President’s Message

Hello Red River Valley IIA members,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 Chapter year! Looking back on our accomplishments, the 2017-2018 chapter year was a success. I’m excited to announce we achieved Silver Chapter Status based upon our performance – congratulations! The IIA established designations to recognize chapters that have achieved alignment with the North American Strategic Plan in three service categories:

- Service to Members (Education, Networking, Certification)
- Service to the Profession (Community Outreach) and
- Chapter Administration (Reporting & Administration)

This milestone could not have been achieved without the hard work of our Leadership Team. We are fortunate to have all of our Board Members returning for the new 2018-2019 Chapter Year along with returning officers; Tracie Barnes (Treasurer), and Brittany Krabbenhoft (Secretary) and we welcome our newest officer Scott Blankenship (Vice President).

I would like to thank a couple of members that stepped up and helped with our annual financial reviews over the last couple of years. This is not an easy undertaking and these individuals dedicated their time to help with this annual financial activity. Teresa Roberts, BCBSND, conducted our review for the 2016-2017 Chapter Year and developed a great foundation that could be relied upon for future reviews. Tim Klemz, Enclave Development, conducted the most recent review (2017-2018). Thank you both for your hard work.

I’m happy to let you know that at the IIA Leadership Conference in April, we were recognized as a Chapter of Excellence. The IIA established a program to recognize chapters for their belief in quality education and support of the CIA designation, specifically through The IIA’s CIA Learning System program. Because we actively promoted The IIA’s CIA Learning System to our members, the Red River Valley Chapter was recognized at the IIA Leadership Conference.

The 2017-2018 Chapter Year was full of excellent seminars that provided valuable training. A special thanks to the Programming Committee for their continued involvement in planning our educational seminars. Speaking of educational training, the Programming Committee is working hard to make the upcoming year valuable and rewarding to you. Our first event, PwC Accounting Update, kicks off the chapter year on Thursday, October 25th at the Tru Blu Social Club in West Fargo. PwC will provide information regarding the new lease standards as well as many other topics. Also, mark your calendars for upcoming events such as Communicating Audit Results & Updates to the Profession on Thursday, December 6th along with Internal Audit-Beyond the Basics on Tuesday, February 5th. These are can’t miss seminars and I look forward to seeing you all there. You can visit the Chapter’s website to learn more about these events.

I am proud of our accomplishments and look forward to the upcoming year and the privilege of serving as your President.

Patty Olson
President

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Treasurer’s Report

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Upcoming Events

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- **Tuesday and Wednesday, October 16th-17th:** *2018 IIA Central NoDAK Chapter Seminar in Bismarck, ND.* Topics include Fraud Detection and Incident Response for Auditors, Selling Audit Ideas: Surfacing Issues, Identifying the Real Causes, & Getting Managers to Act. Link to register: [https://www.eiseverywhere.com/365911](https://www.eiseverywhere.com/365911)

- **Thursday, October 25th:** *PWC Accounting Update @ Tru Blue Social Club* – from 3-5pm followed by a happy hour reception from 5-6:30pm. Event is FREE and topics include evolving tax reform legislation, new revenue recognition and leasing standards, and use of data and process automation. Link to register: [http://www.eiseverywhere.com/navigatingachangingenvironment](http://www.eiseverywhere.com/navigatingachangingenvironment)

- **Thursday, October 25th:** *RRV IIA CAE Roundtable @ BCBS from 11:30-1pm.* Email redrivervalleyiia@gmail.com if you are interested in attending.

- **Thursday, December 6th:** *Communicating Audit Results & Updates to the Profession (1/2 day in the morning) and Banking Topics, which will include Third Party Risk, Model Risk Management and Trends in Financial Institution Fraud (1/2 day in the afternoon).* More information will be sent out regarding registration and details.

- **Tuesday, February 5th:** *Internal Audit - Beyond the Basics.* More information will be sent out regarding registration and details.

CAP Corner

The IIA established CAP to ensure that chapters serve their members and the internal audit profession. Chapters earn points in those two categories as well as for chapter administration.

How can you help the chapter to earn CAP Points?

- Attend the monthly luncheons and seminars
- Earn one or more IIA certifications;
- Develop questions for the CIA exam;
- Recruit new members
- Present speeches or training sessions
- Submit internal audit-related articles for publication
- Provide an internal audit internship at your company for a student

Contact sblankenship@rdoffutt.com to submit CAP Points earned.

Interested in becoming an Officer or joining a Committee?

Contact redrivervalleyiia@gmail.com for more information.

WELCOME!

We would like to welcome our new members to the Red River Valley IIA Chapter!