



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### Chicago Chapter RIMS Members:

Having reached mid-year, I wanted to reflect on the work of our volunteers and their contributions that have led to many of our accomplishments as a chapter. My thanks to the functional committees we have working towards making this a better chapter for Chicago. As each year passes, we grow through transitions in our ever evolving chapter. This creates an opportunity where **we need spirited leaders and active participants who are looking to dedicate a portion of their time to give back.** At our recent board meeting, we discussed current and future openings we have for the 2016 and upcoming 2017 year that need to be filled.

Does this sound like someone you may know, or maybe yourself? If so, and you are a professional member of Chicago RIMS, please reach out to Marie Kupferschmid ([mkupferschmid@essendant.com](mailto:mkupferschmid@essendant.com)). Marie is our chapter's Nomination Committee chair. You can either volunteer yourself or nominate someone that we can reach out as a volunteer for the chapter. We can only achieve our purpose by giving back to enriching the education, advocacy, and networking opportunities within the Chicagoland Risk Professionals. We have several leadership openings for the upcoming year; four Board of Director positions and an Assistant Treasurer. We cannot put on activities, outreach programs, scholarships, or monthly programming meetings without the help and leadership of our active member volunteers.

In addition to contacting Marie, I would be more than happy to speak with you about the chapter, or any questions you might have regarding the remainder of 2016 and 2017.

Thanks,

**Jonathan Falco**  
Chicago Chapter RIMS President

### **WANT TO BE MORE INVOLVED WITH HELPING OUR CHAPTER? DOES YOUR COMPANY HAVE THE ABILITY TO HOST MEETINGS OF 100 PEOPLE OR MORE?**

Chicago RIMS Programming Committee is in need of future meeting venues for our 2016-2017 monthly chapter meetings. Please contact Jonathan Falco our Chapter President and Programming Committee Chair [Jonathan.Falco@us.mcd.com](mailto:Jonathan.Falco@us.mcd.com) if you are interested.

## Upcoming Events:

### Chicago RIMS Education Committee Brainstorming

#### Session

August 5, 2016  
Chicago, IL

### Kane County Cougars Outing

August 18, 2016  
Geneva, IL

### Chicago RIMS Wine Tasting Event

#### Sip, Savor, and Network!

September 14, 2016  
The Glen – Glenview, IL

### Chicagoland Risk Forum

October 24 and 25, 2016  
Swissotel  
Chicago, IL

## Welcome to our new RIMS Members!

*Anna Grover*

- *The Warranty Group*

*Travis Ahrens*

- *First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.*

*Jim Burns*

- *Art Institute of Chicago*

*Michelle Bayer*

- *Waterton Associates*

## RIMS CHICAGO GOLF OUTING

It was another beautiful day at White Eagle Country Club on Monday, July 18th. Over 200 golfers and 35 volunteers enjoyed a full day on the golf course. Attendees took chances on the 50/50 raffle, putting contest, golf ball launcher, and hole-in-one and betting holes. New this year was the Wine/Craft Beer/Spirit Pull, which was a huge hit! Also new was a live auction for a one-week time-share in Hawaii - a very generous gift from our Board Member and Assistant Treasurer, Kevin Lehmann. A special thanks to the committee that donates so much of their time before the event to make the day run like a well-oiled machine. And of course thank you to our sponsors.....without you, the day would not be possible!

### Chicago RIMS Golf Outing Committee

Julie Bean	Steve Boss
Chris Dineen	Charlene Kress
Wendy Napolitano	Jim Parizek
Katie Parker	Richard Rosicky
Carlos Sintes	Debbie Sommesi
Jack Stone	Amy Thurlby



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## CHICAGO RIMS EDUCATION COMMITTEE BRAINSTORMING SESSION

The Education Committee will be meeting on August 5, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at 311 S. Wacker. Anyone interested in helping us brainstorm ideas for programs and strategies to encourage high school and college students to enter the insurance and risk management field should attend. Service providers such as brokers and insurers should definitely attend to discuss opportunities to work together to strengthen the talent marketplace. The talent shortage is a challenge for all of us in the industry. Lunch will be provided at noon. Please join this meeting to further the work of this important committee. Please contact Judy Silverman ([judy.silverman@walgreens.com](mailto:judy.silverman@walgreens.com)) for more information.