

Wellsprings Valerie A. Beckham, Executive Director, Wellsprings, Inc.

Each year, The Houston Chapter of Risk and Insurance, Management Society, Inc., CPCU and some other VERY generous people sponsor a holiday party for the children of Wellsprings, Inc., A United Way Agency. If you ever wondered what Wellsprings is about or if you ever wanted to get more involved, then this is the meeting for you. Valerie A. Beckham, Executive Director of Wellsprings, Inc. will give a presentation on Wellsprings. In addition, Valerie will present an update on what occurred at the December 6th Party. Please plan on joining us



This is a sneak preview of what took place at the Well Springs Christmas party.



HOUSTON CHAPTER

RISK MANAGER OF THE YEAR

NOMINATIONS ARE DUE

DECEMBER 31, 2003

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From the President's Desk

This has been a very fast year! I cannot begin to tell you what an honor and a privilege it has been for me to be your President in 2003. When we had our annual board retreat this past spring, we laid out a very aggressive plan for our chapter. I am proud to say that you have all stepped up and helped us to fulfill the majority of our plan. Here are a few of the many accomplishments we have had this past year:

- We were able to produce the first Insurance Supplement for the Houston Business Journal in conjunction with our friends at CPCU.
- We increased our chapter membership this year in all areas
- We supported the new Gamma Iota Sigma Chapter at the University of Houston
- We celebrated our 50th Anniversary as an insurance group in Houston
- The Wellsprings Holiday Party was bigger and better than ever!!
- Wellsprings honored our Chapter at their annual gala with the "Precious Time Award"

I would like to thank my board for their time, energy and support this past year. You are all so wonderful and you made this past year a fabulous experience for me. It is only through your support and participation that we were able to accomplish so much. Thank you to our membership for your continued support of the Houston Chapter. For those of you who have not taken the time to get involved, you are missing out on a rewarding experience.

Please join us at the December luncheon meeting and help me welcome our new 2004 board members. With Colleen Cummings' leadership and energy, we will are going to have an awesome year!!



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Door Prize & Speaker Evaulation Winner...

Marylyn Ha won the door prize.

The \$20.00 for the speaker evaulation was not won, so it will roll over to this months meeting. It will now be worth \$40.00. You have to be present to win.

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Member's Corner

The Houston Chapter has the privilege of welcoming the following new Corporate Deputy members:

- Pakhoed Corporation

 Paige Bailey, General Counsel
- Hanover Compressor Company o Gail Glover, Claims Analyst
- Smith Hanley Holding Corporation o Michael Hlinak, CFO & COO
 - FirstWave Marine, Inc. o Peggy Lucas, Director, Risk Management
- American Bureau of Shipping
 - o Thomas Miller, VP, General Counsel & Secretary
- Academy Sports & Outdoors
 - o James Moody, Internal Audit Manager



From the RIMS 2003 Board Members!!

Meeting Notices, Newsletters and other chapter correspondence are now sent out by e-mail. If you are a deputy member and are not receiving yours please let us know by contacting Jim Lyon, Membership Director. All others, Associates and Non-Members, please contact Monica Olis. Deputies can update/correct information by logging on to the Society web site: www.rims.org.

Houston Area Job(s) Listing for December 2003

Company: Roofing Supply Ltd. **Position:** Corporate Risk Manager **Location:** Austin or Dallas, Texas

Company: EOG Resources Position: Risk Management Assistant Location: Houston, Texas

Company: ExpressJet Airlines, Inc. (www.expressjet.com)

Position: Sr. Manager – Risk Management

Location: Houston, Texas

- Any 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 positions or to place a job opening for your company in our newsletter, contact Toni Green, Director - Job Placement, via email at toni.green@nli-usa.com or by telephone at (281) 423-3357.
- For information regarding National RIMS listings, contact Jennifer Berman at RIMS New York at (212) 286-9292 or email: jberman@rims.org.
- 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

More Fall Conference Pictures







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If you missed the conference, you missed a lot of fun. Mark it on your calendar now!







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Houston Chapter of RIMS UPCOMING EVENTS

Luncheon meetings are at 11:30 am

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December 6, 2003 Wellsprings Christmas Party Volunteer 9:30am Party 11:00am-2:00pm



December 10, 2003 50th Anniversary Celebration Happy Hour 5:30pm-8:00pm

December 17, 2003 Installation Ceremony: New Officers Winner of the Annual Board Strategic Planning Retreat Announced

January 21, 2004

2003 Risk Mananger of the Year Announced February 18, 2004



March 17, 2004

April No meeting due to 42nd AnnualRIMS Conference in San Diego, CA

Check the web Site: <u>www.rims.org</u> >chapters >chapter web sites > Houston. Watch for event information.

Reservation Deadline

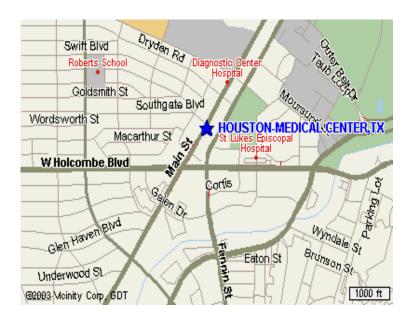
is Monday, December 15, 2003 at 4pm. Please send your response by e-mail to ginny.penzell@elpaso.com or fax the notice to her, at 713.420.6350.

The Luncheon Registration form is available on the chapter web site at www.rims.org

choose "chapters" then "chapter web sites"then "Houston" look for the "Monthly Meeting Notice" on the list to the left.

MEETING PLACE

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 your parking ticket to the registration table for a validation sticker. Parking is also available on the surface lot to the south of the hotel



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