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North Texas Chapter

Everything we do professionally and as an organization is dedicated to protecting lives, safeguarding businesses, and fostering community resiliency.



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President's Comments – January 2018

Happy New Year everyone. Hope your holidays were joyful and you've rested up for what's in store for you ahead in 2018. I've been struggling for weeks on what to write that you'd be interested in reading. I don't have lots of practice living out loud like my kids do with all of their social media outlets. I did, however, logon to LinkedIn for the first time in over 3 years! I also now have a Twitter account. All of which I attribute to you for voting me in as chapter President.

Don't let my lack of social media skills worry you. I'll catch on quick and would like to use both LinkedIn and Twitter for broader business use. I've only heard

Twitter is a good tool to use during disasters. Since I know you can't believe everything you hear (and probably shouldn't) I consider the information simply data points usable to make better recovery decisions. I do look forward to using Twitter more from a disaster monitoring aspect.

If you missed the January meeting you missed my way of introducing your 2018 Chapter Leaders, pass along some bits of information to justify why our companies need continuity (really US!), and finally gather what it is you want out of your 2018 ACP membership. Particularly the chapter meetings. Since less than 1/3 of our members attend the monthly meetings it begs the question "why so few?" Let me know why you don't attend, [wendy.a.nelson@raytheon.com](mailto:wendy.a.nelson@raytheon.com). Until your chapter leadership knows, we can't adjust for the better. You may glean some information by pulling the January 2018 PowerPoint used during the meeting, <http://chapters.acp-international.com/northtexas-events>.

January is a good time for us to reflect what went well and what needs improving from last year's execution. Try something new this year. What's the one thing that will get you to a chapter meeting?

Like Curly Washburn (Jack Palance) says to Mitch Robins (Billy Crystal) in the movie City Slickers:

Curly: Do you know what the secret of life is? [*holds up one finger*] This.

Mitch: Your finger?

Curly: One thing. Just one thing. You stick to that and the rest don't mean s\*\*\*.

Mitch: But, what is the "one thing?"

Curly: That's what you have to find out.

What's the one thing that will get you to our chapter meetings? Email me, send me a tweet, call me!

Communication is key.

Y'all be careful out there,

Wendy

### Updated Member Badges

Updated badges are now available. Please contact Carol DeLatte at [carol.6323@gmail.com](mailto:carol.6323@gmail.com) to make arrangements to have your badge mailed to you.

Thanks again to our Chapter President, Wendy Nelson for undertaking this project. It is greatly appreciated!

### Mentoring Program

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](mailto:george.philpott@ftr.com)

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**NORTH TEXAS ACP CHAPTER MEETINGS**

Meetings are generally held the first Tuesday of every month from 12:00 noon to 2:00 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 any of our board members in the table above.

**Next Meeting**

**Date**-----February 6, 2018

**Time**-----12:00 pm

**Location**           Raytheon Richardson Facility  
1717 E. CityLine Drive  
Richardson, TX 75082

**Food**----- Cafeteria on-site for lunch. Feel free to bring your lunch

**Pre-registration**

This is an exclusive members-only meeting. **Pre-registration is required to attend!!!** Please see the attached document below that provides instructions for pre-registration and a map of the facility. Please contact Wendy Nelson at [wendy.a.nelson@raytheon](mailto:wendy.a.nelson@raytheon) if you have any questions.



February Meeting  
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**Meeting Agenda**

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
Welcome.....	Wendy Nelson
Upcoming Events.....	Wendy Nelson
ACP Officer Reports.....	ACP Board
Educational Opportunities.....	Carol DeLatte

**Program:**           Brief roundtable on our members' 2018 cyber security needs followed by a presentation by Susan Moss, Manager Raytheon's Cyber Security Operations Center, on SOC Operations Disaster Recovery.

**2018 Meeting Schedule and Locations**  
***Schedule and location are subject to change!***

February 6, 2018.....	Raytheon
March 6, 2018.....	Quest Diagnostics
April 3, 2018.....	Boy Scouts of America

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

Please contact a board member if there is a topic that you would like discussed, if interested in presenting, or know of others who would be willing to present at an upcoming meeting,

## Training Opportunities

**Upcoming Conferences** (training courses often available pre- and post-conference)

- Advancing Resilience: ACP's One-Day Conference
  - February 11, 2018 – Nashville, TN
  - Approx \$129
  - <https://acp-international.com/about/2018-conference>
- DRI2018
  - February 12-14, 2018 – Nashville, TN
  - Approx \$1195 (ACP member discounts available)
  - Does not include lodging/transportation
  - <http://driconference.org/>
- DRJ Spring World 2018
  - March 25-28, 2018 – Orlando, FL
  - Approx \$1195 (ACP member discounts available)
  - Does not include lodging/transportation
  - <http://www.drj.com/springworld2018/>
- Continuity Insights Management Conference 2018
  - April 23-25, 2018 – Miami, FL
  - Approx \$1295 (Discounts available for ACP members) Does not include lodging/transportation
  - <http://continuityinsights.brownrice.com/events/16th-annual-continuity-insights-management-conference>

### **Ongoing 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

- Bright Talk
  - [BC webinars and recordings, by date](#)
    - Random scheduling.

### **Courses beyond conferences/webinars:**

- Business Continuity Institute
  - [www.thebci.org](http://www.thebci.org)
- Disaster Recovery Institute International
  - [www.drii.org](http://www.drii.org)
- ISO Based Training
  - <https://pecb.com/training>



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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