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NETWORKING**

Website:

GreaterDetroit.cpcusociety.org

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President- Renee VanderHagen, Crum & Forster
Vice Pes.- Ronald Pepler, Pepler Insurance Agency
Treas.- Florence Nagy, retired, but not from CPCU!
Secretary- Aaron Lee, Ally
VP Education- Paul Anderson, Acrisure
VP Programs – Heidi Muglia, Ally
New Designee Chair- Johnathon Ott, Hanover
Social Media - Brandon Van Wormer, Crum & Forster
Joe Wicks- Immediate Past Pres, Accident Fund

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FROM THE PRESIDENT-

Renee VanderHagen

THANK YOU! Our Chapter has 69 years of experience here in the Metro Detroit area, and we want to keep going and GROWING. We could not do this without the volunteers on our Boards over the years and the membership. Join Us!

WE NEED YOU! We need your presence at events, your thoughts on how we can help you grow in your careers, and your help throughout the year with our events and projects. Look for a survey soon seeking your input.

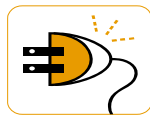
KEEP INFORMED! We have updated our webpage and LinkedIn account (thank you Brandon Van Wormer), and will send out frequent e-blasts through Constant Contact. Please make sure **your email is correct** with the national CPCU office, and **make sure our emails sent through Constant Contact are not Spam'd!** We hope to still be able to be active in 2020 with learning sessions online, until we can move back to “live” events. Stay Tuned!



Ron, Joe Wicks, Joe Perry, Florence, Brandon, Renee and Brandon Gadbury (former VP Programs). We welcomed Heidi Muglia from Ally to our Board as the new VP of Programs for 2020.

Ethics class

We had a class planned for March 20th that had to cancel. We hope to get this back on the schedule soon. We may need to make this a remote class, however. Please keep checking our website, LinkedIn, and your email for further details.



MAKING CONNECTIONS:

One benefit of your CPCU Membership is **joining an Interest Group** that interests you. Here are just a few: Agent & Broker, Claims, Coverage, Excess/Surplus, IT, Leadership, Regulatory, Reinsurance, Underwriting and Risk Management. **See CPCUSOCIETY.ORG** for more info. The Claims & Litigation Management Alliance, or theCLM- a member of The Institutes, just like the CPCU Society! The CEO, Anne Blume, spoke at our All Industry Day in November 2019. This organization is also a great place to go for educational webinars, meetings, and industry events. Check it out at theCLM.org.

A few other Insurance Groups:

RIMS-Risk Management Society

IAMD- International Assoc. of Metro Detroit Insurance Professionals

PRIMA- Public Risk Management Assoc.

MIPIA-Michigan Assoc. of Professional Insurance Agents

NAAIA- Nat'l African American Insurance Association

***If you are involved in an insurance organization, and want to partner with our Greater Detroit CPCU Chapter on future events, please contact Renee or Heidi Muglia (Heidi.muglia@ally.com)

A BUSY 2020

January 16th we partnered with the State Bar of Michigan's Insurance and Indemnity law Section to attend a presentation on Contractual Indemnity. The presenter was John Sier, an attorney with the Kitch Law firm. He offered insight into how indemnity should work in contracts, and how it should be insured (or isn't).

January 23rd we partnered with RIMS and attended an evening event at the Detroit Historical Museum post renovation. The museum was ours to enjoy, along with food, drink and an informative session with Susan Tukul from the LECMPA Mutual Insurance and Museum's Board of Directors.

February 21st- our Chapter helped the Detroit Gleaners for an afternoon session. Only 3 people participated. Do you have ideas for other Community/Charity give-back ideas? Let us know what you think would be a good Chapter event in 2020. A 5k walk/run? Park cleanup? Another topic in our future survey.....

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LOOK FOR DETAILS COMING SOON FOR WEBINARS IN PLACE OF LIVE LEARNING SESSIONS FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

FROM THE PAST PRESIDENT – Joe Wicks

2019 was a busy and successful year for the Greater Detroit Chapter. At All Industry Day in November we recognized the following new designees:

- **Bill Albert** **Accident Fund**
- **Corey Becker** **Globe Midwest**
- **Aaron Lee** **Ally**
- **Heidi Muglia** **Ally**
- **Phillip Munch** **Ally**
- **John Taggart** **AmWins**

Aaron Lee and Heidi Muglia from Ally joined the 2020 board of Directors as our Treasurer and Program Chair. Welcome!

In addition to welcoming the new designees to the chapter at All Industry Day, the Chapter recognized Crum and Forster as the Company of the Year. Crum and Forster is a big supporter of our Chapter through board membership, meeting attendance, and providing subject matter experts for chapter meetings.

Jim Mellon was also recognized with the 2019 Presidents Award. Jim held all of the Chapter Board positions once before and was willing to step up and be Secretary in 2019 when the Board had a vacancy. Thank you, Jim, for your years of service!

The 2019 Greater Detroit Chapter tried to focus on events that provided value through CE Credit and knowledge, along with events that would differentiate our membership in the insurance industry. Meeting topics ranged from Michigan No Fault Auto Insurance Law to Emerging issues with Marijuana legalization. The Chapter combined a social activity with risk management by touring the Detroit Zoo.

During the year, the Chapter supported several important institutions in Metro Detroit and the State of Michigan. The Chapter supported the American Lung Association’s Climb for Air, and Renee VanderHagen participated. We also supported the Westran Scholarship, which provides college scholarships to students interested in the insurance industry. Lastly, Pau I Anderson and Charlie Stevens continued their support of the Olivet College Risk Management Program by offering support for the curriculum on mentor opportunities for students.



IN MEMORIAM
DON MUNRO
May 26, 1938 - February 2, 2020
 Past Chapter President
 1981-1982
 Our Chapter made a donation
 in his name to the Leukemia & Lymphoma
 Society

If you have an interesting article that you’d like to have published in our next newsletter, please forward your submission to renee.vanderhagen@cfins.com for consideration before June 1, 2020. Thanks!

It isn't often that the Treasurer of the Greater Detroit Chapter of CPCU places an article in the newsletter, but there are a couple of things that I wanted to bring to your attention:

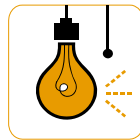
Retired Members: You may not be aware that when you renew your membership with the Institute at the reduced retiree rate, no funds are submitted back to our local association. If you are able to, please mail a separate stipend to the Greater Detroit Chapter of CPCU at the same time you are renewing. This was discovered by a member when renewing and both he and I forwarded funds to the chapter. Your contribution to our Chapter is greatly appreciated!

All Members: Over the past couple of years when arranging events, many members wait until a day or two before the event to make their reservation. We understand that your time is valuable and it is sometimes difficult to leave the office, but charges for the food and the location are usually based on the number of attendees by a certain date. In addition, we generally do not charge a "no show" fee when members RSVP and then do not appear for the event. Often this causes a loss of revenue to the Chapter. **Please try to make your reservation as early as you can and advise the Chapter if you are unable to attend once your reservation is made.**

Thanks-
Florence Nagy, CPCU
Treasurer

SAVE THE DATE:

April 28th - Remote Presentation on Errors & Omissions Coverage for CE credits- in partnership with Burns & Wilcox and Kaufman Institute. More info will be on our Website and in Email soon!



**Send us your ideas for presentations-
If your company would like to host a meeting, let us know...we'd love to work with you!**

Let's think aboutMENTORING

MENTOR - (noun) an experienced and trusted adviser; (verb) advise or train (especially a younger colleague)

Is there a mentor that helped you in your career? Have you thanked him/her for the guidance given, and importantly, have you passed on that wisdom, or become that "trusted adviser" to someone else?

Share your stories with us! Help us recognize those who have contributed to the insurance industry by their example in business, leadership, education, invention, and innovation.

Do you have a rising star in your company? Encourage that star to pursue continuing education, especially the highest level of insurance designation (the CPCU, of course!). Encourage leadership opportunities and participation in industry organizations because of the depth of knowledge, experience, and skills that these activities develop.