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ABC Calendar Preview

Date	Event	Location
January 1	NEW YEARS' DAY - OFFICES CLOSED	
January 9	ABC Human Resources Webinar	Online webinar
January 9	ABC State Board Meeting	Austin
January 22	ABC Board Meeting, 3:00 p.m.	ABC Board Room
January 15	ABC Webinar: 2019 STEP Application	Online webinar
January 24	MSTI Board Meeting, 2:30 p.m.	ABC Board Room
January 29	BSC Board/Owners' Advisory Board Meeting, 11:00 a.m.	ABC Board Room
January 30	ABC/JACIT Joint Membership Event & Luncheon , 11:30 a.m.	ABC Brazos A

[Click here to see a complete listing of ABCs 2019 Scheduled Events!](#)

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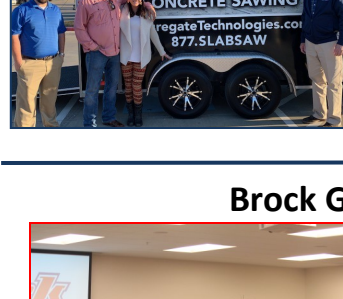
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ABC Events

ABC Annual Toy Drive Benefits Jones Creek and Oyster Creek Police Departments



The ABC Public Relations Committee collects toys annually for a Toy Drive, and 2018 reflected the generosity of ABC Members. Santa will have more than 14 bags loaded with toys to distribute to local families in need. This year the committee was pleased that they were able to collect enough toys to benefit both the Jones Creek and Oyster Creek Police Departments. Special thanks to committee member Matthew Knight of Aggregate Technologies and 2019 committee chair Haley Smith of Performance Contractors for helping us deliver on our commitment to work for the betterment of the communities in which we live and work! [>>READ MORE](#)

Brock Group - Clute Operations Celebrates the Season of Giving!



Employees from The Brock Group - Clute Operations gathered for their holiday luncheon in December to celebrate the Season of Giving! Their generosity was overwhelming, with over 800 toys gathered for the Clute and Sweeny Police Departments' Blue Santa Program. Area Manager Alex Martinez expressed his gratitude to Brock team members and partners for their commitment to their Bsafe initiative, saying "Bsafe is respect and caring. Everyone at the Clute operations demonstrated today just how caring our team can be. I couldn't be happier to be a part of such a great team that comes together as a family."

ABCs 34th Annual Golf Classic
at The Wilderness in Lake Jackson

SAVE THE DATE!

Friday, APRIL 12, 2019

"An Evening with Friends" ABC Texas Hold-Em Poker Tournament Fundraiser

Thursday, February 21, 2019
6:00 p.m. Registration & Dinner
6:45 p.m. Tournament Begins
ABC Brazos Room A

Join us for fun and games!
For reservations or cancellations, please email:
ruby@abctxgulfcoast.org by **February 19, 2019.**

Company Sponsorships Available
Your sponsorship is greatly appreciated.

\$150 Full House (Includes 2 entries)
\$200 Straight Flush (Includes 4 entries)
\$300 Royal Flush (Includes 6 entries)

Individual Players

Entry fee: \$35 per person
Includes: \$1,500 in chips, Fajita dinner and beverages
Re-Buys: \$20

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ABC Committee Updates

- **ABC Human Resources Committee**
 - **Save the Date** for the [ABC Human Resources Webinar](#) on January 9, 2019!
 - **ABC Public Relations Committee**
 - The ABC 30th Annual Cook-off Charity Fund Raiser is scheduled for **Friday & Saturday, March 8 & 9, 2019.** For complete event details [>>READ MORE](#)
 - [Click here for Cook Off Sponsorship and Team Entry Form.](#)
- Currently recruiting for 2019 ABC Committee members! If you are interested in serving on a committee, please email ruby@abctxgulfcoast.org

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ABC Government Affairs

Despite Tariffs, Construction Builds



In March, the U.S. Government implemented a 25 percent tariff on imported steel and a 10 percent tariff on imported aluminum. Those increases affected domestic steel and aluminum as well, and costs increased on all construction products using those materials. [>>READ MORE](#)

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ABC Safety & Health



ABC 2018 Safety Performance Report

In 2015, ABC created the Safety Performance Report to address the correlation between the use of measures companies can take to keep workers safe on jobsites—leading indicators—and the number of incidents, accidents and injuries that occur—lagging indicators. The charts and summaries in the 2018 edition present the clearest picture yet of the remarkable impact that leading indicator use has on a company's safety performance: fewer disrupted or lost lives and a safer, more productive jobsite regardless of the size of the company. **STEP can help you improve your safety performance!** Download the [2018 ABC Safety Performance Report](#) Don't miss the **Jan. 15th Webinar: 2019 STEP Application Process!**

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ABC / MSTI Craft Training

ABC/MSTI Craft Training Program
Spring 2019 Registration
Registration: November 9, 2018 - January 11, 2019
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The ABC/MSTI Craft Training Program offers training through Brazosport College in each of the following crafts:

Automotive Mechanic

Construction Management

Electrical

Engineering Graphics & Design

HVAC

Instrumentation

Machine Tools

Millwright

Pipefitting

Safety, Health & Environ. Mgmt.

Welding

Classes begin Monday, January 14, 2019

[Click here for additional information!](#)

Upcoming OSHA Classes at ABC - available for registration:

NOTE: If classes do not have sufficient registration to make, they will not be held. Please contact MSTI to confirm.

Begin Date	End Date	Catalog Code	Title	Time	To Register, Call:	Cost
03/05/2019	03/08/2019	OSHA #3095	Electrical Standards	1st 3 Days 8:00 - 5:00 Last Day 8:00 - 12:00	866-806-9190	\$595.00
03/05/2019	03/06/2019	SH10C	OSHA 10 Hour Outreach for the Construction Industry	1st Day 1:00 - 5:00 2nd Day 8:00 - 5:00	866-806-9190	\$295.00
03/07/2019	03/08/2019	SH15DR	Disaster Site Worker	Both Days 8:00 - 5:00	866-806-9190	\$395.00

Brazosport Safety Council, Inc. Courses Offered:		Merit Shop Training, Inc. Courses Offered:	
Upcoming Courses		Basic, Intermediate & Advanced Rigger Refresher Class	
Aerial Lift Certification		Construction Site Safety Technician (CSST)	
Basic Plus		Electrician Continuing Education License Renewal Class	
CPR/AED Certification Training		ICTP Training & Certification	
Enhanced Foreman Training		Project Management Class	
Excavation Competent Person Training		Project Supervision Class	
Fire Extinguisher Training		OSHA Classes through UTA	
Forklift Operator Certification			
Safe Work Permit Acceptor Training		Merit Shop Training, Inc. also offers:	
Spotter/Flagger for Vehicle & Heavy Equipment		NCCER Testing	

Brazosport Safety Council Important Update - Expecting Increased Crowds in January

Phillips 66 (Sweeny Refinery) will be undertaking a major turnaround beginning mid-January lasting until the end of February. Beginning at the first of the year, please expect greatly increased crowds at both the drug screening clinics and the safety council as trainees complete the requirements to work at Phillips. Wait times at the drug screening clinics and to check in at the safety council will be much longer than normal. Please note that contractors needing the Phillips Turnaround training course must take that course at the BSC Freeport location (or at another safety council) – it is not available at the BSC Sweeny location. If contractors take Phillips training at any other safety council, trainees must complete their drug screen and then get their Phillips badge from the BSC Freeport location only (not Sweeny). In addition, Phillips 66 has established an additional badging office at the BSC Freeport location (Classroom 3) in order to badge contractors following successful completion of all plant entry requirements.

Renew Your ABC Membership for Free!

When you join Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC), you become part of the nation's leading association for merit shop construction and construction-related firms.

Your Discounts Offset the Membership Fee

Every business is different, but every contractor has expenses. Here's how much a typical contractor with 15 employees can expect to save in one year with just a few of the ABC member business discounts.

Example of Company Savings

Product or Service		Savings
Chevrolet Cargo Van	1 vehicle	\$1,000
FedEx Shipping	2 envelopes/week	\$628
Verizon Wireless Service	7 cell phones	\$980
Aramark Apparel Rental	8 rentals/week	\$850
Total Savings for Year: \$3,458		

Building Your Business

Take advantage of great resources and programs to grow your business.

- Accredited Quality Contractor** – Shows prospective clients that you have achieved a high level of corporate responsibility
- Safety Training Evaluation Process** – Improves your company's safety practices and can lower your workers' compensation insurance rates
- Excellence in Construction Awards** – Showcases your company's best projects
- Networking Events** – Connects you with contractors and leaders in the construction field
- Peer Groups** – Share experiences with contractors from across the country

Keeping You Informed

ABC provides resources to help you stay current with the information you need to make better business decisions.

- Construction Executive** – The magazine for the business of construction
- ABC Newsline** – Weekly electronic newsletter for merit shop contractors
- Local Newsletters** – Print and electronic publications of regional interest
- Legal Resources** – Get help on labor and construction law issues
- Construction Economic Update** – Stay current on news that impacts your business

—Patricia Volm
Annapolis Contracting, Inc.