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ABC Events

Associated Builders & Contractors, Inc.
Brazosport Safety Council, Inc.
& Merit Shop Training, Inc.
cordially invite you to attend our
Annual Christmas Social
Tuesday, December 3, 2019
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
(Business Casual Attire)

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35th Annual ABC Golf Classic

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March 20, 2020

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ABC Calendar Preview

Date	Event	Location
November 1	ABC Viewpoint Webinar - Save Time with Simplified Vendor Payments	ABC Webinar
November 6	ABC/MSTI Local Craft Championships	Brazosport College
November 6	ABC Suppliers' Council Meeting, 3:00 pm	ABC Conference Room
November 6	ABC State Board Meeting	Austin, TX
November 7	ABC Webinar- Understanding the General Conditions of a Construction Contract	ABC Webinar
November 7	BCPC Dropped Objects Safety Seminar for Contract Companies-2:00 - 5:00 pm	ABC Brazos Room A
November 19	MSTI Board Meeting, 2:30 pm	ABC Board Room

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- Pick Up Truck Rental
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- Yard Mule Rental
- Cool Down Trailer Rental
- Trailer Rental - Various Sizes
- Jobsite Tents - Air Conditioned w/tables and chairs

Champion Delivery has been in business since 1998 and we look forward to continuing to serve the friendly Brazoria County area.

3910 E. Hwy. 332
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 Office: (979) 233-4800
Championdelivery.com

TJ's Automotive Repair

Serving the Brazosport area since 2004, TJ's Automotive Repair brings together world-class technicians and an array of auto maintenance services for your ultimate convenience. Home of the best repair equipment, we're dedicated to making your vehicle safe and getting you back on the road in no time. Our services range from alignments to emission repairs, and we even offer fleet services for businesses that need diagnostic attention for their company cars. At the end of the day, our goal is to extend the longevity of your car and keep it running smoothly, providing friendly service every step of the way. We understand that our local businesses need a reliable source of preventative maintenance and ongoing service to keep their fleet vehicles in great condition. Our team of auto mechanics is committed to helping you keep your fleet on the road and operating safely.

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ABC Government Affairs

What Does the New DOL Final Overtime Rule Mean for Construction Industry Employers?

On Sept. 27, the DOL issued a final rule on overtime, "Defining and Delimiting the Exemptions for Executive, Administrative, Professional, Outside Sales and Computer Employees," which updates and revises the "white-collar" overtime exemption regulations under the Fair Labor Standards Act. **The final rule goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2020.**

One of the many ways ABC delivers value to members is by helping them comply with an array of complex regulations. ABC general counsel Maury Baskin and Tammy McCutchen will be presenting **members-only webinars** to help contractors understand the new overtime rule.

Those interested may register for these webinars on the following dates:

[Nov. 4, 12-1 p.m.](#)
[Nov. 12, 12-1 p.m.](#)
[Nov. 19, 12-1 p.m.](#)

Additional information about these webinars and this new rule can be found on the [DOL website](#).

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Merit Shop Training, Inc. (MSTI) is the educational affiliate of ABC Texas Gulf Coast.

MSTI is a non-profit 501(c)3 devoted to servicing the workforce development needs of the local industry and contractor community through craft education opportunities delivered via our partnership with Brazosport College.

MSTI is an NCCER Accredited Training Sponsor and Assessment Center. Our mission is to develop a highly skilled workforce through a variety of programs focused on assessment, training, and continuing education. We believe that a collaborative approach with our members is an excellent path to combine on the job experience with quality, standardized training to develop a highly skilled and educated craft workforce.

MSTI's educational programs are appropriate for workers new to the industry, specific task training for existing workers, and assessing deficiencies and offering upskill training for journeymen. [Contact us](#) today to learn how we might serve your craft educational needs.

ABC Safety

Dropped Objects Safety Seminar hosted by Brazoria County Petrochemical Council (BCPC) to be held at ABC Facilities November 7th

On November 7, 2019 at the ABC Building in Freeport, Texas the Brazoria County Petrochemical Council (BCPC) will host its first, public, safety fair seminar. The subject is preventing dropped objects from scaffolds, ladders, process towers, and other elevated workspaces inside the BCPC member facilities. Preventing dropped objects is critical to workplace safety. The member companies of the BCPC will have representatives from their site leadership and EH&S leadership on hand, participating in poster sessions, panel discussions and live demonstrations. As contract companies do so much work inside our plants, we want to make sure that those whose employees work here in Brazoria County have the opportunity to attend and/or participate.

Why is this important? Because there are more than 50,000 "struck by falling object" OSHA recordables every year in the United States, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. That's one injury caused by a dropped object every 10 minutes. Eliminating the potential for dropped object accidents is an important part of any safety program in the petrochemical industry. For more information, contact [Rene Rogers](#). **Join us for this important seminar on November 7, 2019 2:00 - 5:00 pm at ABC Texas Gulf Coast Chapter, 1002 ABC Avenue, Freeport, TX 77541.**

ABC/MSTI Craft Education Program
 through Brazosport College

Registration Begins November 8th for
Spring Semester 2020

The ABC/MSTI Craft Education Program offers classes through Brazosport College in each of the following crafts:

Automotive Technology
Construction Management
Drafting Technology
HART
Industrial Electricity

Industrial Pipefitting
Instrumentation & Electrical
Machine Technology - Machinist
Machine Technology - Millwright
Safety, Health & Environ. Mgmt.
Welding Technology

Spring 2020 Registration Period: November 8, 2019 - January 9, 2020

Classes begin Monday, January 13, 2020

For more information contact Kay at:
 979-824-7370 | kay@abctxgulfcoast.org.

Brazosport Safety Council, Inc. Courses Offered:

Upcoming Courses

Aerial Lift Certification

Basic Plus

CPR/AED Certification Training

Enhanced Foreman Training

Excavation Competent Person Training

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Forklift Operator Certification

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Merit Shop Training, Inc. Courses Offered:

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