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Meetings
December 13: TBD

Seminar
December 18-20: Shawna Flanders, Director of Instructional Technology & Innovation, MISTI—Cybersecurity Audit School

Conference
February 28: 4th Annual ‘I Heart Audit’ Conference

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Members-Only Webinars
December 20: 2017 Year-end Legislative Review With Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer
January 18: Realistic Security: Counter Advanced Threats with Basic Controls
February 20: Preparing for the Future: What Internal Auditors Can Expect in 2018

Conferences
March 12-14: General Audit Management Conference, Las Vegas, NV
May 6-9: International Conference, Duai, UAE
August 13-15: Governance, Risk, and Control Conference, Nashville, TN

CIA Exam Self-Study Review Course
See Inside for More Details

IIA Seminars
Boston, Dallas, Denver, New York, Orlando, Phoenix, San Francisco, Seattle, and more

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Dear Members,

As the end of this year is quickly approaching, we wanted to remind you that the deadline to report Continuing Professional Education (CPE) and Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is December 31st. If you have not earned all your required hours yet, consider the opportunities posted here. You can also earn 24 hours of CPE by attending Cybersecurity Audit School, which is being facilitated by MISTI Training Institute at VIA Metropolitan Transit (800 W. Myrtle St., San Antonio, TX 78212) December 18-20, 2017. This is an excellent opportunity to attend quality training without the extra travel costs like hotel and flights! We invite you to register here.

We are also pleased to announce that we have opened registrations for our 4th Annual 'I Heart Audit' Conference scheduled for Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at the La Cantera Hill Country Resort. We invite you to register here.

To your success!

Lashele Almonte, CIA, CRMA, CFE
Secretary, IIA San Antonio Chapter
IIA Blog—Internal Auditors Need Foresight to Provide Foresight

Richard Chambers, CIA, QIAL, CGAP, CCSA, CRMA, President and CEO of The IIA

“"I frequently observe that the internal audit profession is on a journey — from hindsight to insight to foresight. Following its origins more than a century ago, internal audit focused primarily on hindsight. Our predecessors assessed what happened the week, month, or even year before. They provided assurance of the effectiveness of (primary financial) controls from the past.

Eventually, the profession began to focus too on the "here and now," providing assurance on the effectiveness of (often operational) controls in the present. This assurance, coupled with internal auditors' perspective on risks facing their organizations, provided valuable insight for management and the board.

Then, increasingly, internal auditors began to also provide foresight — a service upon which the future of the profession may well depend.

Many internal auditors shy from foresight because, frankly, they do not understand what it means in the context of an audit, or how to provide it. For many, it sounds like we are being asked to use a crystal ball to predict the future with no real basis other than our instincts or hunches.

But that is simply not what foresight is all about. Foresight is defined as "the ability to predict or the action of predicting what will happen or be needed in the future." Synonyms include planning, vision, anticipation, prudence, readiness, and preparedness." So, foresight isn't about simply making predictions. It's about helping our organizations prepare for the future."

Take a few minutes to further read what he has to say here.

Video of the Month

We all know that when we make decisions in groups, they don't always go right -- and sometimes they go very wrong. How can groups make good decisions? With his colleague Dan Ariely, neuroscientist Mariano Sigman has been inquiring into how we interact to reach decisions by performing experiments with live crowds around the world. In this fun, fact-filled explainer, he shares some intriguing results -- as well as some implications for how it might impact our political system. In a time when people seem to be more polarized than ever, Sigman says, better understanding how groups interact and reach conclusions might spark interesting new ways to construct a healthier democracy.

Click here to view the video.

Welcome New Members!

Mercy Adekoya Wells Fargo Audit Services
Celestina Aloka Wells Fargo Audit Services
Gwen Redfearn Strategic Funding
Phillip Long Wells Fargo Audit Services
Jon Santiago NuStar Energy LP
Erika Magana-Garza Frost Bank

Newly Certified

Brittney Davidson, CIA Commercial Metals Company
Denise Wickam, CIA Air Force Audit Agency

Be sure to check out page 7 for additional details on certifications and any application fee waiver promotions.

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Chapter Achievement Program (CAP) Points

The CAP report tracks chapter activities throughout the chapter year, June 1st through May 31st. We obtain points in three categories: Service to Members (Luncheons/Seminars/Certifications), Service to the Profession, and Administration. If you have conducted any speaking engagements or participated in any Junior Achievement Program events, please let Lashele know. Your participation enables our chapter to succeed!

Based on last year’s activities, we exceeded our goal of 1,560 CAP points and maintained our Platinum status. As of October 2017, we have earned a total of 945 CAP points, which sets us off to a great start for maintaining our PLATINUM status (highest level)! Thank you to all of our members for your continued participation and support!!!

Job Marketplace

LOOKING FOR EMPLOYEES???
LOOKING FOR AN EMPLOYER???

Post or view positions offered on our Chapter Careers webpage, or at the IIA Audit Career Center.

Currently, the following employer postings are on our Chapter website:

- Aventine Hill Partners—IT Audit Consultant
- City of San Antonio—Audit Manager
- USAA—Senior Risk Analyst
- Harte Hanks—Internal Auditor

For more information, visit the Careers page on our website:
https://chapters.theiia.org/san-antonio/Careers/Pages/default.aspx
MONTHLY MEETINGS AND MORE!

December Meeting
Topic: TBD
Speaker: TBD
Date/Time: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 / 12:00 pm—1:00 pm
Location: Old San Francisco Steakhouse (10223 Sahara St., San Antonio, TX 78216)

TBD

Seminar
Topic: Cybersecurity Audit School
Speaker: Shawna Flanders, Director of Instructional Technology & Innovation, MISTI
Date/Time: Monday, December 18—Wednesday, December 20, 2017 / 8:00 am—5:00 pm
Location: VIA Metropolitan Transit (800 W. Myrtle St, San Antonio, TX 78212)

Armed with motive and skill, hackers and internal bad actors continue to release more sophisticated exploits taking advantage of opportunities “weaknesses” in our environments. Tomorrow’s auditor needs to know more than just the terms and concepts regarding cybersecurity. They need to understand what controls are needed, where the controls should be positioned and how to perform substantive tests to assess the controls reasonable effectiveness specifically related to cybersecurity.

4th Annual ‘I Heart Audit’ Conference
Date/Time: Wednesday, February 28, 2018 8:00 am—5:00 pm
Location: La Cantera Hill Country Resort (16641 La Cantera Parkway, San Antonio, Texas 78256)

REGISTER NOW! The San Antonio Chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors has a long history of providing quality continuing professional education to its members. The program will include 3 keynote speakers and various concurrent sessions covering topics related to fraud, information technology risks, auditing techniques, and internal audit leadership and communication.

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Prepare to Pass the CIA Exam.

If you’ve made the decision to enhance your career by earning the Certified Internal Auditor® (CIA®) designation, the IIA San Antonio Chapter can help you achieve your goals with The IIA’s CIA Learning System®.

The IIA’s CIA Learning System is an interactive print and online self-study review program designed by CIA-certified industry experts to help you learn, review, and apply the key CIA content. This approach will help you build on foundational elements of internal auditing to master key concepts you need to know to pass the CIA exam. This three-part program includes:

- Comprehensive reading materials teaching the entire global CIA exam syllabus in both printed and e-book formats.
- Interactive online study tools:
  - Pre- and post-tests to gauge your starting knowledge and advancements.
  - SmartStudy™ tools to help you create a customized study plan based on pre-test results.
  - Chapter quizzes to test your comprehension and retention.
  - Flashcards and glossary.
  - CIA practice exam to build confidence for the computer-based CIA exam.
  - Online reports to track your progress and performance.

For more information or to try a demo, visit www.LearnCIA.com/3partcia/overview. Wondering how long it will take you to prepare for the exam? Create your free, personalized study plan at www.LearnCIA.com/3partcia/my-cia-review-plan.

Close the Government Knowledge Gap & Save in October

Through 31 October, The IIA is waiving the Certified Government Auditing Professional® (CGAP®) certification application fee of up to $230. Designed for all public sector auditors, CGAP is an excellent certification to navigate challenges in this demanding environment.

Apply in October to save up to $230.
Other Opportunities for Professional Growth

Click here to register.

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For additional information on IIA seminars, click here: Upcoming IIA Seminars
For more conferences and information, click here: Upcoming IIA Conferences

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