Hello Fellow Chapter Members,

Hoping all is well with everyone as autumn sets in. One of my favorite things to do in fall is to take long drives on country back roads to take in the colorful splendor. What are your favorite things about fall?

Speaking of long drives, as it relates to your career, have you asked yourself if you are where you want to be? For example, are you in the driver’s seat or just along for the ride? Are you interested in becoming a Certified Internal Auditor? A CIA designation may be the “key” that you need to drive your value. The three exams cover the knowledge, skills, and abilities exam candidates must possess to be the most competent and capable internal auditor possible. You may already have much of this knowledge from being a seasoned auditor or you may be ready to learn something new. Either way, our Chapter is ramping up ways to support you as you pursue the CIA.

Watch for new and exciting offerings from our Chapter on study materials and classes to help prepare for the exams in 2020. To spur thought/answer questions, here is a link to the CIA FAQ’s:
https://na.theiia.org/certification/Public%20Documents/CIA-Exam-Syllabi-Changes-FAQs.pdf

Thank you to those of you who responded to the CIA questionnaire!

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Upcoming Fox Valley/Central WI IIA Events

When: November 14, 2019—Lessons of an $8.5 Million Fraud
Where: Best Western Hotel and Conference Center 5253 Harding Ave Plover, WI
Time: 8:30 am—4:30 pm (Registration Begins at 8:00 am)
Cost: $50 Students, $175 Members, $200 Non-Members
To Register: www.eiseverywhere.com/lessonsoffraud
Questions: Contact Ben Shepherd at ben.shepherd@sentry.com
Deadline to Register: October 31, 2019
Drive time approximately 1 hour from the Fox Cities!
Mr. Excel Retires from Traveling Speaker Circuit

At some point in our careers, we probably needed some Excel help. Our go-to guy was Mr. Excel. Mr. Bill Jelen, aka Mr. Excel, was a favorite speaker in our area for many years, wowing audiences of self-proclaimed Excel experts with what he could do with a simple spreadsheet. Honestly, this man could do anything in Excel and there were some of us who tried to “stump” the expert to no avail. Until Mr. Excel met Joe McKnight from Sentry Insurance. At the October 16, 2019 Excel Seminar, someone asked the question if you could filter two subsets of data within one tab; Mr. Excel said no, but wishes there was a way. Joe tossed out, “couldn’t you just put the other set of data in a table and filter it in the table?” This worked and blew Mr. Excel’s mind!

If you were unable to attend the October 16th training, there are several online resources on Mr. Excel’s web page: https://www.mrexcel.com/

Personally, I like to check out the YouTube videos and the Excel Tips. You can also sign up for Mr. Excel’s online newsletters.

So what will you miss the most about Mr. Excel’s on-site training? The learning? The stale humor? The books? What ever it is you will miss the most we all want to wish Mr. Excel the best of luck and enjoy your well deserved retirement!

Joe McKnight aka “Mr. Excel Stumper” and the “stumped” Mr. Excel

Congratulations on your well deserved retirement Mr. Excel!
On October 3, 2019 we held the UW-SP Student Night on campus here in Stevens Point. The format was five (5) professional panel members from varying audit backgrounds and positions with Q&A from the students sprinkled in with a few questions from the moderator. WHAT A SUCCESS!

The students were interested, they stayed to the end (we even went over our time a bit) and they hung around afterwards to talk with the panel or amongst themselves about what they had learned in the session. We provided information on Internal Audit for a Business, Internal Audit for a State Education System, IT and IS (Information Security) Audit, External Audit and Tax Auditing. The feedback received was positive and the best take away was “There is more than JUST taxes out there!” (Objective MET!)

Thanks again to all of our esteemed panel members for taking the time out of their busy schedules to attend and help the future leaders understand the options. The energy and passion you showed for your professions definitely showed through and was inspiring to the students!

Thank you also to the Accounting Club, Accounting Club Board and Faculty who assisted in making the event a success!

There's more to Audit than Taxes!

Upcoming IIA Webinars

- **PSAC Virtual Symposium: Preparing Public Sector Auditors for Today’s Terrain**
  November 5, 2019
  12:00-1:00 p.m. CT

- **Blockchain Technology: What Internal Auditors Should Know**
  November 12, 2019
  12:00-1:00 p.m.

- **EHSAC Webinar: Regulatory Roll-backs at the EPA**
  December 9, 2019
  1:00-2:00 p.m.

For more information or to register: [https://na.theiia.org/training/eLearning/Pages/Webinars.aspx](https://na.theiia.org/training/eLearning/Pages/Webinars.aspx)

**All times listed are central standard time.**
Certification Changes

Please note the following changes to the certification programs, effective September 1, 2019:

- The exam waiting period (formerly 90 days) will now be 60 days. This applies to all IIA programs.
- The Certified Internal Auditor® (CIA®) program window (formerly 4 years) will now be 3 years.
- The Internal Audit Practitioner program will no longer require work experience (six months of experience was required previously).

The IIA’s Centralized Source for Insights, Tools, and Resources by Topic.

As a member of the IIA, you have access to the most comprehensive and up-to-date list of resources for guidance, knowledge sharing, publications, certifications, training, events and more!

Here’s listing of topics to explore:

- Artificial Intelligence
- Auditing Culture
- CIA Prep
- COSO
- Cyber Security
- Data Analytics
- Fraud
- Fundamentals
- Leadership Development
- Risk
- Stakeholder
- Talent Management
- Trusted Advisor

For more information:
https://na.theiia.org/standards-guidance/topics/Pages/Guidance-Topics.aspx