



The Institute of
Internal Auditors
Springfield

Springfield Audit Trails

April 2025

Message from the President

Kayla Routh

Hello Springfield Chapter!

It's finally springtime. Time to enjoy warmer weather and outdoor activities again. Spring is a time of new beginnings, which makes me think of the opportunity you have to help our Chapter out by volunteering. While there are roles that require a vote, like the election we just held, there are so many ways you can help volunteer and show your support for our Chapter.

One idea that is ever present and desperately needed is someone to review the Chapter's books and annual Financial Statement this summer. If you want to get a feel for how the Chapter operates or step your foot into a lower stakes volunteer role, this is a great entry point! No experience or credential is needed to complete this review. As an Internal Auditor, you will be able to complete this review using your day-to-day skill set. To volunteer for this role, or if you would like ideas for how you can volunteer in other ways, please email the Chapter at Chapter145@iiachaptercommunications.org, or myself at Kayla.Routh@illinois.gov, for ideas.

Speaking of the election, we will be announcing our new officers during our annual meeting prior to the training on April 16th. The meeting will be from 8:15 am - 8:25 am. If you plan to attend the annual meeting, please register so you may get the zoom meeting link and so the Chapter can have a record of who attended. This meeting is completely separate from the training event, so even if you don't plan to attend the training, please consider joining us for our annual meeting. ***Please note: The zoom link states the meeting is from 8:00-8:30 as 8:15 is not an option. This meeting will not begin until 8:15 so please mark your calendars accordingly.*** You can register for annual meeting at the following link: <https://na.eventscloud.com/2025spiannualmeeting>.

Enjoy the sunshine this month!
Kayla Routh
President

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Training

April Training

Katrina Woodcock

Beckmann Training & Consulting, LLC will provide the services required in preparing and presenting 2, 4-hour training courses to be delivered on April 16 and 17, 2025 ("Everyday Ethics", "Critical Thinking", and "Conflict Management") from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm each day. The course will be taught by Jan Beckmann, CPA, ACDA and delivered virtually via zoom! Below are the training topics and her bio! We hope you all can make it!!

About the Speaker: Jan Beckmann, CPA, ACDA, Business Coach

Jan blends her unique combination of humor, energy, and technical knowledge to provide training classes, coaching, and consulting that guide people to make their organizations better.

Based in St. Louis, after 20 years in the audit profession with Deloitte, Anheuser-Busch, ACL Services, and Armanino, she realized her favorite part of her career was mentoring and developing her employees and teaching classes. Using formal coach training and her business expertise, she helps entrepreneurs launch and grow their businesses and provides corporate training and leadership consulting.

Jan speaks across the US on topics such as Conquering Overwhelm, Critical Thinking, Root Cause Analysis, Making Data Analysis Work, Conflict Resolution, and Impact Auditing. She frequently presents national IIA conferences, CPA societies, and regional chapters.



April 16: Everyday Ethics: Personal vs Professional Ethics and Critical Thinking

Part 1: Everyday Ethics: Personal vs Professional Ethics (CPE 2 hours)

Ethics don't just come into play when large frauds and crimes are perpetrated. Ethics considerations come up every day, all day. When your personal and professional ethics come into conflict, awareness that is happening and being clear on your own personal code of ethics helps you to make the choice that is right for you. Using case studies and descriptions of ethical dilemmas, you will learn:

- To identify your personal ethics code.
- How your personal ethics code was created.
- Effects of personal ethics code violations when professional ethics come into conflict.

Part 2: Critical Thinking (CPE 2 hours)

Critical thinking was ranked as the most important skill employees will need in the next 5 years, according to a recent survey of HR hiring professionals. For auditors specifically, critical thinking is a key skill to identify the root cause of any audit issue, which is the most powerful way to develop recommendations that will make an impact on your organization. You will learn to:

- Understand how critical thinking impacts your work and your life.
- Use the components of critical thinking to provide more value to your auditees.
- Get clarity on how unidentified bias can cloud your analytical skills.
- Apply specific critical thinking techniques to improve your skills.

April 17: Conflict Management

It's nice when everyone gets along and everything goes smoothly. But, since we are humans on planet Earth, that's not the way most days go. In the business world, conflict can feel almost constant on some level. Rather than hoping to avoid conflict and then being frustrated because that approach didn't work, this class you will learn to:

- Understand the root cause of conflicts so you know you are addressing the right problem.
- Identify your triggers and develop an approach to reducing unnecessary conflict.
- Determine what your goals are when dealing with conflict and how to adjust, if necessary, to create an optimal solution.
- Appreciate conflict for what it provides.

Cancellations should be made prior to the start of training.

NOTE: CPE Certificates will not be issued until payment is received

Questions? Email - Chapter Secretary Chapter145support@iiachaptercommunications.org

Register for the training here

Virtual Training

Everyday Ethics and Critical Thinking

April 16

8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Conflict Management

April 17

8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

You may pay with a credit card.

Make Checks Payable to: The Institute of Internal Auditors–Springfield (FEIN 37-1088763)

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HQ News & Events

You can find out events and news from the IIA by going to www.theiia.org. Additionally, as part of your membership you can access exclusive webinars and articles on the site. See below for exciting training opportunities that Headquarters is offering:

2025 Analytics, Automation and AI Virtual Conference (April 24, 2025, online)

This one-day virtual conference will focus on how organizations and government agencies are using data literacy, data analytics, automation, and AI. Attendees will gain the latest insight on how to approach internal audit activities related to the assessments of analytics, automation, and AI. For more information, visit the website at: [2025 Analytics and Automation and AI Virtual Conference](#)

2025 AuditSphere (June 17, 2025, online)

This event will provide the small shop auditor with additional guidance and expertise to be able to manage the unique relationships and challenges faced by those with small staff yet increasing board expectations. For more information, visit: [AuditSphere Virtual Conference](#)

2025 IIA International Conference (July 14-16, 2025; Toronto, Canada and online)

Join us in person and virtually as we bring together experts from across the globe to address the issues impacting the profession, network with fellow internal auditors from 100+ countries, share ideas, and earn CPE credits. For more information, visit the website at: [IIA International Conference 2025 – NEW HORIZONS NEW OPPORTUNITIES](#)

Become an IIA Volunteer

Volunteers help to maintain the Chapter and keep services available for members. There are many ways you can get involved with the IIA. Whether you are an experienced leader or just entering the field of internal auditing, there is a place for you at the IIA. If you are interested in volunteering on a large or small scale and are looking for more information about those opportunities, please email the Springfield IIA at Chapter145@iiachaptercommunications.org. We would love to get you any information you could want on Officer, Governor, or other volunteer roles.

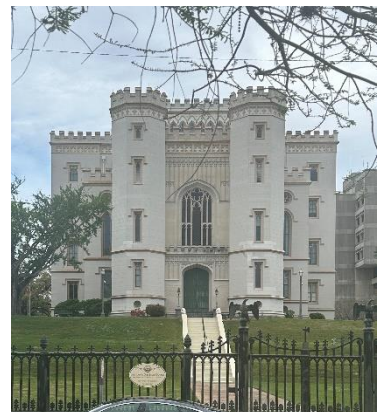
From the Editor

Last week I got to spend time in another State Capital of ours: Baton Rouge, Louisiana. I was able to visit their Old State Capitol Building, which they have turned into a museum filled with Louisiana's history.

One thing I learned was the history of the different capitol buildings they've had. The first Capitol building was built in the mid-1800s when the Civil War was on the horizon. A little over 10 years later, the building suffered major fire damage from the war, and they ended up rebuilding in the 1880s. The current, modernized Louisiana Capitol Building was built in the 1930s. The old capitol building had major restoration done in the 1970s to become the museum I was able to tour that day.

I had a pleasant experience and I'm hopeful one of these days I can go back and visit again. I hope everyone continues to enjoy their spring season!

Dani Berrien
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This Month in Chapter History - April

2020 Chapter President: **Nikki Lanier**, CPA

- No activities/trainings held.

2015 Chapter President: **Tracy Allen**, CPA, CISA

- **Training.** The Chapter held full day training session at the Northfield Center titled “*Fraud Risk Management for Internal Auditors*” with John Hall.
- **Member News.** Board member **Barb Ringler** became the new Chief Internal Auditor for the Illinois Department of Revenue.

2010 Chapter President: **Larry Stone**, CISA, CCP, CRPC

- **Training.** The Central Illinois and Springfield Chapters of the IIA presented Paul Rozek, Security Advisor for Jefferson Wells International, on April 15, 2010. His training was titled “*Social Engineering – Hacking the Human Trust*” and was held at the Northfield Center.
- **Member News.** Congratulations to **Jane Hewitt Cullen** and **Ron Faith** who recently received their CGAP certifications and to **Ted Tracy** who received his CIA certification. They all worked for the Illinois Office of Internal Audit.

2005 Chapter President: **Stephen Kirk**, CIA, CGAP

- **Training.** A joint meeting with the Central Chapter was held at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library. The Chapter’s morning training seminar was titled “*Project Management*” and was presented by **Ed Robinson**, CSP, CPA. IIA International Chairman **Betty McPhilimy**, CIA, CPA, CFE, was our lunch speaker and discussed the unprecedented attention that internal auditing was receiving from senior management, boards, shareholders, and regulators.
- **Member News.** Congratulations to **Kristal Berck**, the Chapter’s Secretary, who accepted a position with CMS.

2000 Chapter President: **Rusti Cummings**, CPA

- **Training.** This month was a joint meeting with ISACA. The afternoon seminar was “*Microsoft Windows 2000*” presented by Jim Doedtmann, Technical Director, and Jack Reynolds, Manager of Network Consulting for Levi, Ray and Shoup. The after-dinner speaker was Ron Sherman of State Farm who presented “*Auditing Information Technology*” it was presented by former Chapter President **Michael J. Moody**, CIA, CISA, Director of at the University of Illinois at Chicago, formerly the Chief Internal Auditor for the Illinois’ Comptroller’s Office.
- **Member News.** Chapter member **Dave Looby** accepted a new internal auditing position in St. Louis and **Rita Crim** accepted a new job in accounting.
- **Member Profile.** The member profile this month was on **Tim Fitzgerald**, Supervisor, Management Request Audit Unit for the Illinois Department of Human Services.

1995 Chapter President: **Nancy Hilger**, CPA

- **Training.** This month’s meeting was held at the Best Western Springfield East. It was a joint meeting with ISACA. The after-dinner presentation was given by Jim Wavering, Senior Account Manager, S.E.A. Group, who spoke on “*Connectivity Trends.*”
- **Member News.**
 - New Chapter members were **John Winterbauer**, **Susan Pappas**, and **Andrea Stallings**.
 - The Chapter recognized the following members for their years of membership:
 - **Frank Phillips** – 25 years
 - **Terry Radcliff** – 15 years
 - **Karl Betz** – 10 years
 - **Ed Scholfield** – 10 years

2024-2025 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Springfield Chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors

April 16 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Jan Beckmann Everyday Ethics: Personal vs Professional Ethics and Critical Thinking (4 hours)	Register here	Members \$60 Non-Members \$120
April 17 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Jan Beckmann Conflict Management (4 hours)	Register here	Members \$60 Non-Members \$120
May 28 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Raven Catlin Extreme Risk Based Auditing* (4 hours)		Members \$60 Non-Members \$120
May 29 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Raven Catlin Extreme Risk Based Auditing* (4 hours)		Members \$60 Non-Members \$120

* - Topics are subject to change

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Meetings are currently being held remotely for the 2024-2025 Program Year unless otherwise noted.

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Other Volunteers

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