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May 2015

Common Ground

Welcome New Members!

Catherine Alexander
First National Insurance
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Olimpi Kramer & York

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Loyalty Abstract

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Prime Transfer Inc.

Erica Picker

Benjamin Renko II
Data Search, Inc.

Dennis Ryan
Brendan Abstract Company,
Inc.



We salute the men and women who served to protect our Country.
"Freedom is never free." ~Author Unknown

**Please note: the PLTA office will be closed on Monday, May 25, 2015
in observance of Memorial Day.**

Upcoming Seminars

[Security Title's Spring Agent Seminar](#)
May 5, 2015
Camp Hill, PA

[Old Republic Title Spring Agents Seminar](#)
May 7, 2015
Coraopolis, PA

[Fidelity National Title Spring Seminar](#)
May 7, 2015
Blue Bell, PA

[ATE Seminar & Dinner](#)
May 14, 2015
King of Prussia, PA

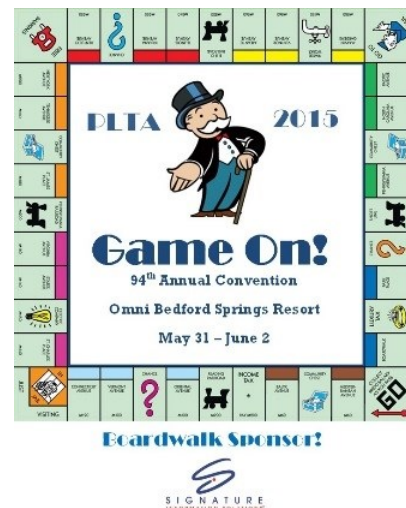
[Old Republic Title Spring Agents Seminar](#)
May 19, 2015
Cranberry Township, PA

Upcoming Events

[ALTA - Federal Conference & Lobby Day](#)

GAME ON! 94th Annual PLTA Convention Only 1 Month Away!

Join us at the 94th Annual PLTA Convention from May 31 - June 2, 2015 in beautiful Bedford Springs! Some of our wonderful speakers will include: **John Hollenbeck** from First American and President-Elect of the American Land Title Association, **Nicole Lynch** from SoftPro and **Joan T. Decker** the Commissioner of Records Philadelphia County. Play in the **Pass Go Golf Outing** on the prestigious "Old Course," ranked #1 in Pennsylvania for Best Courses You Can Play for 2014 in *GolfWeek*. Sample wines at the **Omni Wine Tasting** in the 1796 Restaurant or Experience the **Chef's Table** with the Executive Chef and his culinary team cooking for you personally! Download the [Registration Packet](#) or [register online](#). Visit the [Convention page](#) on our website for more information!



Education Committee News

We welcomed our newest member Lisa Aubrey! Lisa is SVP and NJ and PA State Manager of WFG National Title Insurance Company and brings to the table a wealth of education knowledge and experience. Our **Self-Study Programming** committee is focusing on revising the **Guidelines** course which is designed to help those taking the State licensing examination for title agents. Our **Curriculum** committee is planning for Fall 2015 seminars. Our **Technology** committee is putting the final touches on our engagement with our new online vendor. The next meeting will be on May 21, 2015. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Committee Chairperson [Len Shatz](#) or [Robin Kesh](#) at the PLTA office.

Take ALTA's TRID Implementation Survey

Many title and settlement professionals are doing all they can to prepare for implementation of the new TILA-RESPA integrated disclosures (TRID), however, some aren't sure what steps they should take next. [To help our industry best prepare for implementation, please take ALTA's TRID readiness survey.](#) The survey will help ALTA develop additional tools and resources for members as the Aug. 1 implementation deadline approaches.

May 18-20, 2015
Mandarin Oriental
Hotel
Washington, DC

**PLTA 94th Annual
Convention - GAME
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May 31- June 2, 2015
Omni Bedford Springs
Resort
Bedford Springs, PA

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Memorial Day
May 25, 2015
PLTA Office - Closed

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committee?

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Administrator

Communications Committee News

The PLTA's Communications Committee enthusiastically started the year, focusing on the issues and ideas that will help our PLTA Members efficiently connect and obtain the information needed to work with upcoming changes in our industry. We are all in this together: underwriters, title agents, mortgage lenders, REALTOR® customers, and recording offices - depending on each other for accurate information. There are many resources already in place for communicating with our business networks, and we would like to help make those resources more valuable and accessible.

The PLTA website already contains good information on the Association's activities for Members, but how many of us have checked out the related [Common Ground](#) website? Since that forum has not been updated in some time, we would like suggestions for articles, in-the-trenches contributions of closing and title issues, listings for new sites and apps that you may have found helpful, member-affiliate offerings, and any other comments for its content. Please send comments and suggestions to [Kimberly Reed](#). Also, the LinkedIn site for PLTA has been updated to be an open group so please join, contribute and share.

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