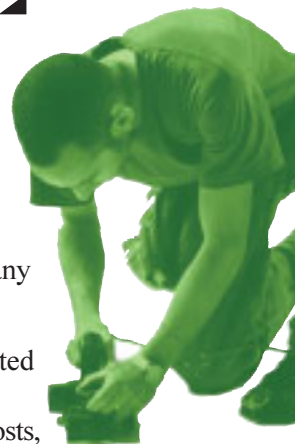


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BUILDERS RISK INSURANCE: WHAT IS IT? WHO NEEDS IT?

By Michael Vollmer, Manager of Development Services

Builders risk insurance is a form of property insurance that covers property owners and builders for projects under construction, renovation or repair. This insurance is similar to Building and Personal Property coverage; the difference being, this coverage is used to cover buildings during the course of construction.

Builders risk provides coverage on an "all risk" basis, including theft and vandalism, for accidental losses, damage, or destruction of property for which the insured has an insurable interest. This property can include an entire building or other structure in the course of construction including the building supplies and materials at the job site to be used in the project. The contractor can be named as an additional insured if requested. The contractor's equipment and tools are not covered and should be specifically insured by the contractor.

Builders risk policies do not cover losses occurring before construction begins or after completion of construction. Construction must be in progress for coverage to exist.

The limit of insurance may equal the full value of the project. Where only a limited percentage of the full project may be exposed to a single loss, coverage may be available for loss limit. When the project is finished, an

appraisal is conducted to update any value changes.

Optional coverages can be requested to include "soft costs" not directly related to construction (financial costs, additional interest expenses, leasing and marketing expenses, legal and accounting expenses, and miscellaneous carrying cost); delayed opening loss of income, should a delay in completion result in loss of revenue. Flood and quake coverages are also available upon request.

If your organization will be engaged in any construction related activities please contact your underwriting representative for details on obtaining builders risk coverage through the Risk Pooling Trust program.

The following information will be requested to obtain a quote:

- Cost of project
- Description of project
- Copy of contract
- Type of construction of building, floor, roof, etc.
- Number of stories
- Protection (sprinklers, guards, fence, rails, etc.)
- Exact location
- Breakdown of phases in the project (beginning and end dates.)



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PREVENTING SCHOOL VIOLENCE

The Education of a Lifetime

By Roger Duffield, Risk Management Services

On October 10, 2001 Christian Brothers Risk Management Services, in conjunction with The National Catholic Risk Retention Group (TNCRRG), presented a workshop on "school violence". The workshop featured Drs. Phil Lazarus and Scott Poland, two nationally recognized experts on school violence. Drs. Lazarus and Poland are members of the National Association of School Psychologist and the National Emergency Response Team who work with the FBI after a school shooting.

Facts and Figures

There was a wealth of information shared with the workshop audience. It is estimated that 3,000,000 children are attacked each year and that weapons were used in 70,000 of the assaults (Keen, 1989.) According to the Children's Defense Fund, gun-related violence takes the lives of at least 25 children every three days. From 1994 to 1998, teachers were victims of 1,755,000 nonfatal crimes at school; 668,000 crimes were violent, including rape, sexual assault, robbery, aggravated and simple assaults. These numbers are very alarming.

Drs. Lazarus and Poland advised that in nearly 80% of the school shootings the shooter was suicidal. Suicide ideation most frequently begins between the ages of 11 to 13 but may not be acted on for two or three years. All were cautioned that there is no single profile that could identify a school shooter. But, the FBI has identified some characteristics of violent offenders:

- physically unimposing and have been bullied
- introverted with few friends
- member of a small group with narrow interests, intolerant of different groups
- arrogant with condescending attitudes

toward others

- lacking in empathy or remorse
- fascinated with violence in music, web-sites movies and video games
- likely to possess violent writings and drawings
- talk about developing a "hit list"
- bragging about planned violence
- easy access to weapons.

The FBI has also identified several imminent warning signs before a violent event occurs. These include physical fighting with family and peers, severe destruction of property, severe unjustified rage, detailed threats of violence, possession/ use of weapons and self-injurious behaviors and threats.

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Students are reluctant to come forward even when they are aware of an individual who shows signs of violence. The reasons for this are the students may be afraid of retaliation, uncertain what to do and who to tell, they do not think anything could happen at their school, they may have been conditioned not to tell or do not take the threats seriously. It is imperative that schools address these issues head on through education to faculty, students, parents and the community.

Pro-Active Measures

Dr. Lazarus suggested that each school should have an **emergency bag** which includes the following items: medical supplies, emergency cards on each student, telephone numbers, a bull horn, crisis badges/vests, flashlights,

floor plans and blue prints (which local authorities should also have), staff directories and duties, maps showing shut off for gas, water, sprinklers electricity, alarms and markers to write names of victims that may be sent for emergency medical attention.

Another important resource for each classroom is an emergency response plan for the various types of emergencies. Each plan should be laminated on a flip chart and located on the back of a classroom door. Substitute teachers should be made aware of the plans' existence.

Two important strategies to help with reducing the potential for school violence is to have formal bullying prevention programs and to provide more support for suicide prevention.

If you would like to review resources that have been prepared for schools to assist dealing with school violence or other programs designed to enhance the mental health in schools, visit the National Association of School Psychologists web site at www.nasponline.org.

Two additional seminars on Preventing Violence in Catholic Schools will be held this spring. Registration is complimentary to Risk Pooling Trust members. To register, please call The National Catholic Risk Retention Group at (877) 486-2774.

Tuesday, April 30, 2002

American Reinsurance Company
Princeton, New Jersey

Wednesday, May 1, 2002

Immaculate Conception Center
Douglaston, Queens, New York

Get Connected: On the Web

by Dave Pipitone, Communications Services Manager

Risk Pooling Trust members are taking greater action and receiving more power to manage and administer their accounts on-line. Using the Internet to administer your account allows you to set your own timetable in a convenient, user-friendly environment.

In fall 2000, the Risk Pooling Trust opened a Member Administration section on the Christian Brothers web-site to accept requests to change their vehicle schedules on-line. Members have made more than 1,400 requests to date and found the process is much more convenient. No longer do you have to complete a paper form, fax or mail it to your underwriting representative. To remove, edit or trade-in a vehicle, all you have to do is to select it from the on-line schedule, make the needed changes and click the SUBMIT button. You'll receive an on-line and e-mail confirmation that the request has been received. After your on-line request has been processed, you'll also receive an e-mail confirming the transaction is completed.

Now, we've added two more features to on-line access: viewing property schedules and claims data. You can view a property schedule with current listings, values, limits and contributions for each item. You may also view the details of an individual listing, including building details such as fire protection, occupancy, type of construction and more. Later this year, you'll be able make on-line requests to change the property schedule, as well as request builders risk coverage and Certificates of Insurance.

Remember the two-line claims reports that are mailed to you semi-annually? The electronic version of that claims report is now available to view on-line. You can view five years of claims data by date, status of claim (open or closed) or line of coverage. In addition, you can look at the detail of each claim that would be found on the two-line claim report. The on-line claims data is updated twice a month, so you don't have to wait six months to learn about your loss experience. You can decide what information you want to print as a hard copy and when to print it.

If you are using the Internet for your account now, congratulations! If you would like to submit changes on-line, at your convenience, register for the Risk Pooling Trust web-site today. Simply log on to www.cbsecurities.org/members and click on the Register Here link under the Other Options menu.



Risk Pooling Trust Broker-of-Record Receives NCEA Award

Robert E. Gallagher, Chairman of Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., the Trust's broker, has received the prestigious Elizabeth Ann Seton Award from the National Catholic Education Association. Mr. Gallagher started a scholarship program called Gallagher Scholars in 1994, which now has approximately 375 recipients for Catholic school tuition. Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. has served as the broker for excess coverages for the Risk Pooling Trust since 1979, when the Trust was founded. Christian Brothers Services is pleased with the collaboration Arthur J. Gallagher has provided to the Trust's members, and its leader's dedication to serving the Catholic church through the Gallagher Scholars program.



Farewell, Don Krutek!

The Risk Pooling Trust will bid farewell to Don Krutek after the July 2002 Trustee meeting. Don has served as a Trustee since 1987. Don retired from his consulting business in 2000; he and his wife, Brigid, moved to Egg Harbor in Wisconsin's beautiful Door County. As an executive with Arthur J. Gallagher & Co, Don worked with Br. Joel Damien in the late 1970's in the initial set-up and structure of the excess insurance coverages for the Trust. Don served on the Capital Committee of the Trust and advised a number of ad hoc committees during his tenure as Trustee.

Don was involved with the self-insurance industry for more than 25 years. His background and expertise were valuable assets for the Risk Pooling Trust.

Don's current activities and pursuits are enjoying life in the north woods: biking, hiking, cross-country skiing. He enjoys writing poetry. We wish Don and Brigid many happy years in their new Wisconsin home.

Welcome Aboard!

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Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House, IL
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Upcoming Seminar Schedule

"Managing the Risks of e-Ministry"

April 4, 2002 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Greensboro Sheraton Hotel, Greensboro, NC

For the Church's 36th World Communications Day on May 12, Pope John Paul II's message extols the use of the Internet as a means for evangelization, yet notes the dangers and risks involved. The power of the Internet is that it allows tremendous amounts of information to be exchanged extremely fast and to an infinite number of people at little or no cost. Christian Brothers Services and the Risk Pooling Trust are offering a seminar on how Catholic organizations can manage the risks of on-line communication and ministry. The session leaders will discuss several key risks and concerns associated with e-Ministry to help draft a risk management policy for e-Ministry. Topics include: e-mail; internet usage, web-site development, and security. The speakers are leading veterans in Internet legal and security issues: Mr. Scott Fintzen, Associate General Counsel, Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, and Mr. William Cook, Freeborn and Peters.

For more information, visit www.cbsservices.org/seminars.

You may register on-line or by calling Karen DiVito at (800) 807-0100, ext. 2935.

"Preventing Violence in Catholic Schools"

Please read this issue's article for more information about the content of these seminars.

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