

Upcoming Events

Red Wings Game
Thursday, April 28th
Frontier Field
1 Morrie Silver Way,
Rochester, NY 14608

Golf Tournament
Tuesday, June 14th
Shadow Lake
1850 Five Mile Line Rd
Penfield, NY 14526

All of life is the
management of risk, not
its elimination.
---Walter Wriston---

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**RIMS UPSTATE NY
CHAPTER MEETING**

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THURS, APRIL 28

11AM - 4PM

**FRONTIER STADIUM
1 MORRIE SILVER WAY
ROCHESTER, NY**

**PRESENTATION: CYBER SECURITY
AND CURRENT MARKET UPDATES**

JOIN US FOR LUNCH, NETWORKING & BASEBALL!
MEMBERS: FREE | NON-MEMBERS \$75

*Registration
details at:* UPSTATENEWYORK.RIMS.ORG

Spring is HERE! Please come join us for our first in-person event of the year at Frontier Field.

Lockton Companies will be presenting on "Fundamentals of #CyberLiability." After our presentation, we have planned for a buffet lunch and baseball game with Rochester's very own minor league baseball team, The Red Wings!



2022 Chapter President Message

Happy New Years everyone! I cannot believe 2022 is upon us! I am very excited to continue to serve as the President of the Upstate New York RIMS Chapter and bring you many more exciting events for this year!

Despite Covid, our chapter hit some huge milestones and we couldn't have done this without the help and support of all of you!

This was the year we collaborated with two local universities to engage our local risk management students. We were able to get over 40 students signed up with our chapter. These very same students attended their first ever RIMS meeting at the Memorial Art Gallery and not only were able to learn about the behind-the-scenes risk of a gallery, but also connected with the local risk managers of Upstate New York.

We have an incredible year planned for our local RIMS chapter! You can look forward to exciting new venues and relevant educational presentations! We want to provide our members and friends with opportunities to learn about the newest trending risk topics while also having fun networking with new and old friends in the risk industry!

This year's event schedule is tentatively set for the following dates:

- Thursday, April 28 – Rochester, NY – Red Wings Stadium – REGISTER NOW!
- Tuesday, June 14 – Rochester, NY – Golf Tournament – REGISTER NOW!
- Tuesday, August 9 – Buffalo, NY – The Grand Lady Cruise
- September/October – Buffalo, NY – Chapter Appreciation Event with the Buffalo Bills
- Tuesday, December 6 – Rochester, NY – TBD

Save the date for these events! As always, at our chapter meeting events we will have a presentation that will help improve your risk skills, educate you and enhance your value to your employer.

Now let me introduce this year's 2022 Upstate New York RIMS Board Members:

President – Anne Askloff, Sutherland Global Services

Vice President – Sarah Gibson, M&T Bank

Treasurer – Anna Ziegler, First American Equipment Finance

Secretary – Tara Grillo, Constellation Brands

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Director of Student Engagement – Nick Flihan, AmericCU

Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion – Bradley Bismark, Microsoft

Director of Communications – Brian Reynolds, Goodwill

Delegate – Annette Maldonado, Rich Products

Thank you to this team for dedicating the time and resources to make this chapter the very best!

We are always looking to add more volunteers and committee directors to our roster! If you are interested in becoming involved with our chapter or our golf event, please feel free to reach out to me.

If you haven't done so yet, please follow us on our new LinkedIn Business Page at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/80935509/admin/>. Here you will find the latest updates on news, chapter updates and event information. Please also feel free to follow us on our other social media websites on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter – Search for RIMS Upstate NY.

We are always looking for opportunities of taking our chapter to the next level. Do you have a trending topic you want the group to learn about? Suggestions on a new venue? A unique sponsorship opportunity? Location ideas for a risk management tour? We want to hear your feedback and ideas on how to engage our current members and recruit new ones!

Our board is looking forward to connecting with each and every one of you this year. Thank you for being a part of this chapter!

Anne Askloff

Chapter President

Meet your 2022 Board Members



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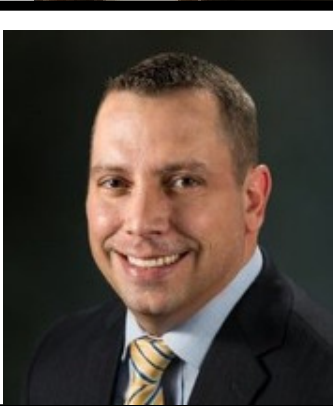
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Risk Professional Spotlight



Ann Breslawski

Director of Risk Management at AVANGRID, Inc



How did you get into Risk Management?

Back around 2010, Rochester Gas & Electric was looking to incorporate Lean Six Sigma methodologies into our process improvement projects. I was asked to partner with the company's Risk Manager to develop and deliver the training. After that project concluded, I took a position in our Risk Department.

What is your biggest challenge as a Risk Manager?

The velocity of risks post-pandemic. Since March 2020 organizations have seen increases in many areas of risk including employee attraction and retention, cyber security, inflation, and supply chain shortages. The horizon between risk identification and risk realization has diminished.

What is the most important skill for a Risk Professional?

Having the ability to foster a strong risk culture within your organization. A robust ERM program requires several components including a supportive tone at the top and engagement from employees at all levels of the company.

What is one item you cannot live without?

Coffee. Enough said.

Who would you choose to be if you could switch places for a day?

An archeologist just before an epic find. To set foot in a location that has not been seen for hundreds of years must be an amazing feeling.

What is your favorite local restaurant?

Bad Apples Bistro in Spencerport. I love this place because of its cozy atmosphere and great food.

Who inspires you?

Amelia Earhart. She was tenacious and broke down barriers.

What is the biggest risk you have taken?

Ziplining.

What is the best advice you have ever received?

Risk is about two things communication and partnerships; understand your risks and know your risk champions.

What is one fun fact about yourself people should know?

My daughters and I paint rocks and leave them around town to bring people joy.