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From the Certification Director

12/31/09 Is Approaching Did You Earn Your CPE Credits Yet?

If you haven't earned your minimum of 20 CPE credits in 2009, you still have time to do it, but don't wait too long. ISACA has 36 hours of "free" CPEs available if you can take their online webinars. These are archived for a period of time so you can still take them. Each one will normally be a 2 to 4 hour webinar with a CPE for every 50 minutes of time. But, you have to pass their online exam at the end of the webinar!!! And don't forget about the ISACA Journal quiz questions. Look near the back of the Journal for instructions.

These CPEs can be applied redundantly against the CISM, CISA, and CGEIT. BONUS - If you are also a CIA, you can use these CPEs for that certification also.

ISACA Bookstore Update

Study aids for the 2010 Certified Information Systems Auditor™ (CISA®) and Certified Information Security Manager® (CISM®) exams (www.isaca.org/cisabooks, www.isaca.org/cismbooks or www.isaca.org/nonenglishbooks), as well as primary references for use in Certified in the Governance of Enterprise IT® (CGEIT®) exam preparation, are available in the ISACA Bookstore.

CISA Examination Study Material

· CISA Review Manual 2010 (English, French, Italian, Japanese and Spanish editions)

From the President

Special thanks go to our two instructors for the November 4th class on XBRL: Dave Henderson, PhD and his colleague Brad Trinkle, PhD did an excellent job. We learned what to have in place to meet the new SEC mandate; we built a XBRL instance, and discussed the audit implications for this technology. Slides are available.

Register now for December seminar on "The Human Aspects of Information Security Incident Response," presented by Mark Graves, the Information Security Administrator for Greenville County Schools. This 1.5 hour seminar is to be followed by our first Annual Networking Party. The seminar and networking session is Free to members - guests, affiliates, and non-members are just \$10. As a special reward to all of our members, we are hosting our first annual networking party on December 2, 2009. Registration is available until November 30th. Expect delicious appetizers and great conversations! This session is free to members!

Calling all students! Be sure to click on the Students tab and find out about our scholarship offering: We are accepting your papers from November 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 and will judge them to find the two best entries. The winning entries will be awarded \$500 each to be used for your tuition or books or whatever you need. Fill out your application, submit your transcripts and get writing!

Don't forget to take advantage of our early bird pricing for our January 6th, 2010 class on Desktop Configuration Compliance presented by Derek Melber: Derek just presented a three day session at our State Internal Audit Conference and received excellent ratings! One of only eight MVPs in the world on Group Policy, Mr. Melber is often called upon to develop end-to-end solutions regarding Active Directory, Group Policy and security. His expertise includes extensive knowledge of Group Policy Preferences and Group Policy Management. Mr. Melber is also a nationally known trainer and author, focusing on Windows Server 2003/2008, Windows XP/Vista, Active Directory, Group Policy, and Windows security. Mr. Melber has written numerous books; including The Group Policy Resource Kit and Auditing Windows Security by the IIA. In addition, he is a contributing editor to WindowsSecurity.com, RIAG Journal, and other publications.

Sincerely,
Sue Rusher
2009 - 2010 President

· CISA Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2010 (800 questions) (English, Italian, Japanese and Spanish editions)

· CISA Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2010 Supplement (100 questions) (English, French, Italian, Japanese and Spanish editions)

· CISA Practice Question Database v10 (900 questions-CD-ROM or download) (English and Spanish editions)

CISM Examination Reference Material

· CISM Review Manual 2010 (English, Japanese and Spanish editions)

· CISM Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2010 Supplement (100 questions) (English, Japanese and Spanish editions)

· CISM Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2009 (450 questions) (English, Japanese and Spanish editions)

· CISM Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2009 Supplement (100 questions) (English, Japanese and Spanish editions)

· CISM Practice Question Database v10 (650 questions-CD-ROM or download) (English edition)

Search the ISACA Bookstore online at www.isaca.org/newbooks for the complete descriptions of the newest titles and many other available publications.

Contact the Bookstore at bookstore@isaca.org or +1.847.660.5650

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1st Annual Holiday Networking Party

DATE: December 2, 2009

LOCATION: Nonnah's
930 Gervais Street, Columbia, SC
"In the Vista" www.nonnahs.com

TIME: 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm

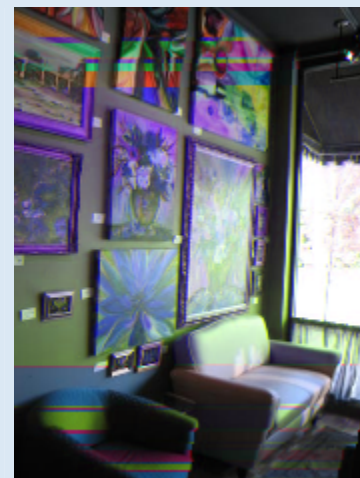
PRICE: Free to members, \$10 for guests and non-members

Pre-Registration required by November 30th
Register at <http://www.scisaca.org/>

Join us at The Gallery at Nonnah's
The Gallery features art from the following local artists:

·Bonnie Goldberg
·Ingrid Carson
·Edie Biddle
·Jan Fleetwood
·Betty Mandell
·Alicia Leeke
·Donna Rozier
·Christy Lekeup

The Gallery consists of its own bar surrounded by glass tables and seating, all with a view of the art. Expect delicious appetizers, great conversation and a choice of wine or beer at the cash bar. Street parking available or park at public lot nearby for \$3.50.



Desktop Configuration: Security and Standardization with the Latest in Group Policy

presented by Derek Melber, MSCE, MVP

Date: January 6th, 2010

Time: 9:00 am to 3:30pm

(Light Breakfast at 8:30am, Lunch at noon)

Location: BlueCross Blueshield of South Carolina, Tower Auditorium, I-20 @ Alpine Road, Columbia, SC

CPEs: 6 CPEs

What you will learn:

Microsoft paved the road to increased enterprise security, desktop standardization and compliance with Group Policy. This seminar will help drive you to these goals for your Active Directory and Group Policy enterprise.

Join Derek Melber, Group Policy MVP, Microsoft TechEd speaker, and author of the "Group Policy Resource Kit" by Microsoft Press, to learn how to leverage Group Policy to lockdown computers, reduce support costs and solve issues like:

- Eliminating Administrator Rights for all users and still allowing them to run all applications
- Adding additional Password Policies to Windows 2000/2003/2008 Active Directory domains
 - Reducing logon scripting with Microsoft's New Group Policy Preferences
- Allowing restricted users to self install approved applications and ActiveX controls
- Quickly inventorying all your software licenses and other IT Assets
- Achieving compliance with SOX, HIPAA, FDCC, ITIL, and GLB

In the seminar we will discuss how to leverage Group Policy to meet the standardization, security, and compliance needs in your organization. We will look at what is new in Windows Server 2008 Group Policy, how to best employ Group Policy Preferences, how these new features function on Windows XP/2003 clients, and will give you numerous tips and techniques to immediately implement into your Group Policy administration procedures.

The class is geared towards ALL IT security professionals, including auditors, administrators, security admins, CSO/CIO, etc.

Pricing:

Early Bird: September 30, 2009 - December 3, 2009

\$100 - SC Midlands ISACA Members

\$125 - Affiliate Members of IIA, SIAA, IMA, other ISACA chapters, etc.

\$140 - Non-Members

Regular Registration: December 4, 2009 - December 30, 2009

\$130 - SC Midlands ISACA Members

\$135 - Affiliate Members of IIA, SIAA, IMA, other ISACA chapters, etc.

\$160 - Non-Members

Late Registration: December 31, 2009 - January 5, 2010

\$140 - SC Midlands ISACA Members

\$145 - Affiliate Members of IIA, SIAA, IMA, other ISACA chapters, etc.

\$180 - Non-Members

Derek Melber, MSCE, MVP, is the President and CTO of BrainCore.Net, LLC, an independent technology consulting and education firm specializing in Microsoft-centric solutions. One of only eight MVPs in the world on Group Policy, Mr. Melber is often called upon to develop end-to-end solutions regarding Active Directory, Group Policy and security. His expertise includes extensive knowledge of Group Policy Preferences and Group Policy Management.

Mr. Melber is also a nationally known trainer and author, focusing on Windows Server 2003/2008, Windows XP/Vista, Active Directory, Group Policy, and Windows security. Mr. Melber has written numerous books; including The Group Policy Resource Kit and Auditing Windows Security by the IIA.

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SC Midlands Chapter of ISACA Scholarship Competition Award

ISACA is a pace-setting organization for IT professionals focusing on information governance, security and audit. IT has become essential in managing the transactions, information and knowledge necessary to initiate and sustain business. Today's organizations rely upon individuals who know how to secure systems and evaluate and report on the adequacy of system controls, security practices, efficiency and effectiveness to assure that data integrity is protected and that systems comply with applicable policies, standards, laws and regulations. ISACA's 75,000+ members address these needs as IS auditors, consultants, educators, IS Security professionals, regulators, and chief information officers.

The SC Midlands Chapter of ISACA invites essay entries for the ISACA Scholarship Competition Award. To learn more about our organization and activities, please visit our web site at <http://www.scisaca.org/>

Competition Overview:

Candidates should submit an application defining their qualifications for the scholarship and a copy of their transcript (photo copy okay) and a paper described below. The minimum qualifications for the scholarship are a Minor or Major in Information Systems Auditing, accounting, finance, management information systems, computer information systems, information systems auditing or criminal justice, and a GPA of 3.0 or greater (undergraduate) or 3.5 or greater (graduate).

Preference will be given to those currently pursuing a career in Information Systems Auditing, IT Governance, Information Security or who have published in those fields. Grade point average, number of articles published and level of professional involvement will also influence the selection.

Entries for the scholarship will be accepted from November 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. Recipient(s) will be selected following the entry deadline and the scholarship(s) will be presented at a spring seminar meeting in Columbia, SC.

Candidates are to write an essay on an IT and control-related topic - possibilities defined on second page. Submissions will be judged by IT and Audit professionals who are Board Members of the SC Midlands Chapter of ISACA. Essays will be evaluated based on imagination and originality, ideas, relevance, clarity of thought, demonstrated understanding of the subject matter, organization, spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Awards:

Scholarships will be awarded to the top two submissions as decided by the SC Midlands Chapter of ISACA Chapter Board Members. All decisions are final. This scholarship is a one time award. Each recipient will receive \$500. Send entries, questions or comments to:

Best Paper Contest

Two awards of \$500 each are being offered to promote knowledge in Information Systems Auditing. In addition, the winners will have the opportunity of being published in the Information Systems Control Journal® and in the ISACA® SC Chapter website. Papers should be typewritten, a minimum of 2,500 words and follow the Chicago Manual of Style or APA Style using endnotes, rather than footnotes, to credit sources.

Minimum criteria for the paper are:

- Original material on a current topic related to Information Systems Auditing
- Well researched with the majority (>50%) of the references less than 2 years old
- Paper must be well organized and free from grammar and spelling errors
- Preference will be given to papers that are presented in a format that is easy to read and understand.

Possible topics include:

- Managing Spyware
- Identity Theft
- Patch Management
- Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPS)
- Event Log Correlation
- Computer Forensics Tools
- Securing Wireless
- Spam Filtering
- Voice Over IP (VoIP) - Security Controls/Risks
- Honey pots

Papers will be accepted from November 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. Winners will be announced during a spring seminar meeting of the South Carolina Midlands Chapter of ISACA®.

All award recipients are subject to approval by the Board of Directors of the SC Midlands Chapter. Awards will not be given if candidates do not meet minimum qualifying criteria. Send papers with transcripts, questions or comments to:

president@scisaca.org

ISACA® SC Midlands Chapter 2009 Best Paper Contest Application

Please accept my application for one award totaling \$500 being offered to promote knowledge in Information Systems Auditing for the 2009 - 2010 academic year, sponsored by the ISACA® - SC Midlands Chapter. Papers will be accepted from November 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

I am a full-time undergraduate or graduate student taking at least 12 semester hours, or equivalent, per term at an accredited four-year college or university in South Carolina with a declared major in accounting, finance, management information systems, computer information systems, information systems auditing or criminal justice. (Junior college, community college, and high school students - including graduating seniors - are not eligible to apply.)

Name (please print) _____

Date _____

Permanent address

City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____

College or university _____

How many years here? _____

Major _____

Anticipated graduation date _____

Academic advisor _____

I have certified to the best of my ability the following:

- Original material on a current topic related to Information Systems Auditing
- Well researched with the majority (>50%) of the references less than 2 years old
- A paper well organized and free from grammar and spelling errors
- I release my name and paper to be published in the Information Systems Control Journal® and in the ISACA® SC Chapter website and newsletter.
- Paper is typewritten, a minimum of 2,500 words and follow the Chicago Manual of Style or APA Style using endnotes, rather than footnotes, to credit sources.

I hereby certify that all of the information on this application and on my enclosures is true and correct.

Signature _____

Required components: Application, paper and transcripts

Applications must be postmarked by December 31, 2009. I also understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that the ISACA® SC Chapter receives all required components of my application package by the deadline. Recipients will be selected in the spring of 2010. Winners will be announced at a spring 2010 seminar meeting of the SC Midlands Chapter of ISACA®. All award recipients are subject to approval by the Board of Directors of the SC Midlands Chapter. Awards will not be given if candidates do not meet minimum qualifying criteria.

Applications and additional questions should be addressed to:

ISACA® SC Chapter Academic Relations Committee
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