

Foundation Awards 14 Students Scholarships for 2012-13

The Derek Hughes/NAPSLO Educational Foundation has selected 14 students to receive \$5,000 scholarships for the 2012-2013 school year. The program's goal is to further the study of insurance and encourage, support and reward students who have an interest in insurance.

The three students selected to receive a **Rolland L. Wieggers Education Scholarship** are:

- Alisa R. Matos, Temple University
- Shannon M. McBride, Temple University
- Sabina A. Weislak, Ball State University

The **Kevin A. McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship** recipient is:

- Patricia J. Groh, Olivet College

The three students selected to receive a **Scott W. Polley Memorial Scholarship** are:

- Cameron N. Annas, Appalachian State University
- Megan P. Suchoff, Indiana University
- Justin R. Teal, University of Connecticut

The **Herbert W. Kaufman Memorial Scholarship** recipient is:

- Melissa R. Riegel, Missouri State University

The **Derek Hughes/NAPSLO Educational Foundation Insurance Scholarship** recipient is:

- Rachel L. Scribner, Olivet College

The **Gary E. Frohn Memorial Scholarship** recipient is:

- Melissa K. Penick, University of North Texas

The **Richard Hull Educational Scholarship** recipient is:

- Katelin B. Robertson, University of Central Arkansas

The **Russell Bond Education Scholarship** recipient is:

- Regina M. Ross, Temple University

The **NAPSLO Insurance Scholarship** recipient is:

- Courtney B. Bass, University of North Texas

The **Michael J. Snead Memorial Scholarship** recipient is:

- Micah W. Todd, University of Connecticut

The deadline to apply for the scholarships each year is June 1.

Domestic Surplus Lines Carriers Report Increase in DPW

Domestic professional surplus lines insurers generated a 3.2% increase in direct premiums written in 2011, breaking a four year decline, and the overall surplus lines industry reported a 1.8% decrease in direct written premiums, the fifth consecutive decline, according to the *2012 Special Report U.S. Surplus Lines – Market Review*.

The report is produced by the A.M. Best Co. with a grant from the Derek Hughes/NAPSLO Educational Foundation.

"We are pleased to continue our support to A.M. Best in producing the annual special report," said Joseph Timmons, Foundation President. "The report has become the authoritative study of the industry, demonstrating the stability of the

excess and surplus lines sector."

This is the 19th annual report produced through the cooperation of A.M. Best and the Foundation. The report is one of the industry's most important tools to promote and define the surplus lines industry as a market that is stable and solvent.

For the eighth year in a row, the surplus lines industry reported no financially impaired companies, in contrast to the admitted property/casualty industry's 34 disclosed financial impairments, and domestic professional surplus lines insurers continue to maintain a higher proportion of secure ratings than the overall P&C industry.

ASLI Completers to be Recognized

Attendees who completed the requirements for the Associate in Surplus Lines Insurance (ASLI) designation during the past year will be recognized at the ASLI Conferment Ceremony and the Recognition Luncheon on Wednesday, October 10 at the NAPSLO Annual Convention.

The 2011-2012 class of 109 ASLI completers represents 29 U.S. states and the United Kingdom.

The **Distinguished Graduate** in the 2011-2012 class is: Christopher D. Murphy, EMC Insurance Companies.

Recognized for **Academic Excellence** are: Corissa M. Pate, John S. Slaba; and Julia L. Wilking.

To complete the ASLI designation, students must pass examinations for five courses. Two of these courses cover surplus lines coverage and operations; a third course is about professional ethics; and two additional courses are electives that allow students to choose from a number of courses covering claims, underwriting, risk management, and other insurance-related subjects.

The ASLI program was developed jointly by the Derek Hughes/NAPSLO Educational Foundation and The Institutes in 1996. Since the program's inception, 1,835 insurance professionals have earned the ASLI designation.

Jeb Bush to Speak at E.G. Lassiter Lecture Series

The E.G. Lassiter Lecture Series, presented by the Derek Hughes/NAPSLO Educational Foundation is pleased to announce former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush as guest speaker.

Mr. Bush will speak on Wednesday, October 10 at 9:15 a.m. in the Atrium A Ballroom.

He was elected the 43rd Governor of Florida in 1998 and was re-elected in 2002 and concluded his service in January 2007.

He previously served as Florida's secretary of commerce under Bob Martinez, Florida's 40th governor. As secretary of commerce, he promoted Florida's business climate worldwide.

Gov. Bush is currently the head of his own successful consulting business, Jeb Bush and Associates, where his clients range from small technology start-ups to well-known Fortune 500 companies. He is also the chairman of the Foundation for Excellence in Education, a national foundation focused on education reform.

He earned a bachelor's degree in Latin American Affairs from the University of Texas at Austin and moved to Florida in 1981.



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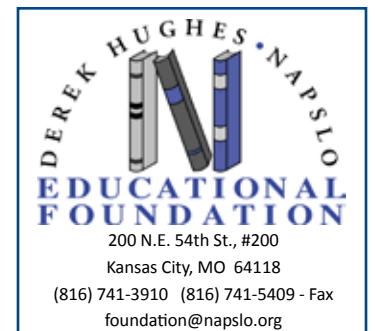
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