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Do you have a suggestion for the
41st RIMS Annual Conference & Exhibition
in Chicago in 2003?



Conference Program Suggestion Form

Now is the time to voice your opinion. Do you think that you could be an informative speaker? Let us know. Take a minute to fill out the [program suggestion form](#) on the RIMS website at www.rims.org and tell RIMS how to improve next year.

Mark your calendar for the
[41st RIMS Annual
Conference & Exhibition in
Chicago, April 6-10, 2003!](#)

Reservation Deadline

is Monday June 17, 2002 at 4pm.

Please send your response, by e-mail to julie.jackson@dynegy.com or fax the notice to her, at 713.767.6242. If plans change at the last minute call if possible, but by all means come to the meeting. Reservations are necessary to make sure there are seats and food for all.

RIMS Houston Chapter June Luncheon Meeting

THE STORM OF THE CENTURY – ONE YEAR LATER

Sheryl Bittick, Director of Risk Management with Weingarten Realty, will begin with a pictorial of the Houston area flood caused by Tropical Storm Allison. She also will share some pictures of their building damages at 610 & Citidel Plaza near T. C. Jester where White Oak Bayou overflowed. They managed to get this building up and running after only four days. She will also share some of the lessons learned on coverage issues.

Sharon Nalls, with the City of Houston's Emergency Management Office will talk with us about a community's ability to cope with and recovery from a catastrophic disaster is as good as the planning conducted by all of its components - citizens, government entities, and businesses. By description, disastrous events generate chaos, but disaster planning can bring order and direction to preparedness, response and recovery efforts. The process should result in a written plan, which depending upon the entity may have a different title - Disaster Plan, Emergency Management Plan, or Business Continuity Plan.

Risk management, information systems, environmental services, security, human resources, legal, finance, and administration are vital to the disaster planning process. As risk management and insurance professionals, your expertise in impact analysis, risk assessment, and risk mitigation are key to ensuring the disaster plan for your organization is based upon facts and sound strategies, not assumptions and guesswork, and remains a "living document" to encompass new risks as they are identified.

The City of Houston Emergency Management Office is part of a partnership (Houston TranStar) formed by the transportation and emergency management agencies in the Houston area. See what services they provide by accessing their web site at www.transtar.com. Sharon has also mentioned that there is an Emergency Management Guide for Business & Industry provided by FEMA, the web address is <http://www.fema.gov/library/bizindex.htm>.

Carol Barnes, Insurance Manager with Baylor College of Medicine will discuss, "How to Pick Apart the Contents Coverage Section of the NFIP Policy". You thought you had contents coverage. You paid for it. When the claim was filed. Denied! What is the real answer?

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By Ella Andrews

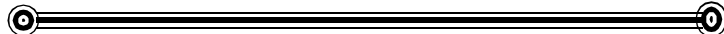
Calling all volunteers, calling all volunteers! Our Fall Conference will be here in a flash and we need your help. By now, you know that the conference date is October 21, 2002, and volunteers are needed. If you are interested in serving on a committee for this wonderful event, please send an email to Colleen Cummings and let her know your interests. Colleen's email address is ccummings@hanoverco.com. Mark your calendars for this event now.

The final phase of the 2001 Chapter Recognition Program Awards is in progress. We have received four patches from the Society that will be affixed to our Chapter Banner for everyone to see. I hope that when all of you look upon it at future meetings, you'll feel a sense of pride that only comes with knowing you are a part of the best. On that note, it's appropriate to send this month's "Shout Out" to all of you.

I am pleased to announce that recently our chapter made a donation of \$1,000 to the University of Houston Risk Management Society. This donation is for the purpose of helping those students desiring careers in insurance and risk management establish a Gamma Iota Sigma fraternity at the University of Houston. You will be hearing more about this venture shortly as our chapter issues a matching challenge to the brokerage community. Michael Tawney, chapter liaison, is leading this charge.

Well, the speaker evaluation drawing for the June meeting is at a whopping \$80. I hope we have a winner! See y'all at the meeting.

Sincerely, *Ella*



Houston Risk Management Jobs June - 2002

- Project Manager, Insurance and Employee Benefits (05/13/02)
- Manager, Risk Management – Houston ISD (04/01/02)
- Senior Risk Analyst – SYSCO (02/22/02)
- Account Manager – GEM Insurance, L.P. (02/22/02)
- Risk Manager – Willbros USA, Inc. (02/22/02)
- Client Review Underwriter - Administaff (02/21/02)
- Risk Manager – North Harris Montgomery Community College District (11/12/01)
- Risk Management Specialist, Houston - Texas Children's Hospital (09/24/01)
- Insurance Manager, Houston - Methodist Health Care System (08/31/01)
- Safety Auditor, Houston - ABS (Associated Building Services) (08/10/01)
- ❖ Above job listing descriptions, contacts, etc. can be found at The Houston RIMS website: <http://houston.rims.org/ChapterWebsite/RIMSChapter.cfm?CID=328>
- ❖ For further information regarding the above positions or to place a job opening for your company in our newsletter, contact Bob Milkint, Director - Job Placement, via email at bmilkint@thewoodlands.com or by telephone at (281) 719-6339
- ❖ For information regarding National RIMS listings, contact Kamy Persaud at RIMS New York at (212) 286-9292, extension 242.
- ❖ Also, look online at the Houston Chronicle's classified web site under employment. Do a key word search for Safety or Risk Management: www.houstonchronicle.com/classifieds or look online at the Houston Press's classified web site: www.houstonpress.com/classifieds

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UPCOMING EVENTS

RIMS Luncheon Meetings are at 11:30 am

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June 19, 2002

July 17, 2002 - **Broker Appreciation**

August 21, 2002

September 18, 2002

MONDAY October 21st

>> Fall Conference <<

November 13, 2002

December 18, 2002

Meeting Location is

Crowne Plaza Medical Center Hotel.

6701 Main @ Holcomb, Houston, TX 77030.

Phone # 713.797.1110

Parking is available in the hotel garage for \$3.00.
Bring the parking ticket to the registration table
for a validation sticker.

Parking is also available on the surface lot to
the south of the hotel for \$5.00.

Check the Web Site: www.rims.org >chapters >chapter web sites
>Houston. Get the registration forms for ARM classes, Monthly
Newsletter, and RIMS MEETING NOTICES.

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