

ACP ASSOCIATION OF CONTINGENCY PLANNERS - Providing a

powerful network for the advancement of the industry and the development of business continuity professionals.

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Quote of the Month

"I always tried to turn every disaster into an opportunity."

John D. Rockefeller



President's Comments...

Thank you for choosing to be a member of North Texas ACP. Your board is striving to bring value to our members. If there is something we could do to increase that value, please contact me or any other chapter officer.

If you haven't been to our chapter website or our LinkedIn discussion group recently, you will see several new jobs listings. We are fortunate to see job opportunities in North Texas while the overall economy is still recovering from the recession. When you become aware of job opportunities, please let us know so we can continue to promote those openings within our membership.

Planning is about to start for our first regional ACP conference. We've received positive responses from South Texas (Houston), Alamo (San Antonio), and Southeast Louisiana (New Orleans). Feedback is still pending from Capital of Texas (Austin), Texas Panhandle (Amarillo), Oklahoma (Tulsa / Oklahoma City), and Arkansas (Little Rock). We are looking for volunteers to assist with the planning efforts. The benefit for those planners is to continue to build your professional network with others beyond North Texas.

See you at the Boy Scouts facility on Tuesday, May 3, at noon!

--Mike

North Texas Chapter Meetings

SATELLITE MEETING LOCATIONS RENEWED!

more convenient meeting

location have two options

available: Richardson and Fort Worth. The addresses

for each location are below. Members who wish

to use either location

MUST reserve space

Monday before the Chapter Meeting.

through Michael Carver

no later than noon on the

Satellite Location Information: Chapter members looking for a

Subject: May ACP Membership Meeting

UPCOMING MEETING

Speakers: Mary Crea

Date: 5/3/2011

Affiliation: Contractor for McAfee

Location: Boy Scouts of America National Office,

Host: Debra Griffith (972) 580-2200 Email: Debra.Griffith@scouting.org 1325 W. Walnut Hill Ln, Irving, Texas 75015

Time: 12:00 NOON - 2:00 PM CST

Richardson:

707 E. Arapaho Richardson, TX 75081

Fort Worth:

3100 W. 7th Street, Suite 120 Ft. Worth, TX 76107

Agenda:

- Welcome
- President's Comments
- New Certifications and Jobs
- Job Opportunities
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Company Spotlight: Shane Tunnell, ViaWest, Inc.

Presentation topic "Business Continuity Management and its Interdependencies"

Meeting Schedule and Locations for 2011

<u>Date</u> <u>Location</u>

May 3rd Boy Scout of America

June 7th TBD

July 12th Boy Scout of America

August 2nd TBD

September 13th Boy Scout of America

October 4th TBD

November 1st Boy Scout of America

December 6th TBA (Holiday Luncheon)

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Upcoming Event

The Contingency Planning and Management Conference is just less than one month away. This important industry event is being held on May 9 - 11 at the Aria Resort & Casino in Las Vegas.

It's a great program with recently added insightful keynote speaker on "Human Excellence in the Face of Catastrophe" by Matthew Klimow, Executive Director, Bureau of Administration, U.S. Department of State

ACP members are eligible for the maximum discount available. The **Code ED2** gets ACP members a 15% discount off registration fees. When registering, enter that code and the discount will be automatically calculated.

For more information please visit: http://contingencyplanning.com, or contact Don Berey directly at dberey@1105media.com

May 3rd ACP Meeting - Presentation Topic

"Business Continuity Management and its Interdependencies"

Discussing the interdependencies of Business Continuity Management and other Departments within your Organization – Mary Crea

Speaker Information: Mary Crea Contractor McAfee

Mary is a BC practitioner with over 10 years experience building and testing recovery plans and capabilities. She has familiarity with all 10 DRII Best Practices. Industry certifications include CBCP. Mary is currently the Director of Education for the North Texas Chapter of ACP.

Mary graduated from UTD with a bachelors of Science in Business Administration and a minor in International Business.

She is currently a Security Analyst for McAfee. Her previous positions include Business Continuity Manager for North America with Ericsson, Senior BC Consultant with Project Leadership and Managed the Business Continuity Program for Mary Kay in Dallas.

Mary has been a Key Note Speaker at the Dallas Minority Business Council, Member of a Discussion Panel at the SunGard User Group Conference in Las Colinas, and Facilitated a Paragon Training Class at the SunGard User Conference

Farewell and THANKS!

On behalf of the ACP Board and members, we would like to extend our farewell and a big THANK YOU to Veronica McLaughlin, who started these Newsletters 18 months ago. Veronica will begin training for a new career that has been her passion for years.

We wish her all the best, and hope to see her back in the BC community again somewhere down the road.

BUSINESS CONTINUITY TIP FOR THIS MONTH – TORNADO PREPAREDNESS

Reminder: If you haven't already, please remember to participate in your office AND home tornado drills!!

Infraguard Events – May

Members/Partners,

TAKEDOWNCON DALLAS

VENUE: Dallas InterContinental Hotel

MEMBER MEETING: May 17

Great Agenda (Speakers from FBI, InfraGard, ISSA, North Texas Crime Commission, and EC-Council)

MEETING COST: FREE

CONFERENCE: May 18-19 (\$200 Discount for InfraGard members)

CONFERENCE COST: \$199 (InfraGard Member Discount Code: TDCD-IGC234 [-\$200])

TRAINING: May 14-19 (*\$18K* in InfraGard Scholarships Available)

TRAINING COST: \$1099 (limited InfraGard Scholarships reduce training costs from \$2499)

ABOUT:

This is a great new Technical InfoSec Event covering highly relevant topics of interest for the industry and InfraGard. InfraGard is supporting this event and has received significant and exclusive discounts and scholarships from EC-Council to pass on to our membership. InfraGard North Texas will also be hosting our May Member Meeting at the Event. You will not need to register for the event to attend the member meeting. For more information please visit the website below.

Limited training Scholarships are still available. Please register today to attend and help us welcome this first time partnership event to Dallas. Thank you EC-Council!

REGISTER NOW

www.infragardevents.com

(Note: you will be redirected to partner sites for registration)

SCHOLORSHIPS AVAILABLE:

- Certified Ethical Hacker v7 (CEH) \$1099
- Computer Hacking Forensic Investigator (CHFI) \$1099

e-Mail me if you are interested in one of these very few remaining . erin.owens@dfwfirst.org

Looking for a specific topic of interest? How about a venue of interest to DR/ BC?

We are always looking for speakers and places of interest to tour for our group. If you have suggestions or comments, please drop Phyllis a note at 469.365.7127 phyllis.brown@absq.com