Officer’s Message

Dear Members,

Happy New Year! That’s correct, the San Antonio Chapter has kicked off a new year and we’d like to welcome our new members, thank our existing members, and announce our new officers. New to the San Antonio Chapter is Vanessa Sanchez, VP Professional Development; Amada Aguilera, VP Conferences & Seminars; as well as myself, Marisela Castanares, Secretary. To further introduce myself, I am currently part of the Audit Services Management Team at CPS Energy and have valued the mentorships and opportunities throughout my career, each of which have supported my current role and have established a strong foundation to grow upon. Further, my advice for auditors is to actively seek learning opportunities to expand their knowledge within this constantly evolving profession.

With that being said, we would like to remind everyone of the upcoming luncheons. The first event will be a free lunch & learn session held on July 25th at San Antonio Water System with a focus on risk and control self-assessments. The second event, Useful Financial Audit Procedures in Fraud Investigations, will be on August 21st at Scuzzi’s Italian Restaurant in Shavon Park and presented by Aissa I. Garza, JD, FPA, CFE.

We would also like to remind members to actively provide input on surveys to support future chapter events and/or presentations that would further support your role and build upon your professional development. Additionally, you are welcome to provide any additional feedback via the San Antonio Chapter page.

Marisela Castanares
Chapter Secretary

Your feedback matters!

Please take a minute to take this brief 2019 Member Survey.
New Members!

Ana Molina  CPS Energy
Michael Almaguer  Frost Bank
Jasmine Brown  Our Lady of the Lake University
Cameron Cheatum  Randolph-Brooks Federal Credit Union
Laurel Bragg  USAA-First LOD

Marisa Flores  USAA-First LOD
Joyce Mendez  USAA-First LOD
Hector Quinonez  Valero Energy Corporation
Helena Cruz  Wells Fargo

Newly Certified

Preeya Bhakta  Certified Internal Auditor (CIA)
Kasey Cox  CIA
Melinda Gregg  CIA
Ty Sambila  CIA
Francisco Gamez  Certification in Risk Management Assurance (CRMA)

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) Professionalism, and
3) Chapter Health.

If you have conducted any speaking engagements or participated in any Junior Achievement Program events, please let Molly 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. Help us earn enough points to qualify us for ‘Gold’ status, which will allow us to maintain our PLATINUM status (highest level)! Thank you to all of our members for your continued participation and support!!!
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**TRAINING & EVENTS**

**July Meeting:** Lunch & Learn: **Risk & Control Self-Assessment**

**Date/Time:** Thursday, July 25, 2019 / 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

**Location:** San Antonio Water System (SAWS) (2800 US-281, San Antonio, TX 78212)

**NOTE:** This is a free event. No lunch will be provided. Please bring your own lunch.

**CPE:** 1.0

**Presented By:** Meghan Patronella, CIA, CGAP, CRMA, CFE

**Learning Objectives:**
- Define Risk and Control Self-Assessment (RCSA) and be able to identify the major steps common to all RCSA projects
- Understand how these projects help audit groups meet IPPF standards
- Apply the concepts after walking through a sample project

**August Meeting:** **Useful Financial Audit Procedures in Fraud Investigations**

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, August 21, 2019 / 11:45 am - 12:00 pm (Networking); 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm (Presentation)

**Location:** Scuzzi’s Italian Restaurant (4035 N Loop 1604 W #102, San Antonio, TX 78257)

**CPE:** 1.0

**Presented By:** Aissa I. Garza, JD, CPA, CFE
Aissa Law

**Learning Objectives:**
- How to apply financial auditing skills to fraud investigations while navigating the State and Federal rules of admissibility
- Brief caselaw overview
- Fraud detection controls any organization can implement

For more information on upcoming events, please visit the [IIA San Antonio Chapter Website](#).
OTHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

MEMBERS-ONLY WEBINARS

- **July 16:** The Internal Audit/Audit Committee Relationship
- **July 18:** The 2019 Financial Services Regulatory and Legislative Landscape (*Financial Services Audit Center*)
- **August 20:** GDPR, CCPA and the Impact of Evolving Global Data Privacy Regulations on Internal Audit
- **November 5:** Virtual Symposium: Preparing Public Sector Auditors for Today’s Terrain (*Public Sector Audit Center*)

To register, 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: [Webinar Archives](#)

IIA CONFERENCES

**International Conference**

*A Vibe All Its Own*

July 7–10, 2019
Anaheim, CA

**Governance, Risk & Control Conference**

*Where Governance and Risk Management Align for Impact*

Aug. 12–14, 2019
Ft. Lauderdale, FL

CIA EXAM ONLINE SEMINARS & IN-PERSON COURSES

[IIA Online Seminars](#)
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For additional information on IIA seminars and conferences, use the links below:

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IIA Blog

7 DEADLY INTERNAL AUDIT SINS

RICHARD CHAMBERS,
CIA, QIAL, CGAP, CCSA, CRMA,
PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE IIA

Do you know how your department is viewed by outsiders? What is your audit, compliance, or risk group doing to add value within your organization? In his latest blog, Richard Chambers shares what he feels are the seven “internal audit sins” that can ruin a career. Learn more by clicking here.

Happy Reading!

For additional blogs released this month or in the past by the IIA’s bloggers, please click here.

JOB POSTINGS

The following employer postings are on our Chapter Careers webpage. Click here to view more information.

- The University of Texas System - IT Audit Program Manager (Austin, TX)

LOOKING FOR EMPLOYEES???

Post or view positions offered on our Chapter Careers webpage (see link above), or at the IIA Audit Career Center.

SPARK INNOVATIVE THINKING

In the latest article from Robert Half Management Resources, we are inspired to think creatively as technology helps to increase efficiencies in some of the more manual and repetitive tasks once consumed our time. You can check out the article by clicking here: 6 Ideas to Spark Innovative Thinking in Your Finance Department.
SNAPSHOTS FROM THE JUNE SEMINAR