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FEBRUARY, 2001

Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, February 21, 2001

Before Dinner Topic: Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)

After Dinner Topic: Capability Maturity Model (CMM)

Location: Big Fish Seafood Bistro

1111 14 Mile Road

Madison Heights, Michigan

Date: Wednesday, February 21, 2001

Time: 4:30-5:00 Registration

5:00-6:00 Pre-Diner Presentation

7:00-8:00 After-Dinner Presentation

Cost: \$30.00 Members

\$35.00 Others

\$20.00 Students and Retirees

Reservations—Make your reservation by 4:00 PM, Friday, February 16th. You can do online reservation at isaca-det.org. If you do not have access to the Internet, e-mail your reservation to Sharon Brennan at sharonlb@umich.edu or fax it to (734) 647-7501. Please include your name, company, telephone number, and whether you are a member. If you do not have access to the Internet, e-mail, or a fax machine, call Sharon at (734) 647-7504.

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ISACA-Detroit Chapter CISA Exam Review Course Key Dates

<i>Date</i>	<i>Domain</i>
<i>April 4, 2001 (W)</i>	<i>The IS Audit Process</i>
<i>April 12, 2001 (Th)</i>	<i>Management, Planning and Organization of IS</i>
<i>April 19, 2001 (Th)</i>	<i>Technical Infrastructure and Operational Practices - Part I</i>
<i>April 26, 2001 (Th)</i>	<i>Technical Infrastructure and Operational Practices - Part II</i>
<i>May 3, 2001 (Th)</i>	<i>Protection of Information Assets</i>
<i>May 10, 2001 (Th)</i>	<i>Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity</i>
<i>May 16, 2001 (W)</i>	<i>Business Application System Development, Acquisition, Implementation and Maintenance</i>
<i>May 24, 2001 (Th)</i>	<i>Business Process Evaluation and Risk Management</i>
<i>May 31, 2001 (Th)</i>	<i>Mock Exam</i>

Menu - February 21, 2001

When making your reservations, please indicate which entree you prefer. Attendees not specifying a choice will be served entree #2.

Entree #1: 6 oz. Top Sirloin Steak

Entree #2: Parmesan Encrusted Chicken with Pasta
& Roasted Tomato Sauce

Entree #3: Broiled Whitefish

A vegetarian plate is available for those on special diets.

All meals include:

- Charlie's Bread & Butter
- Rice or Potato of the day
- Dessert: Cheesecake
- Coffee or Tea



The Chapter must provide the number of reservations and menu selections to the restaurant by the Monday before the meeting. To ensure that we can accommodate those who wish to attend and the restaurant can provide the best service possible, please make your reservations early. If you have made a reservation and cannot attend, please call in a cancellation. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.



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MARCH 26 - 28, 2001

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ISACA announces the 2001 Certified Information Systems Auditor Examination on June 9th 2001.

The only globally recognized certification program for information systems audit, control and security professionals announces its next examination. For the 21st consecutive year ISACA will administer the Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) Examination. The 2001 CISA Examination will be conducted on Saturday, June 9 2001, and will be offered at more than 180 international test centers in 58 countries. The exam, composed of 200 multiple-choice questions, will be held in one four-hour session. The 2001 CISA Examination will be offered in ten languages.

The exam covers the following process and content areas: 1) The IS Audit Process; 2) Management, Planning and Organization of IS; 3) Technical Infrastructure and Operational Practices; 4) Protection of Information Assets; 5) Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity; 6) Business Application System Development, Acquisition, Implementation and Maintenance; 7) Business Process Evaluation and Risk Management.

The 2001 exam fee is (US) \$295.00 for members and (US) \$395.00 for non-members before February 16, 2001. After February 16th and through April 6, 2001 the exam fee is (US) \$345.00 for members and (US) \$445.00 for non-members.

This international certification program grants the title of Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) to candidates who achieve a passing score on the examination and demonstrate five or more years experience in the information systems auditing, security, or control professions.

The CISA designation is widely recognized as a professional standard of excellence. More than 23,000 specialists in Information Systems Auditing Security and Control have earned the designation worldwide. More than 7,000 candidates are expected to register for the exam in 2001.

To quote an Audit Director, who sat for a past CISA examination, "When I hire an IS auditor, I look for a CISA. And why should I interview someone who is not certified? The CISA designation is an excellent requirement for an IS auditor. I want to hire people who take pride in themselves and in their careers, and the CISA certification is one good indicator of that for IS Auditors".

A Candidates Guide to the CISA Examination, the 2001 CISA Review Technical Information Manual, the 2001 CISA Review Questions, Answers and Explanations Manual, the CISA Review Questions, Answers and Explanations 2001 Supplement and the CISA Review Questions, Answers and Explanations CD_ROM are available from ISACA to help candidates prepare for the exam. Detailed information can be obtained from ISACA by phone at 1.847.253.1545, Certification Department, by fax at 1.847.253.1443, or by e-mail at certification@isaca.org.

For more details on the exam, and to register for our Detroit Chapter, CISA Examination Review Course, contact Dave Thompson 1.313.225.6384 or dthompsn@BCBSM.com or visit the ISACA Detroit Chapter web site at www.isaca-det.org.

2001 ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE

Mark your calendars. Plans are being finalized for the 2001 IIA/ISACA Annual Spring Conference. This year's conference will be held March 26th, 27th, and 28th of 2001 at the Lyon Meadows Conference Center in New Hudson, Michigan. Core audit and technical tracks will be presented as outlined in the draft schedule of sessions provided below.

Track	March 26	March 27	March 28
Electronic Commerce	Control and Security of Electronic Commerce	Hardening the Network for Electronic Commerce	
Internet and Networking	Control and Security of the Internet	Penetration Testing	
Computer Assisted Audit Techniques	ACL Introduction	ACL Advanced	
Introduction to Auditing	Tools and Techniques for the Beginning Auditor and Auditing 101		
Communication Skills	Presentation Skills	Real Secrets of Public Speaking	Negotiation Skills
Key Topics of Interest	Assessing Risk	Fraud/Forensics Auditing	Using the Internet for Research

CISA Review to start Wednesday, April 4, 2001.

See below for registration form and page 2 for class schedule.

The 2001- CISA Review Course will start on Wednesday, April 4, at the BCBSM Metro Facility in Southfield. Located at 27000 West 11 Mile Road, the center consists of four blue and silver buildings. From I-96 or I-696 take Telegraph South to Swanson (approximately 1 mile, a Mobil and SUNOCO service station are on the corners). Turn right, and follow Swanson to Franklin and turn right again on to Franklin. Franklin will split and turn into 11 Mile Road. Stay in the left-hand lane, the Metro Service Center is down about 1 mile on the right hand side. Tower 200 is the center building. Classes will be held in the Auditorium.

The classes start at 6:00 PM and end around 8:00, with breaks and refreshments provided. The first class will cover 'The IS Audit Process'. Classes will be held on Thursdays, with two exceptions, the first night, the 4th of April and the 16th of May, which will be on Wednesday. Please check the schedule.

Questions please call David Thompson at 313.225.6384 or e-mail at dthompsn@BCBSM.com.

See you there.

**ISACA - DETROIT CHAPTER
CISA REVIEW COURSE REGISTRATION FORM**

Please complete by April 10, 2001 and mail to:

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or fax to: 313-225-9181

or send via internet to: DThompsn@BCBSM.com (no 'o' in 'son')

or log on to our web site at www.isaca-det.org

Name _____

Address _____

Work Phone _____

Home Phone _____

Internet Address _____

Your Organization _____

Job Title _____

Certifications _____

Have you taken our review course before and when _____

What can the review course do for you that will help you pass the exam?

Pre-Dinner Speaker, Roger Younglove, CISSP, MBA
Sr. Information Security Consultant
Lucent NPS Security Services

Roger is a published author of articles on Virtual Private Networks (VPN), Public Key Infrastructure (PKI), and IP Security (IPSec), a member of CSI and founding president of the Motor City Chapter of the ISSA. He has designed and implemented a number of Enterprise VPNs and PKIs. Roger has written training programs on VPNs and was the Project Engineer on the Automotive Network eXchange (now the cANX). He worked with the eminent authorities in the field at that time, in the design and writing of the ANX PKI, Certificate policy and all aspects of the ANX. The original ANX PKI was co-designed with the US Federal PKI model and the ANX Certificate Policy was the first written for production use. Roger has been involved with VPNs and PKI for four years and the computer business for over twenty-five.

Before Dinner Presentation

Virtual Private Networks (VPNs) by Roger Younglove

Virtual Private Networks (VPNs) are hot, and for good reason. They provide a secure communication link to help organizations more economically support sales over the Internet, tie business partners and suppliers together, link branch offices, and support telecommuter access to corporate network resources. In this targeted presentation you will learn what VPNs are, what they can do for you, and how you can get one.

After-Dinner Speaker, Michael G. Tomasek
Manager, Wavebend Solutions

Michael is a Manager in the Custom Solutions practice of the Detroit Office of Wavebend Solutions, LLP. He has extensive experience in supporting software process/quality assurance, as well as system and infrastructure audits internationally. Michael currently is the Lead Auditor for ensuring Software Process Assurance for a Capability Maturity Model (CMM) Level 3 organization supporting global locations. He also teaches the software process and the model to software engineers. Michael is the lead coordinator in testing an organizational wide, web-based data repository, supporting over 700 software developers. Furthermore, he is responsible for establishing Software Quality Assurance for internal projects.

As an Information Technology Auditor, he audited back office applications and operating systems, including diverse applications, running on multiple platforms. Michael also audits the Software Development Life Cycle process. Michael's audit of the SAP implementation ensured that consistent security and process were implemented to provide necessary business controls.

After Dinner Presentation

The Capability Maturity Model (CMM) by Michael Tomasek

Michael's presentation will provide an overview to the Capability Maturity Model (CMM), how assessments are performed, and how auditors can use the CMM. The overview will describe components of the model: levels, key process areas, and key practices. Michael will discuss the assessment process, with information on the effort to complete an assessment. He will also provide information on how the CMM can be used.



New Members

December, 2000

Mr. Aaron M. Thompson - Ernst & Young.

The Year At A Glance

Meeting Date	Pre-Dinner Topic	After-Dinner Topic
February 21, 2001 (Wed)	VPNs	Capability Maturity Model
March 21, 2001 (Wed)	CISA Review	Information Security Issues
March 26-28—Spring Seminar		
April 18, 2001 (Wed)	Change Management	Contingency Planning
May 16, 2001 (Wed)	Managing IT Costs	Controlling Linux
June 9 (Sat)—CISA Exam		

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