Did your work environment look different this past year? 2020 was full of challenges and working from home became the norm for a lot of people during the COVID-19 pandemic. What helped you adjust to the changes of working remote? If you are still remote and struggling, check out the following tips from Time Magazine’s article, *5 Tips for Staying Productive and Mentally Healthy While You’re Working from Home*:

1. Find a dedicated and comfortable spot to work
2. Find a buddy at work to continue to have social interactions
3. Have a plan and keep a more structured daily schedule than usual
4. Think about how you are communicating. It is important to use digital tools that can replicate the in-person experience
5. Remember, not everyone works in the same manner

As remote workers possibly return to offices in 2021, travel may not be an option making performing audits difficult. The IIA has published various articles related to remote work including considerations for remote audits. Remote audits can reduce travel costs, increase the availability of auditors and specialists, and improve organization and confirmation of required documentation. However, remote auditing does not allow for first-hand observations, makes it difficult to build rapport with auditees, and the lack of in-person interaction increases opportunities for fraud. What is your organization doing to add value and remain effective during remote audits?

Whether or not you like working from home, some of us have new “coworkers” who love having us home. If you have a picture of your new “coworkers” that you would like to share in the next newsletter, please email your photos to Newsletter Chair, Brittney Millican at brittneymillican@gmail.com.
PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

As I write this message the birds are chirping, the sun is shining, and we have just made it through the snow-apocalypse of 2021! Not sure about you, but I am looking forward to Spring this year!

It appears, based on the event surveys, that all who were able to attend the John Hall presentation on High Impact Auditing in January thought it was a very good presentation, and I would agree. John is a good presenter, even in a virtual setting, and he gave a lot of tips that we could implement immediately.

The Board and Programs Committee has been actively searching and planning for valuable and affordable CPE opportunities for our members. We will continue to communicate upcoming CPE events to be held by our chapter as well as sharing CPE events held by other chapters within our district. For now, the plan is for CPE events to remain virtual but I remain hopeful that we can schedule in-person events sooner rather than later.

Also, please be on the lookout for the annual Membership Survey, Bylaw Approval, and Chapter Officer and Board Member elections. The new slate of Officers and Board Members will take on their roles at the start of the fiscal year, June 1st, 2021. With the start of a new fiscal year comes new volunteer opportunities! We are always looking for volunteers to serve on committees or just help with events as needed, so please reach out to me or another member of the board if you have ideas for events, an interest in serving on a committee, or just want to learn more about what the Ozarks IIA has to offer!

Stay safe and be well!

Krystal Kauffman
President

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PROGRAM UPDATES

CPE OPPORTUNITIES:

ISACA/IIA Chicago Hacking Conference
March 8, 2021 Virtual
Members $200 Non-Members $250

10th Annual Multi-Track Webinar
Hosted by the St. Louis IIA and CFE Chapters
Topics: Auditing, Behavioral Ethics, and Fraud
March 24 – 25, 2021
Day 1 or Day 2: Members $60
Non-Members $80
Both Days: Members $120
Non-Members $160

Your Road. Your Choices. Amanda “Jo” Erven
Partnership with Central MO
April 2021
2 Day event, 4 CPE each day

Got ideas for local chapter events? Please reach out to the chapter via the email address on page 2.

2021 CONFERENCES

General Audit Management
March 16 – 18, 2021 Virtual
Members $995 Non-Members $1,195

International Conference
June 14 – 18, 2021 Virtual

Governance, Risk, and Control Conference
August 9 – 11, 2021

All-Star Conference
November 8 – 10, 2021

UPCOMING IIA VIRTUAL COURSES:

Root Cause Analysis for Internal Auditors
March 9 – 18, 2021

ERM: A Driver for Organizational Success
March 16 – 25, 2021

Examining Cybersecurity Concepts
March 23 – 25, 2021

Fundamentals of Risk-based Auditing
April 5 – 12, 2021

Fundamentals of IT Auditing
April 13 – 22, 2021

Visit the IIA’s website, Learning & Events tab for more training opportunities
MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

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- Stella Aton
  Cox Health
- Seneca Berry
  Great Southern Bank
- Coleen Fairburn
  Great Southern Bank

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- Jason Bradshaw
  Jack Henry & Associates

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- Roland Dimos
  Assemblies of God
- Monte Franks
  Leggett & Platt

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Ozarks IIA Chapter!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Thank you for being a member!
CERTIFIED INTERNAL AUDITOR CERTIFICATION

As the only globally recognized certification for internal auditors, the Certified Internal Auditor designation proves that you:

- Possess current knowledge of The IIA’s International Professional Practices Framework and demonstrate appropriate use
- Are able to perform an audit engagement in Conformance with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing
- Understand organizational governance and can apply tools and techniques to evaluate risks and controls
- Can apply the business, IT, and management acumen Needed for internal auditing

STEPS TO CERTIFICATION:

1. Apply
Complete all application requirements. Submit all documentation within 90 days of receipt of payment. Receive program approval.

2. Register and Test
Prepare and pass all three exam parts. Complete exam process within three Years.

3. Become Certified
Verify experience based on education level and get certified.

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CERTIFIED INTERNAL AUDITOR CERTIFICATION

PART 1: ESSENTIALS OF INTERNAL AUDITING

125 Questions / 150 Minutes

PART 2: PRACTICE OF INTERNAL AUDITING

100 Questions / 120 Minutes

PART 3: BUSINESS KNOWLEDGE FOR INTERNAL AUDITING

100 Questions / 120 Minutes

UPCOMING CIA EXAM PREPARATION:

Part 2
March 8 – 15, 2021
Instructor Led Course

Part 3
March 30 – April 13, 2021
Instructor Led Course

Part 2
March 26 – April 2, 2021
Instructor Led Course

Part 1
April 5 – 16, 2021
Instructor Led Course

Ozarks IIA Chapter members can save an additional 20% on Gleim CIA study materials. Visit the chapter website and log into the members only section to access the link!

Are you an IIA Member? Members get the IIA’s CIA Learning System self-study program at $100 off on full, 3-part kits or $30 on individual parts.

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