



# Monthly Reporter

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### PLATINUM EDITION

#### November 2013 President Letter

Hello Detroit Chapter Members,

This month we have our dinner meeting planned for Tuesday November 12, 2013 at the U of M Dearborn Fairlane Center. We have two great speakers that are going to share their internal auditing expertise with us; Odell Bailey has an extensive background in governmental auditing including the Detroit Public School system and Si Nahra has co-founded an audit consulting firm specializing in the health care industry using his data mining skills.



The 15th Annual IIA & ISACA Spring Conference is open for registrations please sign up early many of the classes have attendee limits. See the brochure of classes and links for registering at the chapter website: <https://chapters.theiia.org/detroit/Pages/default.aspx> .

I would like to remind each of you to validate your IIA profile information, especially your email and mailing address at [www.theiia.org](http://www.theiia.org). Your profile is available on the International IIA website after logging in with your ID and password. This is the key information we use to keep you informed of the educational and social opportunities for all members.

## UPCOMING IIA CONFERENCES:

- **ITAC 2013**  
Nov 19 – 21, 2013  
Boston, MA
- **2014 GAM Conference**  
Mar 24–26, 2014  
Orlando, FL

## Webinars:

2012 IIA ARCHIVED  
Webinars available at  
[theiia.org](http://theiia.org)

For more events  
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# PRESIDENTIAL PRESS (cont.)

We still have bridge membership to the IIA available for those unemployed please go to the [www.theiia.org](http://www.theiia.org) website click on individual membership and scroll down to the link for bridge membership. In addition if you are currently unemployed you can attend three dinner meetings at no cost by contacting our membership committee chairman Gary Snyder at [grsnyder@comcast.net](mailto:grsnyder@comcast.net) to register.

Please feel free to reach out to us at any time as a member of the Detroit Chapter your opinions and needs are very important to us. If you have any comments or suggestions on ways we can improve our activities please contact me at [Susan.Yamin@ally.com](mailto:Susan.Yamin@ally.com). The Detroit Chapter Board wishes all of you and your families a safe and happy Thanksgiving Holiday and we look forward to seeing all of you at the upcoming events!

Best Regards

*Susan A. Yamin*

President, Detroit Chapter IIA

## CHAPTER EVENTS

**November 2013 Chapter Meeting Pre-Dinner Discussion - Internal Audit: Adding Value in a Dynamic Environment. After-Dinner Discussion - Health Care Audit**

**NOV 12** UM - Dearborn Fairlane Center Campus - 19000 Hubbard Dr. Dearborn, Michigan 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm



Odell Bailey, Auditor General, Detroit Public Schools

Odell Bailey is a Certified Internal Auditor and a Certified Government Financial Manager with more than 25 years of experience in governmental auditing, accounting and financial management. After graduation from U of M Dearborn, he joined the U.S. General Accounting Office (now the Government Accountability Office) where he worked in a variety of areas including the Mobile Source Emission area working closely with EPA and the Big Three Automakers on federal regulatory programs and nuclear waste cleanup with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Odell testified before Congress and received numerous awards including a nomination for President Clinton's Hammer Award for his outstanding performance.

He joined the Wayne County Auditor General's Office as an audit manager and within one year was promoted to Deputy Auditor General. During his tenure with Wayne County, he received awards from both the Chairman of the Commission and the CEO of Wayne County for outstanding performance.

In 2009, he was selected as the Auditor General for Detroit Public Schools by the newly appointed Emergency Financial Manager. As the Auditor General for DPS, Odell re-established the internal audit function and provided immediate results for DPS. He also served on the Executive Team for the 2009 \$500 million bond program that built 8 new schools, renovated 11 and provided security upgrades at all schools.

Odell is a current member of Institute of Internal Auditors, National Association for Black Accountants and a former member of the Association of Government Accountants and the Government Finance Officers Association.

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# CHAPTER EVENTS (cont.)



Si Nahra, President and Co-Founder, Health Decisions, Inc.

Si Nahra, president and co-founder of Health Decisions, Inc., describes himself as a “data nerd with a flair for the practical.” He lives and breathes health data asset development, health data mining, group health claims and enrollment auditing.

For more than four decades, he has immersed himself in the U.S. healthcare system, specializing in the group health market for the past 25 years. He is a respected advisor to employers, insurers, health maintenance organizations, self-funding administrators, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans.

In 1985, Si founded Health Decisions, a company that has led the market in auditing innovations with its introduction of enrollment auditing 15 years before the process was generally adopted as a part of benefits auditing. Health Decisions was one of the earliest adopters of 100% claim audits using data mining technologies. The company develops new audit modules each year and its software continues to set new audit performance standards.

Si also shares his expertise through writing (in books and blogs), speaking (at conferences) and training others. For the past three years, he has hosted monthly educational web sessions.

And when he’s not thinking about data, he’s thinking about his awesome family – wife, Judy, and kids, Charlie and Sandy. If there’s any time left to ponder other thoughts, well, they’d be about his beloved alma mater, Michigan State University and Spartan sports. Si holds a doctorate degree in Political Science and an MA in Public Administration from Michigan State University. He also earned a BA in Government from Colby College

**Register now at [Detroitiia.org](http://Detroitiia.org)**

## ACL CONCEPTS FOR AUDITORS

**Nov 12-14 U of M Dearborn, Fairlane North Campus**

**8:30 am to 4:30 pm**

**4 CPE credits**

**\$650 per person**

In our continuing effort to provide members with local, cost-effective, world-class training, the Detroit Chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors is pleased to offer ACL Concepts for Auditors (aka Introduction to ACL) at a significant discount. ACL Services, Ltd charges \$1,500 per person for this course, but our chapter is able to offer it for \$650. That’s almost a 60% discount. As auditors, we frequently need to analyze large amounts of data to aid in audit planning, identify trends and data anomalies, conduct fraud investigations, and much more. Join us for this three-day course and learn how ACL can help make your audits more efficient and effective.

## 15TH ANNUAL IIA AND ISACA SPRING CONFERENCE

**Mar 10-12 University of Michigan Dearborn Fairlane Center**

The Detroit Chapters of the IIA and ISACA are proud to co-sponsor the annual Spring Conference. Each year, the conference committee spends a considerable amount of time planning a comprehensive series of course offerings for our members and guest. The 2014 event is no exception. A number of classes sell out each year. Don't miss this opportunity to network with your peers, enhance your skills, and learn about new products and services in the marketplace! Our goal is to provide a training conference of world-class caliber tailored to your needs

**Visit [Detroitiia.org](http://Detroitiia.org) for more details**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SUGGESTIONS OR COMMENTS

We are interested in your feedback. Please send any comments or suggestions to Erin Erickson at [eerickson@accretivesolutions.com](mailto:eerickson@accretivesolutions.com).

## IIA BRIDGE MEMBERSHIP

Currently between employers? You may qualify for an IIA Bridge Membership.

Visit [Detroitiia.org](http://Detroitiia.org) for more details on how to apply

## UPDATE YOUR IIA PROFILE

If your contact, certification, or employment information has changed, please remember to update your IIA profile. Visit [www.theiia.org](http://www.theiia.org)

## ADVERTISE IN OUR NEWSLETTER

We are now accepting advertisements for our monthly chapter newsletter.  
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### Reasonable pricing

Quarter page - \$85

Half page - \$165

Full page - \$330

## ITAC 2013 Conference

### ITAC 2013 AUDIT & CONTROLS CONFERENCE

November 19 - 21, 2013

Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel, Boston, MA

#### 45+ Sessions Including the Following Critical Topics

- Risk Frameworks: Navigating the Alphabet Soup
- What Information Security Expects and Needs from Audit
- Auditing Cloud Computing and Outsourced Operations
- Conducting a Virtualization Security Assessment
- Measuring GRC Using Free Tools
- Top 10 Windows Security Controls and How to Correctly Collect Them
- Big Data: Access and Privacy Risks in the Hadoop Computing Environment

More information at [theiia.org](http://theiia.org)



# CAP UPDATE

## TOTAL SERVICE MEMBERS

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT

325

As of Oct 2013

136.24

As of Oct 2012

288.02

## TOTAL SERVICE PROFESSION

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT

200

As of Oct 2013

107.44

As of Oct 2012

181.48

## TOTAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATION

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT

160

As of Oct 2013

121.00

As of Oct 2012

167.00

Year total as of Oct 2013: 364.68    Year total as of Oct 2012: 636.50

### CAP Achievement Levels:

BRONZE..... 685  
SILVER..... 1060  
GOLD..... 1560  
PLATINUM..... Ten Years of Gold Status

## NOTICES

### Help the Chapter Earn CAP Points!

Please let us know by sending information regarding your recent internal auditing articles, speaking engagements, summer interns, or any other CAP activities to CAP Committee Chair Marty Wood. Marty can be reached at [martin.wood@flintgrp.com](mailto:martin.wood@flintgrp.com) or at 734-233-7849.

### ATTENTION MEMBERS!

The Membership Committee is asking all Detroit members to notify the Chapter of changes or career milestones they want recognized such as contact information changes, professional certification achievements, CAP contributions, and other career milestones. A Membership Update Form is available on the Detroit Chapter's website at the following address: Visit [www.theiia.org](http://www.theiia.org)

Please fill in your updated information and click submit. The form only needs to be submitted when changes occur and will be made available at monthly Detroit Chapter meetings.