Hello spring…are you there? I know the calendar says it has already arrived, but I am sure, like many of you, we are still wondering when it will actually arrive? While spring has been slow coming, your IIA Winnipeg Chapter has been still working at warp speed as we approach another IIA Winnipeg Chapter fiscal year-end coming at the end of May.

This year has been an exciting one! While we continue work with our national counterparts through the creation of the IIA Canada as a separate institute, many of our volunteers also have been busy working behind the scenes on the planning for the IIA Canadian Conference we Winnipeg will be hosting in September, the rollout of our newly designed website, and working on a number of new initiatives including a scholarship program and a student engagement initiative.

Many thanks go out to all of the volunteers and board members for their time and dedication to help bring these ideas to life!

Education events continue to be to the primary source of funding to enable us to bring services to members. While we realize that training budgets at many organizations have tightened up, the Chapter continues to offer top-notch, local, and just as important - affordable - training. Please watch for the event notices and help support the Chapter by registering for these events and spreading the word to your colleagues.

This year’s AGM will be held on May 22 at the St. Boniface Golf Course where we will provide further updates on the past year, enjoy some lively entertainment that will keep you amazed, and have an opportunity to network with your IA colleagues.

I hope to see you all there!

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Planning continues for the IIA Canadian Conference Winnipeg will be hosting in September. We are very excited about the following:

**Program** - We have heard from many that the program for this conference looks like one of the best lineups of speakers offered, with an excellent variety of topics.

**Registration** – Registration is now open! Please check out the website for the program and speaker details and register now! Early bird pricing ends at the end of April – **sign up before the end of April to save $200 per participant.**

**Entertainment** – The Social committee has been working hard at building, what should be a memorable entertainment program with a distinct Manitoba feel to it!

**Welcome Reception** – New to the conference this year, we have arranged an informative and entertaining event for the Conference Welcome Reception which will invite all conference delegates to a ‘wine and appetizer like’ tour of the Manitoba Museum for networking and socializing with other delegates and sponsors.

**Volunteers** – We have a list of a number of volunteers and the conference committee will be in touch with those whom have signed up soon, to let you know how you can help out. Thank you very much to those who have already signed up to help!

Once again, this conference will be a fantastic way to take in excellent training featuring international speakers, and a great opportunity to network with IA peers from across the country (without the added travel and accommodation costs). Register now and help showcase why Winnipeg is such a great city for work and play!

Check out the site and register now!

Internal Audit Awareness Month

May is International Internal Audit Awareness Month and it is the perfect opportunity to promote the profession and its important role in organizational governance, internal control and risk management.

When it comes to building awareness of the internal audit profession and the value internal audit brings to the organizations that we work for, we are all in this together. That is why IIA established May as International Awareness month - to encourage chapters around the world to participate in this important celebration to promote our profession.

The respect today’s internal audit profession enjoy is highly dependent on the ongoing awareness-building activities that we all employ. The things that you can do to increase awareness are only limited by your creativity and imagination.

On the Winnipeg IIA chapter website we will be providing you two aids to assist you in your awareness building activities. One is a proclamation from The Province of Manitoba supporting May as International Internal Audit Awareness Month.

Download this and post it on a bulletin board or send it to people within your organization. We will also be including a link to a PowerPoint template from the IIA that can be customized and used in various ways by internal audit departments to promote their team and the profession within their organization.

If you have other ideas or success stories of how to help promote IA awareness, let us know at: WinnipegInternalAuditors@shaw.ca

It’s an exciting time to be in internal auditing. Pass it on.
2013 Events – Mark Your Calendars!

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Other Upcoming Canadian Training Events

5/7/2013 - 5/10/2013 Ottawa Seminar Week May 7-10 2013


5/14/2013 - 5/14/2013 Webinar May 14 - Information Technology and Information Management Audit


Other Items

Membership Profile Update – If you aren’t receiving Chapter event notifications, then please be sure to update your IIA profile on http://www.theiia.org. You can use the settings to select the types of notifications you would like to receive from the IIA.

IIA Canada 2013 Award Nominations – The call for nominations for the 2013 awards – to be presented at the National Conference in Winnipeg in September are now open. Deadline for nominations is June 28, 2013. See here for a link to the nominations details and forms: https://chapters.theiia.org/IIA%20Canada/News/Document/Call_for_Award_Nominations_2013.pdf

IA Summer Students – If your organization hires IA summer students, we want to hear from you. We would like to welcome them to the profession with a personalized email and offer them some of the benefits of membership. Please contact Barry Horan at bhoran@hotmail.ca