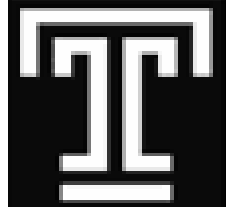




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**MELISSA BARLOW STRATTS**

**PRINCIPAL & VICE PRESIDENT**

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**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2005, 11:40AM TO 12:30PM**

**WALK AUDITORIUM – RITTER HALL ANNEX**

**Melissa Barlow Stratts** began her career with Chubb Insurance Company in the commercial casualty umbrella division. After seven years of underwriting commercial umbrella, Chubb Custom Market E&S, directors and officers liability, and errors and omissions liability, she entered the casualty facultative and program reinsurance arena with Munich American Re. Mrs. Barlow Stratts has held AVP positions with TIG Re. in Chicago, IL and Gerling Global Re. in San Francisco, CA. After joining Towers Perrin in Philadelphia, she was elected Vice President in 2002, made a Principal of the firm in 2003, and selected by the National Production Committee to serve as Casualty Facultative Practice Leader for the Group. Melissa holds a BA degree in Economics from the College of William and Mary.

#### **CURRENT INDUSTRY EVENTS**

*COURTESY OF OUR INDUSTRY RELATIONS TEAM*

**Marsh & McLennan:**

#### **70K Policy Holders Opt for Settlement Fund**

Marsh & McLennan Companies Inc. announced Tuesday, September 27, 2005 that almost 70,000 policyholders eligible to participate in the compensation fund the company established as part of its settlement with New York Attorney General and Superintendent of Insurance, Elliot Spitzer, back in January have opted to do so. In October of 2004, Mr. Spitzer initiated a probe into the insurance industry.

The policyholders will receive \$750 million of the \$850 million settlement, Marsh said. Marsh said payments will be made in four installments: on November 1, 2005 and the 30th of June, years 2006, 2007 and 2008.

*Have a great idea for or question about Risky Business?  
Contact Patrick Healey at [patrick.healey@temple.edu](mailto:patrick.healey@temple.edu).*

#### **In This Week's Issue...**

- Internship Spotlight
- Internship Presentation
- Networking Luncheons

#### **LAUGH HOUSE TICKETS NOW ON SALE**

On **Friday, October 14, 2005**, the Student Affairs Team will host Gamma's first social event of the semester at the **Laugh House on South St.**, with an **8:30 show time**. In the past, the Sigma Chapter has hosted events at the Laugh House, with each event resulting in a great time. Tickets are on sale now in the Gamma Office and are only **\$10**. Any questions, feel free to contact **Irina Petouhova** ([irina\\_petouhova@comcast.net](mailto:irina_petouhova@comcast.net)).



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## INTERN SPOTLIGHT

Throughout the past two summers Kevin Small has interned twice with Marsh. The first of which was in Washington, DC and most recently in Seattle, Washington. Kevin's internships covered various lines of the industry, most notably, property coverage. Some of the accounts that Mr. Small handled were that of Starbucks and Costco. Throughout the first part of his tenure in Seattle, Kevin was given a project to analyze the greatest exposures of the 2012 Olympics if they were to be held in New York City. Some of the aspects that Kevin enjoyed most about working with Marsh were the Seattle Mariner baseball games,



his company's softball team, and lunches with clients. Over the summer Kevin was offered a full-time position with Marsh upon his graduation in December.

*If you have any questions about an internship or Marsh, please contact Kevin at [ksmalls@temple.edu](mailto:ksmalls@temple.edu).*

## NETWORKING LUNCHEONS

Following each week's Distinguished Guest Lecturer Presentation, the Sigma Chapter takes our speaker to lunch in the Diamond Club. This is a great opportunity to have questions answered that you may not have been able to ask during the presentation. Please contact **Colin Wilhelmson** ([cwil23@temple.edu](mailto:cwil23@temple.edu)) if you would like to attend. Dress is business casual and the lunches are held from **12:40 to 1:30 every Wednesday**.

## INTERNSHIP PRESENTATIONS

On Friday, October 7, 2005, from 11:40 to 12:30 in **Speakman 113** the Sigma Chapter will host the second of three Internship Presentations. This is a great opportunity for both new and old members to feedback on the internship experience and also ask their fellow classmates about their summer positions. As always, pizza will be served. This week's presenters are:

- James Koller of Mellon Human Resources
- Shrenik Doshi of GR Capital
- Malgorzata Gabrys of Arthur J. Gallagher

*Please contact Bruce Kitts if you would like to attend or have any questions. ([bruce.kitts@temple.edu](mailto:bruce.kitts@temple.edu))*

## 10 REASONS YOU KNOW IT'S THE 6TH WEEK OF SCHOOL.

- 10.) You're half way to Dr. Drennan's first first 205 exam.
- 9.) Dr. Cather has begun to call you his little doobies.
- 8.) You've eaten lunch for free 6 times.
- 7.) Parking tickets and the Septa costs have become a conditioned stimuli.
- 6.) I have run out of good idea's for this section and am willing to take any input that you can provide.
- 5.) All of the freshman's clothes are starting to fit just a little bit tighter.
- 4.) The guilt of skipping class no longer exists.
- 3.) You actually have to go to the library.
- 2.) You can't put off paying your Gamma dues any longer.
- 1.) You still have 9 weeks to attend Gamma Events!!!!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4	5	6	7	8
<u>Committee Meetings</u> —11:40AM to 12:30PM: Alumni Affairs, Membership Development, MIS		<u>Melissa Barlow Stratts of Towers Perrin Re</u> —11:40 to 12:30 in Walk Auditorium		<u>Internship Presentation</u> —11:40 to 12:30 in Speakman 113	<u>Intern Interview Workshop</u> —8:30 to 11:00 in Speakman 115
10	11	12	13	14	15
<u>Committee Meetings</u> —11:40AM to 12:30PM: Community Affairs, Industry Relations, Student Affairs, Public Relations		<u>Arthur I. Cohen of Ernst &amp; Young</u> —11:40 to 12:30 in Walk Auditorium	<u>Etiquette Workshop</u> —4:40 to 6:00 in Speakman 214	<u>How to Prepare for a Career Reception</u> —11:40 to 12:30 in Speakman 113  <u>Laugh House</u> - 8:30 p.m. showtime 221 South St.	<u>Intern Interview Workshop</u> —8:30 to 11:00 in Speakman 115