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There are still plenty of training opportunities remaining this program year. In March, the Springfield Chapter will be hosting another full day seminar and as an IIA Member you have access to free Member-Only webinars as well.

- On March 12th you can participate in an IIA webinar titled Creating a Top Down, Risk-Based Audit Plan to learn how to use business drivers to identify and analyze key risks and then design and implement mitigating controls.
  
  https://na.theiia.org/training/eLearning/Pages/Members-only-Webinar-Creating-a-Top-Down-Risk-Based-Audit-Plan.aspx

- On March 13th you can participate in the IIA webinar titled Guidance Briefing: Three Lines of Defense to learn how organizations can mitigate risks in a business environment that is continuously growing in complexity and provide guidance to organizations regardless of their size or level of formality to their risk management approach.
  

Our Chapter is accepting nominations for officers for the next chapter year and also looking for volunteers for 2013-2014. Please contact any current officer if you are interested.

CONDOLENCES
The chapter extends its deepest sympathies to Denise Behl whose mother just passed away. Denise has served as the President of our chapter for two years in a row and devoted considerable time and effort to keeping our chapter in good standing.

President’s Message

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Every day, the expectations placed on professional internal auditors are on the rise. As a result, we all find ourselves in a constant state of “catching up” in order to meet the needs of management, directors, clients, and even ourselves.

The Chapter welcomes John Hall, CPA, as he presents our March seminar. Mr. Hall has 30 plus years of business experience in public accounting, multi-national corporations, and as a business owner and operator enabling him to bring seasoned real-world experience to each presentation. This highly interactive program will discuss proven ideas that can dramatically increase the daily effectiveness and perceived value of the individual auditor and the audit team.

The seminar will include the following topics:

- What Effective Auditing can and should be
- High Impact Audit Areas
- Effective Interviewing Techniques
- Monitoring areas not scheduled for audit
- Attributes of High Impact Findings
- Anticipating and deflecting opposition to ideas

Please register by March 15, 2013 with Acting Secretary Staci Crane (785-6972) at Springfield.IIA@ComCast.net.

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Training

High Impact Auditing: Practices That Pay
Amy Lyons, First Vice President

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Chapter History

5 Years Ago: March 2008
Jay Wagner, CIA, CISA, served as the President of our Chapter.

- **Training.** On March 26-27, Mr. Courtenay Thompson presented a two-day workshop on Fraud Detection & Investigation for Government Auditors. Since 1981 he has designed and presented courses on fraud prevention, detection, and investigation for business and government organizations worldwide. He was a recognized authority on fraud training being the editor of “Fraud Findings” in The Internal Auditor magazine.

- **Retirement.** Brad Hammond retired from the State after more than 32 years. Brad joined our chapter in 1984 and served as president in 1987-1988. His career included working for the Illinois Economic and Fiscal Commission, Office of the Auditor General, and various internal audit offices at State agencies, including the Illinois Office of Internal Audit.

- **Prizes.** Door prizes were awarded to Diane Geary and Traci Rolf.

10 Years Ago: March 2003
Shelly Martin, CPA, served as the President of our Chapter.

- **Training.** The Chapter held its 25th Anniversary Celebration at the Northfield Center. The pre-dinner presentation was “Financial Fitness: How to Budget Your Time, Your Money, and Your Life” by Kevin Lust and the after-dinner topic was “Moving Beyond Change.”

- **CIA Exam.** Mary Ann Bohlen, Department of Corrections, Traci Rolf, University of Illinois at Springfield, and John Turner, Office of Banks and Real Estate passed the IIA’s CIA exam.

- **CGAP Exam.** Mary Ann Bohlen, Department of Corrections and Donna McNeely, University of Illinois at Springfield, passed the CGAP exam.

- **IIA.** The Chapter earned the coveted “Gold” achievement status this month.

15 Years Ago: March 1998
Michael J. Moody, CIA, CISA, served as the President of our Chapter.

- **Training.** This month’s meeting was the 20th Anniversary Celebration held at the Northfield Center. The speaker was Fred Jarosz, President of Speechmakers International who spoke on “In Pursuit of Excellence.”

- **Anniversary.** The Chapter recognized the contributions of the following members at our 20th Anniversary and gave them Outstanding Chapter Service awards for their significant contributions to the success of our Chapter:
  - Ameen Dada
  - Jim Donkin
  - Judy Lazar
  - Deanna Marvin
  - Ray Piparinen
  - Bob Schwarz
  - Don Thannen
  - Karen Waters
  - Bill Winberg
  - Ben Zemaitis

- **Member News.** Bob Schwarz, CISA, Chief Internal Auditor of Central Management Services, was profiled in our newsletter.

- **Membership.** The following members have been with the IIA for many years:
  - 20 years: Dan Bedell, John Cain, Jim Donkin
  - 15 years: Walter Ade, Mark Krell
  - 10 years: Thomas Smith, Larry J. Ragel, Ruth Ann Brown, James Busick

20 Years Ago: March 1993
Randall W. Welch, CIA, CPA, served as the President of our Chapter.

- **Training.** John Nosari, Ph.D., CPA, presented a 4-hour seminar on “Professional Standards” at the Best Western.

- **Chairman.** IIA Chairman John J. Flaherty, CIA, was the guest dinner speaker. The Chapter achieved “Gold” status.

25 Years Ago: March 1988
Bradley W. Hammond served as the President of our Chapter.

- **Training.** Rudy Davenport offered a training seminar on “Operational Auditing”. The pre-dinner seminar was on “Use of Audit Master.”

- **Bob Schwarz.** CISA, presented a dinner program on “Future Trends in Internal Auditing.”

- **Students.** The Chapter hosted 34 students from four area colleges. Total attendance was 78.

25 Years Ago: March 1983
James R. Donkin served as the President of our Chapter.

- **Training.** A combined “Bosses Luncheon” meeting of the Illinois State Internal Audit Manager’s Group and Springfield IIA Chapter was held at Bauer’s.

- **Speaker.** Mr. Art Quern, Illinois Deputy Governor, was the guest speaker.

30 Years Ago: March 1983
James R. Donkin served as the President of our Chapter.
Discover Wild Alaska


Visit Alaska during the summer and view Mt. McKinley, glaciers, and wildlife by air, train, or hiking during the extended daylight. Anchorage, located in southern Alaska, is called the ideal "base camp" for Alaskan adventures and vacations. Visitors can enjoy day trips to Denali National Park and Kenai Fjords National.

Alaskan Railroad Day Trips. Take a day trip called Denali on the Alaskan Railroad. Ride the double-decked dome cars from Anchorage to Talkeetna where the train winds its way through the forests and mountains. Once at the park, visitors can hike around the park trails or see the area from above on a flight around Mt. McKinley. The flight tours glaciers and the Alaska Range. Another option is to take the "Talkeetna Queen", a jet boat adventure on the Talkeetna River.

Visitors can also take a day trip on the Alaskan Railroad to Spencer Glacier. The Glacier Discovery Train takes passengers from Anchorage to the glacier. From there, take a float tour among icebergs at Spencer Lake and down the Placer River. Experience the massive glacier up close. Make sure to wear warm clothing.

Attractions in Anchorage. Anchorage is a place to stay while exploring all of South Central Alaska. Make sure to take advantage of the many delightful attractions the city has to offer. Summer temperatures in Anchorage are mild, ranging from 60 to 80 degrees. Outdoor activities include trail hiking on 128 miles of paved paths and 300 unpaved hiking trails. The Tony Knowles Coastal Trail follows the Cook Inlet coast from Anchorage to Kincaid Park. While hiking, make sure to look for wildlife. As nearly 1,600 moose live in the city, visitors are almost guaranteed to see one. At Potter Marsh, view Canadian geese and migrating trumpeter swan. Other wildlife include Dall sheep, black and brown bear, grizzlies, lynx, fox, coyote, beluga whales, eagles, and wolves, not to mentions many species of birds. Anchorage features an abundance of natural beauty, city attractions, and amazing wildlife viewing.

Kodiak Island Alaska Adventure. Discover the mild Alaskan climate of Kodiak Island, where wildlife flourishes in lush, green forests and a diverse, rich culture is celebrated.

- When most people think of Alaska, they picture a snowy, cold climate. Yet, there are some places in the state that can be very mild and temperate. Kodiak Island is called the Emerald Isle due to its mild, coastal climate, which generates the island’s luscious green meadows and forests. Kodiak Island is the largest of about 12 islands in the chain. Its 3,588 square miles are home to wildlife, forests, and a diverse culture. Many native animals make Kodiak their habitat, including the brown bear. Most Kodiak brown bear tours encounter one or more of the bears inhabiting the islands. When viewing the bears, make sure to keep your distance, stay alert, and don’t make any sudden moves. When exploring the islands, make sure to carry any trash and dispose of it properly.

- Two thirds of the island is set-aside as the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge with 1.9 million acres of rugged mountains, shorelines, lakes, meadows, marshes, and inlets. The refuge is home to over 2,300 brown bears, bald eagles, sea birds, and 5 types of salmon. The refuge is only accessible by float plane or boat. Enjoy hunting, fishing, photography, camping, and wildlife watching within the refuge borders. Local Alaskans and visitors engaged in hunting of the Sitka black-tailed deer, which flourishes on the island. Fishing in the 11 lakes and 117 streams, leads to bountiful catches of trout and salmon.

The city of Kodiak, home to 7,600 people, enjoys a Russian influenced history and culture. Settled in the early 1800s by Russian explorers, the city was a fur trading capital. While visiting Kodiak Island, witness the island from a sea kayak. Paddle around the tidal flats, observing sea lions, sea otters, and whales. Watch bald eagles fly above, diving to snatch fish below the blue water’s surface. Cold-water scuba diving is also enjoyed along the island’s shoreline. In May, participate in the Kodiak Crab Festival, devouring rich, tender king crab legs and claws. The festival days are full of diverse activities, including US Coast Guard search and rescue drills, seafood cook-off, carnival rides, music, art, and cultural activities.
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These days we have been hearing a lot about the federal budget, annual deficit, total debt, and debt ceiling so I looked up what the federal debt might be. The numbers are large and the debt is increasing (www.usdebtclock.org):

- The national debt is $16.5 trillion and foreign countries are owed one-third of the amount or $5.5 trillion.
- Just the interest on the federal debt is $270 billion per year.
- The total population of the U.S. is 315 million people.
- There are 110 million taxpayers. Each taxpayer’s share of the federal debt is $150,000.
- Total federal, state, and local spending is $6.5 trillion/year.
- The largest federal expenditures were for Medicare ($835 billion) and Social Security ($725 billion).
- Social Security liability is $16 trillion (yes, it is trillion), prescription drug liability is $21 trillion, and Medicare liability is $85 trillion -- total liability is over $120 trillion!
- The total amount of pension that was paid to federal employees during the federal fiscal year was $215 billion.
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