

First Coast Connection

June 2010 Chapter Meeting



Northeast Florida Chapter

The heat outside was unbearable, but the conversation and interaction during our meeting was stimulating and refreshing.



We had 15 members and 5 guests in attendance for our monthly meeting.

Our ACP Chapter President, Stephen Michael, presented an actual event that occurred at Wachovia, and some of the lessons learned.

The scenario...

“The phone rings. It’s 2:30 am on a Monday morning. A water main breaks on the 26th floor releasing thousands of gallons of water streaming down the main electrical closets and there are 1300 of your employees located on 13 floors throughout the building.”



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Some of our members have worked with similar events or set up drills for this type of event.

Communication is the Number 1 key to Success

Some of the items discussed where:

- Employee Notifications & Updates*
- Timing of Updates and Conference Calls*
- Where to Report for Work*
- Parking*
- Equipment*
- Working from Home*
- Access to the Damaged Building*

This presentation makes you want to dust off your plan and read it again to see if you have everything covered!

We hope everyone found it very informative! If you were unable to attend this meeting, we hope to see you real soon --- Like our July 21st meeting!

Let us know if you liked this type of interactive format!

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Chapter Policy -- Update

Association of Contingency Planners
Northeast Florida
Guest Advisory
Effective June 1, 2010

The ACP Northeast Florida Chapter is pleased to welcome all guests to our Chapter meetings. We hope you'll enjoy your experience and encourage you to give serious consideration to the many benefits and opportunities available through our ACP Corporate and Chapter community. Annual ACP membership with the Northeast Florida Chapter is \$85.00 and allows access to any ACP Chapter meeting or event nationwide.

Effective June 1, 2010, the ACP Northeast Florida Chapter will institute a “**Repeat Guest**” cover charge. The fundamental purpose of the cover charge is to help defray Chapter expenses.

If you're an active, paid-in-full member of ACP International, regardless of your chapter affiliation, please pre-register for the Chapter meeting by contacting the Program or Membership director. ACP members from a sister chapter are asked to present their membership ID card during sign in to assist us with tracking your CEU benefits.

If you are new to ACP, we offer that you attend **two meetings** in which the **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, have attended prior Northeast Florida chapter meetings but have yet to join the ACP, **or you were part of ACP and your membership has lapsed,** 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.

***Note:** Repeat Guests or Inactive Members who join / renew prior to the close of the Chapter meeting, submit the appropriate paperwork and payment of their dues via a check or credit card, will have their cover charge returned!

Thank you,
ACP Northeast Florida Chapter Board

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Upcoming Events



Duval County Emergency Preparedness Presents Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program- L 146 (HSEEP)

You are invited and encouraged to attend this free training.

If you are involved in Exercise Planning, Design, Conduct or Evaluation this is a must have training.

When: Monday, June 28, 2010 - Wednesday, June 30, 2010
8:30am to 5:00pm

Train the Trainer – Thursday July 1, 8:30am to 5:00

Where: Florida Department of Law Enforcement
921 North Davis Street, Jacksonville (904) 360-7100

Prerequisites: You must complete IS 120a- An Introduction to Exercises.
To find it use this link. <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS120A.asp> .

A copy of the certificate of completion must be shown before or on the first day of class.

To register: Please contact Juan A. Rodriguez, 904-630-1182, Juanr@coj.net

Seating is limited

HandsOn Jacksonville has scheduled the Disaster Kids! training for project leaders and classroom readers.

This is the project that Jenny O'Donnell reviewed with us in our January meeting about Herman the Hermit Crab and the search for the protective shell.

It is an interactive story to help children prepare for disasters and start disaster planning. it is a good project for us to give back to our community and start to plant the seed of the next generation of Contingency planners in Jacksonville.

The next project occurrence is scheduled for:

Date: Wednesday July 7, 2010 – 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

To sign-up you need to log into the HandsOn Jacksonville website at: www.handsonjacksonville.org and register as a volunteer and search for the Disaster Kids! program. Give Ernie a call if you need any help!

The Northeast Florida Chapter of Risk and Insurance Management Society (RIMS) is having a meeting in September that should be of interest to our members. The program title is "Property Policies: Does Your Business Continuity Plan and Property Insurance Policy Agree?" This is presented by Ryan Pratt of Ernst & Young.

This will be a lunch meeting at River City Brewing Company, noon, on **Tuesday, September 14, 2010**. The cost is \$25 per person which covers the cost of the meal (a very nice buffet).

As we get closer to the date, we will confirm details and provide the RSVP information.

Stay Cool – Stay Hydrated

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Articles and Future Events

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has been designated the lead state agency for responding to potential impacts of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill along Florida's shoreline.

<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/default.htm>

This website will serve as the primary location for updates and information on response actions and impacts to the state of Florida.

The National Preparedness Month is scheduled for September 2010.

For more information go to www.Ready.gov and click on the NPM banner.

Join us on Linked In under the Group Tab for Association of Contingency Planners (ACP) – Northeast Florida

Future Monthly meeting schedule:

July 21st – Judith Spicer from the Duval County Health Department will review the Medical Emergency Response Team (MERT).

August 18th – Our own Montina Portis and Sue Crane will present setting up an Employee Awareness Event.

September 15th – ROAD TRIP to the Wind House in St. Augustine.

This is a purpose-built structure that can withstand up to a Cat 4 hurricane. The house is built with cut-away's inside so that you can see what they have as well as other features.

See you soon!