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President's Message

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Hello fellow ISACA® New York Metro members:

Spring is in the air and that's our favorite time of year around here at ISACA®. With so many great things going on, we can't help but get excited.

First, we have our own 1-day conference Monday, April 30 at Citigroup. Subject Matter Experts will be presenting an overview of several hot topics in IT security and governance. The conference will be followed by our Spring Membership meeting. If you stay for both the morning and afternoon conference sessions, and the membership meeting - that's 7 CPE's for less than \$100. You can get details and register on our Chapter [website](#).

Next, is the ISACA® International conference is Monday, May 7, 2012 - Thursday, May 10, 2012 in Orlando, FL. A great event that we're proud to support. I'm presenting a session on May 7th at the CACS - Enterprise Risk Management Fundamentals - and plan to stay for the rest of the week, so, hopefully, I'll connect with some of you there. Additionally, Alex Josephite, Tony D'Amato, and I will be representing the ISACA® New York Metro Chapter Board of Directors at the annual ISACA® Leadership Conference the weekend before the CACS as well.

Speaking or training, we've arranged some sweet deals with several affiliates programs to get our members great discounts on other training. I hope some of you took advantage of the 10% discount off of CISSP training offered by E-delta beginning this week. And, for those of you looking for a trip to New England - the annual EGRC Conference (that's Excellence in Governance, Risk, and Compliance) Tuesday, June 12 - Thursday, June 14, 2012 in Portland, ME - we've negotiated a 15% saving on the tuition. Click [here](#) for more information and to register (use the discount code ISACA2NY). We're currently working with other groups like the IIA to offer similar discounts here in New York, so stay tuned.

Lastly, we're gearing up for our June Gala, to be held at the Union League Club on June 18th, where we wrap up our year, announce the new Board of Directors, and honor this year's Wasserman Award recipient. Our Chapter's Wasserman Committee will be meeting later this month to vote on the candidates nominated by you and our Board members.

I'd like to close with a quick chapter update. Our Board of Directors just held a Strategic Planning Session earlier this month where we looked at key objectives relative to where we want to be as a chapter in the next one to two years. I'm finalizing the results now and it should be up on our website later this month if you want to take look.

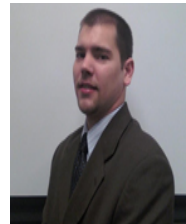
So that's it from my end - please keep reading the committee updates below for more details on key Chapter events.

Until next time - I wish you all the best and thank you for all of your support.

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Single and Multiple Day Classes

Invest in your future by signing up for our full and multiple day education classes today. Upcoming classes include:

- **Network Audit and Security:** Wednesday, May 23, 2012 - Thursday, May 24, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click [here](#) for more information and to register. **NOTE:** It is highly encouraged that you bring a laptop to this *hands on* course!
- **Operational Risk Management:** Wednesday, June 13, 2012 - Friday, June 15, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

The Network Audit and Security classes will be offered at no cost to veterans and unemployed members. This is made possible by Allen Lum and continued support from our membership.

Thanks to Computer Associates, Crowe Horwath, JPMorgan Chase, New York Life, and Protiviti for hosting classes for the Chapter. Your continued support allows us to offer courses with small class sizes and best in class instructors.

Additional courses will be announced each month so stay tuned!

Webinars

Chapter webinars will continue to be free through June 2012. Click [here](#) for details 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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We're listening! The Membership Committee wants to hear from you. What do you like about our Membership Meetings? What future presentation topics would interest you? If you haven't attended a meeting recently - what would persuade you to attend in the future? Email us a membership@isacany.org.

What's new on the website? Members who joined in February and March are listed on the [New Members](#) page. New website feature: [Favorite Fotos](#) - fun pictures from past events will be posted every two weeks in the Members Only section. Are you in the picture?

Upcoming Events Not to be Missed: Two Chapter events in April open to Members and Non-Members. Bring your colleagues and friends!

- **Long Island Membership Meeting:** Thursday, April 19, 2012 (6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Eastern Time Zone) - 6:00 PM Registration, 6:30 PM Meeting, and 1-hour Presentation (1 CPE) followed by networking and refreshments. Click [here](#) more more information and to register.

Location:

New York Institute of Technology
 Harry J. Shure Hall Auditorium Room #130
 Northern Blvd and Valentines Lane
 Old Westbury, NY 11568

Speaker:

- Angsumun Dutta, Infogix - A recognized thought leader, Angsuman frequently publishes in the ISACA® Journal. He assists industry-leading enterprises in assessing information risk and implementing automated control, reconciliation and continuous monitoring solutions.
- **Spring Conference 2012 and Membership Meeting:** Monday, April 30, 2012 (8:00 AM - 9:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Location:

Citigroup
 388 Greenwich Street
 New York, NY 10013

Overview:

- Morning Conference: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM (3 CPE)
- Afternoon Conference: 1:30 PM to 5:30 PM (3 CPE)
- Meeting: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (1 CPE)

~ Meeting: 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM (T O T E)

Speakers:

- o Bart Stanco - Vice President and Executive Partner, Gartner
- o Brian Barnier - ValueBridge Advisors
- o Rick Lichtenfels - Deputy Director, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC), U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- o Bradley Anstis - Vice President of Technical Strategy
- o Ulf Mattsson - Chief Technology Officer, Protegrity
- o John Walsh - Chief Executive Officer, SightSpan
- o Yan Kravchenko - Director of Audit Consulting, NetSpi

Visit the Chapter [website](#) on a regular basis for updates on Membership events. Check *Hot Topics* on the [Home](#) page and the [Membership](#) pages.

One more reminder to renew your membership. Click [here](#) to renew online today quickly and securely. Don't miss out on the many [benefits](#) of ISACA® membership.

Volunteers are always needed and greatly appreciated for Membership events. Email volunteer@isacany.org or [Marguerite McCarthy](#) (Committee Chair) for more information.

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Time is running out to sign-up for our "Early Bird" registration for the CISA® and CRISC® exam review class. Take advantage now before the price goes up after April 15th.

- **Back by popular demand!** "Early Bird" registration is once again being offered for the CISA® exam review class (Spring 2012). Click [here](#) to register at the "Early Bird" price. Hurry, this class has limited seating available at this rate!
- **New and updated!** The spring 2012 Live CRISC® Exam Review Class is back with Ernst & Young LLP sponsoring and Jay Ranade teaching. **Change of Date Notification:** This class is now Wednesday, May 2, 2012 - Friday, May 4, 2012. Participants attending the CRISC® class will gain knowledge in IT Risk Management, as well as great preparation for the December certification exam in the areas of Risk identification, Assessment & Evaluation, Risk Response, Risk Monitoring, Information Systems Control, Design & implementation, and Information Systems Control Monitoring & Maintenance. Click [here](#) for more information and to register
- **New!** CISA® & CISM® certification exam participants for the June 2012 exam: An "IT Boot Camp for CISA® and CISM® Exam" will be offered on Friday, May 11, 2012 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The cost is \$300 and you can earn 8 CPEs. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.
- Recently, the CISA® exam has become more challenging. It requires you to have broad knowledge of different aspects of IT. As we know, IT is ever changing and so is the field of IT auditing. The CISA® exam expects you to have good knowledge of technical terms and controls associated with the technical risks. Even those of you who have been working in IT need to understand new technologies and associated controls. Please don't miss this valuable class to enhance your chances of passing the CISA® and CISM® exams!

Next: Due to popular demand, we are offering the CISM® exam review class on April 24, 2012

- **new!** Due to many requests, we are offering the CISM® exam review class on April 21, 2012 and April 28, 2012 (two consecutive Saturdays). This class has been designed to cover all the domains that you will need to sit for the June exam. Cost is only \$700. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.
- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Final Registration Deadline for all certification exams has been *extended* to Friday, April 20, 2012. Please note: this registration is different from the "Early Bird" registration for the CISA® exam review class.
- Please visit the [Photo Gallery](#) on the Chapter website to view photos from previous classes.

Click [here](#) to register for an ISACA® certification exam.

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

Corporate Relations

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The Corporate Relations Committee has been continuing its work to actively explore ways for the Chapter to better serve the organizations that employ our members. The Committee's activities in this regard include the following:

- Partnership with the Gartner consulting group regarding ways to explore collaboration between the Chapter and that organization that will allow our members to benefit from Gartner's insight and expertise. Bart Stanco, one of Gartner's leading specialists, will participate in the ISACA® New York Metro Chapter's conference on April 30, 2012 as a keynote speaker. Bart is a Vice President and Executive Partner with Gartner Executive Programs, with more than 25 years of hands on leadership.
- Ongoing analysis of the Chapter's membership broken down into specific employers, industry, and certification by industry, as well as the number of each certification held by members. This analysis is intended to allow the Chapter to better identify and engage business and IT professionals via ISACA® New York Metro Chapter events and activities.
- Obtained sponsorship of this year's CRISC® exam preparation course from Ernst & Young. Ernst & Young Financial Services Office sponsored the CRISC® certification among its management and staff.
- Engaged Larry Bonfante to deliver webinar on March 26, 2012. Larry is the CIO of the U.S. Tennis Association, Founder of CIO Coach Bench LLC organization, and the author of the book "Lessons in IT transformation".
- Recruited speakers for the Chapter's Winter and May conferences.

The Corporate Relations Committee continues its efforts in the following areas:

- Have been having discussions with ISACA® New York Chapter members who work in the government sector and have been exchanging ideas regarding ways to strengthen our engagement with that sector of our membership.

- Exploring possible collaboration with the IIA related to Information Technology Training for non IT professionals such as financial auditors.
- Working with a leading consulting firm and ISACA® International to identify best practices in regard to professional certifications.

If you are interested in joining the Corporate Relations Committee, please contact corporate.relations@isacany.org or [Alexander Abramov](#) (Committee Chair).

Our Leadership

Board of Directors

The ISACA® New York Metro 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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