Greetings Members! I hope you are all staying safe and healthy during this challenging time of fighting the COVID-19 virus.

Back in December, the coronavirus was not even on our list of top risks, and it quickly emerged to cause a global health and economic crisis well beyond what we could have fathomed. This has been an unprecedented time in recent history. While this crisis has uncovered weaknesses in our preparation, response and recovery processes, it has also shown our tremendous strength and ability to work together, adapt, find solutions and implement vital improvements.

It has truly been my honor to be the Detroit IIA President during this year. I have resolved myself to know that this will not be the year that is remembered for COVID-19! Rather, I will remember this year for all our outstanding achievements! We certainly did “Rise Up and Step Forward!”

2019/2020 Highlights:

- 1,260 Members Strong! 77 Years of Service!
- **Ruby Status** with the IIA – by achieving Gold Status for over 5 consecutive years.
- Started the year in grand fashion with a presentation and book-signing with Mr. Richard Chambers, Global President & CEO! 150 members attended at The Henry.
- Held monthly meetings and webinars, bringing diverse topics and CPE opportunities to members. Over 270 CPE credits offered!
- Held CAE and Manager roundtables, an ethics training, and an on-demand ethics training.
- Due to COVID-19, we had to cancel our March IIA/ISACA Spring Training in Novi, but we were able to move sessions online and offer virtual training in April and May!

Special THANKS the entire Board and to the Program and Spring Training Committees for making it a great year! ... especially, Rick Lowe, Sajay Rai, Richard Cozart, Eulonda Whitmore, Pete Hartung, Christine Dobrovich, John Pagac, Pam Bishop, Juman Doleh-Alomary & Rhoda Henderson-Fields.

Special THANKS to Alan Demir our Treasurer, Christine Dobrovich our Secretary, Brian Smith our CAP Reporter, and Kamilla Williams our Membership leader, for all of your hard work through the year.

Our chapter is also fortunate to have an excellent Administrator, Amber Dunn-Egerer, and an outstanding Webmaster, Richard Cozart. Thanks to Amber and Richard for their contributions to our chapter!
A Note from the 2019-20 President, Karen Muglia, CICA

We are proudly continuing our 77-year history of promoting the internal audit profession, providing excellent educational programs to members, giving support for certifications, and providing meaningful networking opportunities for members. As always, we appreciate your input. Please let us know your ideas and how we can add additional value. We will be planning for next year during the summer.

I am very pleased to be passing the baton of the presidency to Lola Foster! Lola is Manager, Corporate Compliance & Examination with Auto Club Group (AAA). She has been on the Board for several years and has served as the Membership Committee Chairperson. I am confident that Lola and the Board will continue bring excellent services and value to the Detroit IIA membership.

Information about our Board, past meeting content and upcoming events are on our website, www.detroitiia.org.
Look forward to seeing you again in the Fall! Until then, please take care and stay safe!

Best regards,

Karen Muglia
Karen Muglia, CICA
2019-20 President, The IIA Detroit Chapter
Hello Detroit Chapter Members,

Please join me in applauding Karen for her exemplary leadership during this on-going, unprecedented and challenging time. I would also like to recognize and thank the board and committee members that supported Karen last year and helped drive the Chapter’s success.

I am honored to have served as Vice President last year and equally grateful to be elected incoming President. I look forward to working with the officers and other volunteer leaders to attain another year of Gold Status with the IIA-North America.

This year we will continue to Rise Up and Step Forward with programs and training opportunities for each phase along the internal audit career path. The officers have already begun reviewing communications technology to ensure delivery methods accommodate member preferences. By the way, have you downloaded the IIA-Detroit Chapter app?

We are eager to hear from our members and ask you to consider increasing your involvement in chapter activities. There is something for everyone. Please submit your name and or ideas to Chapters2@iiachapters.org.

We will be planning this summer and will post our fall programs on our website. See you in September!

Please have a safe and healthy summer!
Lola Foster
Incoming President, The IIA Detroit Chapter
Over the past few months, the COVID-19 crisis has impacted our lives in every way imaginable – physically, mentally, emotionally, socially, economically, and professionally. Most of us are working from home and have adapted to using technology in new and different ways to communicate with colleagues and complete our work. Internal audit (IA) has been impacted tremendously also and is quickly adapting to organizational needs. During this challenging time, the role of internal audit is more important than ever to assess risk, identify control weaknesses, and recommend improvements.

In a recent article by the IIA and AuditBoard entitled, “COVID-19 and Internal Audit – Preparing for the New Normal in 2020 and Beyond”, the contributors discuss the impact to IA and operations, how the risk landscape has changed and increased areas of focus, and what the future holds for IA.
Internal Audit Innovations During the COVID-19 Stay Home Order

According to the AuditBoard survey of 2,500 + participants:

Which IA functions have the most impact on the organization?

- Updating their risk assessment (45%)
- Carrying out audit projects (39%)
- Creating awareness of key controls (31%)
- Performing research and benchmarking (16%)
- Reperforming essential first- and second-line tasks and processes (16%)

“Increasing the frequency of the risk assessment is important to reprioritize the organization’s top risks during times of crisis. By identifying and prioritizing the emerging risks related to the pandemic that threaten the business’s top strategies, audit leaders can help executive leadership develop appropriate mitigation strategies to ensure business objectives will continue to be met.

Key risks to be assessed during this time are: impact to revenues, employee safety and well-being, supply chain, and cybersecurity. Updating the risk assessment is especially useful as this process can highlight the impact of similar risks if the pandemic dissipates before a second wave returns in the next four to six months.”
Internal Audit Innovations During the COVID-19 Stay Home Order

Next Steps for Internal Audit:

- Review and improve Business Continuity plans – consider critical technologies
- Update the risk assessment process and assess the frequency and people to involve
- Leverage automation and consider a cloud-based solution that allows audit, risk and compliance functions to quickly identify and report emerging risks
- Review and revise the audit plan to ensure that resources are focused on the most important areas
- Assess and update communication practices with control owners, management and boards

In this time of unprecedented, rapid change, IA functions are well positioned to lead us though this time. Richard Chambers, Global IIA President & CEO, noted as much in an earlier blog post that examined the complex and dynamic risk set created by COVID-19:

“I believe the pandemic is pulling back the curtain to show us a glimpse of the future. It has put on display the amazing speed of emerging risks; the global interconnectedness of business, industry, and society; and how we react to adversity as a global community. As practitioners in a profession that is risk-centric, we should glean as many lessons as possible from this trial.”

Embracing the changes that have occurred and helping manage downside risks are roles in which internal audit functions can excel.
As COVID-19 cases increased in March and guidelines to stay home and practice social distancing emerged, our Chapter had to quickly react and determine how we could still offer our meetings and training sessions for CPE credits and keep our membership safe in the process. Our Board and Committees jumped into action and moved our in-person meetings to virtual meetings. Our April and May meetings were held on Zoom and BrightTalk. Also, our 3-day spring conference was moved to virtual Zoom sessions held from mid-April into May. We’ve had record attendance for these online events! Special thanks to Pam Bishop, Juman Doleh-Alomary, and the Spring Conference Committee for working with the instructors and setting-up the online sessions!
Did you know our chapter has more than 1,260 active members? We offer quality events and training, networking activities, and volunteer opportunities to our members. To ensure that you receive communications and invites from us, be sure to update your IIA Membership Profile especially if you have moved, been promoted or changed employers. Your membership profile can be accessed by logging in at www.theiia.org. Go to My Preferences, Click Chapters, and ensure that “Yes” is selected for email so that you receive email communications from the Detroit Chapter. Also, take time to update your profile, if needed.

And be sure to check your email “junk” box to ensure that chapter communications are not being routed there.

Do you know anyone interested in becoming a member? If so, encourage him/her to join.

The new Certification Candidate Management System (CCMS) launched earlier in the year. The CCMS allows you to apply for IIA Certification Programs, register for certification exams, update your personal information and much more. Prepare for the conversion by accessing your CCMS profile to verify or update your primary email address so you can easily access the system after the launch. Update your profile today at: https://i7lp.integral7.com/durango/do/login?ownername=iia&channel=iia;basechannel=integral7

Chapter Achievement Program (CAP)

The CAP recognizes chapter activities that align with The IIA North American Strategic Plan. Chapters earn points from providing service to members and the profession. The program also provides a means to evaluate chapter success based on minimum standards set by The IIA. As of May 1st, we have earned over 1,560 CAP points and have achieved our goal for “Gold Status”. Please help our chapter earn CAP points by letting us know about your recent internal audit articles, speaking engagements, presentations, participation in Junior Achievement, or interns hired. Share details (date, duration, etc.) with our CAP Chair, Brian Smith at brian.smith@experis.com.
WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!!!!

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Olivia Aguilar
Richard Akomaning
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Carolina Jimenez Roman
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Steven Kamara
Linda L. Kearney
Eboni Kimpson
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Jacqueline LaGraff
Paul Lambert
Joel Latsch
Joshua Lee
David Lubera
Mariah Lucier-Canejo
Stephen Maludy
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Matthew Young
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As of October 1, 2020, the CRMA program requirements, format, window and pricing changes will officially take effect. One of these changes is that CRMA candidates will need to have an active CIA designation. CRMA candidates and those current certification holders can learn more about how these changes will impact them by referring to https://na.theiia.org/certification/crma-certification/Pages/CRMA-Exam-Why-and-How-its-Changing.aspx

If you are not currently certified, we encourage you to earn an IIA Certification that will open doors of opportunity to you. The IIA offers a CIA Learning System to help you on your journey. Learn more at www.learnncia.com and explore www.theiia.org for additional resources to help you with preparing for the CIA, CRMA and other certifications. And if you are currently studying, GOOD LUCK to you! You can do it!
The Awards Committee has decided to postpone our annual awards ceremony to the Fall. The Committee will continue to seek 2019-2020 nominations from Detroit Chapter IIA members for the following:

The Awards Committee will be seeking 2019-2020 nominations from Detroit Chapter IIA members for the following:

- The IIA Rock Star of the Month
- The Internal Auditor of the Year Award
- The Eloise L. Bradley Distinguished Service Award

These awards provide the opportunity for our members and your employees to be recognized for hard work, promoting the profession and dedication. Recognition is a great way to show appreciation! And it only takes a few minutes to nominate someone.

Please see the chapter website for the eligibility and selection criteria, award recipient expectations and the nomination form at www.detroitiiia.org and the mobile app IIA Detroit Chapter. Nomination forms should be forwarded to our e-mail address: Chapter2@iiachapters.org. For more information, contact Eulonda Whitmore at as3842@wayne.edu
News from The IIA Headquarters

- The 2020 International Conference has been rescheduled to November 2-4 in Miami. The IIA is committed to providing a safe environment for all attendees.
- There are many articles in the “Responding to the COVID-19 Crisis” section that provide insightful information.

Note:
Internal Auditor magazine is an important benefit of membership in The IIA. It provides timely, helpful, and indispensable information to internal audit professionals when and where they need it most. To that end, and to serve readers best going forward, the magazine will become available exclusively online at InternalAuditor.org. The print version will no longer be delivered after the June issue, but the format will still be available via a digital edition on the website. This natural evolution is one that The IIA has been working toward for a while as readership habits turn to more on-demand interests. Members will receive notification via email when the latest digital edition is available for direct access.

Visit the IIA website to view and download this information, www.theiia.org.
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Thank you for your support!

Please be sure to check out our website for employment, volunteer and scholarship opportunities as well as for upcoming meetings and trainings. Be sure to download the IIA Detroit Chapter App that is available for the iPhone and Android. Also, connect with us on:

LinkedIn at https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3773050/

Twitter at @DetroitIIA https://twitter.com/DetroitIIA
Please keep safe and healthy and we’ll see you in the Fall 2020!