

Cincinnati Chapter

# Cincinnati Chapter Chapter Gram 1st Quarter 2019

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# Chapter President's Message

Hello Fellow CPCU! If you're like me, you're anxiously awaiting warmer days! Your chapter board has been feverishly planning events and things are heating up quickly!

We've already held two events this year and are looking forward to many more. Our New Year, New Connections happy hour took place on January 24 at The Dingle House. It was wonderful to meet some of our newer members, get reacquainted with some of our veteran members and enjoy great food, drink and conversation!

The Chapter continued in the spirit of connection and collaborated with the Cincinnati RIMS Chapter to host a breakfast meeting on February 15 at Great American. Michael Beranek, of Berkley Crime, spoke about crime insurance. His presentation was informative and very well received!

We look forward to serving you this year by providing more educational and social events, with opportunities to learn and grow while connecting with others in the industry. Our next event is in celebration of our annual March Ethics Month, and we are proud to host one of our own members, Peter Schmid, JD, CPCU, from Rolfes Henry, Co. LPA. Through these events, your Chapter aims to enable you to remain relevant and updated in your field. When you attend events like these, you are signaling to your employer, your customers and your peers that you are committed to excellence and integrity in your profession.

Society renewal notices should have already appeared in your mailboxes and inboxes. If you did not receive an invoice, or would like to join, please contact CPCU Society Member Resources, membercenter@cpcusociety.org. I urge you to consider renewing. You'll find a wealth of value in being a member of the society, beyond the benefits I already mentioned. If you are a new designee, welcome! I look forward to meeting you at our new designee event in April. You'll find that the Cincinnati chapter has many members excited to engage you in events and any volunteer and leadership opportunities you desire.

I hope that you'll check out what your chapter has to offer and join us at the many events the board has planned this year. If you'd like to volunteer, there are opportunities to join committees to plan and execute events, assist with membership needs, coordinate our annual charity golf outing and many more. Please reach out to me for more information. We'd love to have you!

# **2019 Officers**

PRESIDENT Jennifer Witherby, Cincinnati Insurance Company

PRESIDENT ELECT Suzie Lucke, Great American Insurance

VICE PRESIDENT

Christine Ross, Cincinnati Insurance Company
SECRETARY

Robyn Miller, Baker Concrete Construction, Inc.

TREASURER Jeff Beiting, Cincinnati Insurance Company

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT Kevin Duke, Great American Ins.

## **2019 Directors**

Buffy Clements

John Elder

Kristen Guckenberger

Ken Kerby

Laura Risher

Keith Tenoever

American Modern Insurance

Great American Modern Insurance

American Modern Insurance

Cincinnati Insurance Company

Liberty Mutual Insurance

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# **Committee Chair Information**

**Audit**: Kristen Guckenberger

Candidate Recruitment and Development/New Designees/Membership: Keith

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**Connections**: Overseen by Chapter Board **Diversity & Inclusion**: Laura Risher

Education / Social / Good Works Committee: John Elder & Christa Hobe

**Golf Outing**: *Christine Ross* 

I-Day: Suzie Lucke

**Investment**: *Greg DePew* 

**Public Relations / Social Media**: Buffy Clements

Technology: Donna Szuch

**University Connections/Scholarship**: James Emming & Brian Baker

### **Contact Information for Cincinnati CPCU Society Chapter**

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Please welcome our new chapter administrator, Marissa Spiers, when you see her at events this year!



# Leadership Spotlight

### <u>Kristy Guckenberger ~ American Modern Insu</u>rance

I remember the first time I got involved with the CPCU Chapter. I was attending an I-Day where two people from my company were, in my view, in the CPCU spotlight. The first one was behind a table, collecting coats for the needy. The second one was really front and center as the person responsible for that year's I-Day. I felt a nudge telling me that I could, and should, be more involved with the chapter. I mentioned to a chapter representative that I would like to help out (thinking I could collect the coats next year). Instead, I found myself suddenly sporting the new role of Publicity Chair.

It was so easy to get involved, and I really enjoyed the camaraderie of the other board members, and being part of the bigger insurance community. I continued the next year as the Program Chair, and then was asked to run for Vice President. I was very unsure, as I thought only company executives were elected to Officer roles. I was assured that there is no such requirement, and that I would do a great job. I only had to be ready to give the next 4 years of my life to the chapter! I then served as President-Elect, President, and then Immediate Past President/Chair of the Audit Committee.

I can honestly say the years I have spent on the CPCU board have been the best of my insurance career, and have given me so much more than I ever expected. I have had the opportunity to grow in a safe environment, in several different ways. I already had leadership experience, but not for a group consisting of hundreds of members! I also was able to put into practice some new skills I was learning at work, again in a safe environment with more experienced members there for guidance.

If you are thinking you would like to give back to the insurance community, learn new skills and expand your insurance network, please consider getting more involved with the Cincinnati CPCU Society Chapter. You can be involved as little or as much as you want, from volunteering at an event, to serving on or leading a committee, or even serving as an officer. You can email cincinnatichapter@cpcusociety.org, or meet with one of the officers after any of our events.

Kristy Guckenberger, CPCU, ARM, ARC, API, AINS Cincinnati CPCU Society Chapter / Board Member-at-Large, Audit Committee Chair, Membership Committee



# Renew Your 2019 Membership

It's already that time of year – time to start thinking about how the CPCU Society can help you advance in 2019!

As the risk management and property casualty

insurance industry's comprehensive resource for continuing education and cutting-edge thought leadership, the CPCU Society is a premier professional community that foster's learning, camaraderie and career growth.

Visit www.cpcusociety.org today to choose the membership type right for you and take full advantage of the society and what the Cincinnati Chapter has planned for 2019!



### Wednesday, March 27 at 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Ethics Lunch and Learn @ Great American Insurance Presented by Peter Schmid, LD, CPCU with Rolfes Henry, Co. LPA

### Tuesday, April 9

New Designee Outing at Top Golf

\*This event is exclusively for 2019 New Designees as a welcome to the chapter from the Board Members and Committee Chairs.

### Monday, May 13

37<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Golf Outing – to raise money for the scholarship fund. Held at Cooper Creek Golf Course in Blue Ash

### Thursday, June 27

Fraud Lunch and Learn @ Cincinnati Insurance Company

### Saturday, July 27

Good Works Event @ Empower Youth

### **AUGUST**

Cyber Security Learning & Libations @ American Modern Insurance

### **SEPTEMBER**

Diversity and Inclusion Lunch and Learn @ Liberty Mutual

### Friday, October 11

I-Day @ Receptions in Loveland. This is an all-day, educational and networking event.

### **NOVEMBER**

Member Appreciation Outing TBD

### **DECEMBER**

Matthew 25 Ministries Good Works Event - Date and Time TBD

Have ideas for future events or interested in volunteering? Contact committee co-chairs John Elder or Christa Hobe at cincinnatichapter@cpcusociety.org.