

# Lehigh Valley Chapter Newsletter

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## SAVE THE DATE-CHAPTER EVENT!!!!

**Tuesday, October 21, 2025**

All-Day Seminar which includes topics related to Global Internal Audit Standards - Topical Requirements; DARVO: The Psychological Manipulation of Ransomware Victims; Artificial Intelligence, Risks and Rewards; A History of Securities Fraud Scandals; Internal Controls from the IT and non-IT Perspective; and FBI Fraud Investigative Topics.

Options include virtual and in-person attendance

\*See Upcoming events for more details!

## 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

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Dear Members,

This month, we are partnering with the ACFE for our annual full-day event, which will offer both virtual and in-person attendance options. This event presents an excellent opportunity for learning and collaboration on key topics with fellow members.

By collaborating with the ACFE, we aim to provide a comprehensive program featuring expert speakers, interactive sessions, and opportunities for meaningful dialogue on emerging trends and best practices in our field. The hybrid format ensures that participants can engage meaningfully regardless of their location, increasing accessibility and convenience.

Additionally, we have decided to implement the chapter model approach facilitated by the IIA, enabling us to deliver an expanded range of virtual training sessions throughout the year on current and relevant subjects for our members. The adoption of the IIA-facilitated chapter model demonstrates our ongoing commitment to enhancing the professional development of our members. Through this initiative, we will be able to offer a broader selection of high-quality virtual training sessions tailored to address the evolving challenges and priorities faced by practitioners today. We encourage all members to take advantage of these enriched educational resources and actively contribute to the advancement of our professional community.

We invite all members to suggest topics of interest or volunteer to speak by contacting chapter leaders or using the email below.

Thanks for your membership—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
10/16/2025	Cybersecurity Virtual Event	Virtual	IIA	<a href="#">Cybersecurity Virtual Conference Program   The IIA</a>	6.6
10/21/2025	IIA/ACFE Joint Fall Full Day Seminar	DeSales University	IIA/ACFE	<a href="#">Speakers - Fall All-Day IIA/ACFE Event</a>	8
10/22/2025	Risk Reimagined: Internal Audit's Evolving Role in a World of Interconnected Threats	Virtual two-hour event	IIA/Chapter Model	<a href="#">Speakers - Lehigh Valley - Risk, Reimagined: Internal Audit's Evolving Role in a World of Interconnected Threats</a>	2
10/27/2025	Next Level Foundations of Effective Internal Audit – Hybrid Event	Philadelphia, PA or Virtual	Philadelphia Chapter	Various: See Website <a href="#">Speakers - Next Level Foundations of Effective Internal Audit - Hybrid Event</a>	8

REGISTRATION INFORMATION IS SENT TO YOU VIA EMAIL FROM THE [CHAPTER144@IIACHAPTERS.ORG](mailto:CHAPTER144@IIACHAPTERS.ORG)

CHECK OUT THE CHAPTER WEBSITE FOR UPDATED INFORMATION ON EVENTS:

[LEHIGH VALLEY \(THEIIA.ORG\)](http://LEHIGH VALLEY (THEIIA.ORG))

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

## CHAPTER NEWS

Check out the Lehigh Valley Chapters LinkedIn page!!!

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

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

Starshema Casiano-Gonzalez - Internal Audit Practitioner

Welcome to the Lehigh Valley Chapter!

Christine Hiestand

Michelle Hobel

## REGIONAL AND SURROUNDING CHAPTERS

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

## NON-CHAPTER NEWS

- **Share your thoughts on Sarbanes-Oxley(SOX) Act** - Because internal audit has a unique role in relation to SOX, The IIA wants to be prepared to provide specific recommendations to Congress, should lawmakers move forward on legislation at any point in the near future. Therefore, we recently established a SOX Working Group comprised of diverse representatives of the profession who review and discuss the law and will make recommendations to The IIA. [IIA SOX Public Comment Solicitation 2025 | Internal Audit & SOX](#)
- **The Global Internal Audit Standards** Auditors have had a year to prepare, and many [resources](#) are available to help them prepare to conform. Check out the new standards here <https://www.theiia.org/en/standards/2024-standards/global-internal-audit-standards/>
- **2025 Learning Catalog** The IIA's Learning Catalog, Your Path for Professional Excellence, is a turnkey planning tool for individual and team development. Strengthen core competencies or upskill as needed to stay up to date with latest trends, Standards, and Vision 2035. [IIA Learning Catalog \(theiia.org\)](#)
- **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 \(theiia.org\)](#)
- **Risk in Focus** provides practical, data-driven insights to help internal auditors, and their stakeholders understand today's risk environment and prepare audit plans for the year ahead. <https://www.theiia.org/en/internal-audit-foundation/latest-research-and-products/risk-in-focus/>
- **Get your copy of the 2025 North American Pulse of Internal Audit!** The go-to benchmarking, metrics, and trends report for the profession is now available for download. Encourage your chapter members to get their copy of the 2025 North American Pulse of Internal Audit and share the digital-friendly format with their peers, audit committees, and executive management. <https://www.theiia.org/en/resources/research-and-reports/pulse/>

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BOG3 2028	Charles Ballard
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