



Association of Contingency Planners
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Garden State Chapter Newsletter

ACP Garden State Chapter Elections Candidate Bios

“November is election month for our ACP chapter!”

All active ACP members in good standing are eligible to participate in the ACP Garden State Chapter election process. Attached below are each of the candidate bios for this year’s election. Please take a moment to review each bio which identifies why each of our candidates wants to hold a position on our board:

Michael Beninato - Program Director

I have been performing the duties of the Program Director position for the Garden State Chapter for 4 years now. I am fully aware of the process and responsibilities of the position and feel I am performing my duties accordingly. I enjoy being in this position and would like to continue to plan our Chapter meetings.

Richard Rehak - Treasurer

As the current Garden State Chapter, treasurer, I would like to put my name into the hat to serve another term. I believe that I have contributed to the support and activity of the chapter during the past two years and would like to continue to serve.

My experience gained over the past terms has prepared me to, to manage the financial affairs of the chapter and with this expanded knowledge hopefully perform greater service over the next term. Please consider me for the office of treasurer.

Morten Mikkelsen - Public Relations

I would like to be considered for Public Relations Director for the Garden State Chapter of the ACP. Being the current PR Director and having held several other board positions over the years, I believe I can provide good service to the Chapter and fulfill the duties of the position.

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2013 ACP Garden State Executive Board Members

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| ➤ Stan Carlstadt | President |
| ➤ Lori Keenan | Secretary |
| ➤ Richard Rehak | Treasurer |
| ➤ Tatiana Pezzoli | Education |
| ➤ Bernard Jones | Information |
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| ➤ Michael Beninato | Program |
| ➤ Bernard Jones | Publications |
| ➤ Morten Mikkelsen | Public Relations |

NEW CHAPTER ADVERTISING SECTION!

Our chapter newsletter now includes a section for vendor advertising!

This month we feature:

**New Jersey Institute of Technology
Windstream Hosted Solutions &
Cellular Gateway**

**** NEW ****

Newsletter monthly features:

“ACP Chapter Picture Reel”

Photos of our good friends at ETS!

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Bernard Jones - Information Director

I would like to be considered for continuing as Information Director in 2014. As a Board member for the past seven years, I take great pride in helping to move our chapter forward. In 2013 I enjoyed providing relevant content for our website and helped ensure a successful transition to ACP's new website hosted provider and website content management application, JOOMLA. As a result of the many BCP, EM, and DR partnerships I've developed, I can continue to help enhance our website with timely and pertinent information thus bringing additional value to our chapter members. If re-elected, I would introduce and deliver on the following website enhancements: new website "photo reel" section; new website "Spotlight" on our chapter members; continued revenue generation through our website advertising section; expanded information on upcoming chapter meetings, education, and events

I hope I am given the opportunity to continue as our Information Director.

Elizabeth Byrnes - Chapter President

Betty Byrnes for President of our Garden State ACP Chapter!

I have been an active member of ACP since 2003 and a founding member of the Garden State Chapter (February 2005). I have held the following offices in the GSC: Program Director, Secretary and Treasurer.

| President Responsibilities: | Qualifications: |
|---|---|
| Preside over chapter meetings and chapter executive committee meetings. | Active member and have attended these meetings in past roles. |
| General charge of Chapter Officers and Directors. | I have partnered with most of the chapter officers and directors in previous years. |
| Chair Chapter Executive Committee | I have acted in this role when Active President was unable to attend meeting. |
| Act as an Ex-officio member and cast tie-breaking vote if required | I keep current with all Chapter events and can fulfill this role. |
| Interface with external organizations and ACP Corporate. | -I am an active/certified member of DRI (MBCP), DRJ, & BCI (MBCI). -Interacted with ACP Corporate in my Treasurer and Secretary positions. -I have attended many other Chapter meetings, (i.e., Liberty Valley, LA, Central Arizona, San Diego, Colorado Rocky Mountain, NYC Metro, DC, Richmond, & Orlando). |

Please vote for me, I would be honored to serve you! Thanks, Betty Byrnes

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Tatiana Pezzoli - Education Director

I would like to be considered for the Director of Education position. I feel like I could continue to play this role bringing fresh ideas to help the chapter to enhance the knowledge, skill and professional growth of our members. I have a wide range of experience in the educational field as well risk management, information security, business continuity, and disaster recovery. I am one of the oldest Chapter members and serve our nominating committee for 8 consequent years. I am proud to be on the Board of Directors and I look forward to continue contributing to the ACP community.

David Stuart - Membership Director

I would like to be considered for the Director of Membership position on the Garden State Chapter Board of ACP. As the current nominating committee chairperson and have been for the last 8 years I feel that this would be the next logical step in moving to help improve the Chapter.

I have been a member of this chapter since its beginning even thou I am not a charter member. An idea I have for increasing membership would be involving the current membership to help recruit new members by submitting names and email ID's to me for forwarding ACP Garden State chapter information on how to join. I look forward to being a part of the board and working with the rest of the Board members as well as the membership as a whole.

Open – Publications Director

“If interested in filling this position, please contact President Stan Carlstadt!”

A special thanks goes out to all our candidates for volunteering to fill these important positions!



Emergency Management, Business Continuity, and Disaster Recovery “Tid-Bits”

‘Superstorm Sandy - Lessons Learned: A Risk Management Perspective’

A new report from Allianz Global Corporate & Specialty warns businesses to take preparation more seriously as the one-year anniversary of Hurricane Sandy approaches.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news06973.html>

NIST releases Preliminary Cybersecurity Framework

The US Department of Commerce's National Institute of Standards and Technology has released its Preliminary Cybersecurity Framework to help critical infrastructure owners and operators reduce cybersecurity risks in industries such as power generation, transportation and telecommunications.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news06984.html>

More “Tid-Bits” provided with each newsletter edition. Permission to post granted by Continuity Central

Are you interested in hosting a Chapter meeting at your facility?

Contact your ACP Garden State Chapter Program Director: Michael Beninato at michael.beninato@bankofamerica.com for a complete list of 2014 available dates.



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<http://gardenstate.acp-international.com>

December 2013 - Garden State Chapter Meeting Info:

Date: December 3, 2013

Location: Maggiano's Little Italy Restaurant - Bridgewater

Address: 600 Commons Way, Bldg. E, Bridgewater, NJ 08807-2806

Topic: Annual Chapter Holiday Luncheon

Presenters: Stan Carlstadt, ACP Garden State Chapter President

Directions: Click [Here](#) **To Register:** Click [Here](#)

Please visit our Garden State ACP Chapter website:

<http://gardenstate.acp-international.com/>

Do you have any questions regarding our website? Contact Bernard Jones at:

bernienj@hotmail.com

Looking for a new career opportunity? Go to our employment webpage to learn more:

<http://gardenstate.acp-international.com/index.php/about-us/job-listings>

Our Newsletter Needs Your Story!

Whether you are a Garden State ACP member or a vendor to our ACP Garden State community, we are looking for your input. If you have experiences, lessons learned, or have been through a DR/BC situation and have a story to tell, please share it with the rest of us. Even if you are not the greatest writer in the world, don't fret; the newsletter editorial staff will gladly massage your missive into something memorable. Photos are welcome too.

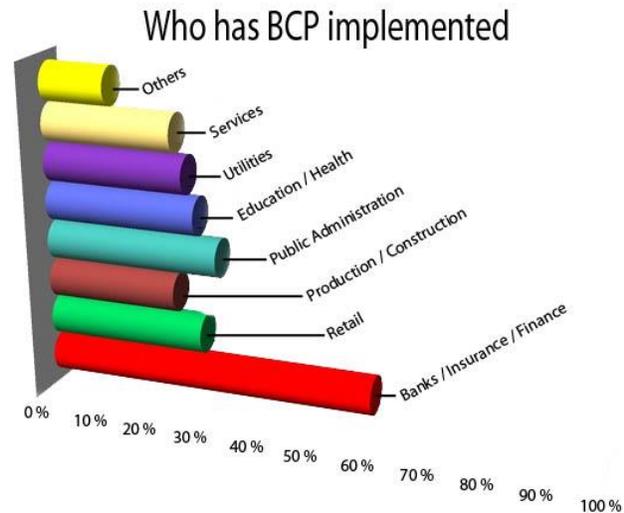
Don't be shy – it's your newsletter – and it's a great way to participate in our Chapter. And best of all – you qualify for continuing education points for your certification requirements

Email all items to Bernard Jones: bernienj@hotmail.com

5 Questions

Each month a member of our Garden State Chapter will have an opportunity to answer 5 questions about our profession. Our hope is that the questions and answers will stimulate further discussion among our chapter members on various DR/BCP/EM "topics of the day".

The 5 Questions feature will return in our December Newsletter!

Interesting statistics!***Graphic courtesy of HQ Solution.****Welcome, New and Renewing Members!**

Please join us in extending a hearty welcome to new and renewing members!

Let's extend a big "shout-out" to the following new or renewing members for their continuing commitment to our stellar network of continuity professionals here in the Garden State:

Donald Bowker; Elizabeth Byrnes; LeeAnne Bird

Attention: ACP membership renewals may be performed via the corporate website:

<http://www.acp-international.com/index.php/membership/join-now>

Book of the Month

Each month we plan to feature a book/publication within the field of Disaster Recovery, Business Continuity, or Emergency Management. If you would like to offer suggestions for an upcoming book to feature, please contact Bernard Jones – Publications Director: bernienj@hotmail.com

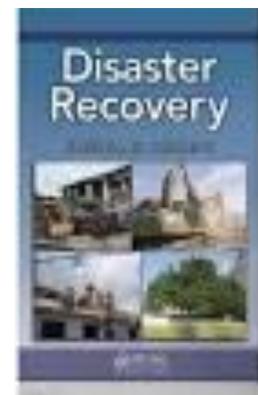
Title: Disaster Recovery
Written by: Brenda Phillips

ISBN-10: 1420074202
ISBN-13: 9781420074208

Summary:

Disaster recovery is often unplanned for in the emergency management life cycle. Yet recovery is the key stage where funds, programs, professional expertise, and volunteer efforts are applied to affected cities, states, and regions to get them up and running again. Providing a unique perspective on a highly focused area, Disaster Recovery is the first core text that tackles the myriad recovery issues faced by federal, state, and local emergency managers, public officials, and voluntary organizations in a long-term disaster recovery situation.

The book takes a holistic approach, integrating the various challenges of recovery such as housing, the infrastructure, and workplaces. Disaster Recovery emphasizes three key themes by integrating vulnerable populations into each chapter, stressing the importance of tying mitigation measures into every aspect of recovery, and encouraging rebuilding in environmentally sustainable ways.



***** ACP Picture Reel *****

***“Our good friends at ETS over the years 2011 - 2013”
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