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President's Pen

In the words of Uncle Sam..... I WANT YOU!

We are looking for a few good men and women to serve on the board of the ACP South Texas Chapter!

So, you ask... How much time is required? Do I have to attend extra meetings?

·What does it take to be a board member? It takes a few individuals that are dedicated to finding ways to enhance the current chapter and programs offered. Individuals that can provide assistance with growing our membership, enhancing our footprint on social media sites and growing ACP in the community.

·How much additional time is required? Becoming a board member is a volunteer opportunity so we understand that fitting this in with other work and personal priorities/commitments can sometimes be challenging. The board meets once a month (virtually) and you are also asked to participate in national board calls (virtually). This typically can be about 3 hours, which may not include other assignments that you may be responsible for (but honestly, it is nothing too tasking!)

·What are the benefits to being a board member? The benefits to being a board member is becoming more involved in an organization that is devoted to the growth of contingency planners, the opportunity to build relationships with others in the profession (local and non-local), provide insight on the development of the monthly programs and potential changes you would like to see.

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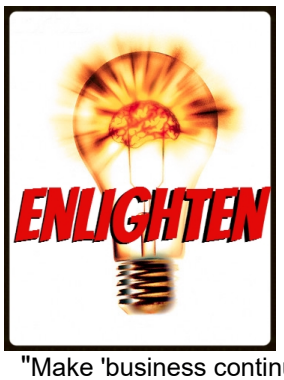


"Make 'business continuity' 'business as usual' and imbed it into your management routines as decisions are made, instead of an afterthought check off the box exercise later."

- Bobbie Garrett

·What are the requirements to be a board member? You must be in good standings (dues up to date) and able to complete a candidate profile providing a little bit of information about yourself.

If there are any questions and/or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me here.

Alicia Henderson
President South Texas Chapter

Announcements

Interested in becoming a member of our board of directors?

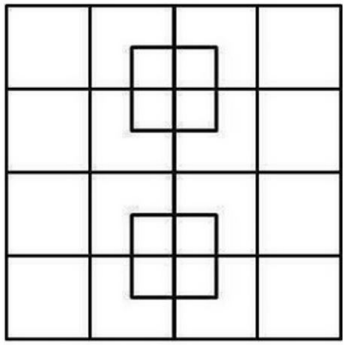
We are on the look out for an enthusiastic volunteer to join our great team of board of directors. If you want to make a great contribution to this chapter and other professionals in this field, make sure we here your voice.

Click here to communicate with our Chapter President and to obtain further details.

Thank you!

Industry News

What is the value of business continuity? That is a question those working in the profession often grapple with, certainly when attempting to justify its existence to top management. In the latest edition of the Business Continuity Institute's Working Paper Series, Dr Clifford Ferguson explores the issue of strategic value and offers a way forward by integrating business continuity into an



How many squares to you count in the image above?

Shoot me your answers here!

Last Month's Teaser:
Alice came across a lion and a unicorn in a fores of forgetfulness. The lion lies every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday and the other days he speaks the truth. The unicorn lies on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and the other days of the week he speaks the truth.

Lion: Yesterday I was lying.
Unicorn: So was I.

Which day did they say that?

**** THURSDAY ****

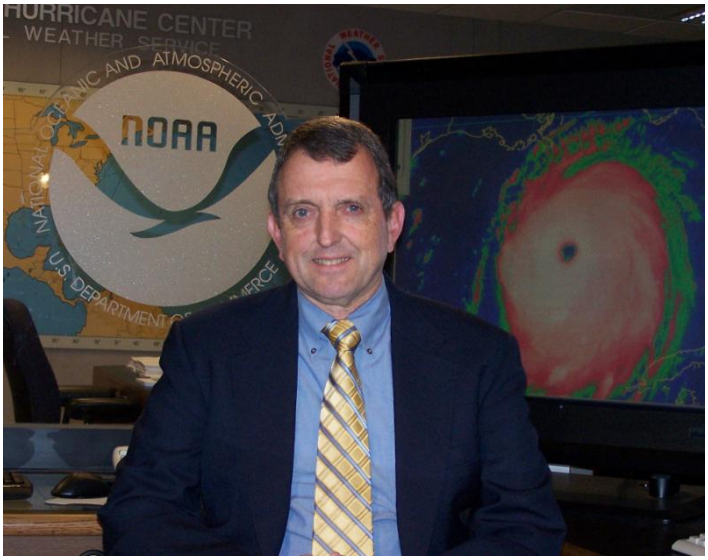
Thank you
Sam Gray
Andy Howard

organization's strategic plan. Ream more here.

Floods, wildfires, droughts, tropical storms and severe winter events are on the rise, but the business community isn't prepared to manage the new climate normal. Across the USA, the majority of small businesses do not have a disaster preparedness plan in place. Between 40 to 60% of small businesses never reopen after a disaster. Ream more here.

Chapter Activities

Next Meeting



Bill Read

The topic for the August program meeting is "Challenges in Achieving Hurricane Resiliency". Bill Read is currently self employed as a meteorological consultant.

Bill retired as Director of the National Hurricane Center in 2012 after a long and distinguished career in the NWS. In the NWS Bill was Meteorologist in Charge of the NWS Forecast Office in Houston Texas, Severe Storms & Flash Flood Program Leader at NWS HQ in Silver Springs MD, Forecaster at NWS Fort Worth and San Antonio, and in the NWS Test and Evaluation Division in Sterling VA.

Bill served as an officer in the US Navy where he flew with the Navy Hurricane Hunters. Bill earned the Masters in Meteorology from Texas A&M University. He is a Fellow of the American Meteorological Society and has served as President of the National Weather Association.

Bill has been recognized for numerous awards, most recently for the Neal Frank award given at the 2015 National Hurricane Conference.

I'll give you guys one more try at this. Think you know? Shoot me your answers here!

Last Month's Phrase

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****Right between the eyes****

Congratulations
Sam Gray
Andy Howard

Resource Links

Career Opportunities

Conferences/Training

Certifications/Degrees

When: Tuesday, August 11th. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Where: 50 Waugh Dr. (United Way)

How: Registration Required
Register Here.

Previous Meeting

Thank you all who attended our previous ACP meeting. A special thank you to our speaker Gordon Wingate who hosted an interesting and very educational meeting.

Industry Events

Be sure to stay up to date on the Industry Events on our local Chapter ACP website.

Click here for more info

Stay safe & alert, and until next time.

Sincerly,

ACP South Texas Chapter Board

Stay connected and keep in touch with us!

Sponsorship

ACP Sponsor opportunities offer direct access to dedicated professionals in the Greater Houston area. Become a Sponsor and utilize this venue to spotlight your organization.

Here are a few sponsorship benefits:

- Increase brand recognition
- Targeted audience and decision makers
- Actively support and influence the profession

If you would like more information about the sponsorship contact our **Program Director** or sign up **here**!

Chapter Reports

Treasury

Starting Balance	$ 6,710.89
Membership Revenue	$ 50.00
Meeting Expenses	$ (5.00)
Equipment Expenses	$ (31.33)
Insurance	$ (75.00)

Balance **$ 6,649.56**

Membership

This chapter's active members: **64**

Question for You

1. How often do you test your company's emergency notification service (ENS)?

2. What type of messages do you send out to test ENS?

3. Do you request response from your personnel? If so, do you provide the report to the management team?

4. Do you send to all modes of communications at one time? That is company email, cell phone, home phone, personal email, alternate contact email/phone.

5. What do you consider the most valuable part of testing ENS?

Let us know your experiences!

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