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Los Angeles Chapter

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1. Tuesday, September 9 Chapter Event: Two Presentations – USC Emergency Preparedness / SCE Fire Management

USC Emergency Preparedness:

The University of Southern California's award-winning emergency preparedness program serves over 33,000 students and over 18,000 employees. As the largest private employer in the city of Los Angeles, USC makes preparedness and recovery its highest priorities. In this presentation, you will learn how USC plans for all hazards and how the university will respond to a large scale earthquake.

You will also learn about the Business and Industry Council for Emergency Planning and Preparedness, and how you and your organization can get involved in "The Great Southern California ShakeOut" this November. For more information, go to: <http://www.shakeout.org/>

SCE Fire Management:

Randy Marsile of Southern California Edison will describe the activities of the company's fire management program. Randy works with fire agencies throughout Edison's 50,000 square mile service territory. His focus areas include wild land fire prevention, firefighter safety, and fire training. Randy also responds to fires that have the potential to damage electrical systems. Such fires can ultimately affect the state's power grid, leaving millions of customers without electricity.

Date: Tuesday, September 9, 2008

Meeting Agenda:

11:15: **Registration and networking**

11:30: **Lunch**

11:45: **Welcome and introductions**

12:00: **Mail+Gard presentation**

12:15: **USC presentation**

1:00: **Break**

1:10: **SCE presentation**

1:55: **Wrap up**

Location: The Westside Conference Center, 6100 Center Drive, Los Angeles 90045

Directions: <http://www.westsideconferencecenter.com/directions/>

Meeting Cost: \$20 – ACP members / \$30 – nonmembers

RSVP: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=n0q5klrP_2fq8dvjqFvICpOw_3d_3d

Our Presenters:

Steve Goldfarb, CEM, is the Fire Safety & Emergency Planning Specialist for the University of Southern California, and the President of the Business and Industry Council for Emergency Planning and Preparedness. Steve has developed emergency preparedness, response and recovery plans for large and medium size organizations since 1993. Prior to joining USC he developed the disaster plan for the J. Paul Getty Museum and Center in Brentwood and Malibu. He is a Certified Emergency Manager and Emergency Medical Technician, and holds several instructor certifications in Incident Command and the National Incident Management System.

Randy Marsile has served as an Assistant Chief for Edison's fire management organization since 1999. Prior to assuming his current assignment, he spent six years as a Corporate Emergency Planning & Preparedness representative. Randy started his career in fire service working for the California Department of Forestry in 1972 and retired as Station Captain for the Orange County Fire Authority in 1996.

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2. Most Valuable Player (MVP) Nominations Now Open

Every year ACP Corporate provides the opportunity for all Chapters to recognize an outstanding individual within each chapter via the Most Valuable Player (MVP) Award Program. The MVP Award Program allows each chapter to recognize one outstanding chapter member as their Most Valuable Player of the year.

As an active member of the ACP-LA here is your chance to recognize a member of the chapter that you feel has gone above and beyond to bring to you excellent meetings and provide outstanding service. Please take the time to fill in the survey and nominate that special person. Select the member and provide a brief description of why you think that person deserves the award.

Nominations can be submitted by going to the [ACP-LA Website](#) (front page) and clicking on the [nomination link](#). Consideration Period for Nomination: Oct. 1, 2007 to Sept. 30, 2008

All Nomination ballots to be considered must be received by 5:00 pm Pacific Time, September 25, 2008.

3. Upcoming Events

September 2008:

- *Free DRJ Podcast: The Convergence of Email Archiving and Disaster Recovery.* Info: http://drj.com/index.php?option=com_wrapper&Itemid=441
- *Free Podcast: Continuity Talk: Facilities Issues.* Sponsor: RA Consulting. Info: Email: info@raconsulting.net

Sep 4: *Free Webinar: The Pandemic Threat: Preparing an Organizational Response.* Sponsor: Logistics Health. Info: <http://conference.logisticshealth.com/registration.aspx>

Sep 8: *Fee-based Webinar: Business Impact Analysis – How to Get It Right.* Cost: \$295 (or less with annual membership). Sponsor: Bank InfoSecurity. Info: <http://www.bankinfosecurity.com/webinarsDetails.php?webinarID=95>

Sep 9: *ACP-LA Chapter Event: Two Presentations – USC Emergency Preparedness / SCE Fire Management.* RSVP: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=n0g5klrP_2fq8dvjqFvICpOw_3d_3d

Sep 9: *Free Webinar: Doing Less with Less.* Sponsor: Stratus Technologies' "Taming the Hydra" series. Info: <https://event.on24.com/eventRegistration/EventLobbyServlet?target=registration.jsp&eventid=109606&sessionId=1&key=07CA6A32B710F7EC5FC7195EB748D1F4&sourcepage=register>

Sep 9: *Fee-based Webinar: Pandemic Planning & Response Techniques.* Cost: \$295 (or less with annual membership). Sponsor: Bank InfoSecurity. Info: <http://www.bankinfosecurity.com/webinarsDetails.php?webinarID=77>

Sep 10: *ACP Orange County Chapter Event: Two Topics: BC Management's Annual Report / The Great California ShakeOut!* Info: <http://www.acpoc.com/events/>

Sep 13/20/27: *City of Los Angeles 17th Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair.* Info: http://www.lacity.org/epd/links/epdlinks240155052_08122008.pdf

Sep 14-17: *DRJ Fall World 2008, San Diego,* Info: http://drj.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2072&Itemid=597

Sep 16: *Free Webinar: Continuity 1-2-3: Training Your Staff.* Sponsor: RA Consulting. Info: Email: info@raconsulting.net

Sep 16: *Fee-based Webinar: Business Continuity Best Practices.* Cost: \$295 (or less with annual membership). Sponsor: Bank InfoSecurity. Info: <http://www.bankinfosecurity.com/webinarsDetails.php?webinarID=27>

Sep 18: *Free Webinar: Using Technology for Business Continuity Management in the Supply Chain.* Sponsor: BSI Management Systems. Info: <http://emea.bsi-global.com/About+BSI/Events.xalter>

Sep 23: *Fee-based Webinar: Business Continuity Risk Assessment & Resource Allocation.* Cost: \$295 (or less with annual membership). Sponsor: Bank InfoSecurity. Info: <http://www.bankinfosecurity.com/webinarsDetails.php?webinarID=96>

Sep 24: *Free Webinar: Creating the ShakeOut Drill: Earthquake Disaster Drills Examined - The Great Southern California ShakeOut Scenario - Part 2.* Sponsor 3n. Info: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/738324197>

Oct. 3-18: *Four-Day Extension Course: Emergency Management: Training and Exercises (Section 1)*. Sponsor: UCI Extension. Location: Orange. Info:

http://unex.uci.edu/courses/sectionDetail.asp?cm_id=1650&Topic=1650&serial_id=00205&acadYear=2008&acadTerm=Fall&reqType=byTopic&yearTerm=1&courseLength=50&campus=O%&Days=_MON_TUE_WED_THU_FRI_SAT_SUN

Oct 8: *Operational Level Agreements (OLAs): Bring Order Out of IT Chaos*. Sponsor: Stratus Technologies' "Taming the Hydra" series. Info:

<https://event.on24.com/eventRegistration/EventLobbyServlet?target=registration.jsp&eventid=109606&sessionId=1&key=07CA6A32B710F7EC5FC7195EB748D1F4&sourcepage=register>

Oct 9: *Free Webinar: How to Sell Business Continuity Management to Top Management*. Sponsor: BSI Management Systems Americas. Info:

https://www.onlineregistrationcenter.com/register.asp?m=109&c=8051%20%20&j=5822174&e=molly.latham@sce.com&l=1689986_HTML&u=43339420&mid=76547&jb=0 Thu, Oct 9 1 pm EST

Oct 13-16: *California Emergency Services Association 2008 Conference. "Adventures in Emergency Management: The Quest for Success," Palm Springs*. Info:

<http://www.cesa.net/conferences.cfm?color=st>

Oct 21-23: *Business Continuity and Emergency Management Workshops, Irvine*. Sponsor: DSPN. Info: <http://www.disaster-survival.com/workshop.html>

4. Employment Opportunities

For employment listings, please visit our Job Opportunities webpage at <http://los-angeles.acp-international.com/jobs.htm>

About the Association of Contingency Planners - Los Angeles Chapter (ACP-LA): Established in 1983, ACP-LA is the original chapter of the Association of Contingency Planners (ACP). ACP is the premier, non-profit trade association dedicated to the advancement of business continuity professionals. For more information, please visit: <http://www.acp-international.com/> Please feel free to forward this email to colleagues who may be interested in learning about ACP-LA. News items or distribution list requests should be sent to: molly.latham@sce.com

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