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## A NOTE FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT—NOELLE SALAMONE

Welcome back to another exciting semester at Temple University! Though for some, the summer may have seemed short, I hope you were able to relax and enjoy a few months away from hustle and bustle of school.

This semester definitely promises to be fun and exciting with new events for all to help plan and participate in. Look for some new and fresh ideas from the Public Relations Committee, watch for the redesign of the Sigma Chapter website, and be prepared to network with alumni and industry reps at various events. Please ask any officer or stop by the Gamma Office and tell us how you would like to help.

We also hope that you will enjoy this semester's Distinguished Guest Lecturer Series. We will hear speakers present on a number of topics, including current issues from Terrorism to the Life of a Risk Manager. The Lecturer Series will undoubtedly compliment your class work and internship experiences and better prepare you for your future careers.

The Sigma Chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma, as many of you know, strives to prepare our members professionally, academically, and socially for the world beyond the classroom. But only you can truly make the experience here completely beneficial. That is why I strongly encourage you to join one of our committees, participate in events like Gamma Games, and attend the weekly speaker series.

Here's to a great semester!

### **Organizational Meeting: September 10, Tuttleman 101, 11:40am-12:30pm**

The purpose of the organizational meeting is for you to gain an opportunity to learn about the many benefits of Gamma Iota Sigma membership and to learn about and sign up for one of our numerous spectacular committees.

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### **HEY! LOOK HERE! STUFF'S GOING ON!!**

Student Professional Organization Fair—9/12

Lounge of Speakman Hall

Third Annual Golf Outing—9/18

Pinecrest CC—All are welcome!

Gamma Games—9/24

See reverse for more info!

**Fall Revival Social—10/4**

Get your dance on at Envy

**SENIOR CAREER RECEPTION—10/16**

Court your future employer in the Great Court of Mitten Hall



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## ASK PHILIO AND MOGG

Philio and Mogg are your local friendly experts on every subject, available to answer those questions that keep you up at night. If you have a question to submit, please e-mail us at pstefano@temple.edu or mogg@temple.edu and keep an eye out for the answer in the next issue of Risky Business!

**Q: What is the difference between the actuarial science and risk management majors?**

**P&M:** In short, about 50 IQ points, 200 SAT points, and about \$30,000 on your starting salary. Realistically, many people see risk management as a more qualitative subject, while actuarial science is more quantitative subject. However, both disciplines deal with the underlying principles and mathematical foundations of the many facets of the insurance industry. We would be remiss to not mention that the exam process for actuaries is far more rigorous than it is for risk managers, brokers, benefits specialists, reinsurers, and even accountants all put together. Our advice to you: definitely go with boxers.

## LET THE GAMES BEGIN !

Gamma Games originated at the GIS National Conference in 2001 in Normal, Illinois, where all Gamma chapters had the pleasure of partaking in the festivities. Since then the Sigma Chapter has adopted it as its own in an effort to have the new and returning members of Gamma Iota Sigma get to know each other, prove their mental and physical prowess, and basically have a good time for a night at the beginning of the semester. Past years' Gamma Games have featured the dangling coconut relay, hula hoop contest, and musical chairs. You'll hear much more in the coming weeks about the festivities planned for this semester's Gamma Games. They'll be held on **September 17** in Pearson Hall room 145 at 6pm. For more information, contact Joe Pizza (jpizza@temple.edu) or Leticia Trott (ltrott@temple.edu). Word.



## MEET THE OFFICERS

**JUSTIN SHELDON**—Justin has been an officer since the Fall 2002 semester when he was recruited to learn the ropes of the Professional Development, then called Career Placement. Under the trusty guidance of the very beautiful Steph Garcia, Justin has blossomed into a fine VP of Professional Development. In addition to his Gamma involvement, Justin is studying the Employee Benefits track of the Risk Management major and will sadly leave us in December 2003. Justin interned this past summer with ACE INA in Philadelphia and enjoys long walks on the beach.

In response to the many inevitable mistakes on your resume or to learn more about dining with Justin, please feel free to contact the Gamma office!



## TOP 10 LIST O' THE WEEK

Top 10 Reasons to Join A Committee

10. No one wants to do BA 100 the real way.
9. Business students don't really enjoy actually having the "free period" free.
8. You show up to a couple meetings and you get pizza and soda at the end of the semester... not a bad deal, is it?
7. How else are you going to meet cute insurance students.
6. Its one of the few ways we can rope you into selling Lady Luck Lottery Tickets.
5. Joining a committee is a great way to ensure you'll get an internship or full-time position.
4. Makes the Gamma Iota Sigma family seem a little bit smaller and cozier.
3. We're always looking for new ways to botch the Golf Outing.
2. Pushes you to achieve maximum donut-selling potential.
1. The true essence of Gamma Iota Sigma relies on the dedicated participation of committee members working on and partaking in numerous events. The committee members are the great cogs that keeps this machine running smoothly.

## FEATURED INTERN

**Who:** Matt McGurk

**Majors:** Accounting, Risk Management & Insurance

**Graduation Date:** May 2005

**Where:** Towers Perrin Administrative Solutions, Philadelphia, PA

**What:** Client Delivery Specialist

**Why:** Matt liked gaining knowledge of retirement benefits because of the fact that they are a major issue in everyone's financial planning. His responsibilities were under employee pensions where he ran calculations to ensure that employees were fully vested for their retirement benefits and social security supplements.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2 First day of school!	3	4	5
8	9	10 Organizational Meeting Tuttleman 101 11:40am-12:30pm	11	12 SPO Fair Speakman Lounge 11am-2pm  Senior Interview Workshop 2:40pm-5pm