

# RISKY BUSINESS

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

## The Premiere Spring 2009 Issue



### A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT KEVIN JOHNSON

Dear Members,

Welcome to another exciting semester with the Sigma Chapter. Although it seems like we just left for holiday break, a lot of events have taken place since that time. We have a group of 24 officers that have been hard at work throughout their break planning events, workshops, and social activities for you. As the leaders of this organization, we are here to serve all of you and assist in your professional development.

We are at the beginning of an exciting time for the Sigma Chapter. Our offices have officially moved to Alter Hall on the 6th Floor. The Alter Hall auditorium will be the home of our weekly speaker series for many years to come. Furthermore, Sigma Chapter will host the Gamma Iota Sigma Annual Management Conference in October 2009. Planning for this event is well underway. If you are still a student at that time, this will be a very exciting event for our chapter.

Our H. Wayne Snider Distinguished Guest Lecture Series is complete with top professionals from the insurance and risk management industry. You will hear from a CEO of a Berkshire Hathaway subsidiary, the President of the CPCU Society, and many more exciting individuals. I am thrilled to be able to present this speaker series to you and hope that you will come out and stay involved with our chapter!

Below is my contact information. If you ever have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Enjoy the semester!

Best Wishes,

Kevin Johnson  
President  
FOX, RMI  
Class of 2009

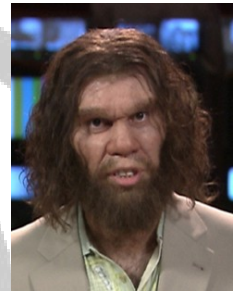
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### FULFILL YOUR BA 2101 REQUIREMENT THROUGH GAMMA...

So easy...

Do you like **getting credit** (as well as a GPA boost) for going about your normal routine? Take BA 2101 through Gamma Iota Sigma and fulfill the Fox School's BA requirement.



Requirements for BA 2101 through GIS:

- Be a **dues-paying** member
- Completion of **Intern Interview Workshop**
- Completion of an **Etiquette Workshop**
- Completion of a **Mock Interview**
- Online submission of a **Resume Worksheet**
- Participation in a **Resume Review** with Dr. Drennan
- Attendance at **Weekly GIS Presentations** (11 meetings)
- Active participation in a **GIS Committee** (6 meetings)
- Completion of a one-day **BA 2101 Workshop** with Rachel Coppola

### Upcoming Wednesday Speakers

- Tom Nerney** - Chairman, President, & CEO - USLI  
**Tammy Brown** - SVP & Practice Leader of Employee Benefits - Conner Strong  
**Marvin Kelly** - President - CPCU Society  
**Ted Wagner** - Chief Actuary - Amerisure  
**Ralph Burnham** - Executive Director - PA Insurance Fraud Prevention Authority  
**Jen Calhoun** - Principal - Mercer



Gamma Iota Sigma  
Sigma Chapter - Temple University

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!**  
**FIRST GAMMA IOTA SIGMA ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**  
 Alter Hall Auditorium  
 Wednesday, January 28th, 2009 11:40 AM - 12:30 PM

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**Join us for our first meeting!**

We will be going over all the events for the entire semester, as well as selecting committees. You will receive one of our **Spring 2009 Member Handbooks** at this meeting that details all activities and events throughout the semester.

Contact Kevin Johnson at KJohnson05@temple.edu

**BA 2101 / RMI 3682 Orientation**

Friday, January 30th, 2009  
Speakman 112  
11:40AM - 12:30PM

For anyone enrolling in **BA 2101 or RMI 3682**, this meeting is **mandatory and attendance is imperative**. Dr. Drennan will discuss several crucial items. He will cover the resume book requirements, community service requirements and various other issues.

Contact Kevin Johnson at KJohnson05@temple.edu

**First H. Wayne Snider Wednesday Speaker**

Wednesday, February 4th, 2009  
Alter Hall Auditorium  
11:40AM - 12:30PM

Gamma Iota Sigma is honored to host **Tom Nerney**, CEO of the United States Liability Group. Please join us for the first of what promises to be a great semester of Wednesday speakers.

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**Road to the GIS Resume Book**

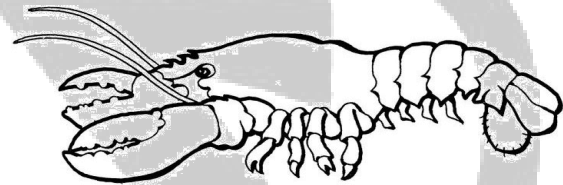
If you're looking for an internship or full-time job this summer, you won't be able to interview with companies unless you're in the latest version of the GIS Resume Book. To be in the resume book, students must complete the following steps:

- Step 1: Payment of **Dues**
- Step 2: Submission of a **GIS Online Resume Worksheet**
- Step 3: Participation in an **Interview Workshop**
- Step 4: Completion of a **Mock Interview**
- Step 5: Completion of an **Etiquette Workshop**
- Step 6: Completion of a **Resume Review** with Dr. Drennan
- Step 7: Attendance at the **"How to Prepare for the Risk Management Intern Reception"**

If you have any questions, contact Eleni Lyrstis at elyrstis@temple.edu

**Fast Facts**

In a tribute to our former editor, here are some facts that you probably didn't know.



- 1 in 5,000 north Atlantic lobsters are born bright blue.
- Karaoke means "empty orchestra" in Japanese
- The most money ever paid for a cow in an auction was \$1.3 million.
- Kansas state law requires pedestrians crossing the highways at night to wear tail lights.
- In the average lifetime, a person will walk the equivalent of 5 times around the equator.
- The average person spends about 2 years on the phone in a lifetime.
- The word "nerd" was first coined by Dr. Seuss in "If I Ran the Zoo."
- The plastic things on the end of shoelaces are called aglets.

**Quotes of the Week**

'I know as much or more than Cheney. I'm the most experienced vice president since anybody.'

**VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT JOE BIDEN**, vowing to roll back the expansion of power that Dick Cheney brought to the office while still maintaining a robust role for himself

'You pretty much have to grin and bear it. We've been cold before.'

**JUSTIN DUBOIS**, of Ft. Kent, Maine, on last week's bitter cold, which plunged to 32 degrees below zero in his area and sank to minus 47 in parts of North Dakota

'He's clearly a crudball.'

**JIM ATTERHOLT**, of the Indiana Department of Insurance, on financial manager Marcus Schrenker, who allegedly tried to fake his own death in a plane crash to avoid a criminal investigation into his business dealings

**Newsweek**

Quotes provided by (more like taken from) Newsweek

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