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Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, November 15, 2005

Joint Meeting With The IIA

Ford Conference & Event Center – Dearborn, MI

Pre-Dinner Topic: “Panel – Planning and Conducting a Quality Assurance Review”

Athena Avgousti (Deloitte & Touche), Moderator. Panel Consisting of Angie Chin (General Motors), Michele Samuels (Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Elise Gautier (Deloitte & Touche)

After-Dinner Topic: “A Sustainable Approach for Conducting Integrated Audits”

Angie Chin, Erin S. Porritt, Michael D’Agostino (General Motors)

Date: Tuesday, November 15, 2005

**Time: 4:00-4:30 Registration/Networking
4:30-5:30 Before-Dinner Presentation
5:30-6:30 Dinner
6:30-7:30 After-Dinner Presentation**

**Location: Ford Conference & Event Center
(See map and directions on page 8)
1151 Village Road
Dearborn, MI 48124-5003
(313) 621-2900**

**Cost: \$25.00 Members
\$35.00 Non-Members
\$10.00 Students and Retirees**

Reservations will be taken by Suzanne McCormick. Please make reservations by **Noon on Thursday, November 10**. You can make your reservation online at isaca-det.org or e-mail your reservation to Suzanne McCormick at jsmccor65@aol.com. If you do not have access to the Internet, call Suzanne at (248) 471-3075. Please include your name, certification, company, telephone number, and whether you are a Member, Non-member, Student or Retiree. All e-mail reservations will receive a personal confirmation that the reservation was received. Walk-ins are welcome.

Letter from the President

Dear Members,

Our October meeting was prodigious. We had so many wonderful things happen at that meeting. We had a record attendance of 121 individuals attend. We created and handed out our first ever Ed Barszcz Lifetime Achievement Award to none other than Ed Barszcz himself as the first recipient for 30+ years of volunteer service to this chapter. And we had two dynamic presentations for the night. Thank you to our speakers Frank LeFavi and Rick Link of Horn Murdock Cole. Their presentations on Security Risk Infrastructures and IT Audit in a Post Sarbanes World were fascinating. Our year has been exceptional, and we’re only two months into the program.

I previously told you that our team of Board members came up with a slogan this year. Our banner is up at the meetings and reads: ‘Detroit Chapter ISACA – Your Year Round Partner For Professional Growth’; and I believe that this board is carrying out that commitment to the members of the chapter. The programs are quality topics that are affecting your IT audit divisions every day. The energy and excitement that is being generated is a great credit to the dedication that your Board has demonstrated while making Southeast Detroit a leader in the country for IT Audit services.

As part of this commitment to our profession, we are also creating alliances with other organizations in addition to our already strong allegiance with the IIA and CFE’s. ISACA was represented at the last ITIL (Information Technology Infrastructure Library) meeting as the control and COBIT experts on a panel discussion that followed their training presentation. We were asked several control questions, and they enjoyed the fact that we were part of the discussion so much that we were invited to participate on a regular basis. I am excited to say that we are working on other alliances as well.

Lastly, I want to remind our non-working members, that we have a program in place to allow you to attend monthly meetings for free to maintain your certification. I realize that with the rough times in our Detroit economy, we may not be as fortunate right now. You may take advantage of this benefit by contacting Suzanne McCormick directly. All inquiries are kept confidential.

In November, we are having a joint with the IIA at the Ford Motor Company Conference and Event Center in Dearborn. I hope to see and meet you at the meeting, and please come talk with me. If you have comments or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at 586-243-8519 or email me at pearl-cole@hornmurdockcole.com.

Patti Earl-Cole, CISA, CIA
President, ISACA Detroit Chapter

Please make a note that the November and December meetings will be joint meetings with the IIA and will be held at Ford Conference & Event Center.



Pictured is Ed Barszcz holding the first Ed Barszcz Lifetime Achievement Award.

Ed’s dedication to the Detroit Chapter ISACA with 30 + years of service to the chapter was the inspiration for this award.

PRE-DINNER INFORMATION**“Panel – Planning and Conducting a Quality Assurance Review”**

Athena Avgousti (Deloitte & Touche), Moderator.
Panel Consisting of Angie Chin (General Motors),
Michele Samuels (Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan
and Elise Gautier (Deloitte & Touche)

The IIA’s Standards call for companies to have an “independent” quality assessment of their Internal Audit department every five years, effective since January 2002. The IIA guidelines are designed to help evaluate Internal Audit’s conformity to the Standards; assess its compliance with the company’s internal audit charter, mission statement, and related objectives and policies; evaluate the adequacy of supervision, and staff development; assess Internal Audit’s effectiveness; and promote continuous development.

Panelist include Angie Chin (General Motors Motors), Michele Samuels (Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan) and Elise Gautier (Deloitte & Touche, LLP); Athena Avgousti (Deloitte & Touch, LLP) will moderate the discussion which will cover Quality Assurance Reviews (QAR) from different perspectives and address issues such as:

- Different approaches to meet the IIA Standards
- How to prepare for a QAR
- What are the benefits and challenges of preparing and undergoing a QAR
- What significant findings are coming out of the reviews and how are companies addressing Internal Audit’s evolving role to meet the needs of their constituents
- If an organization decides to not have a QAR, what are the consequences and who is ultimately responsible for the decision

Athena Avgousti, CA, CPA, CIA, Deloitte & Touche LLP

Athena Avgousti is a senior manager in Deloitte’s Internal Audit Practice in Detroit Michigan with over 16 years experience in public accounting and private industry. Athena started her career in external audit with Deloitte’s Canadian Practice and has spent 10 years in private industry in various finance and accounting positions including 4 years with a Tier 1 supplier in their internal audit function and as a controller in one of their OEM divisions. Since rejoining Deloitte in 2003, Athena has managed a number of internal audit co-sourcing relationships, Sarbanes-Oxley compliance engagements and is part of the National QAS Service Line Development Team for the US Practice. Athena holds a B Comm. and MBA from the University of Windsor.

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AFTER-DINNER INFORMATION**“A Sustainable Approach for Conducting Integrated Audits”**

Angie Chin, Erin S. Porritt, Michael D’Agostino
(General Motors)

With the proliferation of centralized mainframe computers in the 70’s, Internal Audit functions responded by creating EDP Audit Groups. In those days, financial/operational auditors focused on auditing financial statements, business operations and processes, while the EDP auditors evaluated controls over applications, bits and bytes, data centers and infrastructures. The growth of computer applications, networks and decentralized computer processing in the 80’s created the need to conduct integrated assessment of manual, automated, and management controls over business processes. Old habits die hard. The transition into performing Integrated Audits has been challenging.

General Motors Audit Services has revolutionized its approach to Integrated Auditing. This transformation has been captured in a case study by the Corporate Executive Board and presented at global webcasts with a few hundred attendees.

Angie Chin, CPA, CIA, CBA, CRP, CCSA, General Director, GM Audit Services, General Motors Corporation

Angie has global responsibility for co-leading SOX 404 Compliance; implementing control self-assessment programs; managing Special Investigation; overseeing audit staff professional development; implementing audit methodology and systems; maintaining quality assurance programs; and providing technical support to audit teams.

Prior to joining GM, Angie had over 20 years of internal audit and operations experience. Angie has served on a wide variety of university advisory boards, audit forum and conference steering committees, and audit professional boards/committees at the local and international levels. Angie currently serves on The IIA’s International Board of Directors and is also the Chair of its Audit Committee. She is a frequent speaker at professional conferences and the author of IIA’s Best Seller System Auditability and Control (SAC) Audit Program Tool Set.

Angie has a B.S. in Accounting from the University of Illinois and an MBA in Finance from DePaul University. She is the recipient of the 2005 Organization of Chinese Americans’ (OCA) National Asian American Corporate Achievement Award for her contribution to diversity initiatives.

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YEAR AT A GLANCE

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November 15, 2005	Chapter Meeting - Joint meeting with the IIA – Ford Conference and Event Center “Panel – Planning and Conducting a Quality Assurance Review” Moderator – Athena Avgousti (Deloitte & Touche LLP); Panel consisting of Angie Chin (General Motors Corporation), Michele Samuels (Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan) and Elise Gautier (Deloitte & Touche LLP) “A Sustainable Approach for Conducting Integrated Audits” Erin Porritt, Angie Chin, Michael D’Agostino (General Motors Corporation)
November 16, 2005	Deadline for articles, information and advertisements for the December issue of the Databyte
December 8, 2005	Reservations due by Noon for the December 14 ISACA-IIA dinner meeting
December 10, 2005	December CISA and CISM Exam
December 13, 2005	Chapter Meeting - Joint meeting with the IIA – Ford Conference and Event Center “Cyber Terrorism” “Electronic Espionage” Gordon Smith, CMA, Canaudit
December 14, 2005	Deadline for articles, information and advertisements for the January issue of the Databyte
January 6, 2006	Reservations due by noon for the January 12 ISACA-CFE dinner meeting
January 12, 2006	Chapter Meeting - Joint meeting with the CFE’s – Tapestry
January 18, 2006	Deadline articles, information and advertisements for the February issue of the Databyte
February 10, 2006	Reservations due by noon for the February 15 ISACA dinner meeting
February 15, 2006	Deadline for articles, information and advertisements for the March issue of the Databyte
February 15, 2006	Chapter Meeting – Tapestry Adam Forman Esq., Miller Canfield LLP “Dealing with Gen X & Y People” Richard Tuck, Lander International LLC
March 10, 2006	Reservations due by noon for the March 15 ISACA dinner meeting
March 15, 2006	Deadline for articles, information and advertisement for the April issue of the Databyte
March 15, 2006	Chapter Meeting – Tapestry Student Night
March 20 – 22, 2006	Joint Spring Conference with the IIA
April 14, 2006	Reservations due by noon for the April 19 ISACA dinner meeting
April 19, 2006	Deadline for articles, information and advertisement for the May issue of the Databyte
April 19, 2006	Chapter Meeting – Tapestry “Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity” John Duke, CBCP, Great Lakes Business & Recovery Group
May 12, 2006	Reservations due by noon for the May 17 ISACA dinner meeting
May 17, 2006	Chapter Meeting – Tapestry “Ethics” Kim Winnik, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan “Security Assessment from IT Perspective” Pam Hensley, CISSP, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan
June, 2006	CISA and CISM exam – Actual date to be announced at a later time

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**THE DEADLINE FOR ADS FOR THE DECEMBER EDITION OF THE DAYABYTE IS
NOVEMBER 16**

FREE CISA – CISM Exam Review Class

The Detroit Chapter will present an exam review class for those registered to take the exam in December. We will present two review classes on consecutive Saturdays in November (November 12 and November 19). The classes will be held at the Blue Cross Blue Shield Michigan location in Southfield from 8 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There is no charge for the class, but the review manual from ISACA International is recommended. Please register via the website www.isaca-det.org, or e-mail your registration to Mike Forrest at michael.forrest@jeffersonwells.com. You will receive directions and additional details upon registration.

Registration:

Registered for the CISA _____ CISM _____

Name:

E-mail address:

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Erin S. Porritt, CISA, Supervisor of Information Technology Audit, General Motors Corporation

Erin is responsible for assessing risks and providing internal audit and consultative services regarding General Motors and General Motors Acceptance Corporation activities. The IT auditors within her group assess controls in and around application systems as part of business audit process reviews. She is a key member of the Enhanced Integrated Audit Training initiative to promote business auditor ownership of low to moderately complex IT risks within the business processes. Her role has encompassed development, creative thinking, and actual training as well as management of the pilot training within Europe for several GM Audit Services teams.

Erin earned her BBA from the University of Michigan and is a member of the Institute of Internal Auditors and Information Systems Audit and Control Association. She has been involved with IT auditing and consulting for over six years. She is also pursuing her MBA from the University of Michigan and is an active member of GM’s Women in Finance committee.

Michael C. D’Agostino, CIA, CPA, CFSA, General Motors Corporation

Mike's career has spanned approximately twenty years, including four years in public accounting and sixteen years working with publicly traded companies in finance related positions, including a significant amount of time in Internal Audit. Mike has been with General Motors Audit Services for approximately eight years and has had significant exposure to GM's Financial Services, Business Risk Management and Automotive Operations, both in terms of conducting audits and in administering control self assessment. Mike has extensive experience in executing audit and control self assessment activities on a global basis, extending to all regions of the world, including a recent extended assignment in Southwest China.



Shown at left is Audrey and Ed Barszcz at the October 19 ISACA dinner meeting.

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Angie Chin, CPA, CIA, CBA, CRP, CCSA, General Director, GM Audit Services, General Motors Corporation
(Bio appears under after-dinner speaker information.)

Michele A. Samuels is Vice President and General Auditor for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

Samuels is responsible for the oversight of four departments, including Customer and Par Plan Audit Services, Quality Assessment, Corporate Audit and Advisory Services, and Business Risk Services.

Prior to this position, Samuels was Director and Chief Auditor, Manager of Corporate Audit and Advisory Services, Manager of General Accounting, Manager of Management Information, and Supervisor of Systems Audit for the Blues. She previously worked in the public accounting firm of KPMG.

She earned an Executive MBA degree from Michigan State University and a bachelor’s degree in business administration from University of Windsor, Canada.

Samuels is a Certified Public Accountant. She is the Board Chair at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit. She serves on the Board and Executive Committee, of the Greater Detroit Area Health Council where she is also co-chair of the Community Health Improvement Committee.

Elise Gautier, CIA, CISA, CRP, Deloitte & Touche LLP

Elise is a Senior Manager in Deloitte’s internal audit practice in Chicago with 14 years of business experience in both industry and consultative services.

Elise served as a controller in a French company before joining the internal audit department of an American multi-national manufacturing company, performing and supervising internal audit reviews world-wide prior to joining Deloitte in its Audit & Enterprise Risk Services. Since joining Deloitte & Touche six years ago, she has worked with several internal audit departments to conduct quality assurance reviews, provided consulting services and internal audit services to numerous companies as well as managed Sarbanes-Oxley 404 readiness projects. Elise is also Deloitte’s Midwest Quality Assurance Services champion overseeing the quality of the delivery of our quality assurance services.

Elise attended a prep. school and graduated from a business school (I.E.C.S.) in France.

New Detroit Chapter Members

David J. Bigalke
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October 2005 Drawing Winners

Audrey Barszcz
Brad Bartlett
Dana Cordes
John Duke
Jeff Fisher
Andrea Gibson

Tom Hart
M. Siobhan Jordan
Stephen Kane
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Jeff Kreger
Christine Lydick

Sesh Madaboosi
Vicki Riley
Jamie Schafer
Kevin Warner
Bill Wayland
Kirk Windisch

Recent ISACA Certifications

CISA Certification

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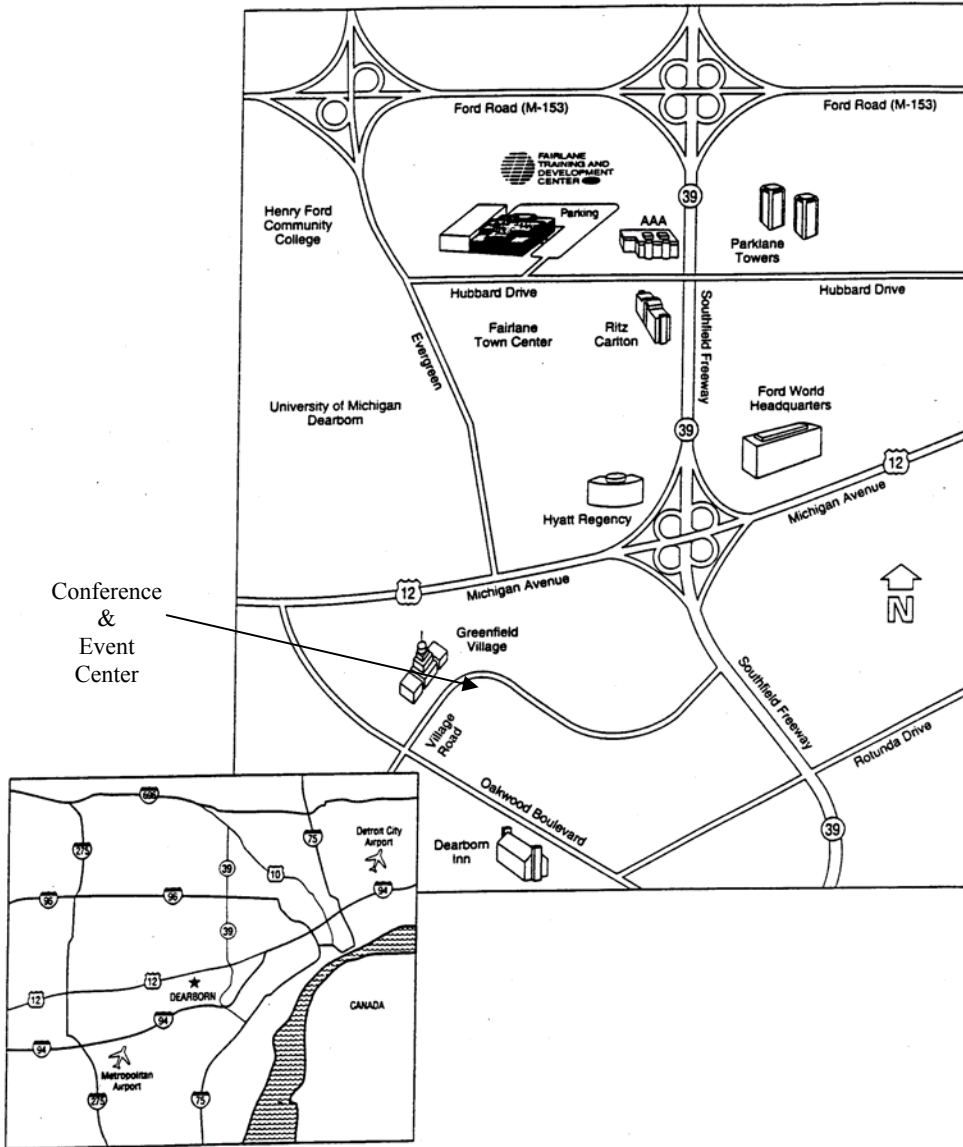
Pictured at left is the Pre-Dinner speaker, Frank LeFavi, with the Detroit Chapter ISACA President, Patti Earl-Cole.



Shown at left are Jeff Barszcz, Audrey Barszcz and Ed Barrzcz at the October 19 ISACA dinner meeting. Ed received the first Ed Barszcz Lifetime Achievement Award for his 30+ years of service to the Detroit Chapter of ISACA.

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1151 Village Road
Dearborn, MI 48124-5033
(313) 621-2900



FROM DETROIT METRO AIRPORT

Travel North East on Merriman. Take I-94 E ramp towards Detroit, merge onto I-94. Take US 24 North exit (Telegraph Rd.). Travel south to the US12 (Michigan Avenue) ramp. Turn right onto Michigan, then turn right onto Oakwood. Turn left on Village Road. The CEC is on the right.

FROM THE NORTH

Take M-39 South (Southfield Freeway) to the Michigan Avenue exit. Stay on the service drive to the first traffic light, which is Village Road. Turn right on Village, and the CEC is approximately 2 miles down on the left.

FROM THE SOUTH

Take M-39 North (Southfield Freeway) to the Rotunda exit. Stay on the service drive and turn left at the first intersection after crossing Rotunda. This is Village Road and the CEC is approximately 2 miles down on the left.

FROM THE EAST OR WEST

From Eastbound or Westbound I-94, take exit 206, Oakwood Blvd. Turn north on Oakwood, then in approximately 3 minutes, turn right on Village Road. The CEC is on the right.

FROM DOWNTOWN DETROIT

Take either I-94 West or US-10 (Lodge Freeway) to I-75 North. Take I-75 North to I-94 West. Take I-94 to exit 206, Oakwood Blvd. Turn north on Oakwood, then in approximately 3 minutes, turn right on Village Road. The CEC is on the right.

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- Things like teaching, lecturing, or presenting = 2 times the length of the presentation for the first time, and the actual length of the presentation the second time.
- Publication of articles, monographs and books = Actual number of hours taken to complete or review the material. Our Databyte qualifies for publishing. (Submit your articles to pcole@bcbsm.com)
- CISA and CISM Exam question development and review = 1 hour for each question accepted by ISACA board or committee. Actual hours for reviewing of questions.
- Passing related professional exams = 1 hour for each exam hour with passing score.
- ISACF/ITGI Board/Committee work = 1 hour for each active hour of participation *
- Contributions to the IS audit and control profession = 1 hour for each hour in research development, certification review manual development, K-Net development, etc. *

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Please submit your articles to membership@isaca-det.org. You will be contacted you when you can expect your article to be published. We look forward to tapping into our own Detroit resources.



Pictured at left is Ed Barszcz receiving the Ed Barszcz Lifetime Achievement Award from the Detroit Chapter ISACA President, Patti Earl-Cole.

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Menu – November 15, 2005

DINNER BUFFET

TOSSED ROMAINE SALAD
garnished with Croutons and
Grated Parmesan Cheese
BOW TIE PASTA
with Tangerines, Black Olives and
Chilled Red Onions
ALASKAN KING CRAB CAKES
SLICED LONDON BROILED BEEF
served with Mushroom Madeira
VEGETABLE MEDLEY
YUKON GOLD MASHED POTATOES
MICHIGAN CHERRY COBBLER
served with Vanilla Ice Cream
COFFEE SERVICE



The Chapter must provide the number of reservations by **NOON** on the Thursday before the meeting. To ensure that we can accommodate those who wish to attend and the facility can provide the best service possible, please make your reservations early. If you have made a reservation and cannot attend, please call Suzanne McCormick at (248) 471-3075. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

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