Lehigh Valley Chapter Newsletter

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SAVE THE DATE – ANTI-FRAUD EVENT!!!!

February 26, 2026
12:00 PM-1:00 PM ET

While data analytics is not a new concept, many organizations have tried (many unsuccessfully) to create data analytics that deliver meaningful results and insights, monitor internal controls and identify fraud. This session will focus on how to correlate data and design anti-fraud tests using a risk-based approach in order to tell a story that is both compelling and insightful. A real-life, automated anti-fraud test example report will be shared with the group, as well.

Presenter:

Matt Storlie   Senior Manager, Forensic & Litigation Services WIPFLI

CERTIFICATIONS

CIA

To preserve the integrity of IIA certification programs and reduce misconduct, we are transitioning back to a **test center-only delivery model**. Online proctoring will be permanently discontinued.

CIA Exam Review Course | Becker | Becker

Certified Internal Auditor | Global Certification in Internal Audit | The IIA

CRMA

Certification in Risk Management Assurance | Global Certification in Internal Audit | The IIA

IAP

Internal Audit Practitioner | Global Certification in Internal Audit | The IIA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

As we return from the holiday season, we are now halfway through our chapter year. Several events are planned, including Student Night, the Chapter Opt-In Models; Anti-Fraud Tests and Tactical AI, and to end the chapter year, we will have our annual social gathering at the Iron Pigs event in May.

As we look ahead, I encourage everyone to stay engaged and participate in these upcoming activities, as they offer valuable opportunities for learning, networking, and strengthening our chapter community. Your involvement is what makes our chapter thrive, so please keep an eye on your email for details and registration links, and don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or suggestions.

Building on our chapter's momentum, I also encourage members to share their experiences or insights from past events, as your stories can inspire others and help us continuously improve. New ideas are welcomed. Thank you for your ongoing dedication and enthusiasm—here's to a successful and memorable second half of the chapter year!

I hope to see you at an upcoming event!

Nanton John

President

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Topic	Location	Host	Presenter/Event Link	CPE
2/26/2026	Designing Anti-Fraud Tests that (Actually) Work!!	Online	IIA Chapter Model	Summary - Lehigh Valley - Designing Anti-Fraud Tests that (Actually) Work!	1
3/26/2026	Social with Tactical AI	Virtual	IIA Chapter Model	Audra Nariunaite	1
Spring 2026	Student Night	TBD	IIA/ACFE	TBD	TBD
5/8/2026	Iron Pigs Social Event	Coca Cola Park, Allentown PA	Lehigh Valley IIA	TBD	n/a

REGISTRATION INFORMATION IS SENT TO YOU VIA EMAIL FROM THE CHAPTER144@IIACHAPTERS.ORG

CHECK OUT THE CHAPTER WEBSITE FOR UPDATED INFORMATION ON EVENTS:

LEHIGH VALLEY (THEIIA.ORG)

Check out the IIA Site for Upcoming Conferences https://www.theiia.org/en/learning/conferences/

CHAPTER NEWS

WELCOME TO THE LEHIGH VALLEY CHAPTER!

Susan Hardy - Berkheimer Business Services, LLC

Jeffrey John – Financial Outsourcing Solutions

Mark Keller – Guardian Life Insurance

Pierre Appelghem - Shift4 Payments, Inc.

Giulia Menegotto - Shift4 Payments, Inc.

Congratulations to the following member(s) for achieving their certifications!

Heidi Leiby – CIA

Danielle Sherman - CIA

Check out the Lehigh Valley Chapters LinkedIn page!!!

https://www.linkedin.com/groups/13353471

REGIONAL AND SURROUNDING CHAPTERS

Chapter	Website
Central Jersey	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/new-jersey/central-jersey/
Central Penn	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/pennsylvania/central-pennsylvania/
Lehigh Valley	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/pennsylvania/lehigh-valley/
Philadelphia	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/pennsylvania/philadelphia/
New York	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/new-york/new-york/
Northeastern PA	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/pennsylvania/northeastern-pennsylvania/

NON-CHAPTER NEWS

- **Fraud Unmasked Virtual Conference - -** Fraud risk grows when people hesitate to speak up, making culture and psychological safety key indicators. Sheena Yap Chan highlights how confidence can strengthen fraud detection at the 2026 Fraud Unmasked Virtual Conference. 2026 Fraud Virtual Conference | Internal Audit & Risk

- **Analytics, Automation, and AI Virtual Conference -** Digital transformation is reshaping internal audit and knowing where to start or how to scale makes all the difference. The **2026 Analytics, Automation & AI Virtual Conference** delivers practical guidance to help you build confidence, apply new tools, and move your audit function forward. Analytics and Automation and AI Virtual Conference | The IIA

- **Organizational Behavior Topical Requirement -** The newly released Organizational Behavior Topical Requirement and user guide promote quality and consistency when assessing the observable human actions, decisions, and interpersonal dynamics in an organization. Organizational Behavior Topical Requirement

- **Support Identification of Audit Trends -** Be a part of this premier annual research project, now featuring AI and fraud, plus key benchmarks for budgets and staffing. Open to all CAEs and directors in North America through November 21. 2026 North American Pulse of Internal Audit

- **Auditing AI Course** Discover a revolutionary approach to AI training with Auditing AI: A Hands-On Course for Internal Auditors! This immersive, hands-on experience offers your team the chance to master AI and generative AI concepts in a secure, controlled lab environment. Plus, earn valuable Microsoft certifications. Auditing Artificial Intelligence (AI): A Hands-On Course for Internal Auditors (theiia.org)

- **All Things Internal Audit Tech: Auditing Privacy in the Age of AI** Charles King of KPMG talks with Kavin Anburaj from Meta about privacy in today's AI-driven world. They cover key data risks, global regulations, and practical steps for auditing privacy programs with transparency, consent, and collaboration. Auditing Privacy in the Age of AI

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BOG1 2028	Star Gonzalez
BOG2 2028	Jodi Hartzell
BOG3 2028	Charles Ballard
Non-voting	
	Jim Mahoney
	Joseph Buick

****Our nomination period for the 2026-2027 term is coming up soon! ****

The chapter slate is due on March 31st. We encourage all interested members to submit their requests to join the board as early as possible. Serving on the board helps strengthen our chapter's programming and provides opportunities for other members to become engaged.

Requests can be sent to either email address below:

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