Hello fellow ISACA® New York Metro members:

I hope you're enjoying the relatively "mild" winter we're having. I know I am!

I just wanted to make a quick announcement that we are seeking nominations for our Chapter's Board of Directors. If you are considering applying, you must submit your nomination form and willingness to serve document (both found on our website) by February 15th. Being a Director on our Board is a great opportunity to serve your membership and work with a bunch of highly motivated people who are dedicated to making things better. But act fast so you don't miss out!

Other than that, it's business as usual - which means we're working hard trying to serve you as best we can.

Our next function is the Past President's dinner on February 16th to honor our recently certified members. If that's you, then you should have received an invitation to this event (contact membership@isacany.org with any questions).
We're also busy planning our Spring Conference which will be held in May. If you are interested in speaking, please send an outline and bio to conference@isacany.org.

There's plenty of other things in the works, including a series of webinars, membership meetings, and of course our Spring Gala. Check our website for details.

Until next time - have a great month and I look forward to seeing you at a future event.

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Single and Multiple Day Classes

The Education Committee is pleased to announce registration is now open for four of the six classes planned through June 2012. Two 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 Crowe-Horwath, Protiviti, Computer Associates, and New York Life for hosting classes for the Chapter. Your continued support allows us to offer courses with small class sizes and best in class instructors. Registration for "Introduction to UNIX/LINUX - The Basics" is restricted to veterans and unemployed members until two weeks prior to the class. We are also finalizing a class on Active Directory scheduled for March 22 and a Network Audit and Security course May 23-24.

- **Intro to Audit SAP and Segregation of Duties:** Monday, February 27, 2012 - Wednesday, February 29, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click here for more information and to register.

- **IT Auditing Principles for Internal Audit Managers:** Wednesday, March 14, 2012 - Thursday, March 15, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click here for more information and to register.

- **How to Perform an Information Technology General Controls Review:** Monday, March 12, 2012 - Tuesday, March 13, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click here for more information and to register.

- **Introduction to UNIX/LINUX - The Basics:** Wednesday, March 21, 2012 - Thursday, March 22, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click here for more information and to register.

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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Have you renewed your Membership yet? If not, do it now! Renew online today quickly and securely at isaca.org/renew. Don't miss out on the many benefits provided by ISACA® International. Additional benefits for our Chapter members include exclusive access to presentations from our Membership Meetings, Conferences, and job postings (login required).

Our Chapter now has over 2,700 members. In 2011, over 500 members received ISACA® certifications. Their achievement will be celebrated on February 16th at the annual invitation-only Recognition Event at the elegant Union League Club. At this time, certifications held by our Chapter members include over 1,500 CISAs, 300 CISMs, 100 CGEITs, and 500 CRISCs.

Revised date for next Membership Meeting and Spring Conference 2012 is Monday, April 30th. More information will appear on our website in the near future. Visit the Membership pages of our Chapter website to learn about upcoming and past events. Check out the photos from past events!

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

Certification

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The December certification exam results will be out any minute! Please logon to your ISACA® account to see your results. Congratulations to the top scorers for each of the certification exams!

- **CISA:** Scott Hurring, Peter I. Golden, Michael Cutugno, and Mr. Chabilall
- **CISM:** Abhishek Singh, CISA, CRISC, Gary Portnoy, Gil Danieli, and Lucie Onderwyzer
- **CRISC:** John Brian Bloniarz, Francis Edward Cooney, Jr., Kenny Yeung, Paul E. Besnia, CISA

The Certification Committee is proud to present the following 2012 events:

- **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! Limited seating is available at this rate.

- **New!** The spring 2012 Live CRISC® Exam Review Class is back with Ernst & Young LLP sponsoring and Jay Ranade teaching. Click here to register. 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.

- **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.

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! Registration will open in mid-January 2012.

- CISA® exam registration is now open for Early Registration until February 8, 2012. The Final Registration Deadline is April 4, 2012. Note that 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).

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**Corporate Relations**

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The Corporate Relations Committee has been actively working exploring ways for the Chapter to better serve the organizations that employ our members. The Committee’s activities in this regard include the following:

- An ongoing analysis of the Chapter's membership broken down into specific employers, industry, and certification by industry as well as number of certifications held by members. This analysis is intended to allow the Chapter to better identify and serve specific organizations and their employees.

- Working with ISACA® International and a leading consulting group to identify best practices in areas of certification.

- Reaching out to members who work in the government sector in order to strengthen our engagement with that particular segment of our membership.

- Exploring possible collaboration with the IIA related to Information Technology Training for non IT professionals such as financial auditors.

- Recruiting speakers for the future Chapter events.

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

CALL TO ACTION
The ISACA® New York Metro Chapter
is soliciting Nominees for the Chapter Board of Directors

Nominate Yourself or Other Individuals!
Deadline: February 15, 2012

The leadership of the ISACA® New York Metro Chapter is represented by a member-elected Board of Directors and volunteer committees for the purposes of providing to its membership valuable services and information related to the fields of IT Auditing, Information Security, IT Governance, and Computer Information Systems. The ISACA® New York Metro Chapter Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that ISACA®'s mission and commitment to information governance, control, security, and audit professionals is maintained. Members of the Chapter Board of Directors help provide the Chapter Membership with a program of education, certification review programs, and membership meetings. In turn, being on the Board provides peer recognition, networking opportunities, and a chance to have an impact in one of the largest ISACA® Chapters in the world.

The Nominating Committee is inviting all members interested in making a difference to participate on the Chapter's Board of Directors. In Spring 2012, elections will be held for Chapter Director positions for the Chapter year July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013. If you are interested in nominating yourself or another candidate for a position on the ISACA® New York Metro Chapter Board of Directors for the upcoming Chapter year, download the form from the Chapter website and email the completed form no later than February 15, 2012 to Steven Schon, Past President and Chair of the Nominating Committee. You will receive a confirmation email signifying receipt of your application within five business days following the date of email submission. The Nominating Committee will review all nominee applications, and then will present the slate of all qualified candidates in the upcoming Chapter election to be held in Spring 2012.

Completion and submission of the Nomination Form provides an opportunity to be considered for a Chapter Board position, and does not imply or guarantee that you will be included on the election ballot nor have a position on the Chapter Board of Directors. For information on the qualifications, terms, and responsibilities of Officers and Directors serving on the Chapter Board of Directors, please refer to Article V and Article VI of the Chapter Bylaws posted on the Chapter website.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Steven Schon, Past President and Chair of the Nominating Committee, ISACA® New York Metro Chapter.

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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