President's Message

Howdy Chapter Members!

I am so excited to start our new chapter year and share with you some of the things we have planned. We are currently discussing two in-person CPE events and two virtual events. Details for our two fall events are shared in the Chapter News section on page 2. The chapter officers and governors will continue to monitor local COVID-19 guidance for in-person meetings as the year progresses.

As always, we welcome your feedback and input on chapter events, newsletter content, or any other topic! Email us at iiabrazosvalleychapter@gmail.com.

We look forward to serving you this year!

Best Wishes,

Chesney Cote
Chapter President
Chapter News

Chapter Events

- **Tuesday, September 21st** – a 4-hour CPE event held jointly with TAMU Internal Audit Program at Mays Business School. The in-person training will be sponsored and presented by Weaver and include breakfast and lunch. Topics are Business Continuity Planning (1 hr), Ethics (2 hrs), and Sustainability Reporting (1 hr). Cost is $100 for members and $125 for non-members.

- **Wednesday, November 10th** – a 1-hour virtual event presented by Larry Kowlessar. The topic is "The Value of Follow-Up Reviews". Pricing to be determined.

Volunteer Spotlight

Our volunteer spotlight is Tracey Sadler! Tracey recently completed a 3-year term on our board of governors. During this time, she helped plan many chapter events and provided valuable feedback on chapter operations. Thank you, Tracey!

IA Student Association

Our student chapter would love your support and involvement as they continue to grow. As of spring 2021, there are 89 student members!

If you or your company would like to host a student intern, sponsor a class project, or serve as a mentor, please contact Michael Head at mhead@mays.tamu.edu.

Chapter Recognition

2021 Building Awareness Champion Award

This award is given annually by The IIA to recognize exceptional commitment to promoting the internal audit profession throughout International Internal Audit Awareness Month in May. See full recognition letter on our website here.

If you are interested in volunteering with the chapter, we would love to hear from you! No commitment is too big or too small. Our official vacancies are Programming Officer and Audit Committee Chair, but other volunteer tasks are available if interested.

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News from The IIA

NEW! The IIA's IT General Controls Certificate

Enhance your specialized knowledge and showcase your expertise in 12 key technology areas by completing The IIA's IT General Controls Certificate Program. Passing the program exam demonstrates your competency in today's most relevant topics and distinguishes you from your peers.

This innovative self-study program is available exclusively through the convenient IIA Training OnDemand platform. More information found here.

IIA TRAINING / Virtual

- **IIA Virtual Symposium: Public–Private Partnerships August 24 & 26** – Join in the discussion as we look more deeply into public–private partnership (P3) projects. Our expert panel members will share their experiences and observations and provide clear examples of risks to be aware of.

- **2021 Financial Services Exchange September 27–28** – Washington DC & Virtual
  As the regulatory environment continues to become more complex and financial scrutiny intensifies, the Financial Services Exchange is the event for internal auditors to learn and share leading practices to navigate through the associated risks. The IIA and its Financial Services Advisory Board continue to deliver a conference program that is relevant and engaging.

- **Virtual Seminar Series October 4–7** – Available completely online, The IIA's Seminar Series is a joint partnership with certain chapters, but open to the public for registration. A variety for topics are available. More information found here.

- **2021 GAM OnDemand** – Did you the miss the 2021 General Audit Management (GAM) Conference? Now is your chance to access nine (9) highly rated and top attended concurrent sessions OnDemand. Wherever you are, you can continue to strengthen your knowledge and skills while earning up to 116 CPEs.