



Southwestern Michigan CPCU
Society Chapter

November 19, 2014
The Grille Room

- Welcome and introductions
 - Thanks to guest speakers, Adam and Charlie for coming today
 - Welcome to new designees

- Chapter business
 - Effective November 10, our chapter is now incorporated
 - Gamma Iota Sigma has a chapter at Olivet College received award from Society. They have about 150 members. Kimberly was able to address this group and talk about the benefits of an insurance industry career.
 - Meeting changes
 - In the past, meals were reimbursed. Some companies/departments are changing their reimbursement requirements. After today's meeting, a ballot will be sent to membership as to how we should move forward with future meetings.
 - Lomen Foundation supports students in insurance studies with \$2000 scholarship. The Board is recommending a \$500 gift to this foundation in 2014 and 2015. Membership voted and this passed.
 - Committee Updates
 - Good Works
 - Adopting a family for the holidays. The family consists of a mom, 6-year-old daughter, and 1-month-old son. Voluntary donations are being accepted. Bring a wrapped gift stating who it is for to either Jenny Ahlemeyer or Andy O'Hern. Please have them to the committee by December 12.

- New Designee Conferment Ceremony
 - Area Governor Charlie Stevens recognized the 2014 CPCU Designees:
 - Dustin Barrons
 - Jodie Brooks
 - Sarah Odenbach
 - AJ Gray
 - Look for ways to give back. Can be an officer in Chapter, mentor, teacher of insurance education.

- Installation of Officers
 - Officers sworn in for 2015
 - Kimberly Bragg, President
 - Kathy Zuhl, Vice-President
 - Anne Crandall, Secretary
 - John Estes, Treasurer

- Guest speaker: Attorney Adam Kutinsky, CPCU
 - Participants in National Interest Groups is a good way to network and learn more about the insurance industry.
 - Groups are responsible for Webinars and Seminars
 - Three top reasons to join a group and participate in planning events:
 - No better way to learn than to teach
 - Networking is an essential part of growing
 - Because you are a CPCU and you want to be the best and give back
 - There are 14 groups available. Handout was provided.

- Closing remarks
 - Committee Leads were recognized:
 - Jenny Ahlemeyer
 - Mary Ann Flinn
 - Chad Ahlemeyer
 - Cathy Smith