

THE INDEPENDENT VOICE

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Member Survey - Final Week

Last week, Michael Razze, Big I President & CEO, share a poignant [message](#) about the impact of member feedback to the association. In his video, Michael illustrated past instances where surveys helped the association develop new programs to bring technology support and market access to the membership. This year's survey can have as much of an impact on future programs, but it takes your comments to help the staff understand what support is needed to help your agency grow. Please, take the time this week to complete your survey.

[2025 STAFF Member Survey](#)

[2025 PRINCIPALS Member Survey](#)

Legislative Lunch Highlights

In case you missed it, Frank Jones hosted the June Legislative Lunch last week where he shared a pre-primary election update and important legislation that will impact independent agents in New Jersey. If you missed this meeting, you may find the highlights [here](#).*

The next [Legislative Lunch](#) will be held on July 1.

**Must be an agency member of Big I NJ.*

License to Lead: Meet 10 Young Agents 35 and Under

Every day, young agents are making their mark on the insurance industry. What brought them here? What makes them tick? And why are they sticking around? Learn what this next generation of agents has to say about where the industry is headed and how they fit into it. [More >>](#)

Have a young agent on your staff? Are a young agent yourself? Joining the YACs at Big I NJ can be instrumental in your career. [Get involved](#) here and sign up for this summer's [YAC Golf Outing](#) (open to all).

How Will Tariffs Impact M&A?

There is no doubt that the tariffs enacted by President Trump have created uncertainty in the global market. While the impact on the M&A market is expected to be minimal, here are three things to monitor in the coming months. [More >>](#)

What Every Insurance Agency Needs to Know Before Embracing AI

Artificial Intelligence is actively reshaping how insurance agencies operate. But alongside the efficiency and automation comes a new set of challenges: legal liability, data protection, and professional exposure. So how do you balance the rewards of AI with the risks to your agency's E&O coverage? [More >>](#)

RLI Vs. The Competition

Curious how the Big I Personal Umbrella program stacks up against the competition? Take a look at this detailed side-by-side comparison to see how RLI suprases other umbrella carriers. [More >>](#)

Save the Date Expired - Time to Register

Registration to the 2025 NJ Agents Conference is officially open and there's no better time to make certain you and your team attend this annual insurance event than now! Returning to the popular Congress Hall destination in Cape May, this event is the ultimate crowd-pleaser, attracting insurance professionals from all aspects of the industry for an incredible networking and information event. Get the details and registration links [here](#).

Progressive Is Open for Business in NJ

Now available to Big I NJ members through our exclusive IMS platform! Progressive is actively accepting appointments for consideration in New Jersey for Commercial and Personal Auto, Renters, Motorcycle, Boat, and Recreational Vehicles policies. [Learn More >>](#)

Member Obituary

It is with sadness that we share Janet Wyrsh of The Van Dyk Group passed away on June 5th. Janet began her career at The Van Dyk Group in the late 1960s, purchasing the company with her husband Dave Wyrsh Sr. from the original owners some years later. A celebration of life will be held on June 11 at St. Mary's Church in Barnegat. Our thoughts are with the entire Wyrsh family during this time.

[Read the Full Obituary >>](#)



Upcoming Events

- July 1 - Legislative Lunch
- July 23 - Big I Southern New Jersey Golf Outing
- July 28 - Trusted Choice Charity Golf Outing
- August 5 - Legislative Lunch
- August 18 - YAC Golf Outing
- September 2 - Legislative Lunch
- October 7 - Legislative Lunch
- October 26-28 - NJ Agents Conference
- November 11 - Legislative Lunch
- December 2 - Legislative Lunch

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