



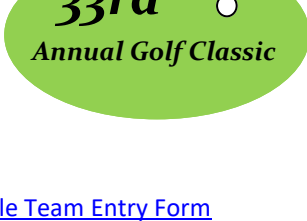
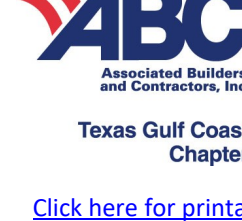
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## ABC Communications



## ABC Events



**Date:** April 13, 2018  
**Time:** 11:00 a.m. Registration  
 12:30 p.m. Shotgun Start  
**Cost:** \$250 per person (2)  
 ABC Members & Guests only  
**Place:** The Wilderness Golf Club  
 501 Hwy. 332 West  
 Lake Jackson, TX 77566

- Gameplay:**
- Two man scramble/ Two flights
  - Closest To The Pin
  - Longest Drive
  - Special Hole In One prize

[Click here for printable Team Entry Form](#)

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Return completed form to [ruby@abctxgulfcoast.org](mailto:ruby@abctxgulfcoast.org) before April 6, 2018

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## 29th Annual ABC Cook-Off

April 20-21, 2018

**Round up your teams and let's get cookin'!**

**Dates:** Friday, April 20 2018  
 8:00-9:00 p.m.  
 Saturday, April 21, 2018  
 12:00-6:00 p.m.

**Location:** ABC Facilities, 1002 ABC Avenue, Freeport, TX

**Entry Fee:** \$150.00 per team or additional booth space

**ATTN SPORTSMEN: RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**  
 \$20 each or 4 for \$60!

**PRIZES:** 1) Pistol: Rock Island 1911 45mm handgun  
 2) Rifle: Smith & Wesson M&P-15 Sport II with Case & Magazine Load Tool

Need not be present to win! Drawing will be held April 21, 2018 @ 6 pm at the ABC Cook-off Awards Presentation. Winner must be 21 years of age and meet eligibility requirements. To purchase tickets, email [ruby@abctxgulfcoast.org](mailto:ruby@abctxgulfcoast.org)

**WANTED: Sponsors!**  
 The ABC Public Relations Committee is now seeking sponsors for this Charity Fundraiser. Read about 2017 Sponsors and Donations to Military Moms & Wives, PowerPacks, and Brazoria County Dream Center by clicking [here](#).  
**YOUR SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED!**  
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**ABC Membership Event & Luncheon**  
 Wednesday, April 25, 2018  
 Brazos Room A  
 "Port Freeport Update"  
 Register online at [abctxgulfcoast.org](http://abctxgulfcoast.org)

11:00 a.m. Registration & Social Time  
 11:30 a.m. Luncheon/Event  
 1:00 p.m. Adjourn

## ABC Calendar Preview

Date	Event	Location
March 15	MSTI Board Meeting, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	ABC Boardroom
March 20-23	ABC Workforce Development Conference & National Craft Championships	Long Beach, CA
March 27	ABC Board Meeting, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	ABC Board Room

## ABC Government Affairs

### President Trump Releases Infrastructure Proposal

On Feb. 12, President Donald Trump announced the release of his administration's [infrastructure proposal](#). ABC President and CEO Michael D. Bellaman issued the following statement on the president's infrastructure plan: "ABC applauds the president for sending Congress a plan to rebuild America's Infrastructure. It is now time for lawmakers to develop legislation and policy to efficiently modernize America's infrastructure and drive economic growth and prosperity for all Americans."

The plan includes a workforce development component that allows for expanded access to education and training programs; ensuring our country has enough skilled workers to perform not only existing work but also fill the new jobs created by the bill. [>>Read More](#)

### ABC Joins Letter to Congress Outlining Immigration Priorities for Construction Industry

On Feb. 5, 2018, ABC joined the Associated General Contractors (AGC), National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and the Leading Builders of America (LBA) in sending a letter to Republican and Democratic leadership in the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate to express support for broad, bipartisan reform to the U.S. immigration system and recommend policies that would help address the workforce needs of construction industry employers. [>>Read Full Story](#)



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## ABC Human Resources

### HR Discussion Topic: Keys to Minimizing the Risk of Workplace Bullying

Bullying behavior has often been excused as simply a "personality conflict" or an aggressive "management style." Employers typically do not see bullying as behavior that rises to the level of "unlawful" harassment. Consequently, bullying often goes uninvestigated and it is often condoned. However, if neglected, a bully-rich environment can be just as toxic as other types of harassment and expose a company to substantial liability. [>>Read full story](#)



## ABC Membership

### Senator Joan Huffman addresses full house at ABC/ACIT Membership Event



Senator Joan Huffman spoke to a near-capacity crowd at the ABC | ACIT Joint Membership Event and Luncheon on February 7th giving an update on the many important issues she and fellow legislators are working to address. Senator Huffman lives with her family in Houston and proudly represents a diverse district which includes portions of Brazoria, Fort Bend and Harris counties. Known as a "Big Voice for Little Texans" by Court Appointed Special Advocates for her work to protect children, Senator Huffman also delivered an impassioned message about her efforts to end human trafficking in Texas.

### Congratulations to the Winners of the ABC Texas Hold-Em Poker Tournament

**1st Place:** Justin Tucker  
Texas Gulf Bank

**2nd Place:** Kevin Gartman  
ABC Supporter

**3rd Place:** Mark Barta  
Crawford Electric Supply

### Membership has it's privileges!

Being an ABC member is a great way to network with other businesses that are in or support the construction industry, and building relationships is an effective way to grow your business.

With a demonstrated commitment to excellence, it makes sense to do business with other like-minded ABC members.

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**ABC CONVENTION**  
 MARCH 18-22  
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## ABC / MSTI Craft Training

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## ABC Workforce Development

### Local Craftsmen to Compete at National Craft Championship in March

ABC Texas Gulf Coast and its training affiliate Merit Shop Training, Inc. (MSTI) are proud to sponsor: **Jesus Longoria of RPM Services and John Cardenas of Wolfenson Electric** as they compete at the National Craft Championships in Long Beach, California on March 21st.

Craft trainees from chapter and member training programs compete for the gold in 15 competitions, representing 12 crafts.

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**NATIONAL CRAFT CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
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