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RIMS: Chapter Officers' Weekly Update, May 22, 2008

Chapter Officers' Weekly Update

This information bulletin is distributed weekly in an effort to reduce the amount of separate emails our chapter officers receive from RIMS.

The weekly email bulletin 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. We would also be glad to include information from your chapter, relevant to your chapter colleagues (announcements, meetings, brief success stories); we do not intend to replace the chapter officer e-group but to supplement it. Please send your submissions to chapterservices@RIMS.org.

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Last week to register for the BSC Workshop in Dallas:

What is the BSC workshop?

The Building a Stronger Chapter (BSC) Workshop gives chapter officers from all areas, chapters and chapter sizes the opportunity to engage in an interactive session that focuses on the 8 key areas that are of most concern to chapters: leadership, RIMS resources, finances and reporting, planning, recognition, membership development, communicating your chapter's message, and programming.

When is the next BSC workshop?

Friday, June 20, 2008

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm (dinner to follow)

Saturday, June 21, 2008

8:30 am – 3:00 pm (breakfast and lunch will be provided)

Where:

Dallas/Addison Marriott Quorum by the Galleria

14901 Dallas Parkway
Dallas, Texas

Is there a cost to attend?

There is no cost to register! Dinner on Friday evening and breakfast and lunch on Saturday are included with your registration. RIMS is pleased to provide all BSC attendees a complimentary sleeping room at the Dallas/Addison Marriott Hotel on the evening of June 20. Incidentals and additional nights will be at your own expense. (Ask your Chapter to consider sponsoring your transportation!)

How do I register?

Please **RSVP by Friday, May 23**. Space is very limited, so don't delay! Please register your workshop attendance by sending an email to ChapterServices@RIMS.org, including your name, RIMS chapter affiliation, and contact information or you can contact us at 212-655-6041 with any questions.

Program Suggestions for RIMS 2009 Annual Conference & Exhibition:

Do your members know they can share their expertise, gain visibility, network, enhance their professional growth and promote their organization by submitting a program suggestion for RIMS 2009 Annual Conference & Exhibition? In addition, you can raise your chapter's visibility at the conference by sponsoring a session. It's easy—get started at www.RIMS.org/2009PSF!

Presentations should focus on the executive and professional levels of learning, engage and motivate attendees, and provide a fresh perspective on current and future trends affecting the industry. We are looking for innovative ideas and breakthrough strategies as well as traditional industry best practices.

Encourage your membership to submit a program suggestion and help shape the educational content that will influence more than 5,000 risk managers at the premier risk management event—RIMS Annual Conference & Exhibition in Orlando, Florida on April 19-23, 2009!

Deadline is Friday, July 18!

Registration Deadline for RIMS on the Hill 2008 is fast approaching!

The registration deadline for RIMS on the Hill - June 8-10, 2008 in Washington, D.C. – is closing on May 23! As a participant in RIMS on the Hill, you will LEARN key lobbying techniques from high-level Capitol Hill staff, HEAR all facts about topics critical to the risk management community from a panel of industry experts, SHARE insights with fellow risk managers and MEET with Congressional representatives to voice your positions on issues that significantly impact businesses in the United States, as well as your risk management program.

Places are limited for this popular event so register now for RIMS on the Hill 2008. This event is exclusively for members of the Risk and Insurance Management Society. The fee is \$99 and includes all meals and activities. There is an optional tour of the International Spy Museum (for an additional fee). RIMS on the Hill hotel rates end on May 23. After this time hotel rooms and rates will be subject to availability. For hotel requests after that date, please contact Samantha Cohn at scohn@RIMS.org. More information, travel details, hotel reservations, a complete agenda and registration are available online at www.RIMS.org/Hill.

NEW! RIMS on the Hill has been approved for RIMS Fellow (RF) credits.

DOUBLE the credits you earn towards the RIMS Fellow® (RF) designation by attending RIMS

Professional Development course "Move Your Program to the Next Level: RIMS Risk Maturity Model for ERM" taking place in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday, June 11 and Thursday, June 12 immediately following RIMS on the Hill.

2008 Spencer Scholars:

The Spencer Foundation wishes to thank our contributors for their financial support by announcing the 2008 Spencer Scholars.

Unless noted, undergraduate Spencer Scholars receive a \$5,000 scholarship.

1. Aaron Z. Ammar, Appalachian State University (John T. Lockton Memorial Scholarship)
2. Jamil Bashir, Temple University
3. Vesela R. Bikova, St. John's University (Dr. Ellen Thrower Scholarship)
4. Edward J. Boyanoski, Temple University (1/2 year award \$2,500)
5. Kristin M. Bufkin, Mississippi State University (John T. Lockton Memorial Scholarship)
6. Margaret C. Britt, University of Mississippi
7. Ryan M. Coburn, Olivet College (John T. Lockton Memorial Scholarship)
8. Katherine L. Coleman, Ball State University (John T. Lockton Memorial Scholarship)
9. Andrew D. Collings, University of Georgia (RIMS Atlanta Chapter Scholarship)
10. Joseph A. DeLuca, Temple University (1/2 year award, \$2,500)
11. Dennis W. Dorsey, Appalachian State University
12. Cecilia L. Emmons, Indiana State University
13. Justin M. Gargus, Olivet College (September 11th Memorial Scholarship)
14. Joshua A. Gates, Appalachian State University
15. Joshua P. Haselton, Olivet College (John T. Lockton Memorial Scholarship)
16. Martin A. Hershey, Temple University
17. David H. Holloway, Temple University
18. Brandon R. Hunter, Indiana State University
19. Danielle M. James, St. John's University (Thomas Regan Memorial Scholarship-RIMS NY Chapter)
20. Kevin M. Johnson, Temple University (Joseph P. Holwerda Memorial Scholarship)
21. Nathan C. Lloyd, Indiana State University
22. Jonathan H. Lough, Indiana State University (R&SA/Douglas Barlow Memorial Scholarship, \$7,500)
23. Cassie Lydon, Temple University
24. Amanda E. Mazingo, Virginia Commonwealth University
25. Ashley A. Murphy, University of Louisiana at Monroe (XL/Ian R. Heap Memorial Scholarship)
26. Peter Pang, St. John's University (William J. Clagnaz/ACE USA Memorial Scholarship)
27. Rachel A. Somerford, University of North Texas (RIMS Dallas/Ft. Worth Chapter Scholarship)
28. Sidney D. Thomas, Temple University
29. Elizabeth A. Wright, Temple University (1/2 year award \$2,500)

Undergraduate Scholarships Awarded: \$ 137,500

Masters Category (\$10,000 Scholarship)

30. Marcos T. Alvarez, University of Toronto
 31. James B. Karl, Florida State University
 32. Hristo Kozhuharov, Concordia University – Ann Arbor
 33. Yelena M. Veretennikova, Georgia State University (Anita Benedetti Memorial Scholarship)
- Master Scholarships Awarded: \$40,000**

Pre-Dissertation Ph.D Category (\$10,000 Scholarship)

34. Bobby E. Bierley, University of Georgia
35. Billy Clark Bradford, University of Florida
36. Lloyd R. Wade, University of Mississippi

Pre-Dissertation Ph.D Scholarships Awarded: \$30,000

Total Full-Time Scholarships Awarded: \$207,500

The Spencer Educational Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) educational and charitable organization. Donations are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. Your donation will enable us to award more scholarships to promising and deserving risk management and insurance students.

Introducing a New Way to Talk about Risk:

Fantabulous. Gung-ho. Awesomatic. Dynamize. RIMS 2008 Annual Conference & Exhibition in San Diego introduced new ways for us to talk about risk. At the conference, Janice Ochenkowski, RIMS President, asked us to take the lessons learned and the ideas generated back to the office with renewed energy and vibrancy. And, she posed a challenge to all attendees—to create their own new and inspiring words to describe risk management and then post them in the RIMS booth in the Exhibit Hall. Many attendees took her challenge and submitted words, including: rimsical, dyntastic, pursuitious, changematics, riskterminator, tenaciousity, and riskafaction. Do these words spark your creativity? At your next chapter meeting, take a few minutes and brainstorm your own new ways to talk about risk. Submit your words and we'll credit your chapter! Submissions can be sent to rtallant@RIMS.org.

Western Regional Conference:

Early Bird discount ends July 18!

Join us for hands-on learning and networking at the 2008 RIMS Western Regional Conference! This conference, taking place at the Hyatt Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco on September 2-5, will explore the issues affecting risk managers today. Take home skills and knowledge that you can start applying right away. Register now at www.RIMS.org/WRC and save with the early bird discount!

September 2-5, 2008

**Hyatt at Fisherman's Wharf Hotel
555 North Point Street
San Francisco, CA 94133**

Don't miss keynote presentations by these guest speakers:

- Evan Greenberg, Chairman and CEO, ACE
- Dan Glaser, Chairman and CEO, Marsh
- Brian Murray, Managing Director, AIG

Elaine Lundberg, humor therapist, will kick-off the conference with **Laughter-the Glue That Holds the Bridge Together!** Then get down to business with interactive educational sessions on these hot topics:

- Global Warming Mitigation
- Bridging The Generation Gap
- China's Rising Impact on the Global Economy
- Understanding and Managing Supply Chain Risk
- The Changing Landscape of D&O Liability Insurance: Are You Prepared?
- Hands On ERM: From Concepts and Processes to Tools, Techniques and Cases
- Catastrophic Risk Management - Going Beyond Insurance
- Developing an Effective Global Insurance Program - Evaluating the Options
- Workplace Violence - Prevention and Risk Management

- The Ten Worst Mistakes Made on Property and Business Interruption Claims
- Fundamentals of a Successful TPA Claims Service Partnership
- Privacy Risk in the 21st Century
- Don't Let Cumulative Trauma Injure Your Bottom Line
- The Rise of the Reinsurer

Remember, register by July 18 to save with the early bird discount! Register now at www.RIMS.org/WRC.

RIMS' privacy policy regarding publishing contact information:

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Policy(http://www.rims.org/Content/NavigationMenu/Home/LegalNotice/Legal_Noteice.htm)

states, "RIMS will not release any member's or non-member's information without their explicit authorization..." Please be reminded that RIMS strongly discourages chapters from publishing members' email addresses on chapter promotional materials, email communications, or websites.

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.

Trivia Question:

Which RIMS regional event motto is "Bridging Risk to Opportunity"?

Trivia answer for 5/16/08:

What is the academic fraternity for risk management, insurance and actuarial science professionals?

GAMMA IOTA SIGMA is the foremost Professional Fraternity for Men and Women pursuing careers in Risk Management, Insurance and Actuarial Science.

For questions/comments regarding any of the information contained in this bulletin, please contact the Chapter Services Department at chapterservices@RIMS.org.

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