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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Welcome Back!

Wow, the academic semester is already upon us and the summer went by fast! Hopefully each one of you had a pleasurable summer filled with great internship experiences and relaxing days. This semester promises to be an exciting semester for Gamma Iota Sigma.

As you are all aware, GIS strives to prepare our members professionally and academically for the real world. I urge all of you to join one of our seven committees as your schedule permits. The experiences that you gain from joining a committee will be invaluable as you enter into your professional career.

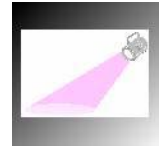
Last semester we honored and named our lecture series the "H. Wayne Snider Lecture Series". It is imperative that you attend the distinguished guest lecture series this semester as well. We have worked extremely hard to get speakers from various backgrounds that have interesting work experience and great stories to share. These presenters will not try to sell their company but rather discuss a topic that will relate to what you have learned in the classroom. Look out for speakers from the following companies: Travelers, IBC, Subaru, Marsh Inc., IBM, and the Insurance Information Institute, just to name a few. Please come out and show your support by attending these presentations.

Seniors- please be mindful that many of the

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S P O T L I G H T



Gamma Iota Sigma would like to welcome Michelle Henry. She will function as the new Administrative Assistant to Professor Drennan and her duties will include management of GIS, assisting industry outreach, placement, and recruitment for full-time/internship positions.

Michelle will provide Gamma with an appreciated dose of energy, organization, and experience while she is working toward her MBA in Human Resources and Administration. Her background includes a BBA from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, a love for traveling and a wealth of experience with community service.

GAMMA IOTA SIGMA FALL 2001 COMMITTEES

This year Gamma Iota Sigma will have seven committees to help members gain valuable leadership experience and involvement in areas of interest.

The committees are as followed:

- Industry Relations**
- Public Relations**
- Alumni Affairs**
- MIS**
- Fundraising**
- Student Affairs**
- Actuarial Science Affairs**

To learn more about the committees, attend one of the organizational meetings September 5 and 6. Also, watch this space for upcoming committee

WELCOME BACK!!!

A N N O U N C E M E

Welcome new and returning students to the new school year, as the summertime has yet again ended and Temple University is back in session. Gamma Iota Sigma, the professional fraternity for Risk Management, Insurance, Actuarial Science, and Healthcare Management is also back with more exciting events for this year.

This year Gamma Iota Sigma will again conduct Graduate and Internship Career Receptions, networking lunches, and socials. In addition, guest lecturers from industry leaders will conduct presentations every Wednesday starting in late September.

Last year was a tough act to follow, but Temple's Sigma Chapter is committed to defending the Bowers Award for the best overall chapter in the nation and making this year the best one yet.

Seniors- we are off to a fast start and need to be mindful that the deadlines for submitting resumes and completing interview workshops have accelerated.

Resume Book Requirements are for December graduates as well as May graduates, RMI and AS. The Fall 2001 Handbook for GIS will detail all pertinent information.

Don't Miss Out, Stay in the Loop
Make sure that you submit a current and frequently used email address for the daily receipt of important information.

IMPORTANT DATES AND

- * **Organizational Meetings**
Sept. 5th 11:40 am – 12:30 pm
Sept. 6th 2:40 pm – 3:30 pm
Speakman Hall, room 112
- * **First Annual Golf Outing**
Sept. 10th Blue Bell Country Club
- * **Deadlines for Resumes**
Sept. 14th Dec. Graduates
Sept. 21st May Graduates
- * **Interview Workshops**
Sept. 14th 1:40 pm – 4:30 pm

FALL 2001 OFFICERS' RETREAT

The Gamma Iota Sigma Officers' Retreat was held this fall in Atlantic City on August 23 and 24. All 22 officers, Dr. Drennan, and his new assistant Michelle Henry attended this event to help organize and plan the upcoming year.

Major emphasis was placed on the need for community service and professional development in addition to career workshops and receptions. The meeting also tried to tackle the difficult issue of database management, a problem that large companies also have a hard time settling.

This fall's retreat was very successful. With all the discussions and issues, one object remains very clear: new and old officers are

★ **Do you want to be a featured intern?** ★
★ Send a profile of your internship experience to: ★
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★ Assistant Secretary ★
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FEATURED SUMMER INTERN – B E N C . A L S T O N

- MAJOR(S):** Risk Management and Insurance, Human Resources & Administration
- WHERE:** City Of Philadelphia, Department of Finance, Division of Risk Management
- POSITION:** Risk Services Intern
- WHAT:** Risk Services, Claims Unit - Insurance certificate review, policy review, claims summaries, data management, and extensive research.
- PROS:** This internship was incredibly autonomous and only a 1/2 hour away from home. I also worked with seasoned professionals who were really great people.
- ADVICE:** Early involvement with Gamma is of great importance and remember a positive atti-