Chapter Message

Hi Everyone,

It’s an exciting time of the year…kiddos are out of school…summer vacations…and last but certainly not least…the beginning of another IIA chapter year!!! As of June 1st, our chapter officially kicked off its 56th year! Thank you to everyone who participated in our June Member Social at Top Golf! We had a great turnout for our member appreciation event! Our new officers are hard at work planning this year’s slate of events.

The officers and the Board of Governors are dedicated to providing our members with relevant, convenient training opportunities at a reasonable cost. For our July and August luncheons, we will be at the Old San Francisco Steakhouse, but for the rest of the year, we will be trying different restaurants and locations around San Antonio…to spice things up a bit ☺ Please click here to register for our July 17th luncheon to hear our Vice President of Programs, Nicolas Oscari (ATR Advisory) and Ruben Garcia (ATR Advisory) present on “What a Non-IT Auditor Needs to Know About IT & IT Controls”.

In addition, registration is open for our 2-day, 16 CPE course, Performing an Effective Quality Assessment on August 9-10 at H-E-B Cypress Towers. We also plan to offer other CAE-requested and IIA required (i.e. 2 hour Ethics) training throughout the year. San Antonio is also serving as the host city at the end of October for the National IIA Training at Hilton Palacio Del Rio.

Thank you for your continued support! I look forward to serving you this year!

Cecilia ☺
President, IIA San Antonio Chapter

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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:

1) Service to Members (Luncheons/Seminars/Certifications),
2) Service to the Profession, and
3) 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 May 31st, we have earned a total of 2,612 CAP points, which qualifies us for ‘Gold’ status and allows us to maintain our PLATINUM status (highest level)! Thank you to all of our members for your continued participation and support!!!
Welcome New Members!

Robert Adams        Accume Partners
Cristal Flores      International Bank of Commerce
Brianna Vallejo    International Bank of Commerce
Vanessa Sanchez    Pioneer Energy Services
Diana Olveda       San Antonio Independent School District
Raquel Sanchez     San Antonio Independent School District
Brenda Juarez      Southwest Research Institute
Michael Veneri     Texas A&M University San Antonio
Betty Harris       U.S. Army Reserve
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Danni Yang         Wells Fargo Audit Services

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**July Meeting: What a Non-IT Auditor Needs to Know About IT & IT Controls**

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, July 18, 2018 / 11:30 am - 12:00 pm (Networking); 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm (Presentation)

**Location:** Old San Francisco Steakhouse (10223 Sahara St., San Antonio, TX 78216)

Presented by Nick Oscari, CPA and Ruben Garcia, CISA

Course is designed to provide the non-IT auditor insight into common and key information technology risks and controls that impact their organizations.

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**August Seminar: Performing an Effective Quality Assessment**

**Date/Time:** Thursday, August 9, 2018—Friday, August 10, 2018 / 11:30 am - 12:00 pm (Networking); 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm (Presentation)

**Location:** Old San Francisco Steakhouse (10223 Sahara St., San Antonio, TX 78216)

This course will provide you with the appropriate knowledge and skills to plan, perform, and evaluate the results of an external quality assessment case study. You will also learn about the processes and tools in the IIA Quality Assessment Manual (QA Manual) that can help you identify opportunities to improve your internal audit quality activities.

**Learning Objectives:**
- Examine the process flow and tools in the updated QA Manual and explore how these can be used to evaluate conformance with the Standards and identify opportunities for continuous improvement.
- Practice using the QA Manual tools to plan, perform, and evaluate the results of an external quality assessment case study.
- Discuss how to use the QA Manual tools in a periodic self-assessment.
- Evaluate the external quality assessment options and determine which option will work best for your internal audit activity.

For more information on upcoming events, please visit the IIA San Antonio Chapter Website.
Other Professional Development Opportunities

Members-only Webinars

- **July 12th**: Perspective: Understanding Washington’s Financial Services Landscape in 2018
- **July 17th**: Technology, Disruption and Innovation in Internal Audit
- **July 26th**: The IIA’s Code of Ethics: Exploring Ethical Situations for Internal Auditors

To register, please click here: [IIA Webinars](#)

Did you miss a webinar? No need to worry. As a member, you can access previous webinars for free. Click the link here: [2018 Archived Webinars](#)

IIA Conferences

**GRC Conference 2018**

Where Governance and Risk Management Align for Impact

Aug. 13–15, 2018

Omni Hotel / Nashville, TN

**All Star Conference**

The Best & More

Oct. 22–24, 2018

Aria Resort & Casino / Las Vegas, NV

**General Audit Management Conference**

Where Leaders Evolve

March 11–13, 2019

Gaylord Texan / Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX

**International Conference**

A Vibe All Its Own

July 7-10, 2019

Anaheim, CA

For additional information on IIA seminars and conferences, use the links below:

Upcoming IIA Seminars

Upcoming IIA Conferences
**2018/2019**

**Governors**

- Cristina Baumgardner
  Ridout, Barrett & Co., P.C.
- Kevin Barthold
  City of San Antonio
- Melissa Cox
  Andeavor
- Dr. Dennis Elam
  Texas A&M University – San Antonio
- Blake Herndon
  Blake Herndon Consulting
- Wendy Hetzel
  Frost Bank
- Tim Hieger
  HEB
- Randy Melby
  USAA
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  Rackspace
- Dawn Oppermann
  City of San Antonio
- Glenn Prochnow
  USAA
- Larry Wallis
  VIA Metropolitan Transit

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**IIA Blog**

**Internal Audit’s Role in Picking Up the Pieces**

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

In case you’ve missed some of the shocking stories related to major businesses, President & CEO Richard Chambers recaps some of the stories on big hitters Uber, Wells Fargo, and Facebook.

“Internal auditors can play a role in making the board and audit committee aware when management may not be effectively managing risks or may be straying beyond the risk appetite previously agreed with the board. In past blog posts, I’ve described the setting of risk appetite as the board painting lanes on a highway. The board essentially says to management, ‘Here are the lanes outside of which we don’t want to venture. Stay within these lanes.’ It is internal audit’s job to alert the board when management veers outside those lanes.”

You can learn more by clicking [here](#).
Big Shots

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