

# Chicago Chapter RIMS

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## Belated Hello from the President

Hello, everyone:

My apologies for the absence of newsletters in April and May! I'm sure you can all relate to the time that renewals take up, and those have been my world of late. So, welcome to the June issue ☺

As you can see below, we have a new Chapter logo, which reflects our Chicago-based membership, and our love of beans. I'm just seeing if you're reading this...



We have a jam-packed issue, and I hope you enjoy it and are excited about all of the activities Chapter-members are involved in.

Kind Regards,

Barb

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## 2014 Meetings & Events

*This is Your Chance to Network & Gain Knowledge!*

### Upcoming Events

**July 21 Chicago RIMS Annual Golf Outing**  
White Eagle Golf Club, Naperville, IL  
For more details, see pages 5-6

**Summer Stay Tuned!**

**Sept. 18-19 REBEX Conference**  
Westin Hotel, Wheeling, IL

**October 11-18 Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation Week of Giving**  
For more details, see page 4

## How to Get Involved

The Chapter has many committees always looking for volunteers! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact our Chapter Administrator -

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Please note that if you have volunteered and have not yet been contacted, rest assured that you will be soon! The Board is developing a formal process for engaging volunteers and will have it cemented in the near future.

## **Job Shadow Day**

The Education Committee led by Marco Flores organized a Job Shadow Day on April 11, 2014 during which 5 students from the Katie School of Insurance at ISU paired up with risk management professionals for a half day. It was a fantastic opportunity for the students, and we would like to thank them and their hosts!

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Ryan Ward*

## **Hines Symposium**

The Hines Symposium, presented annually by the Chicago Chapter and Business Insurance, was held on May 20 and featured the topic of "International Travel Risks".

Gail Meyer, corporate risk manager for Caterpillar Inc. in Peoria, reported that education and tracking are of the utmost importance. Their internal website includes information about specific countries and restricts travel to prohibited countries. Employees are surveyed annually to determine the appropriate amount of training around international travel.

Jonny Gray, a senior vice president and managing director at Control Risks Group Holdings Ltd., in Los Angeles said he thinks the new challenge in international travel is "a slightly broader interpretation of travel security issues. Compliance with such legislative and regulatory requirements as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act is one of the new

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challenges." The other emerging international travel issue is cyber security, taking into consideration traveling worldwide with laptops containing company information.

Michal Gnatek, leader of Lockton Cos. L.L.C.'s technology and government contractor practice in Washington said there are generally three areas of potential corporate liability. One involves local laws and regulations that might specify a higher duty of care than in the U.S., while another would be potential tort liability if the company hadn't done all it could to protect the well-being of a traveling employee. The third area is the potential for reputational risk.

All three speakers agreed that companies remain challenged by the risks international travel presents, and pre-planning and education are integral to operating internationally.

## **Spencer Foundation RIMS Chicago Chapter Scholarship**

The Spencer Educational Foundation is pleased to announce the 2014 RIMS Chicago Chapter Scholarship recipient. Ryan Curran, an undergraduate at Illinois State University, was selected to be awarded this scholarship. Congratulations, Ryan!

## **Spencer Foundation Scholarships for Part-time Master's Studies**

Amy Templeton, Assistant Global Risk and Insurance Manager with Mondelez International and Chicago Chapter Board Member, was recently selected from a record number of applicants as one of eight risk professionals to receive a scholarship for part-time Master's programs.

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Amy is currently studying at the Lake Forest Graduate School of Management.

The scholarship awards up to \$10,000 to risk practitioners who attend graduate school part-time or online, while working full-time. The criteria for this award include: field of study, career objective, work history, leadership skills and past academic performance.

Applications for the Foundation's 2015 Part-time Master's Scholarships will be available on the Foundation's website ([www.spencered.org](http://www.spencered.org)) in late-2014 with a deadline of May 1, 2015.

Congratulations, Amy! Be sure to read next month's newsletter, where Amy will be a featured Chapter member!

## Property Casualty 360 Article

*City Colleges of Chicago system is the perfect incubator for laser-specific job training for the city's six industry sectors, including insurance, that generate 80% of local job growth.*

Please take a look at the articles at the link below.

This is related to the initiative Mayor Rahm Emanuel spoke about at the joint meeting of the Chicago Chapter CPCU/Chicago Chapter RIMS/LaSalle Street Club and Association of Lloyd's Brokers.

We are working to identify ways that the Chapter can participate in this fantastic initiative!

<http://www.propertycasualty360.com/2014/04/04/chicago-colleges-to-careers-puts-students-on-path>

## Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation – Week of Giving

The IICF is having its annual Week of Giving October 11-18 this year, and, as a member of the Volunteer Committee for the Midwest Division, I hope you will consider volunteering! Please take a look at Page 4 for specifics.

For those of you who are not familiar with IICF, here is some background on the group.

Formed in 1994, the **Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation** (IICF) is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt public charity funded and directed by insurance industry professionals representing a broad spectrum of the industry.

The insurance industry is dedicated to assisting people in times of need. As such, the industry is uniquely suited to be a philanthropic leader, adapting its skill-set to charitable endeavors. The Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation helps communities and enriches lives by combining the collective strengths of the industry to provide grants, volunteer service, and leadership.

Since its inception, IICF has contributed over \$18 million in local community grants, over 155,000 hours of volunteer service, and the leadership of over 25,000 industry volunteers for programs dealing with education, children at risk, health and safety, disaster preparedness, and the environment.

### Philosophy

Plan nationally. Implement locally.

### Mission

The Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation (IICF) helps communities and enriches lives by combining the collective strengths of the industry to provide grants, volunteer service, and leadership.

### What Makes the IICF Special?

We are a unique nonprofit that brings together an entire industry to work together for the common good. We enable competitors to work side-by-side for their communities. The companies that work through IICF are not doing it to improve their individual company profiles or brands. *They are simply doing the right thing.*

The IICF raises funds for our grants program, and provides the grants after a diligent review. *Funds raised in a community stay in and benefit that community.* We encourage volunteer service and provide volunteer activities in the communities we serve.

See more at: <http://www.iicf.org/about-iicf.html#sthash.qyGfmfPk.dpuf>

# IICF WEEK OF GIVING

VOLUNTEER. GIVE. MAKE AN IMPACT. **October 11-18, 2014**



IICF Week of Giving, formerly known as Volunteer Week, is the Foundation's most visible program that allows the Insurance Industry to take a leadership role in community involvement. This program provides a unique opportunity for the insurance industry to come together for a united week, giving of time, talent and resources, benefiting local community nonprofits.

## Volunteer

Since 1998, IICF supporters have provided over 179,000 volunteer hours, serving over 150 nonprofits nationwide, and involving over 200 industry companies and offices. This industry-wide effort is truly helping communities and enriching lives!

Register your volunteer team and sign up for projects at [volunteer.iicf.org](http://volunteer.iicf.org).

It is easy to support IICF Week of Giving! Simply visit [www.iicf.org](http://www.iicf.org) to make a donation.

## Give

If we all give together, our community impact is exponentially magnified. A \$5 donation can turn into a \$10 donation. \$10 can become \$100 and \$100 can turn into a \$1 million.

IICF Week of Giving is pleased to designate **Sesame Workshop**, the nonprofit educational organization behind Sesame Street, as the beneficiary of this year's campaign. IICF has partnered with Sesame Workshop on a new early literacy initiative called *Every Day is a Reading and Writing Day*. This partnership will support the IICF's goal to develop a united industry strategy to impact early literacy for the most vulnerable children ages 0-5.

## IICF Early Literacy Initiative

Closing the literacy word gap of America's children is a national priority for the IICF and the insurance industry. Through the IICF Early Literacy Initiative, we are working to provide every American child the opportunity to learn to read and write. IICF will provide a three-year grant to Sesame Workshop, totaling \$750,000 to develop and implement the *Every Day is a Reading and Writing Day*. Visit [www.sesame.org/literacy](http://www.sesame.org/literacy) to explore *Every Day is a Reading and Writing Day*.

For additional information on IICF Week of Giving and regional opportunities contact:

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# 2014 Chicago RIMS Golf Outing



**White Eagle Golf Club**

**July 21, 2014**

## WELCOME!

The RIMS Chicago Chapter is pleased to host its 2014 Golf Outing, held as in the past at the beautiful White Eagle Country Club in Naperville on Monday, July 21.

All the traditional events will take place.....

-  Lunch, Cocktails, Dinner Buffet
-  Prizes
-  50/50 Raffle
-  Contests and Event Holes
-  Silent Auction

.....along with some new surprises!

Several new sponsorship opportunities are available for the upcoming event and once again, we are streamlining the process with an online registration/sponsor option.

Space is limited and foursomes are filling up fast! Check the website for registration details.

2014 Sponsorship Opportunities Available	Cost
Photography	\$3,000
Lunch	\$2,000
Cocktail Hour	\$2,000
Golf Carts	\$2,000
Putting Contest	\$750
Hit the Gong Contest	\$750
<b>NEW!! Ball Launcher</b>	<b>\$750</b>
Beverage Cart/Snack Sponsorship	\$600 each
Driving Range	\$500
Hole - Tee Box or Green	\$300 each
Event Hole	<b>\$500 each</b>
Closest to the Pin (6 total)	
Long Drive (6 total)	
Long Putt (3 total)	



# THANK YOU TO THE SPONSORS OF THE 2013 CHICAGO RIMS GOLF OUTING

Sponsor	Sponsorship
Accelerated Rehab	Massage Tent, 1 Hole & Cooler Bags
American Technologies	1 Longest Drive
Aon	2 Hole-In-One
Arch Insurance Group	Putting Contest
ASN/Medallocators	Donated golf towels
Belfor Property Restoration	Bloody Mary Bar
BrickStreet Insurance	1 Hole
Broadspire	1 Hole
CorVel	Cocktail Hour & Water bottles
Dempsey Partners	Donated wine
Doctors of Physical Therapy	Donated golf towels
FM Global	2 Longest Drives & 2 Holes
Gallagher Bassett Services	2 Longest Drives
Global Risk Consultants	1 Hole
Hays Companies	1 Hole
Helmsman Management Services	1 Hole
Jordan Reses Prescription Management Services	Donated golf towels, golf balls
Katie School of Insurance	1 Longest Putt
Lockton Companies – Chicago	Dinner
Marsh	1 Roaming Cart & 2 Holes
Marshall Investigative Group	1 Longest Putt
MedRisk	1 Hole & Hand sanitizer
RWH Myers	1 Closest to the Pin
Old Republic Risk Management, Inc.	Halfway House
PMA Companies	1 Hole
Quantum Global Advisors	Margarita Bar
Safety National	Hit the Gong
Sedgwick	1 Fixed Cart
Swiss Re – Corporate Solutions	1 Driving Range
TIG Investigative Services	Video taping
Travelers	1 Roaming Cart
Vangent	Donated golf balls
VeriClaim, Inc.	1 Roaming Cart
Willis	2 Closest to the Pin & 1 Longest Drive
XL Insurance	Golf Carts

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