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NOVEMBER, 2006

*Monthly Meeting*

*Tuesday, November 14, 2006*

*Joint Meeting With The Institute of Internal Auditors*

**Pre-Dinner Topic: "SEC Hot Topics"**

Brian K. Robertson, Partner, Department of Professional Practice, KPMG LLP

**After-Dinner Topic: "Spreadsheet Remediation and Controls - Synopsis"**

Rebecca A. Kitchens, Solutions Director, Finance Operations, Jefferson Wells  
Eric Perry, Vice President, Product Management & Marketing, Prodiance Corporation

**Date:** Tuesday, November 14, 2006

**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:** Vis Ta Tech in Livonia, MI  
(See map and directions on page 7)  
18600 Haggerty Road  
Livonia, MI 48152-2696

**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 9**. You can make your reservation online at [isaca-det.org](http://isaca-det.org) or e-mail your reservation to Suzanne McCormick at [jsmccor65@aol.com](mailto: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.

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## *Letter from the President*

Greetings ISACA Members,

Thank you all for making our first meeting at the University of Michigan Fairlane Center North such a great success! From the turnout we had, along with the positive feedback we received regarding the change of venue and dinner fare, the new meeting facility accommodations appear to have been warmly welcomed. When switching meeting locations, there is always the fear that your membership will not follow. However, we hosted one of our biggest meetings ever, exceeding 120 participants. Our year is off to another great start!

Those of you who attended our October meeting were also treated to two fine speakers and topics. I would like to thank Bridget Kravchenko, Audit Manager for General Motors Corporation and Jeff Fisher, Senior Manager for Deloitte & Touche LLP, for contributing to our evening's success by speaking on topics relevant to the auditing and security environments. Bridget brought awareness to our audience of the Global Audit Technology Guides (GTAG) developed by the Institute of Internal Auditors to provide guidance on IT management and control, written specifically for executives. Bridget's topic, which focused on GTAG 6 – Managing and Auditing IT Vulnerabilities, provided guidance on vulnerability management processes for the chief internal audit executive (CAE) and audit supervisors. Jeff's very timely and relevant presentation on spreadsheet controls uncovered key risks associated with spreadsheets and other desktop applications and identified how industry tools can assist auditors with verifying the integrity of the applications.

As promised, in an effort to meet the needs of our membership for alternative payment options for our Chapter meetings, we began accepting MasterCard and VISA for payment at our October meeting. We hope these new payment options are convenient, especially for those of you who no longer carry a checkbook. Our next phase of credit card acceptance will be in the form of web-based payments using PayPal. We hope to have this additional service available to you by the end of the year.

The Detroit Chapter of ISACA is now taking registrations for its highly successful CISA and CISM Review Courses. In previous years, review course attendees achieved about an 80% pass rate compared to the national rate of 51%. The course offers 18 CPE's and high quality instructors. The objective of these courses is to assist IS auditors, security and control personnel to successfully prepare for the December 9, 2006 CISA and CISM exams. The course is intended to be interactive, and participants are encouraged to actively participate in the presentations of the material. Go to the Chapter's website at [www.isaca-det.org](http://www.isaca-det.org) to learn more about the review courses and register online.

At this time, I'd like to recognize and thank two of our Chapter Board members who have had to resign this month based on other professional and personal commitments. Patti Earl-Cole and John Quaine, both of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, have given many dedicated years to the Detroit Chapter to help support and sustain our Chapter's growth. We wish them the best in their future endeavors.

As always, the Board is dedicated to serving our membership. If you would like more information about our organization or have any suggestions you believe will make our Chapter better, please contact me at [bkarl@hornmurdockcole.com](mailto:bkarl@hornmurdockcole.com) or call me at 248.633.2347.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the November dinner meeting at the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

Brenda L. Karl, CISA  
President, ISACA Detroit Chapter



**PRE-DINNER INFORMATION**

**“SEC Hot Topics”**

Brian K. Robertson  
Partner, Department of Professional Practice,  
KPMG LLP

Focus is on emerging issues at the SEC.

Brian is a partner in KPMG’s Department of Professional Practice – Audit and Risk Advisory in New York City. He rejoined the Department in July 2006 after completing a two-year appointment as a Professional Accounting Fellow in the Office of the Chief Accountant at the Securities and Exchange Commission. Brian’s responsibilities in the Department of Professional Practice include consulting with engagement teams on complex accounting and SEC matters, development of the firm’s professional accounting literature, and development and presentation of technical training for internal and external audiences. Technical areas in which Brian focuses include business combinations, recapitalizations, leasing, revenue recognition, and compensation.

At the SEC, Brian’s responsibilities included consultation with registrants on accounting and reporting matters, the study and development of rule proposals under the federal securities laws, and liaison with the professional accounting standards-setting bodies.

Prior to his appointment at the SEC, Brian was senior manager in KPMG’s Department of Professional Practice – Audit and Risk Advisory for two years. Prior to joining KPMG, Brian was a member of Arthur Andersen’s Memphis audit practice for nine years.

Brian received Master and Bachelor of Accountancy degrees from the University of Mississippi in 1993 and 1992, respectively.

YOU ARE NOW ABLE  
TO USE CREDIT CARDS  
(MASTERCARD, VISA)  
TO ATTEND  
MONTHLY MEETINGS

**AFTER-DINNER INFORMATION**

**“Spreadsheet Remediation and Controls –  
Synopsis”**

Rebecca A. Kitchens  
CPA, CIA, Solutions Director, Finance Operations,  
Jefferson Wells  
Eric Perry  
Vice President, Product Management & Marketing,  
Prodiance Corporation

As organizations move forward with SOX 404 compliance efforts, an area of high risk remains within the uncontrolled data, complex formulas, and macros contained in financial spreadsheets. Leading tax and audit firms are now recommending spreadsheet controls to reduce the risk of errors in the reporting process, but understanding the risks, conducting an assessment, and finding a sustainable solution to address this problem can be overwhelming at best.

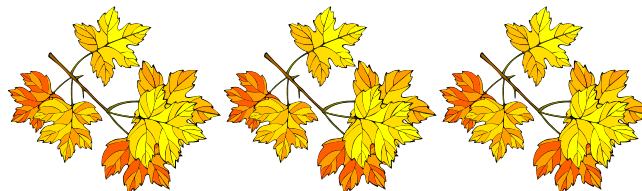
Join Rebecca Kitchens and Eric Perry to analyze the use of spreadsheets in the financial reporting process, understand the compliance implications for SOX 404, and learn about how to deploy a comprehensive solution. Their presentation will cover:

- The business risks associated with the use of financial spreadsheets
- The latest guidance from auditors on key spreadsheet controls for remediation
- Best practices for assessment, inventory and implementation
- A comprehensive solution framework for sustaining compliance

Rebecca Kitchens is responsible for directing the development and management of the global finance operations practice for Jefferson Wells, a global provider of professional services in the areas of risk, controls, compliance and financial process improvement. Rebecca brings over 18 years of accounting, finance, auditing, leadership and business management experience. Prior to Jefferson Wells, Rebecca was a Business Manager for Webasto Sunroofs, Inc. Rebecca holds a bachelor’s of science degree in accounting from Oakland University and a master’s of science degree in finance from Walsh College.

## YEAR AT A GLANCE

November 9, 2006	Reservations due by noon for the November 14 ISACA/IIA joint dinner meeting
November 14, 2006	Deadline for articles, information and advertisements for the December issue of the Databyte
November 14, 2006	<b>Chapter Meeting – Joint meeting with IIA – Vis Ta Tech (Tuesday)</b> “SEC Hot Topics” Brian K. Robertson, Partner, Department of Professional Practice, KPMG LLP “Spreadsheet Remediation and Controls - Synopsis” Rebecca A. Kitchens, Solutions Director, Finance Operations, Jefferson Wells Eric Perry, Vice President, Product Management & Marketing Prodiance Corporation
December 7, 2006	Reservations due by noon for the December 12 ISACA/IIA joint dinner meeting
December 9, 2006	CISA and CISM Exams
December 12, 2006	Deadline for articles, information and advertisements for the January issue of the Databyte
December 12, 2006	<b>Chapter Meeting – Joint meeting with IIA – Vis Ta Tech (Tuesday)</b> “Forensic Accounting & Fraud” “Computer Forensics” Scott Wroebel, Stout Risius Ross
January 5, 2007	Reservations due by noon for the January 11 ISACA/CFE joint dinner meeting
January 11, 2007	<b>Chapter Meeting – Joint meeting with CFE – Tapestry (Thursday)</b> “Digital Forensics” Paul E. Zikmund, Control Solutions
February 7, 2007	Deadline for early registration for the June CISA and CISM Exam
January 17, 2007	Deadline for articles, information and advertisements for the February issue of the Databyte
February 14, 2007	Deadline for articles, information and advertisements for the March issue of the Databyte
February 16, 2007	Reservations due by noon for the February 21 ISACA dinner meeting
February 21, 2007	<b>Chapter Meeting – University of Michigan – Dearborn Fairlane Center North</b> “Continuous Auditing- Keys to Implementing and Maintaining” Simon Dealy, Control Solutions “A Continuous Audit Approach Being Used Today” Susam Yamin, Juanita Dunn, Comerica Inc.
March 12, 13, 14, 2007	<b>ISACA/IIA Spring Seminar – The University of Michigan Dearborn Campus</b>
March 16, 2007	Reservations due by noon for the March 21 ISACA dinner meeting
March 21, 2007	Deadline for articles, information and advertisements for the April issue of the Databyte
March 21, 2007	<b>Chapter Meeting – University of Michigan – Dearborn Fairlane Center North</b>
April 4, 2007	Deadline for final registration for the June CISA and CISM Exams
April 13, 2007	Reservations due by noon for the April 18 ISACA dinner meeting
April 18, 2007	Deadline for articles, information and advertisements for the May issue of the Databyte
April 18, 2007	<b>Chapter Meeting – University of Michigan – Dearborn Fairlane Center North</b>
May 11, 2007	Reservations due by noon for the May 16 ISACA Annual General Meeting
May 16, 2007	<b>Chapter Meeting – University of Michigan – Dearborn Fairlane Center North</b> <i>Annual General Meeting</i> Chapter Update, Awards, Recognition
June 9, 2007	CISA and CISM Exams



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Eric Perry oversees worldwide communications and product management operations for Prodiance Corporation, a world leader in delivering productivity and compliance solutions. Eric brings over 13 years of industry experience in enterprise software, engineering, product management and marketing to Prodiance. With extensive knowledge of content management, workflow, search and compliance technologies, his strength is in delivering customer-driven solutions based on these enabling technologies to solve key business problems in the marketplace. Prior to joining Prodiance, Eric was vice president of marketing for Enterprise Content Management at Scientific Software, and has held senior management, marketing and engineering positions with EMC/Documentum, Vignette Corporation, OnDisplay and the General Electric Company. Eric holds a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering

## Certification News

We, the Certification Committee for the Detroit Chapter, wish to congratulate those that passed the June 2006 CISA and CISM exams.

### The Following People Passed the June 2006 CISA EXAM

Thomas C. Bartol	Jeevendran S. Joseph	Kelly Rau
Brad Barton	Alfred Ko	Peter J. Reuter
David J. Bigalke	Mark Korff	Daisha K. Rhoades
Michael A. Buchalski	Holly Lako	Alvin B. Riddle
Sarah J. Burkstrand	Kimberly Liddle	Branislav Z. Sasic
Michael A. Cherry	Dale Long	Ravi Soman
Kanika Chowdhry	Neil Marano	David Soubly
Brent Cieszynski	Olga E. Mednik	Donald P. Storer
John V. Cipriani	Andrew Mellon	Constance A. Thaler
Sarah Cook	Indira Nandyal	Poonam Torgal
Kaushali Desai	Thaddeus F. Nowak	Larry W. Toussaint
Christine M. Filary	Vikram Parekh	Angela Trupiano
Joseph J. Gaglio	Joseph M. Pelukas	Tami Walstrom
Deborah A. Gore	Chithra Perumal	Kurt M. Weirich
David Hawley	Jason A. Pulis	

### The Following People Passed the June 2006 CISM Exam

Brian Bolton	Dennis J. Horn	Greg Tilley
Yogesh Chavarkar	Matthew P. Kurpinski	Hriste Trpkovski
Robert M. Doell	Ragbir S. Sandhu	

## Recent ISACA Certifications

### CISA Certifications

Brandon Braman	Jeevendran S. Joseph
John V. Cipriani	Dale Long
Christine M. Filary	Michael J Longo

## **New Detroit Chapter Members**

Shyam Sunder Achi Venkata  
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Terrance M. Campbell  
Frank J. Corkalo  
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Michael Davenport  
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Dale Long  
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Vineet Singh  
Eric Strzempek  
Greg Tilley  
Jordana Tucker  
Rishat R. Urmeyev  
Raghurami Valipireddy  
Kasi S. Viswanathan  
Kent Zhou

## **JOINT IIA – ISACA SPRING CONFERENCE MARCH 12 -14, 2007 UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN – FAIRLANE CENTER NORTH GREAT TOPICS TO CHOOSE FROM:**

### **TRACK I**

COMMUNICATION, INFLUENCING AND CHANGE IMPLEMENTATION SKILLS FOR AUDITORS  
BETTER AUDITS THROUGH IMPROVED DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

### **TRACK II**

PROJECT MANAGEMENT FOR AUDITORS  
INVESTIGATIVE SKILLS FOR AUDITORS  
TESTING FOR FRAUD IN KEY FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

### **TRACK III**

TESTING FOR FRAUD IN KEY FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

### **TRACK IV**

AUDIT COLLEGE

### **TRACK V**

PROCESS FLOW AUDITING

### **TRACK VI**

A RISK-BASED ROAD MAP TO IT INFRASTRUCTURE CONTROLS

### **TRACK VII**

SECURITY AND AUDIT OF TCP/IP AND WEB TECHNOLOGY

### **TRACK VIII**

AUDITING APPLICATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT

### **TRACK IX**

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**From the South (Traveling on I-275 North)**

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**From the West (i.e. Kalamazoo, Jackson, Battle Creek) (Traveling on I-94 East)**

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**From Ann Arbor (Traveling on M-14 East)**

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**From Detroit (Traveling on I-96 West)**

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**From Detroit Metropolitan Airport**

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### Menu – November 14, 2006

#### DINNER BUFFET

WALDORF SALAD  
TOTATO, BASIL AND MOZZARELLA  
SALAD  
SPINACH SALAD  
with Bacon, Red Onion and Eggs  
PEPPERCORN CRUSTED CARVED ROUND  
OF BEEF with Roasted Garlic Sauce  
VEGETARIAN LASAGNA  
HONEY GLAZED CARROTS  
VEGETARIAN FRIED RICE  
CHEESECAKE with Fruit Garnish  
COFFEE SERVICE



NO SPECIAL VEGETARIAN MEALS AVAILABLE  
PLEASE NOTE VEGETARIAN MEALS ON MENU ABOVE

OPEN BAR  
BEER AND WINE ONLY  
NO OTHER LIQUOR AVAILABLE

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.

#### SEPTEMBER DRAWING WINNERS

Renee Koo  
John McCormick  
Indira Murry  
Chuck Silva

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