**General Information**

The chapter is made up of more than 700 IIA members who live and work in Hillsborough, Pinellas, Pasco, Hernando, Manatee, Sarasota and Polk counties in west-central Florida, commonly referred to as the “Tampa Bay” region.

**History**

Some key milestone in the history of the Florida West Coast Chapter:

- **1966** – Chapter established, 14 members
- **1970** – Certification program approved
- **1971** – First *Audit Scope* published
- **1973** – 14 CIAs in Florida West Coast Chapter (Grandfathered, no exam)
- **1974** – First CIA exam, 793 candidates in 41 locations
- **1980** – Chapter has approximately 120 members
- **1984** – Established member recognition awards for 10 Year Anniversary
- **1985** – First full-day seminar is offered
- **1991** – *Audit Scope* wins 2\textsuperscript{nd} place worldwide for Outstanding Newsletter
- **1995** – Chapter has over 250 members
- **2001** – Last printed *Audit Scope* newsletter
- **2002** – *TampaBayIIA.org* is established for its website
- **2003** – May is proclaimed “Internal Audit Awareness Month”
- **2005** – Seminar package pricing is introduced
- **2010** – Chapter membership exceeds 600
- **2015** – Chapter celebrates its 50\textsuperscript{th} Anniversary
- **2019** – Chapter has over 700 members and is “Sapphire” for the 5\textsuperscript{th} year