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ACCT Board Meeting

The ACCT Board of Directors will have their next conference call on August 20, 2015. Please feel free to contact your board representative to learn more about the meeting topics.

If you have questions regarding the Board, please contact Executive Director, James Borishade, at james@acctinfo.org.

Message from the Executive Director

July 27, 2015

Dear ACCT Members,

On behalf of the ACCT Board of Directors and the entire Challenge Course and Adventure Park Community, we offer our condolences to all those affected by a series of recent accidents within our industry. While our industry has a great safety record and our members take the safety of their guests and patrons very seriously, these recent accidents should remind us all how imperative it is to be vigilant in addressing the safety of our guests.

As the largest Trade Association in our Industry, the ACCT will continue to monitor and try to understand the causes of these incidents and determine what changes might be made to our Standards to reduce the risk of similar incidents in the future. Further, at the request of various individuals and legislative bodies, we will continue to work with key stakeholders to assist in research, development, and implementation of good regulation

Post Your Events on the ACCT Facebook Page!

Do you have an industry-related event coming up? Share your information with the ACCT community. A new benefit for our ACCT Organizational and Accredited PVMs is the ability to post your industry-related events on the ACCT Facebook page. To take advantage of this new benefit, click on the link below.

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and oversight by various governmental bodies. We urge all of you to take a moment and look at your own systems, policies and procedures as well as your courses and equipment with a fresh perspective focused on reducing the risk of injury to your guests. As always, if you need our assistance, we are just a phone call away.

Sincerely,
James Borishade
Executive Director
Association for Challenge Course Technology

2016 Conference

We're only six months away from the **26th Annual International ACCT Conference & Expo**, to be held at the Hyatt Lost Pines Resort & Spa in Austin, Texas, from January 28th thru January 31st, 2016, and things are really winding up!



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The location is very unique and different than any location we have ever been in before. It has a lot of outdoor space, livestock on the premises, the Colorado River running at the edge of the property, and the McKinney Roughs Challenge Course as their neighbor. The ACCT Conference Committee is looking to get you involved! Feel free to share your ideas with our Events Manager, Melissa Webb, by submitting them to melissa@acctinfo.org.

The 2016 Conference Scholarship Application is now available!

Three people have the opportunity to receive an ACCT sponsored scholarship to attend the 2016 Annual International ACCT Conference & Expo in Austin, Texas. The scholarship will cover conference registration fees, a pre-conference workshop, and a meal plan – lodging, travel, and other meals are not included, and will be the responsibility of the attendee. The scholarship selection will be done by the conference committee.

Application Requirements Include:

- Education, Experience, and/or Goals demonstrate an intention for a continued career in the Challenge Course field (programming, training, building, etc.)
- Interest in projects, etc. that contribute to the Challenge Course Industry (above and beyond employment in the field)
- Past experiences demonstrate passion for the Challenge Course industry
- Need for financial assistance

Click [here](#) to apply!

Service Crew: Participation in the Conference Service Crew can help reduce the cost of registration. Service Crew members, “Yellow Hats,” assist in many areas of the conference operations. Interested persons must submit an application, found on the ACCT web site. Service Crew members are expected to work up to 17 hours during the conference. In return, registration fees will be reduced. Apply [here](#) to be a member of the 2016 Service Crew team in Texas! Yee haw!

The ACCT Conference Registration Brochure is going digital! We're pleased to announce that this year ACCT will be conserving resources by releasing our Conference Registration Brochure in digital format. As we consider our members' needs, however, we recognize that some members have a strong preference for a paper registration brochure. If you feel that your needs will be best met by continuing to receive a registration brochure in the mail, **please let us know no later than August 15, 2015.**

To make your request known and provide your mailing information to us, [PLEASE CLICK HERE](#). We'll be happy to mail your brochure to you.

Advertising, Exhibitor, & Sponsorship information is NOW AVAILABLE! Thank you for your patience while we have worked to get our new process up and running.

For the 2016 Exhibitor and Sponsorship Prospectus, please click on the link below.

<http://acctconference.com/exhibition/>

To register click [HERE](#) or visit www.acctconference.com. For more information about advertising, exhibiting, or sponsorship opportunities please contact ACCT Exhibit Management at asaavedra@hpnglobal.com or 480.998.9770 ext. 228.

Upcoming ACCT Conferences:

- The 27th Annual International ACCT Conference and Expo will be held at The Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort and Spa in Savannah, Georgia, February 2–5, 2017.

For questions regarding workshops, exhibiting, or the conference in general, please contact the Events Manager, Melissa Webb, at events@acctinfo.org.

Upcoming ICE Testing

Provided by the ACCT Department of Operations

Pennsylvania Testing Dates

In cooperation with the Pennsylvania Amusement Ride Safety Seminar scheduled for November 2015, ACCT will once again be offering Inspector Certification prep and testing. This year, ACCT will be offering the full compliment of testing for all ACCT Inspector Certification levels (Level 1 In House or Professional, Level 2 In House or Professional and Supervisor Endorsement).

Registration for this event opened on **June 15th** and is being managed online at www.acctcertifications.com. Please feel free to contact Joyce Weaver, joyce@acctinfo.org, directly if you have any questions.

New Advertising Opportunities

Take advantage of the advertising opportunities in our monthly ACCT Clipboard. There are also quarterly opportunities for advertising in the quarterly association newsletter, Parallel Lines. Please contact trudy@acctinfo.org for an Advertising Kit or for more information.