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Message From The President

Dear IIA Louisville Chapter Members,

As we welcome November, I want to take a moment to express my appreciation for each of you and the continued support you bring to the IIA Louisville Chapter. As we move further into the chapter year, I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve as President and for the dedication of our members, volunteers, and leadership team. Your engagement and willingness to learn from one another are what make our professional community so valuable.

I also want to continue recognizing **Zack Estes and Grace Wilson** for their support while our Treasurer, **London Lopez**, remains on maternity leave. Their willingness to step in and help maintain continuity for the chapter is sincerely appreciated. We continue to send London and her family our best wishes during this special time and look forward to welcoming her back when she is ready.

With the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, I hope each of you has an opportunity to pause, reflect, and appreciate the people and experiences that matter most.

IMPORTANT DATES

November 10th – Louisville IIA Monthly Meeting

December 31st – Certification Renewal Deadline

Newsletter Submissions

The newsletter will be published monthly from September 2026 through May 2027. If you have a request for a submission, please email the information to sthomas@republicbank.com and your submission will be included in the next month's issue.

Personally, I'm especially thankful for my beautiful wife and our two daughters, as well as the opportunity to provide for my family through this challenging and rewarding profession. Internal audit demands continuous learning, sound judgment, and a commitment to serving our organizations well. I'm grateful to be part of a profession that allows us to make a meaningful impact while supporting the people we care about most. I hope you and your families enjoy a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with gratitude, rest, and time together.

Looking ahead, I'm excited to share details about our upcoming program, **"Risk Assessing AI from an Internal Audit Perspective."** Artificial intelligence presents internal audit with an interesting challenge: many of the underlying risks are familiar, but AI can change how those risks arise, interact, and affect an organization. This session will explore a practical approach to assessing AI-related risks, including governance, data, security and access, technology architecture, third-party dependencies, regulatory considerations, human oversight, and the integration of AI into business processes and decision-making.

We are pleased to welcome **Shawn Stevison, Vice President of Internal Audit at Humana**, as our speaker. Shawn is also a familiar face within our chapter, having served as Chapter President three presidents ago. We're excited to welcome her back and benefit from her experience and perspective on this increasingly important topic. The discussion will help attendees understand where traditional audit approaches remain effective, where AI may require us to think differently, and how internal audit can evaluate AI-enabled processes and solutions with a practical, risk-focused perspective.

I encourage you to join us for what promises to be an insightful and engaging discussion. As organizaons continue to explore and adopt AI, understanding how this technology influences existing risks and introduces new considerations is essential to keeping our audit approaches relevant and effective.

As always, I want to thank our officers, Board of Governors members, committee members, volunteers, sponsors, and chapter members for your continued contributions. Your efforts allow us to provide meaningful CPE opportunities, relevant programming, and opportunities to connect with fellow professionals. If you have ideas for future programs or are interested in becoming more involved, we welcome your participation.

Thank you again for your continued support of the IIA Louisville Chapter. I look forward to seeing many of you at our November event and wish you and your loved ones a safe, happy, and meaningful Thanksgiving holiday.

Warm regards,

K. Robert Stutsman
President
IIA Louisville Chapter

Derby City Disclosures

November Monthly Meeting Hybrid

Date: Tuesday, November 10th, 2026

Meeting Time: 12pm – 1pm (All IIA Louisville Chapter Events are held on Eastern Time.)

Networking and Check-In 11:30a – 12p

CPE Credits: 1 hour

Cost: IIA Member Virtual: $15

Non-Member Virtual: $20

IIA Member In-Person: $25

Non-Member In-Person:$30

Student In-Person: Free

Student Virtual: Free

Location: Virtual (Zoom)
Register below to receive details

In-Person @ Dean Dorton
(ShelbyHurst Campus)

435 N Whittington Pkwy Suite 400, Louisville, KY

Registration: Here

Please register for this session by Noon on November 9th to secure your spot.

Event Menu: Jason's Deli

Speaker(s):

Shawn Stevison, Vice President Internal Audit, Humana

Shawn Stevison is a senior Internal Audit executive focused on helping organizations navigate complex risk, transformation, and regulatory environments. As Vice President of Internal Audit, she provides independent assurance and strategic insight across enterprise governance, technology, operations, compliance, financial, and emerging risks. Her work is centered on ensuring Internal Audit remains aligned with the risks that matter most to the organization. This includes evolving audit coverage in response to technology transformation, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity and privileged access, healthcare regulatory requirements, fraud risk, medical coding, and other areas of significant organizational change. She works closely with executive leadership, risk and compliance functions, and business leaders to translate complex risks into actionable insights, strengthen governance and accountability, and provide assurance over the effectiveness of risk management and internal controls. She also focuses on modernizing the Internal Audit function itself, including the responsible use of AI and data-driven approaches to improve audit effectiveness, efficiency, and insight. Her leadership philosophy is grounded in independence, curiosity, collaboration, and a forward-looking view of risk. She believes Internal Audit creates the greatest value when it goes beyond identifying control gaps and helps leadership understand whether the organization is prepared for the risks and opportunities ahead.

Session Title: Risk Assessing AI from an Internal Audit Perspective

Session Description: Artificial Intelligence presents Internal Audit with an interesting challenge: many of the underlying risks are familiar, but AI can change how those risks arise, interact, and impact the organization. This presentation will explore a practical approach to risk assessing AI from an Internal Audit perspective, examining both technology and operational risk considerations. The session will discuss governance, data, security and access, technology architecture, third-party dependencies, regulatory considerations, human oversight, and the integration of AI into business processes and decision-making. The discussion will help auditors look beyond the technology itself to understand how AI changes an organization's risk profile, where traditional audit approaches remain relevant, and where auditors may need to think differently when evaluating AI-enabled processes and solutions

IIA Academic Relations

Following the revamping of Academic Relations, AR has appointed two volunteer student ambassadors at the University of Louisville and is selecting an additional ambassador for the Indiana University Southeast campus. Academic Relations is looking for a few IIA Louisville Chapter members willing to serve as mentors for our student ambassadors during the 2026 - 27 school year. The mentorship is meant to be low-commitment and informal. It is primarily to provide a space for the mentee to ask questions and gain career insights over the occasional coffee or lunch outing. Anyone interested can reach out to Roy Holden at roy.holden@kylottery.com.

Student Memberships

FREE IIA Student Memberships—Easier Enrollment

The IIA now offers an easier way for students to enroll in a Student Membership. If you have any interns or know of any students who would like to join the IIA, please contact Roy Holden at roy.holden@kylottery.co m for assistance with enrollment.

Internships

If your company has an open internship position, please share the following with your HR/ Recruiting departments. The Universities require that internships be posted to their respective Career Services sites to satisfy their Equal Opportunity requirements. Handshake and Cardinal Careers are the sites used by the schools. Here's the link for Cardinal Careers Employer Registration, which is used by UofL's School of Business. Here's the link for Handshake, which is used by both Bellarmine and IUS. Please forward any open internship postings to Roy Holden. We can help spread the word further about your internship by reaching out to faculty at the local universities.

Academic Relations Volunteer Opportunities

Occasionally, we may reach out directly to our members to ask for volunteers to participate in various student events. Please consider participating in student events for any of our local Universities. Please reach out to Roy Holden to discuss opportunities.

Louisville IIA Instagram Page

Let's start sharing! We have an Instagram account to be used to post pictures, videos, announcements, etc. Also, we created it to help increase knowledge about what IA is with the goal of better engagement and increase membership to our chapter. Here is a link below:

IIA Louisville Chapter (@iialouisville) • Instagram photos and vide-os

As you all have any information, photos, etc., please send to Sean Byrnes so they can post all the exciting things we are doing. Some ideas can be pictures of members and/or students receiving certification, students receiving scholarships, volunteer work we are doing, social events, etc.

Certification News

Annual Certification Renewal

The annual certification renewal period will begin soon. Don't forget to earn CPEs before the end of the year and renew your IIA certification(s)!

Annual Certification Renewal opens 1 October each year. Log in to the Certification Candidate Management System (CCMS) to begin your renewal.

The renewal deadline is 31 December each year. Should you fail to renew your Active certification, it will enter a Grace status, and as a result, you are no longer approved to represent yourself as a certified individual. Individuals remaining in Grace for 2 years will enter a Revoked status and must submit a recertification application and take the corresponding exam if they wish to become certified again.

As an IIA certified or qualified professional, you are responsible for ensuring that your certification is renewed annually. Get more information on certification renewal steps for Active and Grace status certification holders.

Turn Your Reading Into CPE

Reading *Internal Auditor* keeps you informed on emerging risks, industry trends, best practices, and the issues shaping the internal audit profession — now it can help you stay certified, too. Pass a five-question quiz and claim 1 CPE credit. Get your CPE credit.

From IAP to CIA: Take the Next Step in Your Audit Career

You've built your foundation in internal audit. Now take the next step toward career growth with the CIA® certification — a globally recognized credential that can help you strengthen your skills, expand your opportunities, and advance your impact. IAP holders receive a waiver for CIA Part 1.

Take the Next Step

AI-Enabled Internal Audit Certificate Program

The AI-Enabled Internal Audit Certificate Program, developed in collaboration between The Institute of Internal Auditors (The IIA) and AI CERTs, is an AI audit certification that equips internal audit professionals to apply artificial intelligence across the full audit lifecycle, from risk assessment and planning through fieldwork, reporting, monitoring, follow-up, and quality review. This program is designed for internal auditors looking to use AI for internal audit work in a structured, standards-aligned way.

Register at AI for Internal Audit Certificate | The IIA

New Members & Anniversaries

New Members

Rhett Campana
Emily Clements
Samuel Conn
Jesse Figueredo
Kyleigh Greenwell
Isaiah Logsdon
Lance Marinc
Beatrice Monta
Kireisha Sanchez
Ana Videa

10 Year Anniversary

Angela Moore

15 Year Anniversary

Sonja Heath

20 Year Anniversary

Carey Fansler
Shannon Loyd
William Walker

30 Year Anniversary

Jodell Renn



CAE Roundtable

The Louisville Chapter of the IIA will begin offering roundtable discussions for Staff level and for Senior level auditors to facilitate networking, open dialogue, and upon establishment of interests of the attendees, begin to include training topics in the roundtable meetings.

If you are interested, please contact Shawn Stevison at shawnstevi-son@yahoo.com.

Volunteer Opportunities

The IIA Louisville Chapter is looking for volunteers for a few open committee positions. Positions currently open are:

- Advocacy Chair & Diversity Chair
- Government Relations Chair
- QAR Chair
- Seminar Chair

For more information please reach out to **Robert Stutsman**, IIA Louisville Chapter President

*For 2027, the Audit Chair role will be open. Anyone interested in taking on that role is welcome to reach out to Brittany Myers at brimyers@republicbank.com for more information.

Call for New Members

The IIA Louisville Chapter offers numerous benefits for members and we are always looking for new members to join our chapter. If you know someone who would like to join, please reach out to **Catie Knable** for more information. Some benefits of joining the IIA Louisville Chapter are as follows:

- Members-only rates on conferences, seminars, and executive development through Vision University can save you hundreds of dollars.
- Exclusive monthly Members-only Webinars are part of your core membership benefits and provide you with CPE units without ever leaving your desk or paying additional fees.
- Members-only rates for other specialty webinars and self-study courses provide easy access to advance
  your knowledge from the convenience of your own desktop.
- And much more!

Career Opportunities

Open requisitions at Humana:

IT Internal Auditor 2 - https://wd5.myworkday.com/humana/d/inst/15$158872/9925$371791.htmld

Senior Internal Auditor - https://wd5.myworkday.com/humana/d/inst/15$158872/9925$372026.htmld

Internal Audit - Nurse Auditor—https://wd5.myworkday.com/humana/d/inst/15$158872/9925$374527.htmld

Officers and Committee Chairpersons

President
Robert Stutsman
Credit First National Association (CFNA)

Vice President
Zack Estes
Republic Bank & Trust Company

Treasurer
London Lopez
Humana, Inc.

Co-Treasurer
Zack Estes
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Joseph Gause
GM Financial

Shenikia Thomas
Republic Bank & Trust Company

Membership Chair
Catie Knable
Caesars Entertainment

Academic Relations
Zack Estes
Republic Bank & Trust Company

Roy Holden
Kentucky Lottery

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London Lopez
Humana, Inc.

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Brittany Myers
Republic Bank & Trust Company

Certifications Chair
Bob Aemmer
LG&E and KU Energy

Chief Audit Execution (CAE) RoundTable Chair
Shawn Stevison
Humana, Inc.

Government Relations Chair
Open

Newsletter Chair
Shenikia Thomas
Republic Bank & Trust Company

Seminar Chair
Open

Quality Assessment Review Chair
Open

Social Activities Chair
Andrea Higgins
Robert Half Management Resources

WebMaster
Open

Social Media
Sean Byrnes
Humana, Inc.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Elected Member Terms

Joseph Gause *(Thru 5/31/2028)*
GM Financial

Jennifer Fritz *(Thru 5/31/2027)*
Churchill Downs

John LeMaster *(Thru 5/31/2027)*
JCPS

Kayla Thomas *(Thru 5/31/2027)*
Humana, Inc.

Shenikia Thomas *(Thru 5/31/2028)*
Republic Bank & Trust Company

Past Presidents Terms

Shawn Stevison *(Thru 5/31/2026)*
Humana, Inc.

Lesley Clark *(Thru 5/31/2027)*
Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

Myhanh Pham *(Thru 5/31/2028)*
Synchrony