Albert Einstein once said, “Nothing happens until something moves.” Therefore, the Detroit IIA Chapter is seizing the time left in the program year and moving forward!

With half of the program year remaining, the Detroit Chapter has plenty of engagements planned and opportunities for each of us to enhance our skills, challenge our knowledge-base, and network with other auditing professionals.

- The IIA will once again be co-hosting the Spring Conference with ISACA on March 9-11, 2009. The conference is intended to address relevant topics for internal auditing, information security and integrity, Sarbanes-Oxley compliance and other regulatory compliance professionals. By attending, individuals will have the opportunity to learn from accomplished professionals and engage in group discussions regarding computer forensic tools and techniques, audit project management, building audit programs from risk assessments, plus more. A conference brochure may be found on the Detroit IIA website or at the following link: [http://www.detroitiia.org/PDF/2009_Seminar_Brochure.pdf](http://www.detroitiia.org/PDF/2009_Seminar_Brochure.pdf). Furthermore, registration can be completed online from Detroit’s Chapter website at [http://www.detroitiia.org/](http://www.detroitiia.org/).

- The Western Michigan Chapter of the IIA is hosting the IIA’s Advanced Operational Auditing course. Participants will be able to advance their knowledge of operational auditing tools and concepts and will have the opportunity to share their experiences. The cost of this highly interactive, two-day 16 CPE program is $450 for members and $500 for non-members (includes meals and training materials.) For further information about the course, feel free to visit the chapter’s website at [http://www.theiia.org/chapters/index.cfm/home.page/cid/125](http://www.theiia.org/chapters/index.cfm/home.page/cid/125) and click “WMIIA Spring Seminar: Operational Auditing” under “Upcoming Events” found on the right-side panel.

- Additional Spring and Summer conferences are being finalized. Expect future communications to be posted on the Chapter’s website and sent electronically regarding seminars addressing the following topics:
  - Beginner/Intermediate and Advanced ACL Courses
  - FAS 157 & 159 – Fair Value Education
  - Additional Technical Accounting Education
  - Sampling Training
  - CIA Review Courses

Together, let us move forward with enhancing our skill sets through the various opportunities listed above. Watch the IIA Monthly Reporter, Detroit IIA website, and your inbox for additional information regarding events we members may find useful or that our Chapter is sponsoring. The opportunities are here… let’s move forward.
Well, Pugsatawny Phil has just poked his head out of the ground to announce that there are 6 more weeks of winter. Many of us are not aware of this, but Groundhog’s Day also marks the beginning of our chapter’s preparations for the following year and for our end-of-year recognition and awards ceremonies.

• The Nominating Committee is currently accepting nominations for candidates to fill open spots on the Board of Governors, as noted just below my remarks on page 2. I encourage all of our members to actively nominate anyone that meets our criteria for nomination, and that has the time and passion to help make our chapter the best it can be.

• The Awards Committee is taking nominations for the Eloise Bradley award, which is awarded annually to a member who has provided outstanding service to the chapter during the chapter year, or continued meritorious service over a number of years.

In the meantime, thanks to your involvement and time, our chapter is continuing to see very strong meeting participation and interest in all of our programs, including our highly successful Spring Conference, which takes place March 9-11. I look forward to seeing you at an upcoming chapter event, and thank you for your continued interest.

Regards,

Mark H. Weintraub
President

ATTENTION!
The Membership Committee is asking all Detroit members to notify the Chapter of changes or career milestones they want recognized. For example, we want to be updated with contact information changes, professional certification achievements, CAP contributions, and other career milestones.

A Membership Update Form is available on the Detroit Chapter’s website at the following address:
http://www.detroitiia.org/Member_Update.htm
Please fill in your updated information and click submit.

The form is only needed to be submitted when changes occur and will be made available at monthly Detroit Chapter meetings.

ACCEPTING 2009-2010 OFFICER NOMINATIONS
The Nominating Committee is in the process of identifying candidates for the open Board of Governors and Officer positions for the 2009-2010 Chapter year.

If you are interested in serving, or would like to suggest another member for consideration as a nominee for an officer position or as a member of the Board of Governors, please contact Nominating Committee member Matt Burgess at 313-656-6730 or matthew.burgess@gmacfs.com. All Members, Honorary Members, Associate Members, Educators and Retired Members are eligible. In order for the Nominating Committee to complete its task and report on the results of the nominating process timely, suggestions for nominations must be received by February 10, 2009. Please include a brief biography and statement of qualifications with any candidate submissions. Candidates for nomination will be asked to sign a Detroit Chapter Board of Governors contract. A copy of the contract, along with a list of duties and responsibilities for non-profit board members is available on the Chapter website under the Nominations section of the Leadership tab or by clicking on the following link:
UPCOMING IIA EVENTS:

- **Purchasing Fraud: Auditing and Detection Techniques**
  February 9-10, 2009: Phoenix, Arizona

- **Fraud Auditing Using ACL**
  February 19-20, 2009: Houston, Texas

- **Fraud Investigation Tools and Techniques**
  February 23-24, 2009: Orlando, Florida

- **Operational Auditing: An Introduction Through Advanced**
  February 3-6, 2009: Tampa, Florida
  February 17-20, 2009: Houston, Texas
  March 3-6, 2009: San Diego, California
  March 31-April 3, 2009: San Francisco, California

- **Operational Auditing: Advanced**
  February 5-6, 2009: Tampa, Florida
  February 19-20, 2009: Houston, Texas
  March 5-6, 2009: San Diego, California

- **Developing a Fraud Risk Management Program for Your Organization**
  March 10-11, 2009: New York, New York

- **Fraud Awareness for CAEs and Management**

- **Internal Auditing for Fraud**
  March 24-25, 2009: Las Vegas, Nevada

Event details as well as the 2008 and 2009 schedule of IIA sponsored seminars can be viewed on the IIA website: http://www.theiia.org/iaa-training/

FEBRUARY DETROIT CHAPTER MEETING
Tuesday, February 10, 4:00 – 7:30 PM

**PIC (On-line Payment Standards):** The upcoming Detroit Chapter Meeting will launch with a presentation by Adrian Brown, Consulting & Education Manager, The Payments Authority, highlighting the policies, procedures and best practices our organizations should recognize in order to prevent electronic payment fraud. Robert Biskup, Director of Forensic & Dispute Services, Deloitte Financial Advisory Services LLP, will be discussing the developments and significant changes to expect from the recent SEC Speaks Conference held on February 6-7. The chapter meeting will be held at the VisTa Tech Conference Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Registration can be completed by clicking the following link: February Meeting Registration. Contact the Chapter Administrator for group registrations at 1-866-895-1851 or ChapterAdmin@detroitiia.org

MARCH DETROIT CHAPTER MEETING

Due to the timing of the IIA/ISACA Spring Conference, there will not be a Detroit Chapter Meeting for March. Meetings will commence on April 14th at VisTa Tech Conference Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

IIA/ISACA SPRING CONFERENCE
Monday, March 9 – Wednesday, March 11

The 10th Annual Spring Conference co-hosted by the IIA and ISACA will be held at the University of Michigan’s North Fairlane Center in Dearborn the week of March 9th. This year’s seminar topics will address communication skills, fraud risk assessments, COBIT 4.1, computer forensics, project management, plus more! A brochure for the event may be found at the following web address:

http://www.detroitiia.org/PDF/2009_Seminar_Brochure.pdf and registration can be completed on-line by clicking on the following link: Spring Conference Registration

* Cost for Chapter Meetings: $40 Members; $50 Non-Members; $20 Students & Retirees
  $5 fee will be applied if paying at the door

An Annual Calendar of Chapter Events can be viewed at the following website:

http://www.detroitiia.org/Events.htm#MTG

ELOISE BRADLEY AWARD

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MEMBERSHIP MEMO

“GAIN”

As a member of the IIA, you have access to a knowledge exchange called the Global Audit Information Network, or GAIN.

GAIN is a forum for learning that allows you to share, compare, and validate issues and challenges faced on a daily basis while networking with other organizations throughout the world. To facilitate this, GAIN provides two basic services:

- Flash Surveys are on-demand customizable questionnaires that allow for the presentation of problems and the solicitation of data, information, and answers.
- The GAIN Annual Benchmarking Study provides data on audit department best practices, allowing you to compare several metrics among peer groups you select, including information on department size, experience, and resources. All information shared through this service is confidential.

To learn more about GAIN, visit www.theiia.org/gain.
Remember…

The Chapter earns CAP points for our members’ internal auditing activities:

Speaking Engagements
Article Submissions to Audit Journals
Audit Article Publications
Employing Interns
IIA Quality Review Team Participation
...plus more!

Please note that IIA Employees, Paid Consultants, and Paid Educators are excluded from earning the Chapter points.

You may have helped the Chapter obtain CAP points! Please e-mail Martin Wood details of your internal audit related involvement outside of the Chapter at Martin.Wood@flintgrp.com.

BRONZE Achievement Level
Has been reached!

Total Points Earned as of 1/31/09 ………. 955
Point Total as of 1/31/08 ………... 804

CAP Achievement Levels:
BRONZE ………. 685
SILVER ………. 1060
GOLD/PLATINUM ………. 1560
Detroit’s 2007/2008 Point Total ………. 2068

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SoX Compliance Manager - up to $105K, limited travel, automotive mfg
Audit/SoX Supervisor - up to $95K, 25% travel, automotive mfg. organization
Audit Staff/Senior - up to $85K, up to 40% travel, various organizations including public accounting with regional and national firm
SAP Senior Security Analyst - up to $95K, ZERO travel, non-automotive mfg. organization
CFE Professionals – up to $105K with international company, travel up to 35%
IT/SoX Compliance Senior - up to $90K, limited travel, non automotive Mfg. organization
IT Audit Staff/Senior Professional - up to $85K, up to ZERO to 40% travel, various organizations including public accounting with regional and national CPA/Consulting firms

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Our Next Meeting:
Tuesday February 10, 2009
4:30pm - 7:30pm
Visittech
Pre-Dinner Speaker:
Adrian Brown, AAP
Consulting & Education Manager, The
Payments Authority
Online Payment Issues and Security

On-line fraud and data compromising has become a
huge issue for financial institutions and companies.
Every operation is different and therefore the
internal controls should be structured to meet its
specific objectives and security needs. This
presentation will focus on policies, procedures and
identifying best practices to best protect your
organization. In addition, this presentation will
provide true case scenarios of electronic payment
fraud.

After Dinner Presentation:
Robert Bisup
Director of Forensic & Dispute Services, Deloitte
Financial Advisory Services LLP
SEC Speaks Conference

Hot off the press! Rob Bisup from Deloitte &
 Touche LLP will be summarizing the most recent
developments from the SEC Speaks Conference that
is being held this year on February 4-7. Rob will
provide his insight on the SEC meeting and what
we can expect in the following areas: regulatory and
enforcement initiatives relating to the subprime
mortgage-backed securities and credit markets
coordinated by the Commission’s Subprime Task
Force; significant enforcement activity relating to
market manipulation through false rumors, insider
trading, and spoofing; and taking action among other
priority topics; and regulatory initiatives regarding
improvements to the implementation of
Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404, executive
compensation disclosure, and smaller reporting
company regulatory relief and simplification.

Speakers Details

Our next seminar:
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University of Michigan,
Fairlane Center North, Dearborn

Download the Brochure
Register Online

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2009-2010 Board of
Governors Nominations

It’s time to nominate candidates for the open
Board of Governors and Officers positions!
MEETING MINUTES:

JANUARY 13, 2009

At the latest chapter meeting entitled Development Plan – I-94 from Metro to Willow Run, Wayne County Executive, Robert Ficano, and Senior Director of Government Relations for the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, Melissa Roy, discussed the topic of current and future Michigan development plans.

Robert Ficano presented his initiative to cultivate an “Aerotropolis” in Metro Detroit through cooperation with and development of the area’s two world-class airports, Willow Run, which is #1 On Demand cargo airport in the U.S. and Detroit Metro. An Aerotropolis is an urban center which is aviation intensive to focus on time-sensitive and logistically-minded businesses which would work to further develop the surrounding area. Through cooperation with public and private entities, Mr. Ficano plans to utilize Michigan’s resources such as its transportation infrastructure and highly skilled labor force to develop a thriving business hub comparable to Amsterdam and Dubai. By Q2 2009, much of the planning will be completed or underway but in order for this vision to come to fruition, Mr. Ficano sees a need for legislative incentives and improved cooperation between public and private sectors.

To further illustrate the proactive steps Michigan is taking to stimulate our economy, Melissa Roy covered another initiative focusing on transportation infrastructure and economic development called TranslinkeD. Introduced at the 2008 Mackinaw Policy Conference, TranslinkeD aims to make transportation in and out of Metro Detroit easier, more efficient and more economical. Melissa addressed potential problems such as the coordination of freight and commuter trains, as well as the benefits, which include cargo distribution possibilities and job opportunities. The vision of TranslinkeD is that, through increased logistical efficiencies and development, Metro Detroit will become a forefront of international trade and a springboard of the Michigan economy.

To access information regarding these initiatives, go to our website at http://www.detroitii.org/Handouts.htm and refer to the January 13th Meeting Handouts.

ATTENDANCE

A total of 131 individuals attended the January Chapter Meeting:

- 87 Members
- 2 Non-Members
- 20 Students
- 2 Retirees
- 20 IMA Members

MEMBER RECOGNITION

NEW MEMBERS

Ricardo Acevedo
Julie Aprain
Matthew Babbie
Brooke Bauer
\Keith Bergmoser
 Kidan Berhanu
Jessica Blackburn
Stephen Bolander
Benjamin Borowiak
Jacqueline Chen
Lydia Coble
Angela Combs
Alli Courtney
Leah Dalley
Esther DeBlacam
Bi Du
Robin Ebendick
Ozgecan Eralp
Adam Fitchpatrick
David Fitzgerald
Steven Fox
Sarah Friend
Jon Fritsch
Joseph Gaiefsky
Alyssa Goodin
Kaitlin Hamilton
Sylvia Hunsinger
Artan Ivezaj
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Zhenyuan Wang
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Valerie Williams
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