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Belinda Brenizer Awarded Insurance Person of the Year

Jefferson City, Mo. – Belinda Brenizer, of Hawkins Insurance Group, was recently honored as the Insurance Person of the Year by the Missouri Association of Insurance Agents (MAIA). Brenizer, of Edina, was presented with the award during the association's annual Joint Leadership and Young Agents Conference.

Brenizer first became active in MAIA committees in 1989 when she began a three-year commitment on the Small Agency Conference Committee, of which she later became chair, during which time the committee was honored as Committee of the Year. She has also served on the Leadership Conference Committee and the Building Fundraising Task Force, and was regional director before serving on the association's executive committee. She was MAIA President 2009-2010.

As the founder of the CSR (Customer Service Representative) Development Conference Committee, Brenizer helped to make the conference, now in its fifth year, an annual event. She recently stepped down as chair of the committee after five years of service.

Brenizer is active in her local chamber of commerce, and is the past-chairman of Hawkins' Relay for Life team. She is past-president of the Knox County Promotional Council, and is a designated lifetime member of Knox County Booster Club. She has served on numerous insurance company advisory boards and in 2012 was inducted into the Allied/Aidco Hall of Fame.

The Insurance Person of the Year Award is presented to an individual who has significantly contributed to the American Agency System within the state of Missouri and is considered the association's highest honor.

Founded in 1899, the Missouri Association of Insurance Agents is the oldest and largest association of independent agents in Missouri, representing some 4,000 independent agents, brokers and their employees. Its members are businesses that offer customers a choice of policies from a variety of insurance companies. Independent insurance agents and brokers offer all lines of insurance property, casualty, life, health, employee benefit plans and retirement products. Web address: www.missouriagent.org.

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