President’s Message

Happy Spring! Not sure about you, but it has been nice seeing the sun and warmer temps. Looking forward to when things start to green up and the flowers are blooming.

Please take a look at our upcoming programs. The Writing to Achieve Results course on April 20 is a great course that highlights general business writing concepts and can be beneficial to anyone! Even if you have attended one of Bill’s courses before, there is always something new to learn. Please share the link with others in your company. Also in April, we will be holding our annual meeting (April 9) which includes a round table discussion and free CPE. We value your input and look forward to “seeing” you there.

As we lead up to Internal Audit Awareness month (May) we have included another certification spotlight with the newsletter and check out this article “80% of internal auditors face barriers while getting involved in fraud risk management” that includes comments from the IIA President and CEO Richard F. Chambers. If you have an article or certification story to tell, please submit for our next newsletter.

Thanks!
Cassie Connolly
President, Heartland-Iowa IIA

Upcoming IIA Webinars

The IIA’s complimentary Members-only Webinar Series is available exclusively to you as part of your membership investment.

April 13, 2021
Members-only Webinar: The IIA: Our Path Forward in Advancing the Profession

April 28, 2021
AEC Webinar: The Many Sides of Crisis: 2021 Pulse of Internal Audit

May 12, 2021
FSAC Webinar: 3 Steps to Transform Your Team into an Agile Engine

May 18, 2021
Members-only Webinar: Disruptive Innovation Disrupting Internal Audit
June 15, 2021

**Members-only Webinar: Exploring Agile Auditing**

Details and registration at: [https://na.theiia.org/training/eLearning/Pages/Webinars.aspx](https://na.theiia.org/training/eLearning/Pages/Webinars.aspx)

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**COVID-19 Roundtable (FREE CPE) & Chapter Business Meeting**

Attendees will share and discuss current challenges and adjustments associated with the current COVID-19 environment in a facilitated discussion. We will also conduct some chapter business required by IIA HQ to be done in a meeting vs. via email.

**Event Type:** Virtual  
**Date:** Friday, April 9, 2021  
**Time:** 11:30AM - 1:00PM Central Time  
**CPEs:** 1.5  
**Cost:** FREE

Register by 5PM April 6th at [https://na.eventscloud.com/610931](https://na.eventscloud.com/610931)  
A Zoom link will be sent to registrants at least 48 hours prior to the event.

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**Writing to Achieve Results**

This is a good business writing refresher course that Bill has presented to our chapter in the past – see course outline attached.

**Presenter:** William Woodington, Woodington Training Solutions  
**Event Type:** Virtual

**Date:** April 20, 2021  
**Time:** 9:00 – 11:00AM Noon with a lunch break and then NOON – 2:00PM CST  
**CPE:** 4

**Cost:** IIA Members $90, Non-members $110  
Register and Pay by April 16, 2021 at [https://na.eventscloud.com/607123](https://na.eventscloud.com/607123)  
**Presenter:** Bill Woodington, CPA, CIA, CRMA, President Woodington Training Solutions

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About the Program:
This course is for all individuals who desire to improve their business writing skills. Register for this course yourself or share this invitation with others who would be interested in a business writing refresher.

Course topics include the building blocks of writing to achieve results, determining audience and purpose, mindmapping, sentence structure, cutting the clutter, making sentences make sense, active/passive voice, agreement with antecedents, subject/verb agreement, parallel construction, editing, and proof reading.

Other CPE Opportunities

Event: Auditing CyberSecurity Governance

Date: Tuesday April 6, 2021 AND Wednesday April 7th, 2021

Time: Tuesday 8:30AM – 12:30PM AND Wednesday 8:30AM – 12:30PM Central Time

CPE: 8

Cost: ISACA Members $100, Non-Members $125

For more details, as well as to register and pay (by 3/31/21):
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/illowa-isaca-chapter-presents-auditing-cybersecurity-governance-tickets-94776319523

Zoom registration links will be sent out by CPE Interactive two days prior to the events.

About the Presenter
Ken is responsible for developing and managing the Cyber curricula for CPE Interactive. He is also President and Principal Consultant of Ken Cutler & Associates (KCA) InfoSec Assurance, an independent consulting firm delivering a wide array of Information Security and IT Audit management and technical professional services and is Director of Q/ISP (Qualified Information Security Professional) programs for Security University.

Ken was formerly Vice-President of Information Security of MIS Training Institute (MISTI), Chief Information Officer of Moore McCormack Resources, a Fortune 500 company. He also directed company-wide IS programs for American Express Travel Related Services, Martin Marietta Data Systems, and Midlantic Banks, Inc. See Ken’s full bio at: https://www.cpeinteractive.com/faculty/ken-cutler/
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Certification News

Certification Online Testing — Available Now

To support the continued professional development of certification candidates around the world and in response to mass Pearson VUE test center closures due to COVID-19, The IIA has adopted online testing to enable candidates to take the Certified Internal Auditor® (CIA®), Certification in Risk Management Assurance® (CRMA®), and CIA Challenge exams from home. This flexible testing option will be available for a limited time. See here for additional details.

Certification Information

The IIA recently implemented an all-new IIA CIA Learning System Version 7.0. The new version has been updated to focus on passing the CIA exam parts with speed. It will be tailored to the candidate’s knowledge gaps, learning style, and schedule

Don’t worry if you are currently studying for the exam using Version 6.0 of IIA CIA Learning System. The exam isn’t changing, just the study materials. With this upgrade to V.7, the Heartland-Iowa Chapter will no longer be offering Version 6.0 to our members at a discount.

IIA members may purchase the CIA Learning System online at https://bookstore.theiia.org/cia and will receive $100 off full kits or $30 off single parts when they sign in with their member number.

You may also be interested in instructor led CIA prep courses offered by the IIA. Each course is $895 for IIA Members. For more information, including 2021 dates, see https://na.theiia.org/training/Pages/Exam-Review.aspx.

IIA Publication News

Internal Audit Ambition Model Drives Continuous Improvement: Internal audit functions evolve when they define, implement, measure, control, and improve their processes and practices to align with their organizations’ ambitions. The IIA’s new Global Perspectives and Insights report can help.

Career Opportunities

If you wish to post a job opening in the chapter newsletter and on the chapter website, contact Julie Hupp or Sarah Dickson. The cost for IIA members to post an ad is $25 per month.