



THE AWARD WINNING HOUSTON CHAPTER

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FROM THE DESK OF THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

The RIMS 2010 Annual Conference and Exhibition was held in Boston the week of April 26th and was well attended and organized. There were many educational and networking opportunities at the conference as well as great dining and entertainment in the Boston area. Several of our chapter members were speakers at conference sessions and we thank them for volunteering their time and talent. If you didn't go this year, please put it on your calendar for next year. We will be going to Vancouver!

April was also a very exciting month for the Houston Chapter. The social event at Berryhill Baja Grill was well attended and a lot of fun. If you missed it, please join us next time. It is a nice opportunity to get to know each other better while providing a great opportunity to network with your peers.

The May 19th Houston Chapter meeting is dedicated to thanking the volunteers and support staff for all they do to help the RIMS Chapter throughout the year. Mark Garbowski with Anderson Kill & Olick will present the topic: *Ultrafine Print: How to Read an Insurance Policy*. The program has been submitted to get approval for continuing education credit toward all general insurance lines as approved by the State of Texas Department of Insurance.

Finally, be sure to mark your calendar for the RIMS Houston Chapter Fall Conference at The Woodlands Resort on October 22, 2010. If you are interested in helping to organize this event

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or provide a donation you can contact one of the Chapter Officers and Directors.

See you soon!

Victor Pivetta
Chapter President

Meeting Topic and Speaker

Wednesday, May 19, 2010
11:30am-1:30pm

Topic: *Ultrafine Print: How to Read an Insurance Policy*

Speaker: Mark Garbowski, Attorney--Insurance Recovery Corporate and Commercial Litigation at Anderson Kill's & Olick, P. C.



Today Discussion Will Focus On:

This session is designed for the new risk manager or insurance professional who needs to understand the basics of reading an insurance policy. We will discuss coverage provisions; conditions & exclusions; and common hurdles to coverage. Our objective is to better equip new insurance professionals to understand and make use of the insurance they purchase.

This program should be very informative and we look forward to seeing you.

This program has been submitted for continuing education credit toward all general insurance lines as approved by the State of Texas Department of Insurance

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Welcome New/Renewed Members

Keith Avery – Transocean Offshore Deepwater Drilling, Inc.
Edward Carey – Impact Risks Solutions, LLC
Joseph Haskell – Fort Bend I.S.D.
Diane Polefko – BJ Services Company
Ryan Skinkle – Insgroup, Inc.
Tom Slaughter – Preng & Associates
Allen Wilson – GEM Insurance, LP
Allen Yuan – HilCorp Energy Company

Enterprise Risk Management

Contributed by RIMS National

Enterprise Risk Management, June 3-4, 2010 Houston, Texas

This two-day **interactive** workshop covers the **essentials of enterprise risk management** and broadens the perspective of attendees in order for them to begin the process in their own organizations. The workshop provides an overview of ERM and **outlines how to begin the process in your organization** (public or private, profit or not-for-profit).

This program includes a five-step ERM model to introduce a framework for the ERM process in your organization. Discussions cover both the **benefits and obstacles to introducing a modern ERM process**. Attendees will also examine the role of chief risk officers, risk management committees and addresses the role of brokers and consultants.

For more information concerning the workshop see the attach flyer or go to **www.RIMS.org/erm610**

Meeting Dates for 2010



May 19, 2010
Staff/Volunteer
Appreciation Day

June 16, 2010

July 21, 2010

August TBD, 2010
Evening Social

September 15, 2010

October 22, 2010
Fall Conference

November 2, 2010

December 15, 2010
Evening Meeting

Risk Management in a New Age Developing Trends in Insurance Law

Contributed by Jones Day as part of their Executive Roundtable Series

This program will focus on three important and changing areas for corporate risk management: Directors & Officer's Liability Coverage, Indemnities and Additional Insured Coverage and alternatives to traditional insurance for risk transfer.

When: Thursday, May 20, 2010

Lunch 11:30

Program: Noon-1:30pm

Where: Jones Day, 717 Texas, Suite 3300, Houston, Texas 77002

For more information concerning the program or to RSVP, contact:

Jennifer Toon at huevents@jonesday.com or 832-239-3656

Update on RIMS National Conference

Thousands gathered in Boston for **RIMS 2010 Annual Conference & Exhibition** to *think forward, think risk*. The conference provided attendees numerous opportunities to *connect, engage and inspire*. Educational sessions, inspirational keynotes, networking events and an Exhibit Hall packed with resources and business solutions armed attendees with the tools to manage risk at their organizations.

NOTICE:

Effective January 1, 2008, the RIMS Society has changed their method of collecting Local Chapter Dues. In the past there were two deputies included with the membership, then a charge for each additional deputy added. Under the new structure they will begin collecting chapter dues on a per deputy member basis. The new structure for the Houston Chapter Dues is \$55 per deputy member. The change will be reflected on the renewal invoice. The dues structure for associate membership has not changed.

Please see our Chapter Website for additional information:

WWW.RIMS.ORG/HOUSTON

or

WWW.RIMS.ORG – Chapters – Houston

(Seen here are Board Members in the Exhibit Hall)



(Below are photos taken during the ACE Concert with Robert Thomas)



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(Here Ginny Penzell is at the book signing by the author of The Black Swan, Nassim Nicholas Taleb.)



AWARD RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the RIMS Awards Recipients!

RIMS 2010 Best of Show Award Recipients

Large Booth Category: Coventry Workers' Comp Services - Booth #2031

Medium Booth Category: Express Scripts - Booth #237

Small Booth Category: HSBC Insurance Management - Booth #812

Individual and Corporate Winners

Harry and Doroty Goodell Award: Stephen Wilder

Ron Judd "Heart of RIMS" Award: Mark Ryan, Dallas Fort Worth Chapter

Cristy Award: Stanley Jurewicz

Richard W. Bland Memorial Award: Lance Kayfish

Arthur Quern Quality Award: Paychex, Inc. | Enterprise Risk Management

**Educational and
Associations Websites:**

**American Institute for CPCU
and Insurance Institute of
America www.aicpcu.org**

**Charter Property Casualty
Underwriters Society
www.cpcusociety.org**

**Institutional Risk
Management Institute
www.irmi.org**

**The National Alliance
www.scic.com**

**Construction Risk and
Insurance Specialist
www.cris-ce.com**

**For further Educational
Opportunities Forms or
Information, please visit the
Chapter website at:**

<http://houston.rims.org/ChapterWebsite/RIMSCChapter.cfm?CID=328>

Chapter Awards Program (CAP)

2009 Chapter Achievement Awards: Highlights chapter achievement in an individual area

- Central Texas and Greater Kansas City Chapters (Chapter Planning)
- Broward County Chapter (Websites)
- Chesapeake and Golden Gate Chapters (Chapter Meetings)
- Piedmont Chapter (Charity/Community)
- Northeast Ohio (Charity/Risk Management-Related)
- Sacramento Valley Chapter (Student Involvement)
- Upstate NY and New York Chapters (Newsletters)

2009 Chapter Excellence Award: Rocky Mountain Chapter (Honorable Mention)

2009 Membership Growth Awards: The Membership Star Award is presented to chapters with a 6+% growth rate (chapters with a 9+% growth rate are awarded the Membership Superstar Award)

Membership Star Award: Tampa Bay Chapter

Membership Superstar Awards: Delaware Valley Chapter, Maritime Chapter, Mid-Illinois Chapter, Newfoundland & Labrador Chapter, Saskatchewan Chapter, South Texas Chapter, Upstate New York Chapter



RIMS National Celebrates 60 Years

Thank you...

to our members for your patronage and support;
without you this Society does not exist

to our board members, past and present, for your
leadership and encouragement; you've brought us to
where we are today

to our volunteers for the gift of your time and
guidance; we greatly value your insight

to our exhibitors for their support both at the Annual

Conference & Exhibition and the various projects on which we partner to our speakers for their dedication to education; sharing knowledge is a pay-it-forward act spurring stimulating thoughts and dialogue

We could not do it without you!

We want all our members and friends to share their memories of RIMS: Each month we will ask you to reminisce on a different subject, so please contribute your experiences over the past years as often as you'd like! For March, finish the following thought and **send in your response (go to RIMS.org):**

"I've been involved with my local chapter..."

New Name Badges

A big thank you to Cynthia Vickers for all of her hard work in making new badges for the membership. She did a great job. By the way, the colors of the badges have meaning.

Green – Board Members

Blue – Deputy Members

Yellow – Associate Members

Light Purple – Committee Members and Volunteers

Please contact Cynthia (cynthia.vickers@el Paso.com) if you need any changes to your badge.

[Please see the Local Chapter website and the RIMS.org Jobs Listing for details.](#)

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Houston Chapter Membership Directories

Published by the Houston Chapter of
the Risk & Insurance Management
Society

The 2009 – 2010 Houston Chapter Membership Directories are available. The directory may be picked up at the monthly meetings.

Memberships - National

Please be advised that with the economic conditions and the number of layoffs that has occurred, RIMS National has announced that the Deputy memberships will not be automatically terminated for up to six months for those members that have been laid off. Please notify the National Membership office if a layoff has occurred.

Professional Development - National

Enterprise-wide Risk Management: Developing & Implementing
May 17-19, Orlando

***Supply Chain Risk Management**
May 20-21, Chicago

***Alternative Risk Financing Techniques**
May 20-21, Denver

***Directors & Officers Liability and Insurance**
May 24-25, San Jose

***Enterprise Risk Management**
June 3-4, Houston

***Advanced Workers' Compensation Strategies**
June 3-4, New York

***Strategic Global Risk and Insurance Management**
June 7-8, New York

***Minimizing Insurance and Claims Costs**
June 10-11, Philadelphia

***Strategic Risk Control**
June 17-18, Ottawa

Information and Registration details: [www. RIMS.org/education](http://www.RIMS.org/education)

**Credit towards RIMS Fellow designation given.*

Job Postings

No job postings for May