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 fostering community resiliency.

President's Comments



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Hello everyone and happy summertime! We're past the halfway point of the year which means we have less than 150 shopping days left till Christmas. Better start preparing!

We've had some excellent programs this year. If you have not been to a meeting lately, I encourage you to take the time now. You never know what great topics will come up and each of our presenters and participants have been top-notch. Our August chapter meeting promises to be just as interesting. The new President of DRI, Chloe Demrovsky, will be joining by phone to share her vision and direction for the organization. I also plan on facilitating an open discussion with our meeting attendees. I'm sure our

participants will come up with lots of great thoughts and questions for Chloe and their fellow chapter members.

Please do continue to offer your suggestions for speakers, topics and events. This is your chapter and it works best when we have an active and engaged membership. Feel free to reach out to me directly any time (mark.armour@brinksinc.com). Thank you for your continuing support and participation!

July 2017 Chapter Meeting

The July 2017 Chapter Meeting was held at the Boy Scouts of America headquarters in Irving. A facilitated discussion on executive engagement was held which included Cheyenne Marling from BC Management, Inc. joining via phone to contribute her own guidance and experience.

Meeting Agenda

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
Welcome.....	Mark Armour
Upcoming Events.....	Mark Armour
Career Corner.....	Carol DeLatte
Presentation: Chloe Demrovsky-President, DRI International	
Educational Opportunities.....	Carol DeLatte

NORTH TEXAS ACP CHAPTER MEETINGS

Meetings are generally held the first Tuesday of every month from 12:00 noon to 2:30 pm. The location varies, so check the Chapter Newsletter or Web Site for location information. If you have a topic you would like discussed or presented please contact our Director of Programs Susan.Dobbs@Qtsdatacenters.com

Next Meeting

Date-----Tuesday, August 1, 2017

Time-----12:00 pm

Location Quest Diagnostics
2655 Villa Creek Drive
Dallas, TX 75234
[Link to Map](#)

Food----- Lunch provided.

Info----- Recommend parking on the east side of the building and using that entrance.

2017 Meeting Schedule and Locations

Schedule and location are subject to change!

August 1, 2017.....Quest Diagnostics
September 12, 2017.....Boy Scouts of America
October 3, 2017.....Day Trip-Mary Kay
November 7, 2017.....Day Trip-BNSF

Check [here](#) for current topic, speaker and meeting location

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Mentoring Tips

Three quick mentoring tips to consider:

Tip #1: When mentors and mentorees begin their journey together, one of the big topics of discussion involves mentoring goals.

Tip #2: Learning how to communicate those mentoring goals as well as other expectations is also a skill mentors and mentorees need to develop.

Tip #3: And, finally, remember this: effective mentoring is a two-way street, meaning that both mentor and mentoree must actively participate in the relationship to make it work.

George Philpott, Mentorship Director is currently working on the release of the North Texas ACP Mentoring Program. For more information, contact George at george.philpott@ftr.com

INTERFACE-DALLAS

September 7, 2017
8:30am – 4:30pm
Irving Convention Center

Exclusive invitation to ACP-North Texas. INTERFACE-DALLAS is a CPE-accredited education conference for IT professionals addressing today's most critical IT challenges

- Business Continuance and Recovery
- Network & Data Security
- Enterprise Communications

The conference is free but you must pre-register. If interested in attending, please register at the following site: <http://www.interfacetour.com/evites/dal/acp-nt.htm>

Mastermind Group

Greg Holdburg has proposed creating a Business Continuity Mastermind Group in North Texas.

What is a Mastermind Group?

Mastermind groups offer a combination of brainstorming, education, peer accountability and support in a group setting to sharpen your business and personal skills. A mastermind group helps you and your mastermind group members achieve success. Participants challenge each other to set powerful goals, and more importantly, to accomplish them. Through a mastermind group process, first you create a goal, then a plan to achieve it. The group helps you with creative ideas and wise decision-making. As you implement your plan, you bring both success stories and problems to the group. Success stories are applauded and problems are solved through peer brainstorming and collective, creative thinking. The group requires commitment, confidentiality, willingness to both give and receive advice and ideas, and support each other with total honesty, respect and compassion. Mastermind group members act as catalysts for growth, devil's advocates and supportive colleagues. This is the essence and value of mastermind groups.

What a mastermind group is NOT

It's not a class. The main focus of a mastermind group is the brainstorming and accountability support among the group members.

It's not group coaching. Mastermind groups are about the MEMBERS sharing with each other, not about the Facilitator coaching individuals in a group setting. You get everyone's feedback, advice and support.

It's not a networking group. While you may share resources with each other, it is not the main focus of the meetings. However, through your connections with other members, you will find plenty of joint venture opportunities and professional networking.

The cost of the group is \$35/month (Cost for lunch and meeting space). If you are interested in joining or require more information, please contact Greg Holdburg at gholdburg@gmail.com.

Updated Member Badges

Our Secretary, Wendy Nelson is in the process of creating updated badges for all members. Please ensure your membership information on the national ACP website is current as she will be pulling that information to generate your badge.

Training Opportunities

Webinars:

- Federal Government
 - <https://www.fema.gov/continuity-webinar-series>
 - The [Continuity Webinar Series](#) is held on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 1 P.M. Central Time.
- ACP International
 - <https://www.acp-international.com/professional-development/webinars>
 - Held monthly. Check website for details.
- Firestorm
 - <https://www.firestorm.com/>
 - Held at least once a month. Check website for details, scroll down and look under Events

Courses outside of conferences:

- Business Continuity Institute
 - www.thebci.org
- Disaster Recovery Institute International
 - www.drii.org



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There are a number of ways to find out what we have planned:

- Our web site: <http://northtx.acp-international.com>
- Join our LinkedIn Group for the latest updates and job opportunities:
<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/2670621>
- Our monthly newsletter
- Follow us on Twitter: @Northtxacp