal question affects your company, consult qualified counsel and the current Indiana Code.

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TOW TRUCK MAINTENANCE MINUTE

Fall Is Coming — Is Your Truck Ready?

September is a good time to give equipment extra attention before colder weather arrives. A few minutes in the shop today can prevent hours sitting alongside the road tomorrow.

Winch line and recovery gear

Inspect accessible wire rope or synthetic line for damage, kinks, broken strands, abrasion or fraying. Check hooks, latches, chains, straps, shackles and tie-down equipment. Follow the equipment manufacturer's inspection and retirement criteria.

Hydraulics

Look over hoses, fittings and cylinders for leaks, rubbing, cracking, swelling or damage. A small seep deserves attention before it becomes a failure on a recovery.

Tires and wheels

Check inflation, tread, sidewalls and uneven wear — including inside duals. Look for wheel, lug and valve-stem concerns during your normal inspection routine.

Lights and electrical

Check headlights, brake lights, turn signals, marker lights, work lights and warning lights. Inspect exposed wiring and connections for damage or corrosion.

Fluids, batteries and air systems

As temperatures begin to drop, verify fluid condition and levels according to the chassis manufacturer, inspect battery condition and connections, and address air leaks or moisture-control maintenance where applicable.

Document the little things

A defect noticed but never written down can become the next driver's surprise. Encourage drivers to report issues promptly and keep maintenance records current.

SEPTEMBER SHOP CHALLENGE

Pick one truck each week and give it a more thorough inspection than the normal pre-trip. The goal: find the small problem in the shop before it becomes the expensive problem on the roadside.

Always follow the chassis, towing-equipment, winch and component manufacturers' inspection, service and replacement requirements.

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Hooked on Indiana Calendar Contest

Winners

Celebrating the first five winning photographs selected for the 2027 ITWA Calendar

The Hooked on Indiana photo contest has already showcased impressive equipment, memorable recoveries, Indiana towing history and the families who keep our industry moving. Each weekly winner earns a featured month in the official 2027 ITWA Calendar. Congratulations to our first five winners, and thank you to every member who has submitted a photograph, voted and shared the contest.

WEEK 1 WINNER Best Looking Truck Michael Lard <i>Tom's 24 Hour Towing Inc.</i> Michael's winning entry features a 2024 Kenworth W900 with a Custom Built Manufacturing CBR50 rotator bed, lit against the night sky while proudly displaying Old Glory.	WEEK 2 WINNER Sunrise Sunset and Tow Trucks PJ Mayberry <i>Thompson's Towing - Goshen</i> PJ captured Thompson's 2008 Kenworth T800 with a 35-ton Jerr-Dan beneath a dramatic Elkhart sky, combining a hardworking truck with one of Indiana's beautiful everyday views.
WEEK 3 WINNER Working for a Living James Goldsborough <i>Tom's Auto Service and Towing</i> James submitted an action-packed US 20 recovery involving a rolled truck and camper following a collision with a semi - a strong example of the skill and teamwork behind the hook.	WEEK 4 WINNER Old School Cool Harley Henline III <i>Henline Inc. and Henline Wrecker Service</i> Harley's historic photograph reaches back to approximately 1947 and shows Henline's original wreckers and shop, including the 1931 Model A Ford wrecker built in 1941 and Harley Henline Sr. standing with Jumbo.
WEEK 5 WINNER Towing Is a Family Business Gary and Brenda Crawford <i>Rideout Tri-State Towing and Recovery</i> Rideout Tri-State's winning photograph celebrates 50 years as a family-owned and operated towing company. Owner and operator Gary Crawford is pictured with his wife, Brenda, in front of their heavy wrecker and a proudly displayed American flag.	

The Contest Continues

A new theme gives another ITWA member company a chance to earn a place in the calendar each week. Watch the official ITWA Facebook page, submit your best photographs and vote for your favorites. Remember, each member company may win only one featured month during the contest.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2026

ITWA Annual Meeting & Christmas Party

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It may only be September, but Christmas will be here before we know it. Plans are underway for a fun ITWA family celebration at the DoubleTree Hotel in Lafayette, and this year we are adding a little magic.

Watch for details about registration, entertainment, family activities, the Annual Meeting and the complete evening schedule. For now, mark Saturday, December 5, on your calendar and plan to celebrate with your ITWA family.

