



September 27, 2017

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## **Next Meeting – Monday, October 09**

The next Club meeting is scheduled for **Monday, October 09, 2017 at 11:30 am at Maggiano's Restaurant at Perimeter Mall on Ashford-Dunwoody Road** in the Capri, Bellagio Rooms (downstairs—first and second rooms on the right as you enter Maggiano's). Our speaker for the October meeting will be:

**Ms. Tapsi Puri from Burns & McDonnell will provide a presentation entitled "EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS RESPONSE TOOL: "PLANNING FOR THE UNPLANNED"**

**Machines fail. Humans err. Accidents happen. The key is to keep accidents from becoming disasters with a rapid response to stop the incident and mitigate the damage. To do that, information must be accessible, current and complete, so responders can make efficient decisions and gain control of the situation. That's exactly what the Emergency Preparedness and Response Tool (EPRT) from Burns & McDonnell provides. The EPRT eliminates the slow, manual process of data capture and integration and instead provides a single program where incident responders can access automated and enhanced coordination, and planning and collaboration of work during emergency events. With mobile data capture capabilities and remote updating, information available from the program's dashboard is current and updated in real time, making the response faster and more accurate.**

**Ms. Puri is a project manager in the technology consulting group at Burns & McDonnell. Her more than nine years of experience in the software industry and exposure to engineering trends help her to provide efficient and innovative geospatial and nongeospatial software solutions. Her current responsibilities include managing, analyzing, designing, developing, testing, debugging and implementing solutions to support an organization's information management systems.**

Lunch will be provided at a cost of \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members. Please note that members typically start arriving at 11am and lunch will start promptly at 11:30am.



If you plan to attend, please **RSVP** to the Club's website at [www.atlantapipeliners.com](http://www.atlantapipeliners.com) by **COB Wednesday, October 4**.

As a note to our members who are Professional Engineers, attendance at our monthly meeting presentations can be counted towards your continuing education requirements.

## ***What's New? - Important Changes – Please Read***

In November the Club will raffle two (2) \$50 prizes to any member of the Pipeliners Club! All you have to do is become/renew your membership on or before the November 13<sup>th</sup> meeting to have your name entered into the drawing.

Membership for students and interns is now **\*FREE\***. You must register to attend the lunches. Lunch for our student and intern members will cost \$30.

As mentioned above, there will be a price increase beginning this month (**October**), the cost of lunch for members will remain \$30. The cost for lunch for non-members will be \$40.

## ***September Meeting Summary***

There was no meeting in September due to Hurricane Irma.

## ***Club Meetings 2017/2018 Session***

Please mark your calendars for the meetings to be held during the 2017/2018 session. The Club meets the **second Monday** of the following months.

August 14  
September 11  
**October 8**  
November 13  
**No December Meeting**  
January 8  
February 12  
March 12  
April 9 (Joint Meeting w/ NACE – Hosted by NACE this year)

In May, the Club will hold its annual golf tournament to raise funds for the Club's Scholarship Program, which has been most successful these past years. Details will be provided some time around March and April.

Attendance at Club meetings is open to all persons associated with the pipeline industry. Please invite your co-workers, clients, vendors, suppliers and contractors to participate.

## **Membership Drive**

We continue to make good progress improving our membership and want to continue to improve the Club's value to its members. So please, talk it up to your colleagues and business associates. A larger Club makes for more networking opportunities. Starting in October, our non-members will be required to pay \$40 for lunch each month. We would like for this increase to be an incentive for non-members to join to increase membership, keep our member's luncheon at \$30 and compensate for what the Club has to pay in addition to the \$30 for member's each month.

Please note that we will be using our modified membership process again this year. We no longer are requiring an annual enrollment. Instead, if you were a member last year, or the previous year, you will receive a notice for payment of dues (\$55) via e-mail. If your contact information has changed you will need to register again on the Club's website at [www.atlantapipeliners.com](http://www.atlantapipeliners.com) to update your information.

For new members, please register online at [www.atlantapipeliners.com](http://www.atlantapipeliners.com) and either bring to the next meeting or mail a check with your membership dues to the:

Club Treasurer, Stan Pitts  
Director, BUA East  
ApplusRTD USA  
PO Box 870794  
Stone Mountain, GA 30087

Please invite your co-workers, clients, vendors, suppliers and contractors to participate. If you have any questions about membership, please contact the Club's Membership Chair, Ben Grove at 678-327-2963.

## **Meeting Presentations**

In an effort to remain as relevant as possible to our Membership, we are always interested in your comments regarding our presentations or your suggestions for future speakers. If you have someone or some topic in mind that would be of interest to you, please drop a note to Kimberly Lawson/Southern Company Gas the Club's Vice President and Program Chair. You can reach Kim at 404-584-3246 or at [klawson@southernco.com](mailto:klawson@southernco.com).

## **Club Officers**

For anyone with questions about Club activities or who is interested in serving as an officer in the Club, please contact one of the Club's current officers. The current officers for the Club include:

**President:** Charles Ricks/American Steel Pipe, [cricks@american-usa.com](mailto:cricks@american-usa.com), 205-325-1936

**Vice President/Program Chair:** Kimberly Lawson/Southern Company Gas ,  
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**Treasurer:** Stan Pitts/ApplusRTD USA, [stan.pitts@applusrtd.com](mailto:stan.pitts@applusrtd.com), 404-379-3916

**Secretary:** Jerry Aycock/Kinder Morgan, [jerry\\_aycock@kindermorgan.com](mailto:jerry_aycock@kindermorgan.com), 770-751-4165

**Membership Chair:** Ben Grove/Stantec, [benjamin.grove@stantec.com](mailto:benjamin.grove@stantec.com), 678-327-2963



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