



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*H*ello Chapter Members! Happy Spring. There are only a few months left for the 2017-2018 chapter year. I hope that you have enjoyed our dinner meeting and webinar topics. And that you enjoyed our 75th Anniversary Gala where Mike Duggan (Mayor, City of Detroit) and Richard Baird (Michigan Transformation Manager & Senior Advisor to the Governor) were our special guests. There is a summary of our 75th Anniversary included in this newsletter. Kudos to our hard working Board for their invested time and energy with the 75th Anniversary Gala!

As we continue celebrating 75 years, we thank you for your continued support. Our chapter members and volunteers play a vital role in what we do. Without you, we could not successfully promote the profession; volunteer with Junior Achievement; offer scholarships and our annual Student Night to future professionals. Our chapter supported The IIA Research Foundation with a \$7,500 donation as well as a \$7,500 donation to the Michigan Education Excellence Foundation during our Anniversary Gala. We have also supported Junior Achievement and University and College Accounting Departments. Our members are speaking to college students about the profession. We continue to be recognized as a Chapter of Excellence by The IIA.

I have been a member of The IIA and the Detroit Chapter for 13 years and a Board member for four years. My membership is valuable to me because it allows me to network with others locally and globally. It has opened doors to various volunteer opportunities that allow me to give back to the profession. I encourage you go continue supporting our chapter by attending dinner meetings, trainings, and webinars. Also, encourage others to join The IIA and our Detroit Chapter. We all play an integral role in meeting our chapter needs.

We hope to see you at an upcoming dinner meeting (April 10th – Student Night ~ The Millennial Workforce and Strategies for Success Panel; and May 8th-Annual Federal and State Economic Update). Again, thank you for support!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eulonda Whitmore". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with large, elegant loops.

Eulonda Whitmore  
President, The IIA Detroit Chapter