

President's Address



Welcome Summer! As we enter the Summer Season, we look forward to get together with family and friends, maybe some travel, some extended weekends, and even some great BBQ's (and maybe even some cooking competitions).

As most of you know me and how my mind works, that topic made me think past the normal summer fun and into that of Resiliency. You are probably asking, Chet, how does summer make you think of Resiliency? Let me explain.

We each have our plans in place for different incidents or events at work, and hopefully you have worked with teams to ensure they know what to do "in the event of". But I question if those plans and training have been updated to include the "new" work model since the pandemic.

Let me use this basic example. Most of us have Life Safety as the initial deliverable in our plans. Many companies have plans in place in their offices with designated volunteer "safety teams" created who have been assigned to sweep the floor or specific office quadrants. They also may be aware (confidentially) if someone specifically needs additional assistance to evacuate and a safety team member has been assigned them.

In today's "new" work environment, some employees may or may not be in the office each and every day, as they were pre-pandemic. (In fact, pre-pandemic you probably knew about what time everyone showed up to the office).

Additionally, now each of the "safety teams" members may or may not be in the office each and every day. So, in the event of an emergency evacuation, I would question how exactly the safety response team knows which of their assigned members are in the office to cover their pre-assigned responsibilities, and how do safety team "backups" know what staff need additional assistance and if they are actually in the office that day?

We all know that within our disciplines moments truly do count. So, as you get into those BBQ's and testing your plans this summer, I would suggest you go even deeper than you did before on succession responsibilities at all levels of plans in today's "new" work life. It is always better to ask now, then in the middle of an incident when not everyone who knows the answer is within the teams reach.

Chet Bojarski - ACP North Texas President

Events

This Month's Meeting

Engaging Risk in Your Resiliency Strategy

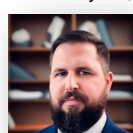
Tuesday, June 6th

Noon - 1:30 PM

UT Dallas Campus

Naveen Jindal School of Management
Building

Dr. Steven Haynes, PhD



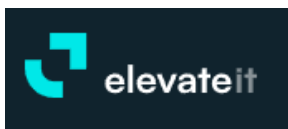
Director of Risk and Insurance Programs

Other Event Opportunities

Dallas Technology Summit 2023

Wednesday, June 7

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM



ACP Registration Code: **ACP23** (Free Admission)

Business Continuity Summit

Friday, June 9

8:00 AM - 12:30 PM



Registration Required. Free Admission.

[More Information on Events](#)

Resources

Seeking Employment

Leverage the benefits of your membership and get the word out!! Be highlighted in this section of next month's newsletter. [Email your name and contact information](#) (LinkedIn profile) to the Information and Education Director.

Think Tank Thursdays - Q2

Topic: "How Do You and Your Teams Add Value to Your Organization?"

Next Meeting: June 15th

Discussion Meetings on Third Thursdays of the Month through June

[Sign up link \(Chapter Think Tank\)](#) If you have questions, email [Dianne Stephens](#).

[More Information on Resources](#)

Membership

Help the Chapter Reach 100+ Members!



Participate in a chapter membership drive and you could win an All Access Pass to DRJ Fall 2023! Current chapter members are entered into a raffle drawing for every new member they bring to join the chapter by 12:00 PM CT, July 9th, 2023.

For complete rules, please visit the [North Texas Chapter website](#).

[More Information on Membership](#)

In Other News

MEMORIAL DAY

On this Memorial Day, we pay tribute to the courageous veterans who selflessly defended our freedom and made the ultimate sacrifice. Their unwavering dedication and valor will forever be etched in our hearts as we honor their profound legacy.

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