



The Institute of Internal Auditors Western Michigan Chapter

March 2010 Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings Members and Friends!

I'm sure that almost all of us are happy to see that spring is here and with it comes the final events of our 2009-10 chapter year and preparations for the next year. However, we think you will be very pleased with what we have to offer in April, May, and June!

On April 27th and 28th, we are happy to welcome back **Courtenay Thompson** to our chapter to present two extremely valuable seminars, "Effective Audit Interviewing" and "Increasing Personal and Professional Effectiveness". Please note that you may attend either day individually or attend both at a \$50 discount!

On April 29th, Courtenay will also be presenting "Fraud Update 2010" at our monthly breakfast meeting. Please join us for this great professional networking and education opportunity!

Also, in May we will have another regular meeting and we will conclude the year in June with our annual Fred Rugg memorial golf outing. Hope to see you there!

Please see the programming update below and check our website at <http://www.theiia.org/chapters/index.cfm/home.page/cid/125> for the latest updates, program descriptions, and to register.

We are always looking for ways to deliver the best service to our members. Please contact us if you have any ideas, suggestions, or questions.

All the best for a great springtime!
Steve Kochin
WMIIA 1st Vice President / Interim President

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PROGRAMING UPDATE

2009 – 2010 Schedule

**NEXT EVENTS: April 27 – 28, 2010 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM (Seminars)
April 29, 2010 7:30 AM – 9:00 AM (Regular meeting)**

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	SPEAKER	TOPIC	Member / Non –Member Pricing
04/27/10 – 04/28/10	The Silo Allegan, MI	Spring Seminar	Courtenay Thompson	Effective Audit Interviewing	\$450/\$500
				Increasing Personal and Professional Effectiveness	OR \$250/\$275 per module
04/29/10	Bridgewater Place	Breakfast	Courtenay Thompson	Fraud Update 2010	\$25/\$30
05/13/10	Bridgewater Place	Lunch	E&Y	Working with Your External Auditor	\$35/\$40
05/27/10	Bridgewater Place (Deloitte Offices)	IAD Roundtable	Deloitte	Internal Audit Hot Topics	Free
06/04/10	Deer Run Golf Club, Lowell	Golf Outing	N/A	N/A	\$65

TREASURY UPDATE

Event payments can be submitted via the following methods:

- PayPal – Credit cards payments can be submitted prior to an event via the PayPal link located on the registration page on the WMIIA site.
- Cash or check – Payment can be brought to the event or mailed in advance to the Treasurer. Please make checks payable to WMIIA. Checks can be mailed to:
Western Michigan IIA
c/o Megan Rabine
6920 11th Ave
Jenison, MI 49428

If you would like to be invoiced prior to an event please email an invoice request to Megan Rabine detailing your name, all participants for whom the invoice should include, and a mailing address.

Financial Snapshot as of 02/26/2010	
Checking:	\$13,076.65
Savings:	\$1,855.62
Certificate of Deposit:	\$5,124.97

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

SAVE AN ADDITIONAL 10% WHEN REGISTERING EARLY

Did you know that when a member registers for a course before the “Early Bird” dates for IIA Seminars they will save an additional 10%? That’s a US \$140 savings on two-day courses and a US \$180 savings on four-day courses and is offered in addition to the special IIA Member pricing. This offer does not include IIA/Deloitte course offerings and is not valid with any other offers. For a listing of upcoming seminars see this link <http://www.theiia.org/iia-training/seminars/>.

IIA MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR DISCOUNTS

As part of The IIA's Member Amenities Program, The IIA is pleased to remind members of our partnership with Geico Car Insurance, Omni Hotels, Pricewaterhouse Coopers, and Protiviti / Knowledge Leader; see here <http://www.theiia.org/membership/why-join/amenities-program-for-members/> for more information. As you know, The IIA

offers members-only discounts through our affinity program to reduce our member's costs for both professional and personal services. We will be adding to our list of partners over the next few months. The continued success of these partnerships and the programs they supply relies heavily on member participation. Check out members-only discounts by clicking on "Get Special Discounts" at www.theiia.org/membership.

WMIIA Auditor of the Year Award Nominations

The Western Michigan IIA is now seeking nominations of qualified candidates for the highest award given by the Chapter, Auditor of the Year. This award recognizes person displaying outstanding work in the field of internal auditing.

The nominee must be personally responsible for leading extraordinary initiatives in the course of their employment that has made a significant and lasting contribution to the quality, efficiency and/or effectiveness of the agency or business. The nominee must work in the Internal Audit field and may be an IIA member or non-member.

Any member or group of members of the WMIIA may submit nominations for the award. Include a full explanation as to why the nominee should receive the award to support your nomination. WMIIA will accept nominations through April 30, 2010. Email your nominations, questions, or concerns to Jameta Branch at jmbranch@perrigo.com.

WMIIA New Members – Your first regular meeting is free!

As an internal auditor for your organization, you are an advocate for sound governance and effective controls. What is the best way to stay abreast of the latest developments, meet the demands of an ever-changing profession and its fast-paced technological changes? The answer is simple. Turn to the acknowledged leader, recognized authority, and primary educator - The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA)!

The IIA's Western Michigan chapter meets regularly in the Grand Rapids area and provides opportunities for low-cost training and networking with your peers. The WMIIA would like to invite you to attend your very first regular WMIIA meeting on us. Visit the WMIIA's website to view event information and contact Jameta Branch at (269) 686-3324 or jmbranch@perrigo.com so that she can reserve your seat and introduce you to our members.

Member Profile

The WMIIA would like to remind you that keeping your member record current through our interactive web tool is easy. You can make changes online and see the results on-screen immediately after submission. This is the best way to ensure the IIA has your most up-to-date and accurate information. Log in and check your record today.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A new opportunity has been posted for an **Audit Associate** at **Whirlpool (posted 3/31/10)**.

For career opportunity details, please log in to the WMIIA website and selected "WMIIA Members Only" and then "Audit Career Opportunities." You'll need your member ID and password to access this part of the website.

CIA CERTIFICATION TRAINING MATERIALS

Our chapter has just signed an agreement with **Gleim** which allows our members to purchase Gleim training materials at 20% discount. Please visit our [website](#) or contact [Kara Pretty](#) at Gleim for details.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you are looking for opportunities to volunteer in WMIIA, there are many ways you can help out the chapter.

Committees & Other Positions – Please contact the respective committee chair or an officer if you are interested.

Membership Committee – This committee works with prospective and existing members to increase chapter membership and promote internal audit profession. The committee also assists in maintaining complete and accurate member records.

Academic Relations Committee – This committee develops and support relationships with colleges and universities, educators, students, and internal audit/business community to enhance knowledge, skills, understanding, and use of internal auditing. Responsible for campus visits and presentations and planning of Student Night event.

Newsletter – This person(s) will coordinate the content and layout of the Chapter's monthly newsletter. The newsletter is a very important communication tool and a big part of promoting the professional image of the chapter.

Website – The administrator of the Chapter's website is responsible for keeping the site updated with news, event listings, job postings, and maintaining the Chapter's overall presence on the web.

Long-Range Planning Committee – This committee appraises current and future chapter member needs and, after giving consideration to chapter resources and available support from IIA HQ, to recommend long-range objectives for the chapter which will maximize chapter member benefits.

Audit Committee – This committee arranges the timely independent review of chapter records at the close of each chapter year and submission of the annual report of chapter financials.

Programming and Event Planning Committee – This committee plans chapter meetings and seminars on the subjects related to internal auditing and of interest to internal auditors with the purpose of improving the auditing competency and effectiveness of chapter members. Also responsible for selecting venues and meetings logistics.

IIA NEWS AND INFO

AN INVITATION TO IIA MEMBERS FROM THE 2010 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN

On June 6 – 9, 2010, The IIA and the Atlanta Chapter will host the 2010 international Conference at the World Congress Center in Atlanta, Georgia. Please visit www.iaa2010atl.org for details and special offers.

NEWS FROM OTHER CHAPTERS

See other chapter websites by clicking the desired link:

- [Detroit Chapter](#)
- [Fort Wayne Chapter](#)
- [Lansing Chapter](#)
- [Michiana Chapter](#)

Disclosure:

The Western Michigan Institute of Internal Auditors (WMIIA) is a not-for-profit, membership consortium of both internal and external auditors from Western Michigan who have joined together for the purpose of sharing their professional resources and promoting the internal audit profession.