



# Association Of Contingency Planners

Northeast Florida Chapter

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## October Monthly Chapter Meeting

Our own chapter program contingency was testing in October when our guest speaker had to cancel at the last minute. Luckily, our Program Director, Montana Portis, is always prepared for such an event.



Without missing a beat, Bill Hunt, an Account Executive from Rentsys, filled in to present us with some contingency space options should our businesses experience a short or long term outage.



Some of their solutions included Mobile Recovery, QuickShip on backup equipment, Remote Recovery Centers, Flexible Communication options, and Data backup.



A mobile recovery trailer was parked next door at Lender Processing Services if anyone wanted to tour the outside of the unit.

Our next meeting is on November 17th at the Red Cross Facility at 751 Riverside Avenue .

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## Zoo--rrific Year End Luncheon Planned

Don't be locked into your office like a caged animal. Join us for our member end of year luncheon on Wednesday December 15, 2010 at the Jacksonville Zoo.

We are planning an New York Deli Style Picnic, which will also include admission to the Zoo for the whole day. (A \$9-\$14 value)



This luncheon is FREE to all of our paid members.

Guests are welcome to attend for \$20.00 per person. So take the day off with your kids, go to the Zoo and join us for lunch!

Please RSVP by December 1st to Montana Portis.



# Association Of Contingency Planners

## New National Board of Directors



**October 21, 2010** — Sue H. Kerr ACP Business Administrative Officer

- Patrice Stein
- Mike Thomson

We are pleased to announce the results of the National ACP Board election for the 2011/2012 Board positions.

Thank you to all the candidates and the ACP members who voted.

They are:

We look forward to working with you all to continue to enhance and grow the ACP Organization.

- Don Byrnes
- Steve Elliott
- Mike Morganti
- Cynthia Simone

## Training Opportunities

*"I hated every minute of training, but I said, "Don't quit. Suffer now and live the rest of your life as a champion."*

*Muhammad Ali*



EMI offers many on-line independent study courses that provide valuable information. Take a look at some of the new courses that have been introduced. The website can be located at: <http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslist.asp>. There is also a Professional Development Series that include seven courses designed to give you well-rounded fundamentals for emergency management. Take a look!



NIMS / ICS All-Hazard Position Specific Class Scheduled

**Situation Unit Leader** - December 6th through 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Classes will be held

from 0830 to 1730 each day. The class will be held at (Location to be determined)

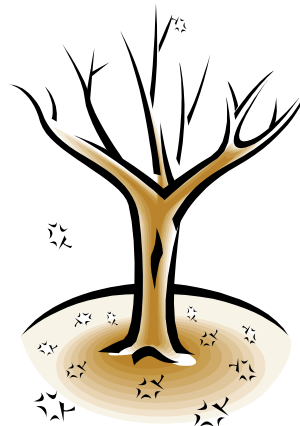
The pre-requisites for the classes are ICS 100,200,700 and 800. You must bring copies of your pre requisite certificates with you to class. The State will not recognize your attendance and completion of the courses without your pre-requisite certificates on file.

For more information or to register please contact Liz Henderson at [ehender@coj.net](mailto:ehender@coj.net)



## Volunteer Opportunities

The City of Jacksonville Office of Special Events is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to assist with upcoming events including the Veterans Day Parade. Call (904) 630-3690 or e-mail [events@coj.net](mailto:events@coj.net) for more information.



**When someone shares something of value with you and you benefit from it, you have a moral obligation to share it with others.**

-- Chinese Proverb

## 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.

Differences in dues structures typically represent variations in local economies, costs associated with providing direct member services and benefits, and member preferences.

For those without convenient access (less than 50 miles) to a chapter— an unaffiliated ACP

General Membership is available for \$100 annually (United States applicants, includes territories and international applicants).

Organizational Memberships are available in 1, 2 and 3 year renewal schedules for businesses and groups with larger continuity planning professionals on staff. Organizational Memberships streamline the renewal process for institutions and allow for single invoice processing.

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/memship\\_join.asp](http://www.acp-international.com/memship_join.asp).



**"Do, or do not. There is no 'try'."**

- Yoda ('The Empire Strikes Back')

## 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.

If you were part of ACP and your membership has lapsed over 90 days, you will also be required to remit a \$10.00 cover charge to attend the meeting.

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



**Join our Chapter as a Member TODAY!**

## 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.**

**Start blogging today!**





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**Northeast Florida Chapter**

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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



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Patrick R. Dunn from Consonus will present “How to create a scorecard for employee objectives and integrate BCP into the employee objectives.”

## Next Meeting Agenda

**November 17, 2010 --**

Patrick Dunn is principal consultant in business continuity and disaster recovery for Consonus and has over twenty years of industry experience providing crisis management, business continuity development, disaster recovery planning, information security, IT assessment, and project management for Fortune 500 and Big Five accounting firms. His extensive background includes time spent at SunGard Availability Services as a BC/DR Consulting Practice Manager, as well as Capgemini, Wright Express, Check Free/FISERV, and Fairchild Semiconductor.

As a business continuity professional, Mr. Dunn has provided consulting services throughout the United States and Europe.

Mr. Dunn is a member of numerous highly-regarded industry organizations up and down the east coast, including the Association of Contingency Planners and the Southeast Continuity Planners Association in the Greater Atlanta area. Industry certifications include: Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), Certified Business Continuity Professional (CBCP), and National Incident Management Systems

(NIMS). He also currently serves as Vice Chairman of the Contingency Planning Association of the Carolinas (CPAC)

A proud graduate of the University of Maine at Orono, Mr. Dunn lives in Flowery Branch, Georgia with his 15 year old daughter and Boomer, an Australian Shepherd. As an active member of his local community, he currently serves as executive board member of the Flowery Branch High School Band Parents Association and Flowery Branch High School Swim Team Boosters Club.