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President's Message

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Hello fellow ISACA® New York Metro members:

Our Chapter year has ended and a new one has just begun, so over the next two months we will be finalizing the programs for the upcoming year.

I'd like to think that we ended our 2011-2012 year on a very high note: becoming the largest chapter in North America and now the second largest in the world with over 2,600 members!

We are very proud of this accomplishment, because it has taken us 6 years to achieve this long-term goal. But mostly, we are pleased because it reflects the value our members see in what we do. Our work has not ended; rather it's only beginning - because we keep setting the bar higher.

All of us on the Board are extremely excited to begin a new year and we hope you are as well. Each year brings new challenges and new opportunities for our Chapter. In future communications you'll be hearing about our upcoming events and more Chapter updates.

Until then, have a great Summer and look for further updates in our eNewsletter next month.

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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:

- **Active Directory Hardening:** Friday, July 27, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Note that this class will be presented by Peter LaCrosse. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.
- **How to Audit z/OS with USS, TCP/IP, FTP, and the Internet:** Wednesday, August 8, 2012 - Friday, August 10, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Note that this class will be presented by Stu Henderson. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Thanks to Deloitte and eDelta Consulting, Inc. for hosting these two classes. Your support allows us to continue offering courses with small class sizes and best in class instructors.

Additional courses will be announced each month so stay tuned!

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](mailto:Alexander.Josephite) (Committee Chair) to learn how to get involved.

Membership

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Happy New Year! July 1st began the new Chapter year. The Membership Committee is planning membership meetings and conferences. Don't miss the Chapter's 7th Annual Golf Outing on September 13th at the North Shore Towers Country Club in Floral Park. See details in the **Special Events** section of this eNewsletter.

June 18, 2012 Annual Gala and Wasserman Award Dinner

Over 150 people celebrated the Chapter's outstanding year and congratulated Everett Johnson, the 2012 Wasserman Award recipient, at our Annual Gala. We were honored to have incoming ISACA® International President Greg Grocholski, and ISACA® CEO Susan Caldwell join us for this celebration. Jeni Spiewak and Joanne De Vito De Palma, New Jersey Chapter President and Vice President respectively, also joined in the festivities.

In addition to the Wasserman Award, the Chapter recognized the significant contributions of outgoing Board of Directors' member Patricia Martin, and volunteers Julia Ching and Matthew Mahaffy. Also, a

new award, proposed and funded by past Wasserman recipient Lily Shue, was instituted to recognize this year's certification exam high scorers. Debora Gondek and Scott Hurring were present to receive their awards.

What's new on the website? Check out the [photos](#) from the Annual Gala.

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...](#)

Welcome to the 50+ new and returning members who joined the Chapter in the past month. The ISACA® New York Metro Chapter now has 2,652 members!

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

Certification

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Enjoy the Summer! Time flies and it is time, once again, to prepare for upcoming Fall certification exams.

Please note that there are two aspects of certification exams: (1) registering for the exam with ISACA® International and (2) preparing for the exam by joining one of the review classes offered by the ISACA® New York Metro Chapter. We have a busy calendar of events to help you prepare for the exams. See below for all certification review class updates and announcements

- Registration is now open for the December 2012 CISA®, CISM®, CGEIT®, and CRISC® exams. Register [online](#) with ISACA® International to save an additional \$50 on top of the "early bird" registration discount.
- Back by popular demand! The Chapter is proud to present a series of certification exam review classes this Fall. Register early to take advantage of the 10% "early bird" registration discount. Registration will be open by end of July so check the Chapter [website](#) frequently.

The following is an overview of the upcoming Fall 2012 certification classes:

- **CISA® Exam Review Class:** October 29, 31 and November 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 26 (Mondays and Wednesdays) from 6:30 PM - 9:45 PM (Eastern Time Zone).
- **CISM® Exam Review Class:** November 1, 8, 15, 29 (Thursdays) from 6:30 PM - 9:45 PM (Eastern Time Zone).
- **IT Boot Camp for CISA® and CISM® Exam:** Friday, November 2 from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (Eastern Time Zone). Note that this class is strongly recommended for those with limited IT backgrounds.
- **CGEIT® Exam Review Class:** Thursday, October 25 - Friday, October 26 from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (Eastern Time Zone).

- **CRISC® Exam Review Class:** November 9, 16, 30 (Fridays) from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (Eastern Time Zone).
- **New Bundle Deal!** Take the CISA® Exam Review Class and the IT Boot Camp for CISA® and CISM® Exam for one package price. Check the Chapter [website](#) for more information and to register.

Note: All certification review classes will be conducted in Manhattan locations (TBA).

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 or sponsoring a certification class facility, please contact certification@isacsany.org or [Kwongmei To](#) (Committee Chair).

Special Events

Right now, please go to your calendar and/or appointment book and block out the afternoon on Thursday, September 13, 2012! Why? Because it's the ISACA® New York Metro Chapter's annual **Golf Outing**.

Take a half-day out of the office and co-mingle business and golf with your peers and counterparts at the beautiful North Shore Towers Country Club in Floral Park (located right on the Queens/Nassau line). No trekking off to New Jersey or upstate New York or out to the end of Long Island.

It's a shot-gun start at 1:00 PM. The format is "best ball" which is a great stress reducer for us hackers (myself included) and also keeps the pace faster. FYI, "best ball" is when 4 players hit. Then the team selects who had the best shot and the other three players take their next shot from that point. BTW, if you are a foursome that can give Tiger Woods a run for his money, it's also fine to play your own ball every shot. Afterward, join us for a wonderful dinner and great raffle prizes. You don't have to be a par golfer to snag the big prize - just hold the lucky ticket!

Everyone is welcome! Network with your peers, reward your management team, or extend the opportunity for both your Financial Audit and/or Information Systems co-workers to meet in a more casual setting. Perhaps you can invite one of your major vendors and review your strategies (or, better yet, see if they want to bring you!)

It's a great day and we hope to see you there. More details can be found on the Chapter [website](#).

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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