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IASA HONORS IMPACT AWARD WINNERS

TIMBERLAKE, NC (June 10, 2024) – IASA honored its 2024 IMPACT Award winners during its annual conference, IASA Xchange[™], last week in Pittsburgh, PA. The honorees were announced during the Welcome and Awards Ceremony on Monday, June 3, 2024. The IMPACT Awards program recognizes individual and company members who have had a significant, positive impact on the association, the insurance industry, and their communities.

The 2024 IASA IMPACT Awards

Volunteer of the Year Award Winner: **Lorie Graham**, American Agriculture Insurance Company

This award recognizes an IASA member who has made significant contributions to the IASA community through volunteer leadership.

Solution Provider of the Year Award Winner: Gain Compliance

This award is given to an individual affiliated with a Solution Provider Company or their company that demonstrates professional excellence in all business interactions, partners with clients to create solutions to business-related challenges, and promotes carrier/solution provider relations.

Speaker/Educator of the Year Award Winner: Thomas Wheeland, Forvis-Mazars

This award recognizes an individual who has created an engaging experience while presenting at the local chapter level, as part of IASA Xchange™, or in eLearning webinars, in support of advancing the education of professionals within the insurance industry.

Chapter Merit Award Winners: Carolinas Chapter, Land O' Lakes Chapter, Metro NY/NJ Chapter, Michigan Chapter, Mid-Atlantic Chapter, Midwest Chapter, Wisconsin Chapter, Southwestern Ohio Chapter, Utah Chapter

The Chapter Merit Award is granted to chapters that meet or exceed the threshold in six major areas: Membership and engagement; education; content satisfaction; business practices; compliance and governance; and financial management.

IASA Board Chair Award Winner: Jason Nickels, Western & Southern Financial Group

The highest honor that the IASA Advisory Board Chair bestows each year at IASA Xchange™ to an individual or an organization for their unique achievements or contributions to IASA or the insurance industry in the previous year.

"I am incredibly proud of this year's IMPACT Award recipients," stated IASA Executive Director, Kim Nicholl-Keane. "Their commitment to advancing the insurance industry exemplifies the core values upon which IASA was founded. I am grateful for their contributions to IASA and the insurance community."

About IASA IMPACT Awards

Each year, IASA recognizes individuals and companies who have positively impacted the association and industry. Awards are merit-based, and nominees are submitted by IASA members and nonmembers. Prior honorees and nonmembers are not eligible to win. Nominations are reviewed by IASA's Awards Committee and approved by the Advisory Board. The awards are presented during IASA's annual event, IASA Xchange™. Learn more about the awards program here.

About IASA Xchange™

IASA's annual signature event attracts an estimated 500 members and industry partners each year. The conference is filled with CPE-eligible content, inspiring keynote speakers, workshops, tradeshow, networking, social events, and IASA business and ceremonial meetings.

About IASA

For almost 100 years, IASA, a 501(c)(3), has served as the trusted source of knowledge and innovation that guides the community of insurance professionals. IASA's community roots, consisting of thousands of members and insurance constituents, in addition to 18 national chapters, run deep, with a mission to accelerate professional growth to shape, influence, elevate, and strengthen the insurance industry. Its vision is to be the definitive source of trusted knowledge, credible collaboration, and common business interests that drive future industry innovation through the practice and alliance of insurance professionals. Learn more at IASA.org.

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