

RISKY BUSINESS

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, FOX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, DEPARTMENT OF RISK MANAGEMENT AND INSURANCE

IT ALL COMES DOWN TO THIS Gamma Games



Hosted by the irascible and inimitable James Michael O' Hearn (visible on the left), we are declaring this event to be the greatest such event of the past decade. This is not one of your mere ramshackle entertainments, such as your heathen *Super Bowls* or your bloated *Olympics*, or nay, not even your pathetic *Stanley Cups*. This is your Spring 2008 Gamma Games; when fun is demanded, we provide it. Whether that fun is in the form of receiving **free t-shirts and bandanas**, purposely dizzy-fying yourself or viciously mauling your neighbor in a rousing game of **Ultimate Musical Chairs**, we provide your sustenance!

The date for this event is this upcoming Wednesday, **beginning at 6:00pm and ending at 8:00pm at Pearson 145**. We invite anyone and everyone, so **bring your friends, whether they are Gamma members or not**.

If you have any questions, please contact Jim O' Hearn at ohearn@temple.edu.

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Russ Wenitsky

Head of Innovation
Munich Re America

DATE: Wednesday, February 13, 2008

TIME: 11:40AM- 12:30PM

PLACE: Walk Auditorium

Russ Wenitsky is a senior executive with over twenty-six years of insurance, reinsurance and actuarial consulting experience. He has filled both Actuarial and Underwriting roles, and is most recently responsible for leading the Innovative Solutions Team at Munich Re America

The Innovative Solutions Team is a full-time dedicated team that partners with Munich Re America Strategic Business Units (SBU) to

provide solutions to specific client needs that fall outside the day-to-day operations of SBU staff, helping to enhance the company's value to current and prospective clients. The Innovative Solutions Team also collaborates with the CEO, Munich Re and the Munich Re America management team to respond to evolving US market dynamics and trends.

In previous years, Russ has managed other areas of the company, such as Catastrophe Management, Risk Accumulation, Actuarial Research and Modeling and Finite Risk Reinsurance. He is an Associate of the Casualty Actuarial Society and Member of the American Academy of Actuaries.

Etiquette Workshop

Tuesday, February 12, 2008

4:45-6:15pm

Tuttleman 300AB

Proper business etiquette is essential when it comes to networking. The GIS etiquette workshop is designed to cover the basics of business etiquette. Students will learn the ins and outs of networking and dinner etiquette. This workshop is a requirement for any students that want to be in the Resume Book and are participating in BA 2101 through Gamma Iota Sigma. A sign-up sheet will be available on the Gamma Iota Sigma office door (the 4th floor of Ritter). Spots are limited for each, so sign up soon. **If you have already attended one of these workshops through Gamma Iota Sigma, you do not need to attend another one.**

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Joee Curry: joee.curry@gmail.com

PEBA: Compensation 101

Tuesday, February 12, 2008

8:30am-12:00noon

Dechert LLP, Ciru Center (2929 Arch Street)

The Penjerdel Employee Benefits & Compensation Association will be holding a meeting regarding worker compensation. Attracting and retaining well-qualified employees is critical to your organization's success. One of the ways to attract and retain employees is to maintain a competitive pay structure. Now more than ever, organizations must review and analyze market data to keep their compensation rates competitive in the marketplace. It is a hands-on program that will provide our members with a practical guide to market pricing.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Kevin Johnson: kjohnson05@temple.edu

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Valentine's Day Table

Thursday, February 14, 2008

9:00am-5:00pm

Speakman Hall

On Valentine's Day, we will be selling delicious chocolate roses and succulent lollipops for all to buy! You know you really just want some for yourself. On a side note, these also make a sweet gift for other people, including but not limited to yourself, friends and romantic entities. **100% of proceeds will be donated to our charity of choice, the Neighborhood Bike Works.**

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Crystal Carmicheal: ccarmicheal@gmail.edu

Professional Correspondence and Networking Workshop

Friday, February 15, 2008

11:40am-12:30pm

Student Center 217AB

The Professional Correspondence Workshop offers our members the unique opportunity to sharpen their networking skills. Jon Backlund (Class of 2005) and Jon Hensinger of the CPCU Society will share their secrets and skills to prepare our members for networking opportunities with students, alumni and industry. All Actuarial Science and Risk Management majors ought to attend this event. Free pizza and soda will be provided.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Nate Loughin: nmloug@temple.edu

Greater Philadelphia Cares—First RMI 3682 Event

Saturday, February 16, 2008

9:00am-12:00noon

Fisher Park (600 West Spencer Street)

The Sigma Chapter will help the Greater Philadelphia Cares organization clean up the environment at Fisher park. Students will clear the park of leaves, trash and various other pollution factors. This will allow the park to be clean and safe for families and people that enjoy the outdoors. And we all like a clean outdoors, don't we? **Spaces for this event are limited, so please sign up for this event as soon as possible outside of the Sigma Chapter office (4th floor of Ritter Annex).**

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Crystal Carmicheal: ccarmicheal@gmail.com

Intern Testimonial: Matthew Salamone

Matthew Salamone is a Risk Management major graduating in December 2009. In the summer of 2007, Matthew interned with Commerce Insurance Services. Risky Business sat down with Matthew to ask him about his experiences.

RB: How was the internship in general?

MS: My internship was very fun. Commerce provides an excellent program for their interns. We had plenty of orientation and intern team-building events. The people I worked with were very friendly and were always willing to show me the ropes or answer questions.

RB: Was your internship located far from home?

MS: My internship was in Wilmington, DE. It was about an hour away from home. The drive wasn't too bad in the beginning but toward the end of the summer it began to get annoying.

RB: Did you have a mentor for the duration of the internship?

MS: No, but I had a number of people I could turn to with questions or problems. I also had the opportunity to work with another intern on a few different projects.

RB: Did you have a long-term project that you were responsible for?

MS: Yes, it was an account rounding project for current clients, but I didn't receive it until about the end of July therefore I did not have enough time to complete it.

RB: What do you feel was the most important thing you came away with from your internship?

MS: The most important thing I came away with was the experience of working with developed and established professionals. This experience has allowed me to further understand what it takes to become successful in the Risk Management industry.

RB: Did you feel that your RMI classes helped you?

MS: Even though I only had Intro to RMI before doing this internship, I do feel as though it helped give me a general understanding of the insurance industry. I learned a lot of information regarding coverage and policy types while at Commerce. This was helpful in the fall when taking RMI 3502.

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