

1st Quarter 2016

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Next Chapter Meeting on Wednesday, May 25, 2016

Our guest speaker will be Michael Koscielny, President-Elect of the CPCU Society Leadership Council.

More details will be announced in the invitation flyer released later this month.

Location: Muvico Palace 20 3200 Airport Road Boca Raton, FL 33431 (561) 395-9009 Enter at Premier Theater and take escalator to second floor.

Cost: \$28 per person—includes lunch. Cash or check payable at the door. Checks should be made payable to CPCU.

For more information on this special event, contact veruschka zachtshinsky@ncci.com.

2016 Chapter Officers Elected

In preparation for another successful year, the Florida Gold Coast CPCU Chapter elected its 2016-2017 officers at its business meeting held in December.

Beginning on January 1, 2016, Shani Oulton, took on the role of chapter President. Shani previously served as the chapter Vice President and Communications Officer and is active in both the insurance industry and CPCU society.

Other newly elected chapter officers include: Vice Presidents, Kelly Blake and Kevin Ott; and Communications Officer, Veruschka Zachtshinsky. Both Denise Perez and Cheryl Jones will continue to serve in their roles as Secretary and Treasurer.

Shani Takes Command

CO: What do you hope to accomplish as chapter President in 2016?

SO: I am looking forward to increasing interest in the chapter by expanding membership, developing chapter leaders, and creating more opportunities for networking.

CO: How do you plan on developing chapter leaders? **SO:** This year we're sending one of our officers to the Leadership Summit in San Antonio, TX. This will provide an opportunity to further develop leadership skills and learn about chapter and interest group operations and best practices. I hope these types of opportunities will encourage our officers to become more active with the chapter and CPCU Society.

CO: What are some of the networking opportunities planned for 2016?

SO: One of our goals is to have an I-day where we'll focus on education, industry knowledge, and networking. Some other ideas are a volunteer opportunity for our chapter members to give back to the community.

CO: What can chapter members do to help? **SO:** Always communicate ideas that they have to make the chapter better. I am a great listener, and we have a strong leadership team that is looking for ways to make the chapter stronger.

CO: What did you think of our first meeting of 2016?



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SO: We started off 2016 with our annual reception where we had an opportunity to network before hearing our guest speaker, Chip LaMarca. Chip spoke to us about the transportation industry and how current laws need to be modernized and updated to reflect the technological advances in the industry. Approximately 30 chapter members were in attendance and it was a great start to the New Year.





Florida State University Scholarship Recipient

The recipient of the CPCU Gold Coast Scholarship is Aidan Williams from Lake Worth. Aidan is a double major in Risk Management and Insurance and Actuarial Science at Florida State University. He serves as the Actuarial Liaison for Florida State's chapter of Gamma lota Sigma, passed three actuarial exams, and currently has a 3.97 GPA.

In addition, Aidan works part-time as an Actuarial Analyst at the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation.

Please join us in congratulating Aidan!



Connect with Aidan on LinkedIn.

FGC is on Social Media

The FGC is excited to now be on Facebook. Our new page will allow us to share information, schedule events, post images and updates; and increase exposure to other insurance professionals. Join our Facebook community by liking our page.

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FGC Chapter Meeting December 9, 2015 Recap

We had a great luncheon and sucessful toy drive for the Jack and Jill Children's Center (JJCC). Elections took place for the 2016-2017 term and our guest speaker was a representative from the JJCC. Additional toys were later donated by the Cub Scouts of Pack 222 South Florida Council, Lighthouse District after one of our chapter members shared JJCC's mission.



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Call for News/Articles

If you have written any news or articles that would be of interest to our general chapter membership, please email veruschka zachtshinsky@ncci.com.

We also welcome postings for any professional positions you may have open within your company. Just let us know and we'll get the word out.

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