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If you have any ideas for future newsletters or news worthy notes, please email Victoria White by the 1st of each month.
Hello Aksarben Chapter Members!

Fall (my favorite time of year!) is already fully underway with cooler weather, colorful trees, pumpkins everywhere, and of course, Football! We have several events coming up in the next couple of months, so please be sure to add them to your calendar. To start us off, we will be having a Fall Social at Scriptown Brewery on October 15th from 4:30-6 pm. Please get registered for this event (FREE to members), and join us for a brewery tour and some networking with fellow members.

The October Chapter meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 27th from 11:30-1 at the Scott Conference Center (with streaming at Nelnet in Lincoln). We welcome Dan Kinsella from Deloitte presenting on Extended Enterprise Risk Management - Driving Performance through the Third-Party Ecosystem and Internal Audit’s Role. Get registered today for this event! See the events page or our website for more details.

Our IIA meetings have now expanded with streaming to a Lincoln location to make our monthly meetings more available and convenient to Lincoln area members. We are very excited to offer this going forward with great help and thanks to Ron Povondra, our Lincoln Programs Committee volunteer. A big thank you also goes out to the Programs Committee – Nicole Davis, Adam McAlpine, Fran Frauendorfer, and Amanda Ruh – for helping to set up the streaming this year.

Our very hard-working Academic Relations Committee has already begun their activities of reaching out to students to educate them on the profession, and to discuss the benefits of membership in the IIA. A student event is scheduled for November 6th from 4-6 PM at Bank of the West with presentations, networking, and a raffle (raffle items include an iPad Mini!). Volunteers are needed for this event. See the flyer on page 6 for more information on this FREE event.

Additionally, the Academic Relations Committee is looking for mentors this year for some of the students. We have several students that have shown interest in this, but we need volunteer mentors. Please see page 8 for more information. Please spread the word to students that you know who would be interested in the networking event or in mentorship.

Please remember to LIKE our Facebook page and join our LinkedIn group. Feel free to join in the posting on both sites.

I hope to see you at the next Chapter meeting!
Andrea Meyer
IIA Ak-Sar-Ben Chapter President
Andrea.Meyer@mutualofomaha.com
MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

New Members

Hanna Sikes, Cornerstone Bank
Alyson Howard, KPMG LLP USA
David Platt, Pinnacle Bancorp
Benjamin O'Neill, Northstar Financial Services
Stephanie Christolear, BKD, LLP
Frances Frauendorfer, Kiewit Corporation
John Hemmer, BKD, LLP
Ashley Moore, Ameritas

Anniversaries

Ann Reis, ConAgra Foods—5 Years
Mikayla Klitz, ConAgra Foods—5 Years
Doug Schnack—10 Years
Shari Thompson, University of Nebraska at Omaha—10 Years
Deb Mueller, First National Bank of Omaha—15 Years

Certifications

Mindy Eihusen, ConAgra Foods—CIA
Katherine Krovance, First National Bank of Nebraska—CIA
# Events and Opportunities

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**CPE CREDIT NOTICE**

Reminder to those who attend our chapter meetings, seminars, and webcasts:

1 CPE credit is awarded for each 50 minutes of a presentation or training time attended. We realize that there may be times when an attendee must leave early due to work or personal obligations, however, CPE can only be awarded for the time the person actually attended the event. If you must leave an event early, we ask that you let the registration attendant know so your CPE can be adjusted appropriately.
Financial Statement Fraud

October 20th, 2015

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

This session focuses on internal audit’s role in detecting financial statement fraud and how to develop a sustainable process to identify potentially fraudulent schemes. The session will explore elements of common financial misstatements and how to address them with effective risk assessment techniques based on key industry metrics and applicable use of Benford’s Law.

You will learn to:

• Understand changing patterns of financial statement fraud.
• Identify and evaluate financial statement fraud risk factors and industry norms.
• Design internal audit steps to help detect common financial statements and fraud schemes.
• Apply Benford’s Law to identify patterns that may indicate fictitious or missing documents.

Speaker: Melissa Frazier, CPA, CIA, CRMA
Vice President of Audit and Controls, Comfort Systems USA

Melissa Frazier is Vice President of Audit and Controls for Comfort Systems USA, a NYSE company with commercial heating and air conditioning companies across the country. Frazier has 30 years of experience working in internal and IT audit with international accounting firms and publicly traded companies. She is actively involved with professional organizations and served as president of the Houston CPA Society, and as an officer and member of the Executive Board and Board of Directors of the Texas Society of CPAs. She is a member of the Board of Governors of the Houston Chapter of the IIA where she serves as Chair of the Chapter Governance Task Force. Frazier also serves on the editorial board of Today’s CPA. She earned a Bachelors and Masters in

TAKE NOTE!

A new analytics group has been created to share and leverage ideas within the Omaha audit community. If you are interested in participating, contact Zach Bilek at TD Ameritrade and join the Omaha Audit Analytics Group on LinkedIn!
Meet The Audit, Security & Governance Professionals!

SECOND ANNUAL IIA/ISACA JOINT STUDENT NETWORKING EVENT

- **Learn** firsthand from working professionals about Audit, Security and Governance careers
- **Connect** with the IIA, ISACA and local organizations to learn about their student programs (IIA scholarships, Internships offered by organizations, etc.)
- **Grow** your future business career by considering these professions as a stepping stone

Friday November 6, 2015

**Program Hours:** 4:00 – 6:00 PM (Please arrive early for Registration/Refreshments (Event starts promptly at 4:00pm)

**Location:** Bank of the West - 13505 California Street, Omaha, NE 68154

**Student Networking Event Agenda**

3:00 PM – 3:50 PM
- Registration
- Refreshments

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- Presentations
  - IIA Aksarben Chapter and ISACA Omaha Presidents
  - Internships/Job Opportunities
  - Bank of the West Chief Information Security Officer – Drew Osborne
  - Bank of the West Senior IT Audit Manager – Vlad Liska

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- Networking with Audit and Governance professionals
- Raffle: iPad mini & Gift Cards (must be present to win)

Space is limited so please RSVP soon for this free event!

Register with IIA/ISACA Academic Relations at AcademicRelations-IIA-ISACA@outlook.com by Friday 10/30/2015
Call for Speakers!

We are looking for speakers for the upcoming chapter year. The topics are listed below. Please contact Adam McAlpine or Nicole Davis for more information or to sign up for certain topics.

1. Compliance and regulations
2. Vendor Risk Management
3. Project management
5. Root cause analysis
6. Conflict resolution
7. Leadership topics - Effective Leadership, Developing Employee Leadership, Leadership by Example, etc.
8. Communication skills - interviewing, meetings, presenting, etc.
10. Corporate Social Responsibility Auditing
11. Social Media Auditing
12. Cybersecurity
13. Ethics
14. Fraud
15. GRC
16. Talent management (attracting, developing, and retaining)
17. Improving or protecting the brand/perception of IA shops - “value add” and other expectations of management for the IA shops
The Academic Relations Committee has a mentoring program where students are paired up with professional volunteers like yourself to help teach students more about Audit, Security and Governance careers. Many students have shown interest in participating in our mentoring program, but we do not have enough mentors volunteering to fully support the program. Please consider spending an hour or two each month to connect with a student and teach them about your professional journey. Another benefit is that you can earn CPE volunteering as a mentor as well. Please email AcademicRelations-IIA-ISACA@outlook.com if you are interested in getting involved!
Events and Opportunities

Omaha Professional Practices Roundtable

Professional Practices groups continue to show growth in internal audit organizations. Responsibilities include quality assurance programs, reporting, metrics, policies and procedures, and driving consistency across the audit organization. Do you have responsibility for Professional Practices within your internal audit group? If your answer is YES there is an opportunity for you to share best practices, discuss challenges, ask questions, and network with other professional practices groups in the Omaha area. If you have an interest in participating in the Omaha Professional Practices Roundtable, please contact Missy Simmons at 402-574-6540 or via email at melissa.simmons@tdameritrade.com.

Financial Services Audit Center Launch

The Institute of Internal Auditors is excited to announce the launch of the Financial Services Audit Center. The Center is designed to deliver targeted content to internal auditors at all levels within the financial services industry, including banking, securities, insurance, and more. Visit www.theiia.org/FSAC to learn more about the Center.
Chapter Achievement Program Progress

**What is CAP?** Chapter Achievement Points (CAP) are credits earned by the Chapter throughout the year. A minimum credit is required in each of the following three categories in order to qualify for Bronze status:

**Service to Members:** 325 credits are calculated from: CPEs for members, social meetings, and the number of certification certificates presented.

**Service to Profession:** 200 credits calculated from: miscellaneous services to the profession, CPEs for nonmembers, and hosting a conference.

**Chapter Administration:** 160 credits calculated from: reporting, newsletters and Leadership Conference participation.

Additional credits beyond these can come from any category in order to qualify for a higher level.

**We need you,** our IIA Ak-Sar-Ben members, to notify our Chapter President Elect, Megan Palmer, of the following:

1. Any articles that you have submitted on audit-related topics to the IIA or any other professional organization (please include the date of submission, title, and the publication to which it was submitted).

2. Any articles that were published in the IIA magazine (please include the date of publication).

3. Any presentations for organizations that are audit-related (please include the date, presentation length rounded up to the next whole hour, location, number of attendees, and number of IIA member attendees).

4. Participation in any Junior Achievement Program (please include the date, hours volunteered, and location).

5. Participation on an IIA International Committee.

6. Hosting an Internal Audit event at work (please include the date, presentation length rounded up to the next whole hour, location, and speaker).

7. Submissions to the Audit Channel TV

8. Participation on an IIA-sponsored Quality Review Team.

9. The completion of a Quality Assessment by your company.

Knowledge of these events could significantly increase our CAP points and help us maintain our Platinum Status!

**Status of our travels on the Road to Gold Chapter Achievement Program (CAP):**

**CAP levels:**

- **Bronze:** $685.00
- **Silver:** $1,060.00
- **Gold:** $1,560.00
- **Platinum:** 10 years of Gold

**Our total as September 30th, 2015:** 1709.04 Points!!!

We achieved **GOLD** status for the 2014-2015 chapter year maintaining our **PLATINUM** status!! Thanks for all of your participation in chapter events.
Volkswagen Scandal: The Undoing of a Corporate Icon

Richard F. Chambers, CIA, QIAL, CGAP, CCSA, CRMA, is president and CEO of The IIA. In Chambers on the Profession, he shares his personal reflections and insights based on his 40 years of experience in the internal audit profession.

My first car was a used 1967 Volkswagen Beetle. It was a great little "starter" car, but only a couple of months after I bought it, the car was stolen. Last week, I relived that loss when Volkswagen was stolen from all of us.

The venerable automaker's shocking admission that it developed and installed software designed to circumvent U.S. emissions rules will forever change how the company is perceived by the public. The phrase "German engineering," once synonymous with quality, will now be the butt of jokes on late-night talk shows.

What's more, the scandal once again raises serious questions about the inner workings, and possibly ethical practices, of a respected corporation. As with FIFA, Hertz, and Toshiba, we can expect details of this debacle to trickle out in a painful and public unveiling of failure in corporate culture.

It remains to be seen how pervasive the scheme was to make Volkswagen's diesel vehicles appear to run cleaner in emissions tests than they do on the road. But one thing is perfectly and immediately clear: This is an extraordinary example of how a company's reputation, particularly one built over many decades, can be severely damaged — if not decimated — in mere days.

Already, Volkswagen has seen the resignation of its CEO against the backdrop of criminal and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency investigations, which could lead conservatively to fines of as much as US $18 billion. The company already announced it would take a charge to earnings topping US $7 billion. Not surprisingly, Volkswagen's stock price has plummeted.

On the horizon, one can expect to see lawsuits from car owners, shareholders, and others directly and indirectly affected by Volkswagen's actions. And one thing is certain, the impact won't be limited to Volkswagen. Like a devastating tsunami after an earthquake, the scandal's ripple effect already is striking stock prices of other automakers and parts suppliers.

The fallout conceivably could spread to other consumer sectors, where claims about product performance or quality will understandably be viewed more cynically. Is gluten-free really free of glutens?
Ultimately, the consequences of this misdeed might topple the world's second largest car company, according to some analysts. Whether Volkswagen can survive the storm, from an internal audit perspective, the scandal must be placed at the catastrophic end of the risk spectrum.

It remains to be seen if Volkswagen's top managers knew about the scheme or contemplated the risk of its discovery. But the lesson for internal audit is that virtually all risk carries a component of potential reputational damage to the organization. In the case of Volkswagen and many other failures of iconic companies, it would seem unimaginable that management or the internal audit function would condone potentially criminal behavior in support of boosting the company's value. The risks associated with such behavior — reputational, share value, corruption, fraud, corporate culture — are unacceptable to me, and presumably unacceptable to most shareholders and consumers.

This brings up another lesson to be drawn from the Volkswagen episode: Internal auditors must be keenly aware of the pressures associated with performance within their organizations. In a nutshell, they must understand that what gets measured/rewarded also can get manipulated.

Whether it's about profits, bonuses, or reducing the emission of nitrogen dioxide, internal audit must be attuned to pressures that management, regulators, or stakeholders place on measurable metrics. Typically, this is where an organization is most vulnerable to bending or breaking the rules.

I am encouraged by the comments of new Volkswagen CEO Matthias Müller upon his being named to the top post. Müller, who worked his way up the corporate ladder over a 38-year-career that began with Audi, a unit of Volkswagen, said winning back trust is his most urgent task. He promised to accomplish this, "by leaving no stone unturned and with maximum transparency, as well as drawing the right conclusions from the current situation."

It will be a good first test for Müller to see if he can truly determine whether creation of the emissions "defeat device" was an isolated instance of overzealous engineers succumbing to compliance pressures — or a product of a broader corporate culture willing to do anything to achieve results.
Member Benefits

Discounted CIA Study Materials for Members...

As a member of the IIA Ak-Sar-Ben Chapter, you are eligible to receive a 20% discount on all CIA or CPA Review materials sold by Gleim. You are also eligible to receive a 20% discount on any online CPE offered by Gleim.

Gleim Offers Members Free On-Line CPE Hours

It seems that everyone is always looking for CPE hours to finish out the reporting period. As a thank you for partnering with Gleim to increase certification among our members, Gleim is providing every Chapter member with a 4-hour CPE course (any one in our course catalog) at NO charge!

The Gleim CPE courses are delivered via the Internet, so Chapter members can study when and where it is convenient for them. With the trend towards conserving resources, Gleim knows that many training budgets have been reduced. Eliminating travel costs associated with CPE is one of the areas where a Gleim CPE course can be of benefit.

If you wish to take advantage of this complimentary course or if you have questions regarding the discounted study materials, email Melissa Leonard with Gleim (melissa.leonard@gleim.com) or call her at 800.874.5346 ext. 131. Or for more information, visit the resources page on the IIA Ak-Sar-Ben Chapter site.

IIA CIA Learning System Study Materials

Earning your CIA designation could boost your knowledge and career. Be prepared for the CIA exam with the IIA's CIA Study Materials!

The study materials encompass all methods for studying so that you can find what will work for you.

Methods include: Reading materials, online study, instructor guidance, computer-based software, and audio CDs

See more information regarding the study material by clicking here.

Note: If a member’s company does not reimburse for the cost of study materials, members can contact a member of the Board of Governors (emails listed below in “Chapter Leadership” section) to request reimbursement from the Chapter.
If you see a posting that you are interested in, click on the position title to view the full posting on the chapter website.

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# Chapter Leadership

## 2015-2016

### Officers, Board of Governors, Committees

#### Officers:
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