A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Chapter Members,

We are excited to have Danny Goldberg present at our Spring Seminar on Root Cause Analysis and Agile Auditing next week. Materials and meeting details have been provided to registered participants, please reach out if you have questions. Danny is also offering his book, *People-Centric Skills, 2nd Edition* at a discounted price of $17.50 to our chapter members. If interested, contact the chapter at Chapter96@iiachapters.org, so we can ensure you receive the special pricing.

We are still looking to fill KEY spots within our leadership group for the next chapter year. Volunteering with our chapter could be a great way to meet professional development goals. If our chapter is to be successful for our next chapter year, we need volunteers to continue operating and offering quality CPE. Our immediate needs are for the Programming Officer and President-Elect positions and are available for someone to step up and take on a new opportunity. Did you know you can track your leadership volunteer hours and get CPE!? At a minimum, our group meets 5 times throughout the chapter year (5 CPEs).

Our next chapter year will run from June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022. If you are interested in running for any of the positions highlighted on page 5 of the newsletter, please contact the Chapter at Chapter96@iiachapters.org. We would love to hear from you and see how we can work together in the future. We have already identified the current nominees that will be voted on during our monthly meeting on April 26th. Check out their bios starting on Page 6 and be ready to cast your vote in April.

We continue to give back to our members by offering free monthly meetings to our IIA members (a $20 value) as we navigate this virtual environment. Join us for our April meeting on Corporate Culture and hear from Suka Radia, retired CEO of Bankers Trust. Suka was named Best Metro Business Leader, Best Minority Business Leader, and Most Influential Business Leader from 2012-2017.

If there is anything I can do as your Chapter President to help serve you better, I encourage each of you to submit any questions or comments. This helps to facilitate strong communication links between our members and the chapter leadership. I look forward to seeing you virtually at a future chapter event this Spring.

Ashley Ryan, Central Iowa Chapter President
MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

410 Active Members

298 members belong to Audit Group Members

32 Government Audit Group Members

116 members hold at least one IIA certification

PROGRAMMING CORNER

UPCOMING IIA MEMBERS ONLY WEBINARS

- 13-April-2021 - The IIA: Our Path Forward in Advancing the Profession
- 18-May-2021 - Disruptive Innovation Disrupting Internal Audit

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IIA HEARTLAND – IOWA CHAPTER: WRITING TO ACHIEVE RESULTS

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NEW! MEMBER-ONLY BENEFITS
Introducing new tools of the trade that enhance the value of the profession and the professional, at every level, everywhere. From relevant research and resources to the practical tips, templates, and how to’s you’ve been seeking — there’s never been a better time to discover more benefits of membership.

NEW GUIDES AND TOOLS!
- New Practice Guide on Auditing Market Risk in Financial Institutions
- American Corporate Governance Index – Making strides Amid Crisis
- Internal Audit Competency Framework

UPCOMING 2021 IIA CONFERENCES
- International Conference: June 14-18, 2021 (Virtually)
- Governance, Risk and Control Conference: Aug 9-11, 2021
- Financial Services Exchange: September 27-28, 2021
- Women in Internal Audit Leadership Forum: September 29-30, 2021
- All Star Conference: November 8-10, 2021

RICHARD CHAMBERS BLOG
My 500th Blog Post: Final Reflections From The IIA

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:
When I assumed the role of President and CEO of The IIA on Jan. 5, 2009, little did I know that I was embarking on what would become the longest and most rewarding professional assignment of my life. The world was in a dark place that winter as economies had plunged into the most severe crisis in seven decades.
As the saying goes, when the economy catches a cold, not-for-profit organizations like The IIA catch the flu. So, with the world suffering pneumonia, my entire focus in those early months was squarely on the challenges we faced as an organization — not the amazing journey that would lie ahead.

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

SPRING INTERNAL AUDIT STUDENT EXCHANGE
FREE registration for all attendees to the Spring Internal Audit Student Exchange occurring on April 9, 10.am. CT – the focus of this event will be on critical competencies for success from a student-level perspective. Hear opening remarks from the new IIA CEO Anthony Pugliese and receive special discounts and complimentary offers, just for attending. Register here.

Educator Membership Campaign – educators who have 10 students from the university registered as a member of the IIA will receive a complimentary annual membership.

2021 Recruiting Promo Codes – enter the code 'STU20' for 20% off new or rejoining (previously lapsed) NA Student Membership! Offer expires May 31, 2021. Questions? academic@theiia.org
CERTIFICATION CORNER

PREPARE TO PASS THE CIA® EXAM!

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IIA’S CIA LEARNING SYSTEM VERSION 7.0 NOW AVAILABLE!

It’s official! The IIA has released an all-new CIA Learning System Version 7.0, which aligns professional knowledge, training, and certification expertise to provide the most personalized, flexible, and efficient study experience. IIA members save up to $100! Check out the all-new Version 7.0 CIA study tools!

The IIA is also offering a free webinar for those interested in the CIA program:

- Recorded on February 11th – Increase your chances of Passing the CIA Exam

INTERNAL AUDIT PRACTITIONER PROGRAM

The launch of revised requirements for the Internal Audit Practitioner program makes it possible for beginning internal auditors, including students, to prove their aptitude and foundational knowledge of the Standards. The designation is active for three years and provides a pathway to becoming a Certified Internal Auditor®.

CRMA EXAM UPDATE

In Mid-2021, the new program requirements, format, window, and pricing changes will take effect. Aspiring candidates, as well as current certification holders and in-progress candidates, can learn more about how these changes will impact them specifically by referencing this link.

New CRMA Exam Study Guide and Practice Questions were released in February 2021. Find it in the IIA Bookstore today!

2021 CRMA BETA TEST

Through 30 June, active CIs can participate in a beta test of the new Certification in Risk Management Assurance (CRMA) exam. There is no application fee, and the first 200 approved CRMA beta testers receive a significantly reduced exam registration fee.

Learn more and apply for the CRMA Beta Test today

CIA CHALLENGE EXAM FOR CRMA HOLDERS

Individuals who hold an active CRMA designation are invited to participate in the CIA Specialty Challenge Exam that will be offered until June 30, 2021. Visit the CIA Specialty Challenge Exam — CRMA for more information.
2021 CHAPTER YEAR – VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Nominations for Next Year’s Chapter Leaders

Chapter elections will be held in April. Our chapter year runs from June 2, 2021 – May 31, 2022. Check out the bios on Page 7 to learn more about the nominees. We still have open positions – Invest in your future and become a volunteer!

Chapter Leadership Nominations (1 Year Term)
- President – Ashley Ryan (Principal)
- President Elect – OPEN
- Programming Officer – OPEN
- Membership Officer – Markell Kuper (RSM)
- Certification Officer – Meg Krimbill (LCS)
- Treasurer – Jody Dierickx (Principal)
- Secretary – Whitney Honnold (FBL Financial Group)

Board Nominations (3-Year Term)
- Kelley Ellis (Drake University)
- Traci Taylor (Grinnell Mutual)
- George Gagov (Wells Fargo)
- Jon Taber (Casey’s – 1 Year Term)

CURRENT OPEN POSITIONS: Leadership & Board Positions

- **President Elect** – 3-5 hours/month – Responsibilities include identifying speakers and running our Fall/Spring seminars, setting up seminar through EMT Tool to push notification/registration to our members, attending Board meetings. The expectation is you would move into the President position the next year.

- **Programming Officer** – 3-5 hours/month – Responsibilities include identifying speakers and running our monthly meetings (Sept-May), setting up meetings through our EMT Tool to push notification/registration to our members, and attending Board Meetings.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **Internal Audit Manager** – Des Moines Public Schools
- **Senior Compliance Analyst** - Meredith
- **Sr Internal Auditor/Audit Manager** - Principal Financial Group
CURRENT CHAPTER NOMINATIONS – 2021/2022 CHAPTER YEAR

**President – Ashley Ryan** - Ashley is an Audit Manager at Principal Financial Group where she has provided assurance and advisory services since joining the department in early 2010. Prior to this, Ashley was a Mutual Fund Accountant within the company after graduating from the University of Northern Iowa with her Bachelors in Accounting and Finance in 2006. Ashley earned her Masters of Business Administration from Drake University in 2010 and become a Certified Internal Audit (CIA) and Certified Financial Services Auditor (CFSA) in 2015.

Ashley has previously served in the Secretary and 2nd Vice President roles and has been serving as the President for the past two years.

**Treasurer – Jody Dierickx** - Jody is a Senior Internal Auditor at Principal Financial Group. Prior to her Internal Audit role, she was in the Investment Operations Department for 11 years, where her main responsibility was reconciling accounting entries. Jody is also involved as an alumni volunteer with Delta Sigma Pi, a professional business fraternity, where she advises 7 different collegiate chapters across 3 different states. She attended Iowa State University where she obtained a BS in Accounting and she received her MBA from Drake University.

**Membership Officer - Markell Kuper** – Markell is a Consulting Manager at RSM where she has provided financial audit and consultation services since joining the firm 2014. Prior to this, Markell was a Commercial Mortgage Loan Officer at AEGON USA Realty Advisors. She graduated from the University of Iowa in 2004 with her Bachelors in Business Administration with a major in Finance and a minor in English. Markell received her loan review certification from the Bank Administration Institute (BAI). She is a Cedar Rapids Leadership for Five Seasons Alumni and has previously served as a committee member with the Cedar Rapids Downtown District.

**Secretary – Whitney Honnold** - Whitney is a Lead Auditor at FBL Financial Group where she has worked in the Risk and Controls group since joining the company in 2014. Prior to this, Whitney worked at RSM where she performed GAAP and Statutory audits for a number of insurance companies. Whitney earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Iowa State University in 2010 and Master of Accounting (MAcc) degree from Iowa State University in 2011.

Whitney has been a member of the IIA Central Iowa Chapter since starting at FBL Financial Group in 2014 and would like the opportunity to become more involved in the chapter.
**Certifications Officer – Meg Krimbill** - Meg is the Director of Financial Risk & Controls at LCS. Prior to this, she worked as a Manager at Deloitte focusing on compliance, risk, and internal controls (SOX and A123). Meg spent 10 years in the Army Reserves and is a Veteran. She has bachelor’s in finance from the University of Pittsburgh and an MBA from the Robert H. Smith School of Business University of Maryland.

**Board of Governors – Kelley Ellis** - Kelley is currently an Associate Professor of Practice in the School of Accounting and the Director of the School of Accounting at Drake University. Kelley has broad, hands-on accounting knowledge that includes financial reporting, accounting operations, internal/external audit, and financial recruiting at a variety of corporate positions over the past 20+ years. The majority of her career occurred at KPMG within the Assurance practice in the Des Moines and London offices for the financial services sector. Her internal audit experience included 5 years at Aviva in financial and actuarial audits for both global and North American operations. In addition to her professional career, Kelley has also served as an instructor with the Becker CPA Review. She is active in leadership roles with the Iowa Society of CPA’s, Financial Executives International, and Information Systems Audit and Control Association. Kelley is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Internal Auditor, and a Chartered Global Management Accountant. Kelley doubled majored in finance and accounting at Creighton University and completed the executive MBA at the University of Iowa. She has been a member of the IIA Central Chapter since 2010.

**Board of Governors – Traci Taylor** - Traci is the Director of Assurance Services at Grinnell Mutual and has worked in audit for seven years. Traci oversees the operational and financial audit functions as well as the claims audit function. Prior to Traci’s audit role, she worked in Accounting for Brownell’s Inc. and a small manufacturing company following her receipt of her Bachelor of Arts degree from William Penn University. Traci obtained her bachelor’s degree in 2.5 years and was named the 2009 ISCPA Outstanding Accounting Student. Her college focus consisted of Accounting and Business Management. She is currently studying to take her first CIA exam and she looks forward to the opportunity to be more involved with the chapter.
**Board of Governors (1 year) – Jon Taber** - Jon is a Senior Internal Auditor at Casey’s. Before joining Casey’s, Jon worked for FedEx Services in Memphis, TN, performing financial and operational audits focusing on locations mostly in the Latin America & Caribbean region. He has a BS in Finance from Upper Iowa University, and is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Internal Auditor, a Certified Fraud Examiner, and a Certified Financial Forensics.

**Board of Governors – George Gagov** - George is an Audit Manager at Wells Fargo, working on data analytics projects within the Customer Remediation space. George has been with Wells Fargo for 8 years. Prior to this, George has held various Internal Audit roles within Aviva USA (now Athene) and Ernst&Young with concentration on ITGC reviews and IT and Security audits. George earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Management Information Systems from Iowa State University in 2004. George earned his Master degree in Information Assurance, as well as Master of Accounting degree in 2006 – also from Iowa State University. George holds a CISA certification and has been a member of the IIA Central Iowa Chapter since 2013.

**President Elect – OPEN**

**Programming Officer – OPEN**