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Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, March 20, 2002

Pre-Dinner Topic: "CISA Roundtable"

After-Dinner Topic: "e Signatures"

Location: Big Fish Seafood Bistro
1111 W. 14 mile, Madison Heights
Corner of 14 mile/ Stephenson Hwy.
248/585/5933

Date: Wednesday, March 20, 2002

Time: 4:30-5:00 Registration/Networking
5:00-6:00 Before-Dinner Presentation
6:00-7:00 Dinner
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, Monday, January 7. You can do online reservation at isaca-det.org. If you do not have access to the Internet, e-mail your reservation to Art Abruzzo at aabruzzo@amerisure.com or call him at (248) 426-7944. Please include your name, company, telephone number, and whether you are a member.

Visit our web site at: isaca-det.org

Message from your President...

Dear Members,

Those of you who attended our February Dinner Meeting were treated to two informative and entertaining presentations relating to aspects of Disaster Recovery. In the pre-dinner session Paul Haley spoke to us on the Government Impact on Disaster Recovery. Paul was able to speak to this topic from a unique perspective in that in addition to his role at DTE Energy he also has 14 years experience as the Emergency Manager for the city of Trenton. The after-dinner presentation conducted by Tom Peltier was on Network-based Contingency Planning. Tom always brings a wealth of knowledge and an entertaining style to his presentations. I am sure all attendees came away from the meeting with a better appreciation and perspective on these very important areas. Thank you Paul and Tom.

As I mentioned last month we are in the process of planning for next year's Board. If any of you have a desire to serve in this valuable role or may not be able to commit the time needed but would like to serve on a specific committee, please contact our Nominating Committee made up of Todd McGowan and Marci Klain. Board members are permitted 10 credit hours per year toward re-certification.

This is also the time of year when we begin discussing the CISA exam. Our March pre-dinner session is a CISA roundtable designed to give prospective exam takers an opportunity to find out more about the CISA exam. We usually have a number of recent exam passers come in and discuss test taking and study strategies. For all of you who are considering taking the exam in the future, our chapter offers a free review course to members to help you prepare the exam. We are very proud of our review course and it has been very successful in preparing people to pass the exam. We also have a need for additional presenters; if you have any questions, feel free to contact our CISA Chairperson, Dave Thompson.

For a number of months I have been promoting our Spring Conference put on jointly with the IIA. Time is now getting very short; if you have been putting off registering you should do so very soon. We have received very good feedback on the topics and presenters in prior years and believe the quality of this Conference to be equal to if not higher. The time period for this conference will be March 25 – 27, 2002 at the Lyon Meadows Conference Center. In this time of tightening budgets, we believe it is the best training value you will find and hope that everyone will take advantage of this opportunity.

I would once again like to stress to you, our members, that we (the Board) are here to serve the membership. If you do not believe we are adequately doing that or have a suggestion you think will help us do it better, please feel to contact me or any other Board member. You can reach me through e-mail me at aabruzzo@amerisure.com or call me at (248) 426-7944. You can also contact us through the website at www.isaca-det.org.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the March dinner meeting.

Art Abruzzo
Chapter President

ISACA announces the 2002 Certified Information Systems Auditor Examination on June 8th 2002.

The only globally recognized certification program for information systems audit, control and security professionals announces it's next examination. For the 21st consecutive year ISACA will administer the Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) Examination. The 2002 CISA Examination will be conducted on Saturday, June 8, 2002, 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 2002 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 2002 exam fee is (US) \$295.00 for members and (US) \$395.00 for non-members before February 13th 2002. After February 16th and through April 3, 2002 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 specialist 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 2002.

To quote and 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 2002 CISA Review Technical Information Manual, the 2002 CISA Review Questions, Answers and Explanations Manual, the CISA Review Questions, Answers and Explanations 2002 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 website at isaca-det.org

CISA Review to start Thursday, April 11, 2002.

Attached is the Registration Form and Class Schedule. For those who have not completed the registration form, please complete the form and e-mail it to me.

The 2002 CISA Review Course will start on Thursday, April 11, 2002 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 take 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 phone is **248.448.4000**. The first class will cover The IS Audit Process. The classes start at 6:00 and end at 8:00, with breaks and refreshments available.

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, 2002 and mail to:

Dave Thompson
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan
Systems Audit Mail Code 1311
600 Lafayette East, Detroit, Michigan 48226
or fax to:313-225-9181

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

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? _____

ISACA - Detroit Chapter 2002 CISA Review Course Dates

Date	Domain
April 11, 2002	The IS Audit Process
April 18, 2002	Management, Planning and Organization of IS
April 25, 2002	Protection of Information Assets
May 2, 2002	Technical Infrastructure and Operational Practices
May 9, 2002	Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity
May 16, 2002	Business Application System Development, Acquisition, Implementation and Maintenance
May 23, 2002	Business Process Evaluation and Risk Management
May 30, 2002	Mock Exam

IT Audit Project Manager – Dow Chemical

The Dow Chemical Company, a leading science and technology solutions company that provides chemical, plastic and agricultural products and services to markets around the globe, is currently seeking an experienced IT Audit Project Manager at our corporate headquarters in Midland, MI.

Technology at Dow includes a global implementation of SAP R2, PeopleSoft, Oracle, VAX/VMS, e-Commerce applications, extensive Intranet and web-enabled tools, legacy mainframe applications, Windows 98/NT/2000, data and voice over IP, and a global implementation of standardized desktops and client software.

The IT Audit Project Manager has primary responsibility for supervising the execution of complex audits across information technology architecture, applications and processes. These responsibilities include: identifying areas to be audited; assigning team members; communicating to management of the audited area; ensuring quality of audit execution; and writing audit reports. Most audit work is done in teams of 2 to 6 persons. This position also has responsibility for maintaining standard audit programs and consulting with management for specific functional or technical areas.

Qualifications for this position include: bachelor's degree in computer science, information technology, or related subject; 8 years of professional experience with 4 years of IT audit experience; excellent verbal and written communication skills; and proven ability to manage teams in a project environment. CISA, CISSP, or CIA designation is required or must be obtained subsequent to employment.

Travel does not exceed 25% per year, typically in three-week trips with many of them outside of North America. Dow is an equal opportunity employer offering a comprehensive benefits plan including medical, dental, life, and disability insurance, company matching 401(K), pension, and employee stock purchase programs.

Apply by e-mailing your résumé along with salary expectations to mfenske@dow.com and behrmantraut@dow.com.

The Year At A Glance

Meeting Date	Pre-Dinner Topic	After-Dinner Topic
March 20, 2002 (Wed)	CISA Roundtable	E signature
April 17, 2002 (Wed)	Wireless Security	Internet Virus
May 15, 2002 (Wed)	CRM	Single Signon

Menu - March 20, 2002

8 oz. Top Sirloin
Chicken Cordon Bleu
Broiled Whitefish
Dessert : N.Y. Style Cheesecake



The Chapter must provide the number of reservations 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.

The February raffle drawing winners were:

Karine Wegrzynowicz
Tom Raupp
Jerry Baumgart
Cyndi Shelton