Dear IIA Miami Chapter Valued Members and the IIA South Florida Community,

We are in our last quarter of the fiscal year and I couldn’t be more impressed with how the year has turned out. It has been rewarding to be able to connect with new and existing members, learn about different companies and industries, understand business challenges that we are all facing in the South Florida community, nationally and globally, and most importantly share Internal Audit best practices and resources with all of you. I am extremely proud and humbled to be part of our Miami Chapter comprised of passionate, motivated, intelligent and like-minded individuals. This past year our member count and involvement has grown tremendously and we are motivated to continue sharing our value and benefits.

We held more than seven events including seminars, conferences, CAE exclusive forums, networking events and our member appreciation activities. Short of a few weeks ago we had our most well-attended annual fraud conference with approximately 400 attendees. We are looking forward to closing the year with four upcoming initiatives -Tech conference with ISACA and IIA Palm Beach, our annual Audit Executive roundtable and our two upcoming networking events during Audit Awareness month in May.

Thank you for all your participation, support, enthusiasm, knowledge and expertise that you’ve shared with us this year. We look forward to achieving more together next year and being an even bigger and better resource to you.

With much appreciation,
Hadas Mizrahi
President - IIA Miami Chapter
MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Did you know? As of March 2019, IIA Miami has approximately 800 members.

Carnival, Miami Date County, and Protiviti are the 3 South Florida companies with the most IIA Miami Members. Thank you for your support!

During Q1 2019, IIA Miami welcomed 28 new members from various South Florida companies.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS HIGHLIGHT

Each newsletter, we will highlight one of the many benefits of being an IIA member. Did you know your membership includes access to job postings on the IIAmiami.org? That is a value of $100 per year for each member!

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IIA INT'L CONFERENCE

CRUISE INTO INTERNAL AUDIT

THE IIA MIAMI CHAPTER WILL SERVE AS THE HOST FOR THE IIA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN JULY 2020!

This amazing event is expected to draw over 2,500 internal audit professionals from around the globe! Miami Chapter Board Members Justin Gwin (Associate Principal, Kaufman Rossin) and Steve Roth (VP of Internal Audit, Norwegian Cruise Lines) have been named Co-Chairs of the event.
With an impressive nearly-25-year career that includes experience at Ernst & Young, LNR Property, Rosetta Stone, and his current position as Senior Director of Audit Services at AutoNation, Jonathan Wolfe has established himself as one of South Florida’s strong internal audit leaders. He is a solution-focused leader with repeated success across multiple business disciplines and has achieved aggressive growth and profitability goals.

Jonathan has extensive knowledge of the banking & financial services and commercial industries, risk management, compliance, business continuity, product development, and information systems. He is highly respected by his peers, admired by his mentees, and esteemed by all who know him. In addition, Jonathan is a longstanding member and supporter of the IIA, serving as President of the IIA Miami Chapter from 2005 to 2007, and as a board member to this day. We had the pleasure of interviewing him to pick his brain for thoughts, anecdotes, and advice.

What educational preparation would Jonathan recommend for someone who wants to advance in this field?

Jonathan has always taken the stance that there are a few tiers to understand the field, which must be explored:

1) Local economy and environment. Knowing what’s going on in the business world and local economic news may give a sense of what’s going on that can affect your company right in your backyard.
2) Industry perspective. Jonathan makes sure to read industry-specific news, including next steps and innovations.
3) International. It is important to keep up to date on the international evolution of self-driving, autonomous vehicles, and the online car market.

What is something that Jonathan believes takes up too much of his time in his current role at AutoNation?

Meetings and more meetings to prepare for meetings upon meetings. And then of course, the necessary evil of emails. While some meetings are important, others need a purpose to move the company’s strategy forward.

If Jonathan could go back to school, take one more class that would’ve had a positive impact, what would it be and why?

1) Data analytics/Data management to help with extracting, managing, and analyzing data in a meaningful way. It is essential to the lifeblood of a company, so being more creative and effective in utilizing data would be and continues to be a big focus for his department.
2) Management Information Systems or something in the realm of computer science. Technology moves us forward and it never hurts to learn about what new system or process can benefit the company you work for.

As an auditor, it’s important to keep learning. What does Jonathan wish he knew more about?

It’s all about the new and cutting-edge technology. Jonathan is fascinated by the technology in his industry and the practical applications of it. He sees a world of flying cars with artificial intelligence that can transport not only people but goods and services around the world. How that will create opportunities and risk for business is something he ponders.

Who has impressed Jonathan most with what they’ve accomplished?

AutoNation’s CEO, Mike Jackson is someone who Jonathan considers to be one of the most impressive people in business he has ever met. Often considered one of the greatest CEOs, Mike Jackson has demonstrated the ability to see and seemingly predict the future and adapt accordingly. He has maintained one of the longest CEO tenures and leaves behind a remarkable legacy.

Many people believe they would like to be their own boss someday and start their own business/company. What is the most valuable lesson Jonathan learned from his experience from starting his own consulting firm?

Jonathan’s success was based on the relationships and network of people he had established prior to starting his own business. He quickly realized the importance of a strong sales culture and sales component with plenty of executive presence, however, not everyone is a salesperson. Maintaining client relationships and building new ones can be a challenge and scaling that business model also comes with its own difficulties. In light of those lessons, Jonathan believes that having an established reputation and broad network along with a strong commitment to growing the business will be key factors in someone’s success.

What are some small things that make Jonathan’s day better?

Jonathan: Coffee.
Us: Same Jonathan, same.

One of the things Jonathan tries to do every morning is arrive at the office early-between 7:00 and 7:30am. This quiet time allows him to organize his day and think. Something he learned from the “How to Become CEO” book by Jeffrey Fox is to take an hour a day for reflective thought. In Jonathan’s words, “people don’t take the time to think they want other people to think for them...the difference between people who do or don’t progress is thinking”. The thought process doesn’t have to be revolutionary; it can be what is going on in the company for the past 3 months or what meeting do I need to set up to most effectively achieve a goal? He believes a hour of thought can create new innovations, value and success.

If Jonathan found a remote control that could rewind, fast forward, stop and start time, what would he do with it?

Jonathan is a forward-thinker. Besides the obvious watching of his kids’ movies over and over again or seeing prolific events in history, Jonathan would love to go forward in time and see the evolution of automotive industry. “It would be an amazing world to see.”

What qualities does Jonathan most value from individuals under his management?

Jonathan values the ability to think independently. When different situations arise within an organization, it is useful for individuals to utilize the tier-thinking approach mentioned previously to see across the organization and understand resulting impacts. Jonathan seeks and values team members who can come up with their own conclusions, presenting them in a precise manner and making decisions that are supported with research. “Most times, people do not do their research and only see things potentially on the surface.”

To be successful, Jonathan believes that people need to go the extra mile, be inquisitive, come up with ideas and solutions that create value for their organization, identify potential inefficiencies, have common sense, and think before speaking. And honestly, we can see how these traits are sprinkled all over his list of accomplishments. Jonathan’s own success seems to have been paved and summed up by his mantra: “there is always a better way”. His stellar resume is the result of someone who isn’t afraid to be curious and creative. And a creative auditor will always find a way.
PAST EVENTS REVIEW

IIA MEMBER APPRECIATION EVENT
On March 18th, the Chapter hosted an IIA Miami Members Appreciation Event. The event was held at Top Golf in Doral, FL. See the "Photogenic Central" page 5 for more pictures of this and other events!

IIA ANNUAL FRAUD CONFERENCE
On March 29th, the Chapter hosted the 3rd IIA Miami Conference of the 2018-2019 year. With sessions by Kevin McCarthy, Mark Whitacre and the Securities and Exchange Commission, our annual fraud conference proved to be a success, yet again! Thank you for all who attended and supported this conference.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:
Our 2018-2019 IIA Miami conferences have had tremendous success among our members, and we continue striving to provide value to our members. As such, we want to ensure we continue to do what works for you and your team. Please email vpprograms@iiamiami.org to let us know how we can continue to add value to your professions and your organizations. The new year is around the corner, and we will soon start to plan for our 2019-2020 conferences.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2019 IIA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
July 7-10, 2019
Anaheim, California
Network with peers, gain new insights, and hear industry leaders as they address current challenges and emerging issues.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Last IIA Miami Conference of the 2018-2019 year:
Cybercrime & AI & Robots, Oh My!

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2019 GRC CONFERENCE
The IIA and ISACA are pleased to collaborate once again to bring you the 2019 Governance, Risk, and Control (GRC) Conference, "Where Governance and Risk Management Align for Impact."

August 12-14, 2019
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

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If you have any questions regarding these events, please reach out to Lindsay McEwen: vpspecialtycenters@iiamiiami.org.

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Congratulations to our New CIAs!

We are proud to announce these newly certified CIAs from our IIA Miami Chapter:

ADRIAN ROMERO
JUDIAN WINSTON

NEW PERK ALERT:

Going forward, we will be presenting official IIA frames to newly certified CIAs from our chapter who attend one of our conferences!

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**Thinking Inside the Box: A guide to configuring your database monitoring solution**
Data is often your company’s most valuable resource. With security threats growing and the volume of sensitive data increasing, securing this precious resource is critical. Database Activity Monitoring (DAM) has become a key tool in identifying unauthorized database activity and guaranteeing only the right people have access to the right data.

**5 Ways Internal Audit Can Fail to Adequately Serve Its Organization**
There are a multitude of pressures on modern internal audit departments. Expectations are high, resources are limited, and risks are emerging at unprecedented speed.

**Forensic Audit vs. Internal Audit: What’s the Difference?**
Many organizations don’t know the difference between a forensic and internal audit and wonder which they need. The answer to this question is not always easy to determine.

**Internal audit future trends and innovation**
Internal audit must innovate and evolve if it’s going to fulfill its mission and remain relevant in the future. These 10 trends provide key steps to consider as you plan for 2019 and beyond.

**Internal Auditors Have Started the Digital Transformation Journey**
According to findings from the 2019 Internal Audit Capabilities and Needs Survey conducted by global consulting firm Protiviti, three in four (76 percent) internal audit groups are undertaking some form of innovation or transformation effort, a positive indicator that organizations are positioning themselves to thrive in the future.

**Being the Bearer of Bad News Is Never Easy for Internal Audit**
But being the bearer of bad news doesn’t necessarily have to derail internal auditors’ relationships with their clients. There are right ways and wrong ways to deliver bad news.

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