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President's Message

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Greetings fellow ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter members:

All of us on the Board of Directors are hoping that our members affected by Hurricane Sandy are back to normal (or at least as normal as can be expected). This was an unprecedented event and our hearts go out to the many families from the Jersey Shore, Staten Island, and other areas who lost so much.

We had to temporarily postpone our certification and training classes, and relocate some others due to power loss in the hosting facility, but we are now back in full swing.

Now for some good news... last month, we hit two major Chapter milestones: hosting the regional ISACA® leadership conference and holding a joint conference with the IIA.

The regional leadership conference is when ISACA® chapter leaders get together to share ideas about chapter-related issues. It was a two-day event, held over a weekend, that we hosted here in New York. Our Chapter was well-represented by myself, Alex Josephite, Marguerite McCarthy, Mei To, Julia Ching, and Karen Rawls. There were about 50 participants all-together. We shared some best practices with the other attendees and also picked up a few things that we will weave into our

membership and education plans.

The joint conference with the IIA was also a huge success and we received many positive comments from members of both organizations. This was a one-day, multi-track conference that focused on Audit, Security, and Governance topics. It was a lot of work putting this together but, based on the feedback, we will plan on another one next year.

We are now nearing the end of our Fall membership and education program, but I wanted to let you know that we are planning a Membership Meeting and holiday party on Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at Citi. Details of this are in the *Membership* section below and will be posted on our Chapter [website](#) shortly.

I hope to see you there, or at one of the many events we are planning for next Spring.

Until then, all the best.

Sincerely,

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Full Day Training

- **COBIT® 5:** Wednesday, December 5, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time). This one-day course developed by ISACA® COBIT® experts provides an in depth look at COBIT® 5, ISACA®'s new governance framework. The course offers both existing practitioners and potential new COBIT® users insight into the new framework and clarity on the differences between COBIT® 4.1 and COBIT® 5. Included in this course is an introduction to the new COBIT® Assessment Programme using both COBIT® 4.1 and COBIT 5®. Click [here](#) for more information and to register. (CPE: 7)

Upcoming Webinars

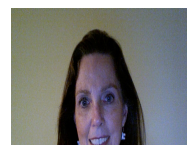
- **Part 2 of 5: COBIT® 5 - Managing the Plan:** Wednesday, November 21, 2012 (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Eastern Time). The move to COBIT® 5 is not simply a cosmetic change, the COBIT® 4.1 PO domain has evolved to the APO domain and with it an improved model for Aligning, Planning, and Organizing activities in the Management of Enterprise IT (MEIT). Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

If you would like to present to the Chapter, consider using our webinar series to share your knowledge.

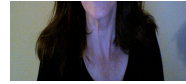
Volunteers for the Education Committee are always welcome. Email education@isacany.org or [Alexander Josephite](#) (Committee Chair) to learn how to get involved.

Membership

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Upcoming Events

Wednesday, December 12, 2012 - 2nd Quarter Membership Meeting and Holiday Party at Citi, 388 Greenwich Street. **SAVE THE DATE.** Registration will start around November 12, 2012. Michelangelo Sidagni, Chief Technology Officer of NopSec, a leading provider of information security services and Security-as-a-Service solutions, will present "Modern Vulnerability Management... "please do not click that big shiny scanning button!".

Recent Events

At our *1st Quarter Membership Meeting* on Wednesday, October 10, 2012 we were treated to an entertaining and informative presentation on the role of effective employee training in combating malware attacks. Our speaker was Rohyt Belani, CEO of PhishMe. Check out the photos on the Chapter [website](#).

The *Collaborating for Greater Success Conference* co-hosted by the ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter and the IIA New York Chapter on Friday, October 26, 2012 received very favorable reviews. We thank the following sponsors for their contribution to the success of that day:

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Welcome new and returning Chapter members! The ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter now has 2,932 members - about 90 new members in October 2012! Check the Chapter [website](#) to see who's new.

Note to our New Members - Visit our [Members @ A Glance](#) webpage for a quick reference guide to "Who we are" and the benefits the ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter offers.

ISACA®'s Member Get A Member Campaign - Recruit new members and have a chance to win monthly prizes and recognition. Visit the ISACA® International [website](#) for more information.

Congratulations - We have a Winner! Our own Chapter member, Christopher De Vito, was a recent Member Get A Member winner. Thank you Christopher for introducing new members to our Chapter!

Recommendations and suggestions are welcome for speakers, sponsors, venues, and topics for future membership meetings and conferences. Email your recommendations and suggestions to membership@isacany.org.

Volunteers are always needed for membership events and to assist in Chapter activities and projects. [Learn more...](#)

Join or Renew online today quickly and securely at www.isaca.org. Don't miss out on the many [benefits](#) of membership.

Certification

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As they say... *when it rains, it pours*. This has certainly been true for the last few weeks. Hurricane Sandy disrupted all of the certification exam prep classes which were scheduled at St John's University in downtown Manhattan. The facility is still seriously damaged and might remain so for a month.

This resulted in a massive rescheduling of 19 classes to another facility. We have successfully switched the first few CISA® classes to a webinar format since many attendees cannot come to Manhattan due to the lack of transportation. Classes for IT Bootcamp and CRISC™ have been moved to a facility near Grand Central thanks to Board member Anthony D'Amato.

As the days go by, things are getting better. Most of the classes have been successfully rescheduled. There is one lesson we learned: *Where there is a will, there is a way!*

Certification Announcement - [ISACA® International](#) has decided that all December certification exams for CISA®, CISM®, CGEIT® and CRISC™ will be conducted as planned for those who wish to take them.

However, due to Hurricane Sandy, [ISACA® International](#) is also offering those who are registered to take any of the ISACA® exams in December 2012 and who were affected by the storm, the opportunity to defer their exam to June 2013 at no additional charge. Please call 1-847-660-5660 if you wish to defer your exam free of charge.

Certification Reminder - If you are registered for the December 8, 2012 certification exam, please ensure that you have received your exam admission ticket at this time. If you have not received one yet, please contact the [ISACA® International Certification](#) department as soon as possible.

If you are interested in pursuing a certification or sponsoring a certification class facility, please contact certification@isacsany.org or [Kwongmei To](#) (Committee Chair).

Academic Relations

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The Academic Relations Committee is moving forward with its goal to reach out to Colleges and Universities in the New York Metropolitan area in order to educate potential new members about the benefits of being an ISACA® member and working in the profession. We strive to educate potential members on current trends in technology and the IT Audit industry.

Upcoming events include high-level presentations on the benefits of ISACA®, IT Governance, COBIT®, and Security at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield Connecticut as well as a presentation on the benefits of ISACA®, IT Governance, COBIT®, and Information Security at Hunter University in

the benefits of ISACA®, IT Governance, COBIT®, and Information Security at Hunter University in New York. During our presentations, the Academic Relations Committee includes guest speakers who are experts in various areas of audit and technology, including the field of network security.

If you are interested in joining the Academic Relations Committee or sharing your knowledge and expertise of Information Security and/or IT Audit and Compliance at future college events, please contact academic.relations@isacany.org, [Anthony D'Amato](#) (Committee Co-Chair), or [Raisa Serenbrenik](#) (Committee Co-Chair).

Our Leadership

Board of Directors

The ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter Board of Directors consists of 20 Board Members plus the last 3 past Presidents. Like our membership, the Board represents a wide array of backgrounds and come from many industries including Financial Services, Consulting, Education, Entertainment, and Retail. The Board meets monthly to discuss the Chapter's new and old business and the status of projects being performed by Board Committees.

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