



Association Of Contingency Planners

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ACP February Chapter Meeting Recap

Our monthly meeting began with an overview of the current status of the chapter. The annual audit of the treasury was completed with no issues. We had six (6) new members join the chapter this year bringing our active membership to 68 members.

Following introductions and asking everyone's involvement with the EOC, Stephen mentioned that The Duval County EOC is just one of four accredited Emergency Management Programs in the nation. It's good to live on the First Coast!

Juan Rodriguez reviewed some of the features and equipment at the EOC. In order for your business to have the most up to date information during any emergency event,

you should make sure to take the WebEOC class. This will provide you instant access to what is occurring locally. The class schedule is on our website.

Juan mentioned some of the programs the EOC has for volunteers to be involved., such as CERT, BERT (Business Emergency Response), or becoming a POD (Point of Dispensing) for Pandemics.

Laura D'Alisera reviewed some of the County Mitigation & Recovery plans and thank everyone that had some involvement, FEMA has approved our county plans.

We will be setting up our annual tour of the EOC in coming months, so stay tuned.



Juan Rodriguez, Public Education Director and Laura D'Alisera, Mitigation & Recovery Planner at the Duval County EOC were our speakers.



Thank you to our meeting Sponsor Phil Brown for his presentation, the snacks and Starbucks prizes. More information at:

www.WebContinuity.com

Wanted: New Program Director

Why are we looking for a new program director when the one we have is doing such a good job?

Very good question! Because Montana will be leaving us and relocating to Atlanta during the summer. We wish her all the best and know that we will always be in contact.

So due to our chapter by-laws we can nominate an interim director to the chapter board until "official" elections are held this fall.

This interim person will work with Montana for a few months to transition into the role.

So if you are an active member, interested in being involved with the type of meetings we hold, the content of the material, and be a motivating force for our chapter, please send an email to our Chapter President, Stephen Michael at

Stephen.Michael@wellsfargo.com

“Success breeds success. People want to be involved with things that are successful.”

~ Jody Williams

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NWS Jacksonville Weather FEST

The National Weather Service, the University of North Florida School of Engineering, and the Jacksonville Electric Authority, are sponsoring a daylong event will afford the public the chance to meet and interact with key members of the Northeast Florida meteorological community.

In addition to meeting National Weather Service forecasters and local media personalities, visitors will learn more about the important work being done by other critical agencies involved in hazardous weather preparedness such as emergency management, disaster response organizations, and many others.

Saturday, February 26, 2011

10 am to 5 pm

University of North Florida Student Union Center

1 UNF Drive Jacksonville, FL

For more information see:

<http://www.srh.noaa.gov/jax/?n=weatherfest>

Memberships Available

ACP offers both individual and organizational memberships.

Individual Memberships are renewed on an annual basis with membership dues established by each local chapter. For our Northeast Florida chapter annual dues are set at \$85.00.

Organizational Memberships are available in 1, 2 and 3 year renewal schedules for businesses and groups with larger continuity planning professionals on staff.

Active participation allows members to:

- Share knowledge with and gain insight from a network of industry practitioners
- Expand skill sets through an extensive knowledge base of resources
- Earn professional education credits for membership and meeting attendance

- Receive discounts on conferences, products, services, and training

Membership in ACP is open to those interested in the field of business continuity, emergency management, risk management and similar disciplines. If you would like to participate in our diverse network of over 2,400 professionals to learn and share knowledge about business continuity planning, join today!

Go to http://www.acp-international.com/membership_join.asp.

DRJ—Spring World



**Spring World 2011
March 27 - 30, 2011**

**Disney's Coronado Springs Resort
Orlando, FL**

Spring World 2011 will feature leaders from around the globe in more than 40 sessions, workshops and courses. The theme is Successful Strategies for Complex Decisions. And that is just what you will find at this conference. Attend daily networking events, tour the exhibition hall, participate in mock exercises and much more at Spring World 2011. Attendees leave this conference with a greater awareness of the needs of

their business continuity programs and the tools to successfully implement solutions.

You can read more by going to: <https://www.drj.com/springworld/conference/overview.html>

There is an ACP discount available. Here is the link <http://www.acp-international.com/> and scroll down to Major Industry Conferences.

During our recent chapter meeting we raffled off two Spring World conference registration tickets.

Congratulations to Gary Dallero and Bob Harrington!

The \$80.00 raised on the raffle was quickly donated to the Disaster Relief Fund at the American Red Cross, and they were so very thankful and shocked at the donation.

Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere.

Chinese Proverb

COJ - Emergency Preparedness Training and Exercise Schedule 2011

Here are the training schedules for the next month's courses.

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
OPERATION RAILCAR (FUNCTIONAL EXERCISE)	NAS JAX	3/3/2011	8:00 - 5:00
WEBEOC**	EOC	3/8/2011	9:00 -12:00
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONAL EXERCISE	CECIL FIELD	3/16/2011	8:00 - 5:00
EM TRAINING SERIES**	EOC	3/23/2011	8:00 - 5:00
SHELTERING FUNCTIONAL EXERCISE	LANDMARK MIDDLE MANDARIN MIDDLE	3/30/2011	8:00 - 5:00

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**** EM SERIES** IS AN INTRODUCTION TO THE WORLD OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. THIS INFORMATIVE 8 HOUR-FOUR PART SERIES INTRODUCES THE STRUCTURE, PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER. **PRE-REQUISITE: NONE**

****WEBEOC** IS A WEB-ENABLED CRISIS INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WHICH PROVIDES SECURE REAL-TIME INFORMATION SHARING DURING EOC ACTIVATIONS. WEBEOC REPLACES THE ETEAM SYSTEM USED DURING TROPICAL STORM FAYE. ALL ASSIGNED POSITIONS INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE EOC SHOULD ATTEND TRAINING TO RECEIVE A WEBEOC USERNAME AND PASSWORD PRIOR TO ACTIVATION.

For more information please contact: **Elizabeth Henderson—Emergency Preparedness**
Office: 630-2676 or 630- 2472 Email: ehender@coj.net

Guest Policy

Guests are always welcome at our monthly meetings.

If you are new to ACP or our chapter, we offer that you can attend two meetings in which the normal meeting cover charge will be waived.

This will give you the opportunity to determine if ACP is right for you.

By the third meeting, you are considered a

repeat guest.

If you're a repeat guest, having attended prior Northeast Florida chapter meetings but have yet to join the ACP, you'll be required to remit a (\$10.00) cover charge, in cash or check payable to ACP Northeast Florida Chapter, when you sign-in prior to the start of each meeting.

Due to the economic times, several companies are not reimbursing individuals for their

memberships. We understand your plight and hope you will continue to be part of the chapter.

If your membership has lapsed , you will also be required to remit a \$10.00 cover charge to attend a chapter meetings.

If you have any questions regarding your membership or this policy, Please contact Ernie LaRoche, the chapter Membership and Public Relations Director.

Are you on several social websites like Twitter and Facebook?

Well why not join us on Linked In!

You can contact to other ACP members by clicking on the Group Tab for Association of Contingency Planners (ACP) – Northeast Florida.





Dedicated to the evolution of Business Continuity

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Our Vision Building the premier international organization for business continuity professionals.

Our Mission Providing a powerful network for the advancement of the industry and the development of business continuity professionals.

Our Core Values

- Knowledge – We are valued as experienced thought leaders
- Integrity – We are committed to the highest standards of ethics and integrity
- Innovation - We are forward thinkers developing better ways to guide the profession
- Supportive - We are committed to supporting our members and chapters

Future Meetings - Agenda

March 16, 2011

Steve Painter, LPS, “Archer, LDRPS, EventTracker and more: Tool Integration for Planning” Software Tools for BCP and DR

April 20, 2011

ROADTRIP — Meeting will be held at Colo5 located at
Colo5 Disaster Recovery Center
4800 Spring Park Road, Jacksonville, FL 32207

Our March Chapter meeting Sponsor is:

Meeting will be sponsored by Colo5



VOLO is the **only** web-based business continuity service that combines **four** communications tools in a user-friendly geographic interface. When disaster strikes or normal systems fail, clients are able to seamlessly stay connected and keep employees informed. VOLO's comprehensive communications system combines four tools to help you recover from any communications disruption.

www.volarecovery.com

Meeting Sponsorships still available – Secure your spot today!

For 2011 our chapter is looking for vendors to sponsor our monthly meetings. The vendor will receive a 15-minute presentation window, wherein they may **directly promote** their products/services. They also receive a networking table for displaying products, brochures, etc. and advanced promotion on our website and via our e-newsletter and website: <http://www.northeastfloridaacp.org>.

In exchange, the vendor will sponsor snacks, drinks and a \$25 drawing prize.

We are booking vendors for the 2011 year meetings. .

If your company is interested and you would like to see your company logo **HERE**, contact Montina Portis at Montina.Portis@lpsvcs.com.