

Iowa Chapter CPCU Society Meeting

Date & Time	Thursday, September 21st, 2006 11:30 a.m.
Location:	West Des Moines Sheraton 1800 50th
Topic:	Risk Management of Large Exposures
Speaker:	Bob Cataldo, Polk County Risk Manager and Merle Hicks, Safety & Loss Control Specialist.

DESCRIPTION: Polk County is the largest county government in the state of Iowa with a unique set of loss exposures. Bob Cataldo, Polk County Risk Manager, and Merle Hicks, Polk County Safety and Loss Control Specialist, will discuss these large loss exposures that are a part of the county's self insured program. They'll also discuss why Polk County switched from a standard program to a self insured program, coverages needed to make the program successful and methods they use to keep claims as low as possible. Their relationship with Iowa OSHA and how they use OSHA to identify and correct hazard exposures to avoid losses will also be addressed.

Frank A. Cataldo Jr. (Bob)

Education

Graduate of Des Moines Dowling High School 1965
B.S. Degree from University of Iowa 1970

Risk Management Experience

14 years experience in insurance sales
Commercial and Personal Lines
Last 15 years with Polk County Risk Management
13 years experience in claims and loss control
4 years as Safety Manager at the Iowa Events Center OCIP Project
2 years as Risk Manager
Responsible for oversight of Risk Management Division
Handle all work comp claims, setting all reserves, oversee all medical, rehab and any disability payouts (weekly disability or impairment rating)

Merle Hicks

Education

Graduated from Saydel High School
Graduated from Des Moines Area Community College
A.A.S. in electronics

Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. Maintenance Supervisor 5 years
Armstrong/Pirelli/Titan Tire Co. 17 years

Electrician
Union Safety Chairman
Iowa Occupational Health And Safety 8 years
Trained in OSHA Standards Enforcement and Consultation Officer
Has instructed numerous OSHA 10 training classes
Has been involved in numerous investigations and inspections throughout the State of Iowa
Worked at "Ground Zero" at the Twin Tower Site after 9/11
Polk County Risk Management as Safety and Loss Control Specialist since 06/01/05
Responsible for Building Safety Inspections, Employee Training, Liability Claims Investigations

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