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President's Message

From Vincent Monastersky



As we head into 2015, the Los Angeles chapter of RIMS promises to be an exciting and dynamic year. I am honored and proud to be leading the chapter on this journey alongside a **Board** of extremely talented risk professionals. Before I highlight our goals of this year, I want to thank Scott Ritto, our Past President, for his dedicated service in achieving another successful year for the chapter. This year, like any other, will pose unique challenges for all of us. But as risk managers, overcoming these challenges is just another day on the job. This is reflected in the topic of our first Luncheon Event of the year - **2014 Election Analysis: What Do the Results Mean for RIMS Members? By Dan Schnur, Director, Jesse M. Unruh Institute of Politics-University of Southern California**. This will be held at one of our new locations at the Brookside Golf Club in Pasadena on January 21st.

Los Angeles County is a diverse and sprawling region. One of our challenges is to reach as many risk professionals as possible. That is why we intend to hold our luncheon events in different parts of the county. In March, we will have our first luncheon in the South Bay area and in September, we will hold one Downtown. Keep an eye out for the specific locations as these months approach. Brookside Golf Club in Pasadena will be the spot for our Luncheons in January and May, along with our Golf Tournament in June and Education Day in October.

Also this year, we will be continuing our Risk Manager Roundtable events for those risk managers looking to discuss relevant topics among other risk managers in an open, interactive environment. The February roundtable will be hosted by Armando Beltran, risk manager at Guess? Inc. in Los Angeles and the July roundtable will be hosted by Gerrie Santos, risk manager at Parsons in Pasadena. If you wish to host our roundtable in November, please contact us at **larimschapter@larims.org**.

In the summer, we will strive to hold an exciting Mixer Event for our members. The past has shown that this is a great way to have fun and network among us professionals. And of course, the year won't be complete without our annual Holiday Party. Please take a moment to see the **photos** of this past year's successful event.

This year, we will continue to stay true to the keys of our mission statement: attracting leaders, education, development, networking and community outreach. We are confident that all of these events (and more) will satisfy this mission and continue to make the Los Angeles chapter of RIMS the preeminent risk management organization in the region.

Thank you and I look forward to working with all of you in 2015.

Vincent Monastersky, CIC, CRM, ARM
LA RIMS Chapter President

Meet our 2015 Board Members



***President
Vincent Monastersky
Fox Entertainment Group***



***Vice President
Dennis Healy
BBSJ***



***Treasurer
Sharon Drabek
Trader Joe's Company***



***Secretary
Maling Huang
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***Membership
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***Communications
Armando Beltran
Guess? Inc.***



***Golf Chair
Chad Smith***



***Special Events
Manny Chavez
Princess Cruises***



***Programs
Jeff Stolle
Dole Food Co. Inc.***



***Chapter Delegate
Kurt Leisure
Cheesecake Factory, Inc***



***Rising Risk Professionals
Gerrie Santos
Parsons Corp.***

Upcoming Events!

Mark your calendars!

January 21, 2015

Luncheon Meeting - Brookside Golf Club, Pasadena, CA

2014 Election Analysis: What Do the Results Mean for RIMS Members?

Dan Schnur - Director, Jesse M. Unruh Institute of Politics-University of Southern California

February 18, 2015

Risk Manager Round Table Guess? Inc.

March 18, 2015

Luncheon Meeting - South Bay (Location TBD)

May 20, 2015

Luncheon Meeting - Brookside Golf Club, Pasadena, CA

June 3, 2015

LA RIMS Golf Tournament - Brookside Golf Tournament, Pasadena, CA

July 15, 2015

Risk Manager Round Table Parsons Corp.

August 19, 2015

RIMS Mixer

September 16, 2015

Luncheon Meeting - Downtown L.A. (Locationn TBD)

October 21, 2015

Education Day - Brookside Golf Club, Pasadena, CA

November 18, 2015

Risk Manager Roundtable

December 3, 2015

Annual Holiday Party & Installation of Officers

Welcome

New RIMS Members

Jessica Cook - The Cheesecake Factory, Inc.

Jeremiah Kalan - Roll Global, LLC

Shannon Kay - The Cheesecake Factory, Inc.

Kathryn Matsubara - Toyota Motor Sales

Richard Morgan - Entertainment Partners

Jennifer Ren - Aecom Technology

Reggie Sadler - Der Manouel Insurance Group

Katherine Smart - The Macerich Company

Heath Taylor - CU Cooperative Systems

Douglas Turk - JLT Specialty Insurance Services

Theresa Ulbricht - World Vision

Carmelita Underwood - County of Los Angeles



*Thank You For Attending
Holiday Party December 4, 2014*

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Holiday Party



Mission Statement

“Los Angeles RIMS is dedicated to be the preeminent association in risk management focused on attracting the leaders in the industry while fulfilling the needs of its members and affiliates. Through education and development, networking, and community outreach, we aim to promote the principles, and highlight the value of risk management to drive the success of our member organizations.”

Objectives

- Be the leading association for risk management.
- Create a highly effective interactive communication system to elicit, understand and respond to member and chapter needs.
- To foster education programs for risk management.
- Set direction and deliver relevant risk management educational opportunities.
- Work together with chapters to strengthen and develop a responsive and productive network.
- Define, develop and pursue strategic alliances with internal and external entities to meet member needs and strengthen RIMS' role as an association for its members.
- Actively advocate members' interests.
- Be the risk management authority on a broad array of business risks.

Strategic Plan

- The strategic plan explains how RIMS will accomplish its mission and objectives over the next three to five years. Given that the scope contained in the new mission statement has shifted to focus on the member entity, it is appropriate to describe the manner in which the components of the strategic plan will be carried out.
- Each component of the plan is based on the fundamental notion that RIMS needs to be flexible and proactive and it needs to utilize advanced technology for a timely response in a rapidly changing environment. The plan also acknowledges that RIMS should ally with internal and external organizations and experts as well as integrate strategic thinking and incorporate quality initiatives into all areas of concentration.