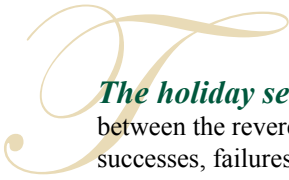


WPMA® President's Message



WPMA President,
Dennis Campo



The holiday season is a natural pivot point

between the reverent reflection of the past year – its successes, failures, joy and sorrow – and the hopeful anticipation and potential of the coming year.

In the last year, I've had the opportunity to grow immensely both personally and professionally. I was blessed to become a grandfather for the first time to the sweetest, busiest little boy and it has transformed my heart in indescribable ways. I've also had the immense pleasure of travelling all over the western United States with my beautiful, supportive wife as this year's WPMA President, attending state conventions and becoming acquainted with the wonderful members and supporters of our association.

I've never been one to relish the limelight and I don't feel particularly at-home being the center of attention. I've always been most comfortable in the background, making things work and making things work correctly. The experience of being this year's WPMA President has forced me out of my comfort zone in ways for which I'm extremely grateful. I've met the most incredible, down-to-earth people represented by our state board members, state executives, sponsors, members, exhibitors, and WPMA staff. Thank you all for your hospitality and continued efforts on behalf of our industry. I'm truly grateful for all you do and for the outstanding ways in which you represent this association.

I would like to extend a special thanks to the WPMA staff, WPMA Board Members, and the State Executive Directors. You all do a phenomenal job on behalf of this organization. Each state is extremely well represented. For those who attended the Fall Executive Board Meeting, thank you. It was a fun, successful event in beautiful Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

As we stand on the precipice of the coming year, I look eagerly upon the **2020 WPMAEXPO** in Las Vegas, Nevada. It will be an exciting event with our keynote session headlined by former Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, Paul Ryan. The usual Ladies Luncheon will be transformed into an exhilarating, high stakes session of Big Money Bingo – an absolute cannot miss opportunity! I also look forward to the planned educational seminars and sharing the expo experience with our outstanding sponsors and exhibitors, without whom we would be unable to provide this first-rate event for our members.

Finally, I want to wish you all a blessed and very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you sincerely for your support and I look forward to seeing you all at the **2020 WPMAEXPO**.

