

INSURANCE STUDENTS GAIN SKILLS, RAISE \$24,000 AT GOLF OUTING

Terre Haute, Ind. - A student-organized golf outing hosted in September by Indiana State University's Insurance and Risk Management program raised nearly \$24,000 for student professional development activities and initiatives, and State Farm Companies was the event's first-ever Platinum Sponsor.



The 12th annual Octoberfest Golf Outing Sept. 17 at the Country Club of Terre Haute attracted more than 100 from the financial services industry throughout the state of Indiana and beyond. Proceeds from the event will support many worthwhile, student-centered initiatives, such as attendance at local and regional industry events, travel to corporate tours, and support for students who are preparing for national industry exams, among other initiatives.

The money raised will support students' attendance at local and regional industry events, their travel expenses to corporate tours and their preparation fees for national industry exams.

"We are very thankful for our industry sponsors for supporting student development, activities and the IRM program," said Terri Ketnzer, co-chair of the event, a junior Gongaware Scholar and an insurance and risk management major from Ferdinand, Ind. She and fellow junior Gongaware Scholar David Walters organized the 2009 outing.

The sole Platinum sponsor for 2009 was State Farm Companies. The only Gold sponsor was AON Corp. Silver sponsors included Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield and Lockton Companies. Lunch and dinner sponsors were CIGNA and Patriot Investments, LLC, respectively. For a complete list of sponsors and information about the 2010 outing, please visit the insurance and risk management program website at www.indstate.edu/business/insurance.

"It is our sponsors and our students who make this event happen," said Maria Greninger, director of External Relations for the College of Business at Indiana State. "The outing takes many months of hard work and dedication, but it all pays off the day of the event. It is on that day that our industry representatives stand up and take notice of the student organizers and their talents."

Indiana State University's Insurance and Risk Management (IRM) program is nationally recognized and was one of only eight top programs profiled in Risk Management magazine in 2008. IRM is also part of the financial services sector of the College of Business -- one of only two ISU Programs of National Distinction.

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