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RIMS: Chapter Officers' Weekly Update, June 5, 2009

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This information bulletin is distributed weekly in an effort to reduce the amount of separate emails our Chapter officers receive from RIMS. It highlights Chapter/member-related information including new benefits to Chapters, changes at RIMS and upcoming events. Please review this email when you receive it to remain on the cutting-edge of what's relevant for chapters from RIMS. Visit the archived versions of the Chapter Officer Weekly Update archive at: www.RIMS.org/ChapterOfficerWeeklyUpdate. We would also be glad to include relevant information from your chapter (announcements, meetings, brief success stories). Please send your submissions to chapterservices@RIMS.org.

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Chapter Officer News

Introducing the RIMS Northern Nevada Chapter

We are pleased to announce that on May 26, the RIMS Board approved the formation of the RIMS Northern Nevada Chapter, boosting the total number to 81 active RIMS Chapters. Centered in Reno, Nevada, the new Chapter is located approximately 150 miles from its closest neighboring Chapter in Sacramento Valley and over 400 miles from the Las Vegas-based Nevada Chapter. It is the first North American-based Chapter chartered since 1996.

Already, the Northern Nevada Chapter's monthly meetings draw more than 30 risk management professionals. Like all RIMS Chapters, their meetings offer industry-relevant educational

presentations and networking opportunities. It's the convenient proximity that affords dozens of RIMS members (and prospective members), for whom it was previously geographically prohibitive, the opportunity to engage with risk management professionals at the local Chapter level.

Please join us in congratulating and welcoming the Northern Nevada Chapter Officers:

David Cisneros, Chapter President
Jerri Eby, Vice President
Bill Prentiss, Secretary
Maureen Martinez, Treasurer
Karen Caterino, RIMS Delegate

For more information, please visit the Northern Nevada Chapter's website at northernnevada.rims.org or contact RIMS Chapter Services at 212-655-6041 or ChapterServices@RIMS.org.

Society Dues Waivers

Please make an effort to inform your Chapter members (through your website and/or newsletter) that the RIMS Board of Directors has waived Society dues for:

- **Student members** (must be full-time college/university students majoring in majoring in risk management, insurance, business, finance or management with an emphasis in risk management and/or insurance and not eligible for membership in another category)
- **Affiliate members** (must have been a Deputy member within the past two years and now out of a job)
- **Associate members** who are unemployed, seeking full-time employment and not eligible for membership in another category.

RIMS wants to provide support and ongoing access to member resources – including our Career Center, e-Groups, professional development classes, etc – to those impacted by the current economic downturn. For those who qualify and wish to update their status to waive their membership dues when renewing (prior payments will not be refunded), they can email their request to membership@RIMS.org. In addition, a number of chapters have offered to waive their chapter dues for members who meet the above conditions. If your would like to participate in this option, please let us know at chapterservices@RIMS.org.

Changes to RIMS Chapter Website Advertisement Slots

All RIMS Chapters hosting their website on the RIMS server now have the ability to generate additional revenue fort their chapter by add advertisements at the top and bottom of their chapter websites. These newly programmed banner ads should be 468 x 60 in size and are available in addition to the three 125 x 125 ad spots on the right hand side of the chapter websites. Chapters can also longer banners in the right column but RIMS recommends you use one of the standard banner sizes approved by the IAB: <http://go.RIMS.org/IAB>

In addition, RIMS will also be using the are on the left hand side under the navigation tool to notify members of some of the RIMS products and services available. The right panel of the chapter websites will operate the same as it has in the past with RIMS using the top two slots and chapters having access to the following 3 slots.

For help with setting up your chapter ads please feel free to contact Chapter Services at chapterservices@RIMS.org.

To download a sample Chapter Website Sponsorship Agreement form visit:
<http://tinyurl.com/WebsiteSponsorshipAgreement>.

Upcoming Professional Development Workshops

Help your Chapter members build a strong and effective risk management program. At RIMS workshops, attendees will address current and emerging risks—and identify efficiencies and opportunities in areas of risk most relevant to their role in the organization. Attendees will take away new knowledge and tools to achieve their risk management goals and stay competitive in today's economy.

Encourage your Chapter members to start acquiring best-practices and new tools at these upcoming workshops:

Enterprise Risk Management for the Advanced Practitioner

June 18 - 19, Seattle, WA

Techniques of Risk Management

June 22 - 23, Denver, CO

Enterprise Risk Management

July 9 - 10, San Francisco, CA

Register today at www.RIMS.org/Education!

For more information, and tools to promote this event to your Chapter members, contact us at PD@RIMS.org.

RIMS Thanks the Houston Chapter:

A special thanks to the RIMS Houston Chapter for sponsoring RIMS latest webinar, **How to Add Value to Your Organization as a Risk Professional this week**. The webinar was well received and with 500 registrants, the topic really resonated with RIMS members.

The webinar was moderated by **Richard Roberts**, Corporate Risk Manager, Ensign-Bickford Industries and the panel included **Eric Andersen**, CEO, Aon Risk Services – U.S. Retail, **Brian Dowd**, Vice Chairman of ACE Group Holdings and **Edward Bertero**, Group Vice President, Risk Management & Insurance, Travelport.

If you missed the live event, check out the archive at www.RIMS.org/webinars. To make on-demand viewing even more convenient, download the presentation to your MP3 player. Just look for the arrow icon in the gray bar underneath the speaker's photo to download.

For more information on how your Chapter can sponsor a webinar, or for tools to promote this event to your Chapter members, contact us at PD@RIMS.org.

Member Information Update

Please share the following information with your chapter members - at your next meeting, on your website and/or in your newsletter.

RIMS Buyer's Guide

RIMS launched its new and improved Buyer's Guide this past week. For Deputies seeking reliable sources for consulting, supplies, etc, the Buyer's Guide offers rapid, targeted searches that are much more efficient than a straight "Google-type" search. And if they want, they can limit their search to RIMS members or exhibitors and search by geographic areas.

For Associate members or non-members, the Buyer's Guide is an effective way to advertise their products or services at a very reasonable price-point.

So check it out at www.RIMS.org/BuyersGuide. And for advertising information, contact Multiview, RIMS marketing collaborator on the Buyer's Guide, at 800-816-6710 or rims@multiview.com.

Society News

Career Center Connects Risk Management Talent with Open Jobs

Companies and recruiters can turn to the newly re-launched RIMS Career Center at www.RIMS.org/CareerCenter to fill open risk management positions. The upgraded website offers a multitude of resources for employers, recruiters and job seekers.

In an effort to assist companies during the recession, RIMS is promoting a special offer for the month of June—companies can post one job listing in **RIMS Career Center free for 30 days**—a savings of \$130. Companies can post an open position at www.RIMS.org/JobBank by using reference code **JBP09**.

Job seekers can:

- post or build résumés;
- view new career opportunities;
- seek training programs;
- use RIMS Risk Management Professional Growth Model to help design their careers;
- network with other professionals in the Career Management and Education eGroup;
- access executive recruiters who specialize in the risk management and insurance industries; and,
- receive career counseling via the International Coach Federation.

In the Resources and Services section of the Career Center, risk professionals will find a wealth of information and valuable tips to help them shape career goals, find the right courses to learn new skills and risk management techniques, and even develop Enterprise Risk Management initiatives within their companies.

For students, RIMS Career Center now provides a dedicated Student Resource Center to make finding that first job or internship easier, including a link to the Spencer Educational Foundation Student Internship Program.

Features

Chapter Best Practice:

Eileen Hayes, President of the Delaware Valley Chapter says:

"Delaware Valley RIMS has taken the initiative to contact our member companies with the larger

number of deputies to host monthly meetings. This allows them to partake in sponsorship of the meeting with no cost to the Chapter. Those companies receive advertising on the website in the form of the meeting notices as the host of the Chapter meeting. This has been working very well for us and we will be reaching out to more member companies in the upcoming year. It's very exciting to see the eagerness of our members to participate in this way when times are hard and we are hopeful that once the economy picks up, it will continue. "

RIMS Trivia:

Everyone who responds correctly to the RIMS trivia question will be placed in a pool for a prize drawing once a month. The answer to the RIMS trivia question will be posted in next week's update. This month's winner will be announced in the first newsletter of next month.

May's RIMS Trivia Winner is...

Cristin McAllister, Director, Orange County Chapter

The prize for the month of May is *Leading at the Edge: Leadership Lessons from the Extraordinary Saga of Shackleton's Antarctic Expedition* authored by RIMS 2009 keynote speaker Dennis N.T. Perkins.

Trivia Question:

Name one of the two hotels in New York City which currently offers a discounted corporate rate to all RIMS members.

RIMS Trivia Answer for 5/29/09:

What RIMS resource reports the society's accomplishments and financial activities for 2008?

RIMS Annual Report can now be accessed at www.RIMS.org/RIMS2008AR and it highlights RIMS accomplishments and financial activities for 2008.

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