A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Chapter Members,

It is hard to believe how fast time has flown by, but our chapter year is almost over and there is only one monthly meeting left before we take a break for the summer. There is still time to register for the May 14th meeting and pick up another CPE credit so I would encourage you to attend if you are able. As I look back on the past year, I think the best place to start is simply to say thank you. While I still feel like I am relatively new to IIA leadership and have a lot still to learn, the more I get to know about other chapters across the country (and really across the world) the more impressed I am with how much our chapter does relative to our size. So I first want to pause to say thank you to all of those who served as Officers/Board members, volunteered for a committee, are helping plan our 2020 District Conference, are serving on the quality assurance review team that will soon be performing a peer review for one of our member companies, or regularly attended our monthly meetings and biannual seminars. The chapter is only as strong as the commitment of our members and the number of accomplishments this past year shows that is very high!

Although most of our official events will not start back up until the fall, a lot of work will be going on behind the scenes over the summer to prepare for the 2019/2020 chapter year. So in between the vacations, barbecues, sporting events, fireworks and other summer activities in the next few months, please take a few minutes to think about the following:

- Where could you volunteer in the next chapter year? – There will be many opportunities ranging from serving on a committee to helping with the District Conference and in addition to assisting the chapter these are also great opportunities for networking and getting to know others in our profession.
- What topics/speakers are you most interested in? – We know that you are taking time away from your normal job to attend our meetings so want to make sure that the content is valuable and worthwhile. Please let the officers know if there are certain topics you are interested in learning more about or if you have run across any high quality speakers that it would make sense for us to work with. If you are personally willing to present at one of our meetings, that is even better.
- What interesting or innovative things is your department doing? – In addition to being impressed with our chapter considering its size, as I learn more about some of our local internal audit departments it is also clear that some cutting-edge things are going on here. We hope to provide more opportunities in the future for knowledge transfer and sharing best practices so would love to know about new things your internal audit department is trying or things that have worked particularly well for you.

Thanks again and I hope everyone has a great summer!

Ryan Willhite, Central Iowa Chapter President
MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

- 455 Active Members
- 24 New Members in 2019
- 338 members belong to Audit Group Members
- 27 Government Audit Group Members
- 127 members hold at least one IIA certification

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Aaron Bennett
- Stephen Holt
- Andrew Broesder
- Megan Hill
- Mary Rochholz
- Callie Casey
- Steve Kamau
- Nathan Luna
- Courtney Roth

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

MAY MEETING DETAILS

DATE: Tuesday, May 14, 2019
TIME: 11:30 - 1:00 P.M. (Registration begins at 11:15)
TOPIC: PWC’s 2019 State of the Internal Audit Profession
SPEAKER: Adam Newland, PWC
WHERE: Wakonda Club
RSVP: http://www.eiseverywhere.com/417132
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Thursday 5/9 @ noon.

ABOUT THE TOPIC:

Hypothesis: Companies that have risk programs with strong digital DNA are better positioned along their digital transformation journey.

This year’s research will explore:
- Why organizations and their risk teams think the move switch to digital is important (aspirations)
- Their efforts to alter their digital DNA in the four areas (ecosystem score/maturity curve)
- What’s needed for risk teams to shed the old and digitally remake their infrastructure (solutions)
- What techniques organizations use to deliver digital solutions such portfolio decisions and agile or DevOps
- How organizations and risk teams assess success (metrics)

Central Iowa IIA Cancellation Policy - The Chapter is financially obligated for your registration if you choose to attend or not. Please refer to the cancellation policy located on the Chapter's Training and Event's page.

THE IIA’S 2019 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Every year The IIA’s international conference moves to different places around the globe. This year, we are fortunate and it will be in sunny, Southern California at the Anaheim Convention Center, over the dates of July 7-10. Your registration includes access to all general and concurrent sessions, the opportunity to earn up to 17.4 CPEs, entrance to the exhibit hall and admittance to the welcome reception on Monday and beach party on Tuesday! Register Now!
TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

UPCOMING IIA MEMBER ONLY WEBINARS

- 21-May-2019  
  Members-Only Webinar: Public Policy Issues Ahead: A Washington Perspective

- 04-June-2019  
  Members-Only Webinar: Environmental Risk: Aligning Effort to Create Value and Mitigate Hidden Risks

- 18-June-2019  
  Members-Only Webinar: Code of Ethics: Implementation Guides

- 16-July-2019  
  Members-only Webinar: The Internal Audit/Audit Committee Relationship

- 18-July-2019  
  FSAC Webinar: The 2019 Financial Services Regulatory and Legislative Landscape

RICHARD CHAMBERS BLOG

Internal Audit Awareness Month: More Than Just Talking the Talk

In his blog, IIA President and CEO Richard Chambers, CIA, QIAL, CGAP, CCSA, CRMA, shares his personal reflections and insights on the internal audit profession. Here's an excerpt from his latest post:

I was thrilled to announce recently that The IIA surpassed 200,000 members. This momentous milestone couldn't have come at a better time as we enter International Internal Audit Awareness Month, our annual, globally coordinated effort to raise awareness about our wonderful profession.

The IIA, along with its North American chapters and more than 100 affiliated institutes around the world, will be promoting the value that internal auditing brings to fostering stronger risk management, internal control, and corporate governance. Awareness month provides an opportunity for practitioners to plan events, gather proclamations, and do other outreach to elevate not just awareness, but also appreciation, for the vital assurance and advisory work we do.

Pride about the profession should be evident every day of the year, but I get excited when #IIAMay comes around. I'm always impressed with the creativity and passion that our members display in promoting the profession — from parades and proclamations to career days and even flash mobs.

Read the full InternalAuditor.org blog post from IIA President and CEO Richard Chambers.
CHAPTER NEWS

MEMBERSHIP SURVEY – THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who completed the annual membership survey. We greatly appreciate your input and feedback as we work on planning the 2019/2020 Chapter Events. If you didn’t have a chance to complete the survey (or even if you did!) and you have input for the Officers, Board Members and Committee Leaders to consider when planning the upcoming year activities, please don’t hesitate to reach out with your thoughts!

Congratulations to Shannan Hoffsmitt, Wellmark for winning the $25 Amazon gift card.

It's coming...

THE 2020 IIA MIDWEST DISTRICT CONFERENCE!

The Central Iowa Chapter is in the beginning stages of planning the 2020 IIA Midwest District Conference, and we need your help! There are a variety of opportunities we need your assistance with to ensure we make the next District Conference a huge success!

Call for Volunteers!
We would love to have you on our team! Our District Conference Committees include Programs, Key Notes, Sponsorship, Marketing, and Registration committees. For more information and/or to join one of our committees, please email Ainslee Barnes at ainslee.barnes@caseys.com.

Call for Key Note and Conference Speakers!
We are in need of some great key note and conference speakers. If you are or know of a speaker who would like to present on an audit topic related to risk management, critical thinking, cultivating relationships, IT, fraud, etc. at the 2020 conference, please contact Kenn Yu at Yu.Kenn@principal.com or Ainslee Barnes at ainslee.barnes@caseys.com for more information.

Call for Sponsors!
If you and/or your company would like to support our conference in other ways, please consider becoming an official 2020 IIA Midwest District Conference sponsor! We have many sponsorship opportunities available and would greatly appreciate your support. To become one of our sponsors and/or for a list of sponsorship opportunities, please email Heather Golden at heather.m.golden@wellsfargo.com.

Thank you to all who have gotten the conference planning process off to a great start!

Look for more information and contest opportunities on the Central Iowa Chapter’s Twitter page!

CHIEF AUDITOR EXECUTIVE (CAE) ROUNDTABLE

The CAE Roundtable is an IIA member’s event and occurs quarterly. The CAEs invited to the roundtable set the agenda and the meetings are held during lunch at various member company locations. Our next roundtable is scheduled for the June 6th and will be hosted by PWC. This event is by invitation only. If you are a CAE and are not receiving the roundtable invitations, please email Crystal Berg at bergc@wellmark.com.
CERTIFICATION CORNER

The IIA offers 5 certification/qualification programs. CIA, CRMA, CPEA, QIAL (qualification internal audit leadership) CPSA (certified process safety auditor)

IIA Certifications and Qualifications help you drive your career forward by:

- Validating your skills and knowledge
- Enhancing credibility and respect in the field
- Increasing marketability and earning potential
- Demonstrating your understanding of and commitment to the practice of internal auditing
- Providing global consistency

Please join us in congratulating the following in obtaining an IIA certification during the 2018-2019 Chapter year:

Caroline Pester - CRMA & CIA
Ciaran Bowe – CRMA
Ryan Willhite – CRMA
Brett Beckman – CFSA
Richard Heil – CIA
Tyler Bro – CIA
Julie Francisco – CIA
Brian Schult – CIA
Kerrn Yu – CIA
Michelle Flynn – CIA
Laurel Rueter – CIA
Lisa Brown - CRMA
Mitchell Thompson - CRMA & CIA
Mariselle Cline - CFSA
Wilson Roorda - CIA
Daniel Nilsen - CIA
Kathleen Bowers - CIA
Julie Appleget - CIA
Kara Falco - CIA
Tracy Douglas - CIA
Korey Pearson - CIA
Nicholas Jones - CPSA

CIA EXAM: WHY, HOW, AND WHAT IS CHANGING JANUARY 2019

“The global business environment and the internal audit profession have undergone great change. The updated exam offers clarity, uniformity, and alignment with the IIA’s International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing.” - Richard Chambers, CIA, QIAL, CGAP, CCSA, CRMA, IIA President and CEO

Click [here](#) for more information.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- IT Audit Manager - FBL Financial Group
- Senior Auditor - FBL Financial Group
- Internal Audit IT Manager - Meredith
- Senior Auditor - Meredith
- Internal Auditor – Caseys

Are you looking to fill an open position in your department?

Do you want a position posted on the Central Iowa Chapter Website and Monthly Newsletter?

This is a free benefit to IIA members. If you are not an IIA member, but would like to post a position, there is a $50 charge.

Job Postings are located at our Central Iowa Chapter Website on our [Careers](#) page!

Contact [Ashley Ryan](#) with questions.
**VOLUNTEER NEED – CHAPTER AUDITOR!**

The Central Iowa Chapter is in need of an Auditor for our current Chapter Year. If you are looking to get involved, but aren’t ready to make a big commitment, than this volunteer opportunity is for you! As the chapter auditor, your responsibilities would include performing a small financial statement audit on the Chapter’s year end financials. There is an audit program established that can be followed to assist in the review. If this sounds interesting, please contact Ryan Willhite for more information.

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**CELEBRATE INTERNAL AUDIT AWARENESS MONTH IN MAY!**

May is International Internal Audit Awareness month. It is the perfect opportunity to promote the profession and its important role in organizational governance, internal control and risk management – now more than ever before! If you don’t have something planned for your Internal Audit group to celebrate – we encourage you to do so! It is a great opportunity to elevate the profession and promote it within your departments and organizations. If you need help, there are great planning guides available on the IIA website.
2019 LEADERSHIP ACADEMY – TRACK TO YOUR FUTURE

Leadership Academy is an exclusive annual event for IIA chapter leaders, held every April in Orlando, Florida. This year, Trish Bruxvoort (VP1 – Seminars), Crystal Berg (Board Member) and Adam McCleish (incoming VP2 – Monthly Meetings) took part in the two-and-a-half-day event. Training, knowledge sharing, and valuable networking opportunities with more than 350 attendees from across the U.S., Canada, and Caribbean occurred with both small to x-large sized IIA chapters. The event included a number of keynote sessions, interactive working groups, and multiple break-out sessions. Discussions around member recruitment, attracting volunteers, succession planning for leadership roles, programming tactics, etc. where just a few of the agenda items.

“One of the big takeaways for me was hearing Richard Chambers speak. He spoke regarding the future of the internal audit profession, as well as, some of the big risks facing today’s internal auditor. If the opportunity arises, I would recommend going to hear him speak. Overall, the conference provided a great platform to network with other chapters to help build participation in our local chapter, encourage certification, and provide interesting programming.” – Adam McCleish

“The IIA Leadership Academy is great opportunity to network with fellow IIA volunteers from all over the US and World. It provides training to help re-enforce, spark, or grow our chapter’s mission and the Internal Audit profession. I am looking forward to how this academy will propel the profession into the future.” – Crystal Berg

Dinner with the Midwest District Chapter (Sioux Falls, Heartland, Ark-Zar-Ben, Black Hills) Attendees