



# THE ISCM NEWSLETTER

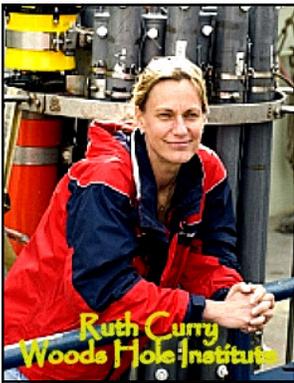
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## 2009 Highlights

### Annual Members Meeting

RAA Catastrophe Conference - Tampa, Florida



Ruth Curry - Keynote Speaker at the Annual Members Meeting

### New Elected Officers

**Andrew Castaldi**

President, Swiss Reinsurance

**Carl Hedde**

Secretary, Munich American Re

**Maria Kovas**

Treasurer, TOA Reinsurance

### New Board Members

**Megan Kempe**

Bermuda Representative

**Bob Stevenson**

UK/European Representative

## Message from the President ...

Dear ISCM Members:

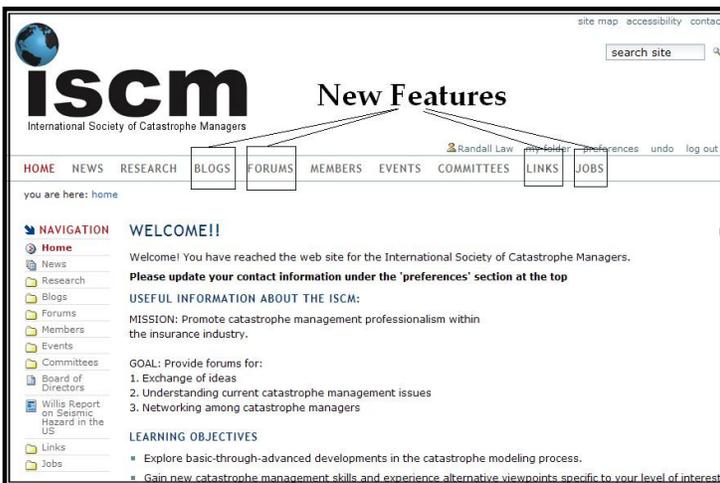
The ISCM has been somewhat quiet of late and for that I apologize. Since the beginning of the year we have been thinking of ways to make the ISCM more effective. I wish that I could write an itinerary of all the things that we are planning to do but unfortunately the reality is that we lack the financial and human resources to accomplish most of them.

Nevertheless, if the ISCM is to survive then we have to do something. To me the answer is simple, the ISCM website. Our website should be a forum for exchanging ideas, opinions, viewpoints, and for identifying topics that should or would be of interest to all of us. Since the unveiling of the website most of the members, including me, have rarely used it. The website had little content and nothing of real interest. Posting was not too easy and to some of us potentially embarrassing.

Over the last few months we have changed the website to make it more simple for us to exchange ideas. We have added the ability to post a comment under pseudonym if you are inclined to do so. These are a small changes but one that I hope will bring you to the website each morning to read dialogue between members. Over the upcoming weeks we will post hard to find or unusual literature pertaining to our profession. Through the website we will be conducting polls on various topics. At first some of these polls may sound uneventful, but if enough of us are passionate about the topic then I have no doubt that the volume of responses will eventually force the issue. Look at the website to view the polls.

Watch for an e-mail over the next few weeks to remind you of your ISCM ID and Password, then please take a moment to view these and write a response. I'll look forward to seeing our membership at the RAA CAT School next February in Orlando, Florida.

*Andy*



**ISCM Members** - Visit the ISCM Website for new/revised features recently added: Blogs, Forums, Links and Job Postings. Please contact [info@catmanager.org](mailto:info@catmanager.org) if you are having trouble logging into the system.

## SAVE THE DATE!

The Reinsurance Association of America will host its annual Catastrophe Modeling Seminar:

**February 9-11, 2010**

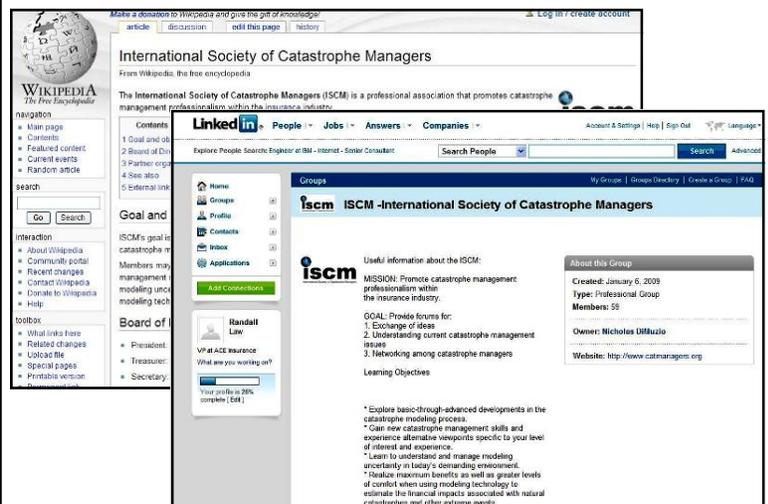
**The Peabody Hotel in Orlando, Florida**

The program will provide a comprehensive and unbiased look at the models, the data, the issues, and the future.

Look for program details soon at the RAA's website:

<http://www.reinsurance.org>

## ISCM on Wikipedia - ISCM LinkedIn Group



Check out the ISCM on Wikipedia and the LinkedIn Network Group.