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# NEWSWIRE

ASSOCIATION OF CONTINGENCY PLANNERS

SOUTH TEXAS CHAPTER

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### Quote of the Week:

*"Let's feel the magic of those two little, big words,  
"thank you."*

~ Ardath Rodale~

## Annual Business Meeting & 2005 Elections

The Annual Business Meeting/Luncheon will be held on **Tuesday, December 13, 2004**, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Luncheon will be held in the private "Wine Room" at:

Rio Ranch  
9999 Westheimer Rd  
Houston, TX 77042

Please see Invitation & Menu on last page.

In order to ensure there is sufficient seating, please RSVP to Jim Nowak no later than **December 8th, 2005**, e-mail: [jim\\_nowak@aigvalic.com](mailto:jim_nowak@aigvalic.com) or call: 713-831-8038.

Elections for the 2005 Officers will be held during this meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, your vote will be solicited via e-mail. The members of the **Nominations Committee** include **Richard Vance, Chuck Monroe, and Dee Halbrook**. The current list of nominees for the upcoming election is listed on page 10 - **ABSENTEE BALLOT** and followed with their Biographical Summaries.

### [Attention Chapter Members: New Annual Membership Fee in 2006](#)

Effective January 1, 2006, the annual membership fee will increase from \$86.00 to \$90.00. This increase was approved by the membership earlier this year as an effort to accumulate additional revenue to offset increasing chapter budgetary expenses. If you wish to save \$4.00, you can submit your new or renewal membership fee prior to December 31st. After that the new rate will be \$90.00.

Jim Nowak

### **Crisis Checklist: the press office**

The first in a series of 'print and keep' checklists to provide a plan development aide-mémoire.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/feature0264.htm>

### **It's Time to Revisit the Issue of Distances to Recovery Sites**

How many of you remember the famous (infamous?) interagency white paper\* jointly developed by the Federal Reserve System (FRS), the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) and the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)? While it talked about developing sound practices to strengthen the resiliency of the US financial system, it caused a massive outcry when it suggested that companies consider locating backup/recovery sites 200-300 miles from primary operations facilities.

<http://www.contingencyplanning.com/news/12.aspx?ebid=515>

### **Technology Survey: Voice Recovery Systems**

Timely recovery and restoration of voice communications systems and network services is essential following a disaster. To ensure rapid recovery of voice services, either at a firm's primary office or one or more alternate locations, it is necessary to activate specialized voice recovery services. Several options are available to help businesses recover vital voice communications systems and infrastructures. CPM is pleased to present a comparison report that describes the key aspects of voice recovery systems (VRS).

<http://www.contingencyplanning.com/news/10.aspx?ebid=515>

### **Beyond disaster recovery: becoming a resilient business**

An object-oriented framework and methodology, by Richard Cocchiara.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/feature0263.htm>

### **The always-on network: strategies for achieving high availability of IT systems**

Randy MacCleary details the four elements of a high availability physical support plan - power, heat removal, monitoring and service management.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/feature0270.htm>

### **ITIL Catches On**

British-bred quality framework is becoming the tool of choice in U.S. data centers

News Story by [Gary H. Anthes](#)

OCTOBER 31, 2005 ([COMPUTERWORLD](#)) - It seemed a reasonable approach at the time. Whenever a server went down, the IT operations people at The Procter & Gamble Co. tried to figure out why. They did root-cause analysis in order to discover the origin of the problem and fix it. Then they brought the server back up. Trouble was, users had to cool their heels in the meantime, losing e-mail service or reporting capabilities for as long as an hour. But now, thanks to guidance from the Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL), P&G reboots servers immediately and restores service within minutes. The root-cause analysis follows, out of view of users.

[http://www.computerworld.com/managementtopics/management/story/0,10801,105761,00.html?source=NLT\\_PM&nid=105761](http://www.computerworld.com/managementtopics/management/story/0,10801,105761,00.html?source=NLT_PM&nid=105761)

### **Online ID theft worsens, scares U.S. bank customers**

News Story by Jonathan Stempel

NOVEMBER 08, 2005 ([REUTERS](#)) - Even as banks and regulators step up efforts to thwart identity theft over the Internet, fears that fraudsters remain one step ahead is convincing many Americans that banking online is too risky.

[http://www.computerworld.com/securitytopics/security/story/0,10801,106066,00.html?source=NLT\\_PM&nid=106066](http://www.computerworld.com/securitytopics/security/story/0,10801,106066,00.html?source=NLT_PM&nid=106066)

### **IDC survey provides Asia Pacific disaster recovery planning insights**

Many businesses still highly susceptible to disruptions from security breaches or natural disasters.

A new poll of 307 chief information officers (CIOs) conducted by IDG's CIO Executive Council has found that 22 percent of CIOs do not have a formal disaster recovery plan in place at their organization, and one in ten (9 percent) say their organization would last less than two weeks if local or regional technical infrastructure failed to recover quickly. Of those who do have disaster recovery plans, only 31 percent rate their plan as "extremely or very effective."

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news02188.htm>

### **Five nines: chasing the dream?**

Is 99.999 percent availability ever a practical or financially viable possibility? Andrew Hiles explores the question.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/feature0267.htm>

### **Ensuring a smooth transition : guidelines for successfully migrating data centers**

Without proper planning migrations can have catastrophic results.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/feature0266.htm>

### **Unencrypted backup tapes 'still the norm'**

Warnings about the vulnerability of backup tapes have gone unheeded...

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news02201.htm>

### **New combined replication / disaster recovery testing solution offers backup flexibility**

XOsoft has developed a new solution that allows a disaster recovery replica server to double as a server for performing offsite backups.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news02203.htm>

### **Survey finds limited progress on IT security measurement and reporting**

High reliance on manual ad-hoc processes for security measurement.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news02197.htm>

### **Microsoft Active Directory disaster recovery guide now available**

NetPro Computing has published 'A Definitive Guide to Active Directory Disaster Recovery'. This free technical guide is authored by Gil Kirkpatrick, CTO of NetPro, and Guido Grillenmeier, senior consultant of Enterprise Microsoft Services for HP. The free 60 page guide is available at

<http://www.netpro.com/welcome/disasterrecovery/index.cfm> (registration is necessary to download the guide)

### **Communication just won't wait...**

As the 2005 Atlantic hurricane season draws to a close, Mike Bemis takes a look at the communications lessons that have been learned from the impact of this year's hurricanes.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/feature0268.htm>

### **Communications continuity is the weak link in the majority of business continuity plans**

According to a new survey by Strohl Systems.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news02205.htm>

### **Business continuity guidelines for coping with a global 'flu pandemic to be developed**

A project designed to address the specific issue of business continuity during a global flu pandemic is being organised by Survive, with support from Tamiflu manufacturer Roche Products Limited.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news02207.htm>

### **Study finds US telecom consolidation will aid network reliability during disasters**

Author calls on State regulators to consider network reliability and resilience issues before handing down major decisions.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news02208.htm>

### **Continuity Planning Associates launches Crisis Commsuite**

New tool's principal purpose is to ease the free flow of communication between multiple teams in multiple locations during crises.

<http://www.continuitycentral.com/news02204.htm>

### **Study: Security still top IT spending priority**

Security software and enterprise IT upgrades remain top concerns for '06

News Story by Tom Krazit

NOVEMBER 21, 2005 ([IDG NEWS SERVICE](#)) - A recent survey of 100 IT executives predicts that IT spending will decrease slightly in 2006 as more businesses worry about global economic conditions, but security software and enterprise IT upgrades remain top concerns.

[http://www.computerworld.com/managementtopics/management/itspending/story/0,10801,106422,00.htm?source=NLT\\_AM&nid=106422](http://www.computerworld.com/managementtopics/management/itspending/story/0,10801,106422,00.htm?source=NLT_AM&nid=106422)

### Treasurer's Report

As of 11/30/2005, the ending balance for the South Texas ACP Chapter checking account is \$4,556.47.

### Current Membership Numbers

As of November, 2005, we have 46 active ACP members. The South Texas Chapter thanks you for your participation, time, and commitment to continual growth.

Remember, every visitor is a potential member, so BRING a friend or two!!

### New / Renewed Members

Terry Cooper  
Romona Thomas  
Kelly Cuddeback  
David Hays

### Next Meeting

When: Tuesday, December 13, 2005  
Subject: **ACP Appreciation Luncheon**  
Speaker: N/A  
Affiliation: N/A  
Location: Rio Ranch, 9999 Westheimer Rd., Houston, TX 77042 – Private "Wine Room"  
Time: 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

#### **Synopsis:**

N/A

#### **About the Speaker:**

N/A

***The chapter meets regularly on the second Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at IBM Building, Room 1553, Two Riverway, Houston Texas. Please feel free to bring a guest. We would love the opportunity to make them members.***

Remember that attendance at ACP chapter meetings count toward your continuing education credits (CEUs).

**Upcoming Conferences / Major Events**

February 8-10, 2006  
 International Safety & Security Conference 2006  
 Emergency Corps  
<http://www.emergencycorps.org/issc.php>

Hilton New York Hotel  
 New York, NY

March 5-7, 2006  
 Mastering the IT/Business Connection  
 Premier 100  
<http://www.premier100.com/>

JW Marriott Desert Springs  
 Resort Palm Desert, CA

March 26-29, 2006  
 DRJ's Spring World 2006  
 Disaster Recovery Journal  
<http://www.drj.com/conferences/orl2006/>

Disney's Coronado Springs  
 Resort  
 Orlando, FL

April 3-5, 2006  
 7<sup>th</sup> Annual InfoSec World 2006  
 MIS Training Institute'  
<http://www.misti.com/>

Disney's Coronado Springs  
 Resort  
 Orlando, FL

April 9-12, 2006  
 2006 International User Group Conference  
 Strohl Systems  
<http://www.strohlsystems.com/>

JW Marriott Grande Lakes  
 Orlando, FL

May 8-10, 2006  
 Continuity Insights Management Conference  
 Continuity Insights Magazine  
<http://www.continuityinsights.com/conf.cfm>

Sheraton New Orleans  
 New Orleans, LA

May 23-25, 2006  
 CPM 2006 West  
 Contingency Planning Magazine  
<http://www.contingencyplanning.com/events/west/index.aspx>

The Mirage  
 Las Vegas, NV

**DRI International Course Schedule – January 2006 – December 2006**

<b>For Course Location Information, Click Below:</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>For Course /Exam Description Information, Click Below:</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
<a href="#">Falls Church, VA</a>	Jan. 18-19	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	DRII
<a href="#">Falls Church, VA</a>	Jan. 20	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	DRII
Los Angeles, CA	Jan. 23-26	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	
Los Angeles, CA	Jan. 27	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
<a href="#">New York, NY</a>	Feb. 1-2	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	
<a href="#">New York, NY</a>	Feb. 3	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
Chicago, IL	Feb. 8-9	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	
Chicago, IL	Feb. 10	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	

Denver, CO	Feb. 20-24, Feb. 27-Mar. 2	<a href="#">BCLE 1000</a>	
Denver, CO	Mar. 3	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
King of Prussia, PA	Feb. 27-Mar. 2	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	Mar. 3	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems
Phoenix, AZ	Mar. 8-9	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	
Phoenix, AZ	Mar. 10	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
Detroit, MI	Mar. 15-16	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	
Detroit, MI	Mar. 17	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
King of Prussia, PA	Mar. 20-21	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	Mar. 22	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems
Orlando, FL	Mar. 23-24	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	DRJ
Orlando, FL	Mar. 25	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	DRJ
Orlando, FL	Mar. 29-31	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	DRJ
Orlando, FL	Mar. 31	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	DRJ
Orlando, FL	Mar. 29-31	<a href="#">BCP-601</a>	DRJ
Orlando, FL	Mar. 31	<a href="#">Master Case Study Exam</a>	DRJ
Orlando, FL	Mar. 29-Apr. 2	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	DRJ
Orlando, FL	Apr. 2	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	DRJ
Columbus, OH	Apr. 5-6	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	
Columbus, OH	Apr. 7	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
Orlando, FL	Apr. 14-15	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	Strohl Systems
Orlando, FL	Apr. 16	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems
Chicago, IL	Apr. 17-21, 24-27	<a href="#">BCLE 1000</a>	
Chicago, IL	Apr. 28	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
King of Prussia, PA	Apr. 24-27	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	Apr. 28	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems
Boston, MA	May 3-4	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	
Boston, MA	May 5	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
New Orleans, LA	May 10-11	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	Continuity Insights
New Orleans, LA	May 12	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Continuity Insights
King of Prussia, PA	May 17-18	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	May 19	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems
Dallas, TX	May 15-18	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	Protiviti
Dallas, TX	May 19	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Protiviti
Las Vegas, NV	May 25-26	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	CPM
Las Vegas, NV	May 27	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	CPM
Pittsburgh, PA	June 3-4	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	Three Rivers CPA
Pittsburgh, PA	June 5	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Three Rivers CPA
Richmond, VA	June 5-9, 12-15	<a href="#">BCLE 1000</a>	
Richmond, VA	June 16	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
King of Prussia, PA	June 19-22	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	June 23	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems
Chicago, IL	June 21-22	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	
Chicago, IL	June 23	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
New York, NY	June 28-29	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	

New York, NY	June 30	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
Miami, FL	July 12-13	<a href="#">BCP 501 (In Spanish)</a>	
Miami, FL	July 14	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam (In Spanish)</a>	
Miami, FL	July 12-13	<a href="#">BCP 501 (In English)</a>	
Miami, FL	July 14	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam (In English)</a>	
Seattle, WA	July 17-20	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	
Seattle, WA	July 21	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
King of Prussia, PA	July 31-Aug. 3	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	Aug. 4	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems
Los Angeles, CA	July 24-28, July 31-Aug. 3	<a href="#">BCLE 1000</a>	
Los Angeles, CA	Aug. 4	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	
King of Prussia, PA	Sept. 18-21	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	Sept. 22	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	Oct. 30-Nov. 2	<a href="#">BCLE 2000</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	Nov. 3	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	Nov. 29-30	<a href="#">BCP 501</a>	Strohl Systems
King of Prussia, PA	Dec. 1	<a href="#">Qualifying Exam</a>	Strohl Systems

To register or for further class schedules, visit [www.drii.org](http://www.drii.org)

### [“Silly, Bizarre and Unknown” Monthly, Weekly & Daily December Observances](#)

Here are some of the crazy things you can celebrate during the month of December!!

#### Monthly Observances

Bingo's Birthday Month  
 National Drunk & Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month  
 National Stress-Free Family Holidays Month  
 National Sign Up for Summer Camp Month  
 National Tie Month  
 Universal Human Rights Month

#### Weekly Observances

Cookie Cutter Week: 1-7  
 Tolerance Week: 1-7  
 Operation Santa Paws Week: 1-7  
 Human Rights Week: 10-16  
 International Language Week: 15-21  
 It's About Time Week: 25-31

#### Daily Observances

Day with(out) Art Day: 1  
 Coat For Kids Day: 3  
 Human Rights Day: 10  
 Gingerbread House Day: 12  
 No Interruptions Day: 30  
 Make Up Your Mind Day: 31

Source: <http://www.brownielocks.com>

**ABSENTEE BALLOT**

**ACP South Texas Chapter Officer Ballot 2006**

**Instructions:**

1. Please place an X in the box next to the individual you are voting for or write in a name on the blank line for a particular position.
2. Sign your name and place current date at the place provided at the bottom of the form.
3. Print your name at the place provided.
4. Tri Fold ballot at markings. Seal. Address front of paper to the individual listed below.
5. Mail the form to the individual identified at the bottom. To be valid this form needs to be delivered to the recipient no later than Monday, December 12, 2005.
6. If you vote absentee and also in person at the December meeting, this absentee ballot will NOT be counted.

**Executive Committee**

• **President:**

- Lilibett Machado
- \_\_\_\_\_

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• **Secretary:**

- Ann Moore
- Iris Patton
- \_\_\_\_\_

• **Treasurer:**

- Marian Wendelin
- \_\_\_\_\_

**Directors**

• **Program Director:**

- Harvey Nusz
- Toby Sledge
- \_\_\_\_\_

• **Director of Information:**

- Janty Tang (incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_

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• **Director of Membership:**

- BJ Bowling (incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_

Voter Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Voter Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to:**

Richard Vance  
ACP Chapter Nominations  
11603 Knobcrest Drive  
Houston, TX 77070

**IRIS PATTON, CPA, CISSP, CISM, CBCP**

***Biographical Summary***

Iris currently works for Duke Energy Corporation as Manager of Business Continuity where she administers the Enterprise Business Continuity Program. Prior to joining Duke Energy, she managed business continuity planning, IT security operations, and regulatory compliance for Shell Information Technology International's global operations. Iris' experience also encompasses public accounting (Big 4) and internal auditing, including audits of financial statements and management of audits over business processes, data centers, and applications.

Iris has served as President, Treasurer, and Information officer of the Association of Contingency Planners (ACP), South Texas Chapter. In 2001, she was voted Most Valuable Player (MVP) in the ACP South Texas Chapter. She has also served as the Vice President of InfraGard Houston (critical infrastructure organization associated with the FBI) and received a commendation by Robert Mueller, Director of the FBI, for accomplishments as Vice President and Sponsorship Committee Chair for InfraGard Houston.

**LILLIBETT MACHADO**

***Biographical Summary***

Lillibett has 25 years experience in the Manufacturing Industry on Information Technology Management and Quality Systems complemented with 8 years in the Banking Industry on Technology Risk and Business Continuity Management.

Lillibett was the leader on the creation of the Amegy Bank, of Texas (former Southwest Bank of Texas) Corporate Business Continuity structure and department. She promoted the necessary awareness and commitment for Business Continuity Planning through all levels of management creating a comprehensive and manageable plan that works on mitigating the risk and impact of planned and unplanned incidents. Prior responsibilities include Information Systems Manager for Alcon Laboratories, Eli Lilly S.A., General Foods-Kraft, and Caterpillar.

Through the last four years Lillibett has been involved on the bank's Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) initiative as the Technology Liaison. In this responsibility she managed the enhancement of the bank's IT Risk Inventory, Controls and Performance Indicators. During the last four years she has been researching CoBit Framework and has used the IT Guidelines – Maturity Model to evaluate IT processes for Sarbanes-Oxley as a model to achieve optimal risk/control maturity. Recently she has been given the initiative to expand the scope of Business Continuity into Business and Technology Operational Resilience with the objective to optimize the enterprise agility and protection.

She is currently Board Member for the South Texas Chapter of the National Association of Contingency Planners (ACP) as Program Director. In addition, Lillibett is a member of the Business Continuity Institute, Houston InfraGard Chapter, and ISACA. She holds certifications as Business Continuity Professional (CBCP), and Information Security Manager (CISM) and recently passed the Information Systems Auditor (CISA) and ITIL-SBM testing requirements to complement her M.B.A from the University of Houston.

**WILLIAM 'B.J.' JOSEPH BOWLING**  
BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY

B.J. has been in the computer field since 1971 and involved in Business Continuity/Disaster Recovery since 1994. He has been a RPG-II Programmer on IBM's System-3, System-36 and AS/400s. His longest tenures have been with Tenneco Inc. for 12 years, and BMC Software for 16 years. During the last 10 years at BMC Software, he had functioned as their Business Continuity Coordinator, where he coordinated the development, testing, implementation and management of their R&D's mainframe disaster recovery plan. Currently, B.J. is semi-retired.

B.J. is a Certified Business Continuity Professional, a member of the South Texas Chapter of the Association of Contingency Planners-since 1994, and a member of Infragard- since 2004. Presently, he is the 2005 Director of Membership of the South Texas Chapter of the ACP.

**MARIAN WENDELIN**  
BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY

Marian Wendelin is the Manager of Business Continuity Planning for AIG VALIC. She is responsible for all of the business recovery plans for AIG VALIC, as well as the IT disaster recovery planning and drills, with the purpose of ensuring that AIG VALIC can continue its critical business functions following a business interruption. Marian obtained her CBCP certification in February, 2005.

Marian has over 30 years of experience in information systems. Her disaster recovery experience began in the 1990's. First as a senior programmer/analyst and then as the manager of a mainframe production support team at VALIC, she helped organize and participated in several disaster recovery exercises. Marian also participated in contingency planning on VALIC's Year 2000 project from 1997-1998, in addition to supporting the Y2K code renovation.

Marian moved into her current position as Manager of Business Continuity Planning in August 2002. Her first task was to perform a disaster recovery application inventory and "gap analysis" to determine what the gap was between our disaster recovery and business continuity requirements and our capabilities, primarily in the information technology area. During the fall of 2002, Marian worked with the VALIC business units to develop initial business recovery plans (there were none at that time) and coordinated the December 2002 mainframe disaster recovery exercise. In 2003, she organized a company-wide risk assessment and business impact analysis and held "tabletop walkthroughs" for each business unit to ensure that they were familiar with their plan and could respond adequately to an emergency situation. (The scenario used involved a power outage.) She also organized a megavoiced exercise in June 2003 and another mainframe disaster recovery exercise in October 2003.

Beginning in 2004, Marian began a review and redevelopment of all business unit plans, overall VALIC business recovery plan, and the information technology recovery procedures. A successful distributed systems exercise was held in June, 2005, the first such successful exercise for VALIC in four years. Marian is also responsible for IT project reporting at VALIC, including financials (budget and actuals).

Marian has been a member of the South Texas Chapter of the Association of Contingency Planners since 2003.

**Janty Tang, CBCP, CISM**  
***Biographical Summary***

Janty has over 7 years of Business Continuity and Availability Planning experience with Amegy Bank of Texas. Plus, she has over 20 years of experience relating to electronic funds transfer system management, international banking and Information System Security Administration. Her major accomplishments include establishing the Information Security Departments at Banamex Houston's Data Center and American Medical Management. She was responsible for information security planning and implementation, maintenance, verification and policy generation, data center management and contingency planning.

Her primary responsibilities at Amegy Bank were identifying and mitigating technological, operational and financial risks, as well as coordinating Crisis Management, Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery planning efforts throughout the company. She has assisted over thirty business units in various aspects of business continuity, including regulatory compliance and risk management of outsource technology services. She has just accepted a position at U.T. M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Information Security/Risk Management Department. Currently she serves as an Officer of the International Association of Contingency Planners (ACP) for the South Texas Chapter and is a member of the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA).

Janty earned her Certified Business Continuity Professional (CBCP) designation in July 2000, and Certified Information Security Manager (CISM) designation in March 2004.

Biographical Summary for the following nominees will be distributed during the Business Luncheon to be held on December 13, 2005 at Rio Ranch.

- Ann Moore
- Harvey Nusz
- Toby Sledge

Date: November 28, 2005  
From: Jim Nowak  
Subject: Annual ACP Member Appreciation Luncheon

To: All Active Members of ACP South Texas Chapter

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**Houston, TX 77042**

In order to ensure we have sufficient seating, if you plan to attend, please RSVP to Jim Nowak no later than **December 8th, 2005**, e-mail: [jim\\_nowak@aigvalic.com](mailto:jim_nowak@aigvalic.com) or call me at: phone: 713-831-8038

There is a cost per seat so it is important that if you indicate you plan to attend, and then by all means please be there. Otherwise your lunch will be given to Louisiana evacuees. Your quick response would be greatly appreciated.

#### LUNCH PARTY MENU

##### Salad

Ranch House Salad  
Choice of Dressing  
Served with Cornbread Muffins and Biscuits

##### Entrees

Mesquite Grilled Black Angus Sirloin Steak  
Served with Red Chile Butter and Grilled Skewer of  
Fresh Vegetables

Fresh Red Snapper Filet  
with Green Chile Butter and a Grilled Skewer of  
Fresh Vegetables

Fresh Breast of Chicken  
Topped with Wood Grilled Green Chiles, Crisp Bacon, and  
Jack Cheddar Cheese with a Splash of Ranchero Salsa  
Served with Country Rice

##### Dessert

Rio Ranch Specialty Dessert

Coffee and Iced Tea Service