



DECEMBER 2009



## President's Message: Is There Any Hope For A Christmas Miracle?

As we make final arrangements for the holidays, we learned over the weekend that Senator Nelson of Nebraska wasn't just holding out on additional language to prevent Federal Funds from being used for abortions. No, he was maneuvering to get a deal for his state. The deal is exemption from Medicaid expansion charges forever. This Christmas present goes along with the Louisiana deal struck by their Senator to the tune of \$300 million. Those are the two we heard about; more deals have continued to surface over the past few days. How do these elected officials look themselves in the mirror? Do their constituents applaud them and reelect them for cutting a deal?

I encourage you to stay engaged in the events of the next few weeks. Watch how the Senate and House work through their compromises and the final steps to present a bill to the President. The more familiar you are with the final bill, the greater your value is to your customer.

My wish for the New Year is that more citizens become engaged in our political process. Passing a bill just to pass one is wrong. More people need to take the time to voice their opinion. We will be paying for this mistake for years to come.

Enjoy the last few days of 2009 with your family and friends. Reflect on what you did in 2009 good and would like to do in 2010 to be better. Remember critical times need people to be involved. Leaders to Lead. Are you going to make a difference next year? It's up to you!

Happy Holidays!

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*Kick off the New Year with Quida Peterson's 2010 COBRA Seminar*

**Mark your Calendars for  
DAHU'S Annual COBRA Seminar  
6 Hour CE Event**

**NOTE: This is a special date and time for our  
Monthly Luncheon**

**January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 COBRA DAY**

**Prestonwood Country Club, Plano, TX**

**\$80 Member / \$160 Non Member/ \$40 Guest**

**RESERVE A TABLE FOR 10 & RECEIVE AN \$80 DISCOUNT OFF YOUR TOTAL**

**Online Registration Closes on January 12th at Noon.**

Registration fee will be increased by \$5 if you register at the door.

7:30 – 8:00am Registration & Breakfast

Session 1:

8:00 - 12:00 COBRA & HIPAA – Who, What, When, Where, Why & How (4 hr CE Course #14545)

Session 1 Break will be 10:00 - 10:15

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch

Gold Sponsor Speaker:

12:45 – 1:00 David Cheek, VP of Sales for PanAmerican Benefit Solutions

Session 2:

1:00 - 3:00 COBRA Update – All New Notices; Everything is Changing (2 hr CE Course #14549)

**Keep A Look Out for your Registration Email Coming Soon!**

**COBRA SEMINAR**

## 2009/2010 Save the Dates!

- **December 25, 2009**  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS!!**
- **January 1, 2010**  
Happy New Year!!
- **January 13, 2010**  
**COBRA SEMINAR**  
**6 HR CE Course**
- **January 21, 2010**  
Day at the Capitol
- **February 14, 2010**  
**Happy Valentine's Day!**
- **February 17, 2010**  
DAHU Monthly Luncheon
- **February 25, 2010**  
**SB 79 Small Group Agent**  
**Certification CE Seminar**

## Luncheon Sponsors Wanted!

Become one of our monthly **Luncheon Sponsors** and you will receive a display area for your marketing materials and 30 minute workshop following the speaker along with a recognition on the monthly newsletter.

Luncheon Sponsor Cost: **\$250**

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## December 2009

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## February 2010

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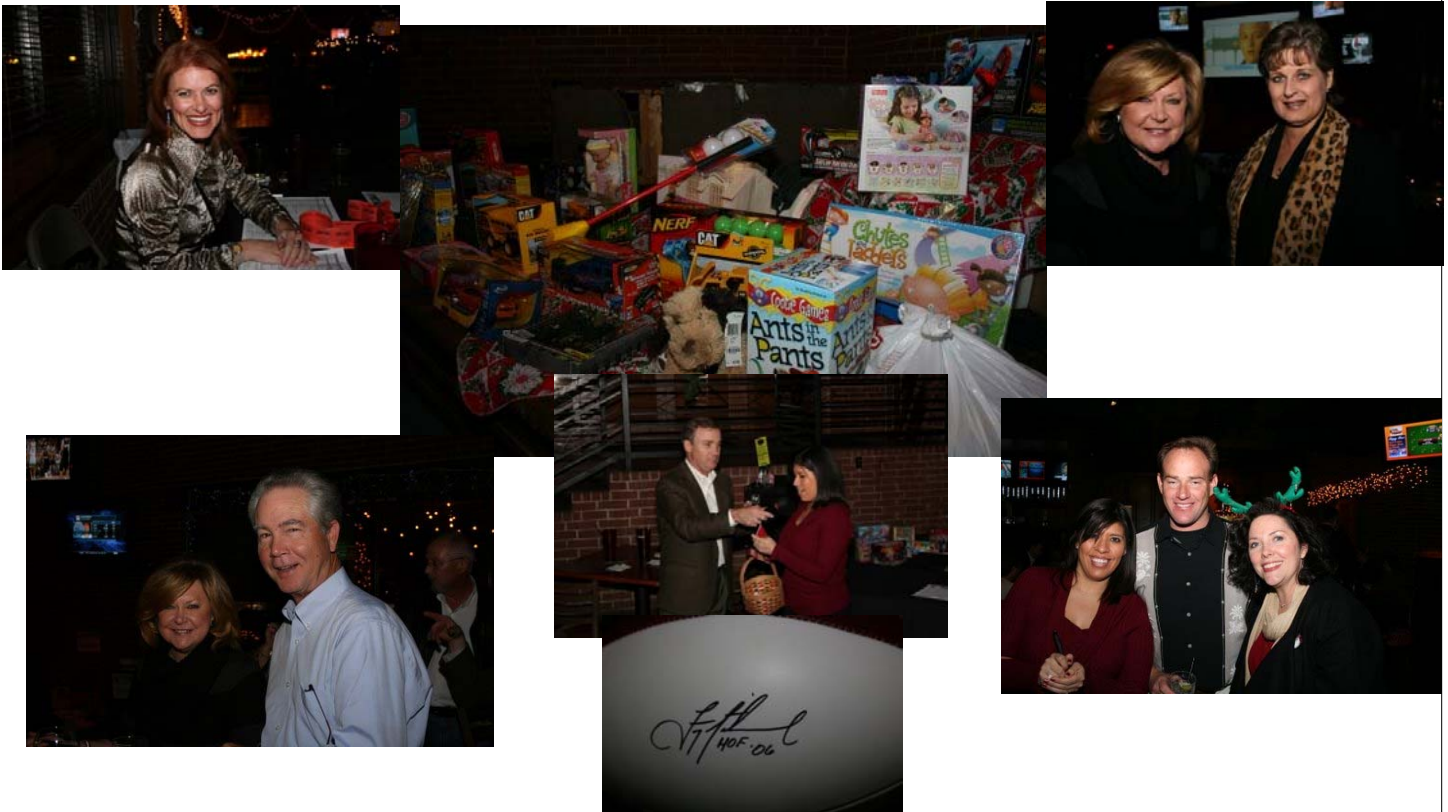
# December 2009 Valued Sponsors & Speaker

*THANK YOU!*

**We Appreciate your Support!!**

**2009 Jingle Jam!!**

**Thanks to all of our membership & their support of Toys for Tots!**



**We raised over \$1000 in cash & Toys!**

## **2010 Annual Sponsors:**

**2010 Annual Sponsorship Opportunities Available!**

**Please contact Mike Ryan for more details!!!**

## **2009 Annual Education Sponsors:**



# WELCOME NEW DAHU MEMBERS!!

Want to Join or Recruit a New Member, Online Application Available at

[http://www.dahu.org/DAHU\\_Membership\\_Application - 7-081.doc](http://www.dahu.org/DAHU_Membership_Application_-_7-081.doc)

The DAHU Board members are at your service and would like to share the value of being involved.

Please contact any of us at anytime!! [http://www.dahu.org/DAHU\\_New\\_Board\\_09.XLS](http://www.dahu.org/DAHU_New_Board_09.XLS)

and choose a member to be your mentor and/or how you can be active in DAHU.

# December's Monthly Luncheon

Thanks to Representative Kelly Hancock & CE Teacher Carolyn Goodwin!

Have you ever wondered how you can get a copy of the pictures taken at our monthly Luncheon / Events???

Well, you are in luck! They are now available at [www.dianeckersphotography.smugmug.com](http://www.dianeckersphotography.smugmug.com)

