President’s Message for September 2015

Message from Sachiko H. Leon, NCFIIA President

Hello Fellow Chapter Members!

The President’s message for the month of September is going to be a brag report. Who do I have to brag about? YOU!

This North Central Florida Chapter recently received a certification for having achieved the Platinum status for the 2014-2015 chapter year AGAIN. The Chapter has achieved Gold status every year since the inception of this Chapter, and has recently earned the Platinum status by maintaining the Gold status for 10 years straight! This achievement is measured by submitting Chapter Achievement Program (CAP) points monthly to the IIA. In the 2014-2015 chapter year, this Chapter earned over 4,635 points. Just to illustrate how great you all are, the minimum requirement to achieve Gold is to earn 1,560 points, so we almost tripled it. Great Job!

Here is another one to talk about: The Global Internal Audit Common Body of Knowledge (CBOK) conducted a global survey between February – March 2015. The NCF Chapter (yes, that’s us) was ranked Third (3rd) in terms of Member participation percentage! Various reports derived from the survey will be issued and used to enrich our profession.

We also received the 2015 Building Awareness Champion Award! We’re one of only 11 North American Chapters (Canada, United States, Mexico and Caribbean countries) who received this award by promoting our profession during the Internal Audit Awareness Month in May.

My dear Chapter members, I will conclude this month’s message by saying....

Sincerely,
Sachi
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North Central Florida Chapter in Top 10 Chapters for CBOK Survey

Visit the CBOK Resource Exchange - www.theiia.org/CBOK

Chapter Financial Report

The North Central Florida chapter financial records are reviewed by an independent reviewer at the conclusion of each fiscal year. The Chapter has received a signed quality control review from James Moore & Company who graciously volunteers to review our Chapter records each year. Chapter members may access the financial report by logging into the Chapter website, https://chapters.theiia.org/north-central-florida/Pages/default.aspx, and clicking on the “Members Only” tab.
Call for Volunteers: Student Event

One of the Chapter goals is to advocate for and promote the internal audit profession. A way to accomplish this is to reach out to college students. Our Chapter is partnering with Gleim Publications to feed some hungry Gators with food and useful internal audit information on October 7, 2015 on the University of Florida campus. If you are interested in helping to spread the word about our profession then please contact Lily Ly at lreinhrt@ufl.edu. Thank you for your consideration!

June 18, 2015 Quarterly Meeting: Art of Communications

Art Adkins gave a lively presentation on communication skills. One tip that all auditors can use:

"Take the time to listen before offering advice or giving direction. Oftentimes the best ideas are those suggested by the people doing the job."

IIA Monthly Members-Only Webinar: Cybersecurity: The Potential Impact of Pending Legislative and Regulatory Action

Internal auditors must understand the impact — both in terms of risks and benefits — that cybersecurity policy and the need for regulatory compliance can have on those entities being audited.

In this session, participants will:

- Review the current U.S. legal framework governing cybersecurity, focusing on select sector-specific issues, and the steps organizations can take to protect their information assets and minimize legal risk.
- Evaluate current legislative and regulatory cybersecurity proposals and discuss the potential impact on the internal auditors and their client groups.
- Explore cybersecurity developments in the EU and implications for U.S. entities, especially those that manage personal information on a global basis.

Register for the 1 hour webinar here.

An organization should periodically audit its intellectual property to ensure that its rights are captured, preserved, safeguarded, and properly valued. It is important to ensure the staff performing this type of audit is qualified to do so. And the purpose of the audit should be well articulated prior to embarking on the effort.

This book covers both of those areas and offers internal auditors concepts and steps to consider when auditing their organization’s intellectual property process.
I hope everyone enjoyed this issue of the **NCFIIA** Chapter Newsletter, *Audit Tales*. If anyone has suggestions or would like to submit an article for the next issue, please let me know. Feel free to e-mail newsletter article contributions to me at lreinhrt@ufl.edu. Please visit the Chapter website at [www.theiia.org/NorthCentralFL](http://www.theiia.org/NorthCentralFL) which is updated often. I hope to see everyone at the next meeting.

*Lily Ly, Editor*