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A Message from the Chapter President

Hello ISACA KC Chapter Members!

I hope everyone is enjoying the relatively mild winter we are experiencing this year. It won't be long before spring is here.

I want to let you know of a few changes recently to the chapter board. Earlier this month Wendy Dobratz resigned from her position as Vice President. I want to thank Wendy for her many contributions to the chapter board over the last four years. As a result, the board voted to appoint Dan Sterba as Interim Vice President of the chapter. Dan has been actively involved over the last year working on the Programs Committee.

I am also pleased to announce that two new members have joined the chapter board. Mark Ford is the Membership Director, and Chet Smidt will fill the newly created role of Research Director. Mark will be responsible for developing a strategy and approach for recruiting new members to the chapter. Chet will be the chapter's primary contact with ISACA's research department and become the subject matter expert in ISACA's knowledge deliverables.

Our next chapter meeting will be held on March 8th at Figlio Tower on the Country Club Plaza. The guest speaker is Robert Stroud, and he will be presenting the topic "From Control Objectives to COBIT 5." We are also going to host a two day training seminar on April 19th and 20th at the Sprint Campus. The topic of the seminar will be "Auditing and Securing Cloud Based Services."

As a reminder, if you haven't already done so, please take a few minutes and renew your membership to continue to enjoy its many benefits. You can easily and securely renew online by logging in to your account at www.isaca.org.

I look forward to seeing you at a chapter event in the near future. If you have any suggestions or feedback on how we can improve the chapter please don't hesitate to contact me or one of the other board members.

Best Regards,

BJ Smith
President, Greater Kansas City Chapter of ISACA

March Meeting Details

From Control Objectives to COBIT 5

Date: March 8, 2012
Time: 11:30 AM - 12:00 Registration | 12:00 - 1:00 Lunch | 1:00 - 3:00 Program
Location: Figlio's Tower | 209 West 46th Terrace | Kansas City MO 64112
CPE's: 2 Credits—Please note actual CPE hours granted are dependent upon duration of speaker's presentation and may differ from advertised number of CPE hours.
Price: $35 members | $50 guests | $5 students

Presentation Overview:
The Control Objectives for Information and Related Technology (COBIT) is a set of best practices (framework) for information technology (IT) management, created by the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (now known as simply "ISACA") and the IT Governance Institute (ITGI) in 1996. COBIT has formed the basis for Governance, Management, Assurance and the control objectives and a fundament cornerstone for many of us.
ISACA is currently creating the COBIT 5 framework combining COBIT, Val IT and Risk IT for a detailed framework for the effective governance and management of IT enabled business. While COBIT ensures that IT is working as effectively as possible to maximize the benefits of technology investment, Val IT helps enterprises make better decisions about where to invest, ensuring that the investment is consistent with the business strategy. And while COBIT provides a set of controls to mitigate IT risk in IT processes, Risk IT provides a framework for enterprises to identify, govern and manage IT-related risks.

This session will update you on the development to date, anticipated outcomes and set timeline expectations and will feature an excellent overview on changes from the current publications

Speaker Overview—Robert Stroud:
Robert Stroud serves as a vice president and the Service Management, Cloud Computing and Governance Evangelist at CA Technologies. Stroud also serves as an International VP of ISACA, was the former chair of the COBIT Steering Committee and is part of the Framework committee. He served on the itSMF International Board as Treasurer and Director Audit, Standards and Compliance, the itSMF ISO liaisons to multiple working groups. He is an author, blogger and highly regarded public speaker. Stroud is dedicated to the development of industry trends, strategy and communication of industry best practices. He acts as a strong advocate for the customer – working closely with users, industry organizations, government agencies, and IT luminaries to develop and communicate IT best practices. He is a mentor to many organizations, advising them on their implementations to ensure they drive maximum business value throughout the process. Stroud also helps ensure that CA's solutions adhere to industry best practices.

An industry veteran, Stroud has significant practical industry experience and is a recognized industry thought leader. A global authority on governance with contributions to industry knowledge in multiple publications including COBIT 4.0, 4.1 and COBIT 5, and Guidance for Basel II. Stroud is considered a global authority in service management, and has provided strong leadership with the ITIL Update Project Board, ITIL v3 Advisory Group, ITIL v3 mentor and reviewer and the itSMF movement in the US and Internationally and has contributed to several titles on ITSM.

ISACA KC Spring Seminar—Auditing and Securing Cloud-Based Services

Date: April 19 and April 20
Time: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Location: Sprint Nextel Headquarters – Overland Park, KS
CPE: 15 Credits
Price: *Early bird ISACA member*: $400 – Deadline is March 20
Regular ISACA member: $450 – Deadline is April 13
Registration: http://www.isaca-kc.org/

In this two-day seminar you will explore the current state of cloud computing and its common architecture, and examine the major SaaS, PaaS, and IaaS providers in the market today. You will cover the security and control deficiencies that exist in cloud-based services and look at Security as a Service as a way to protect against them. You will review a risk-based approach to audit and controls for cloud based-services and investigate such areas as cloud-based network models, cloud brokers, and disaster recovery and governance in a cloud-services environment. Throughout the seminar, class exercises will reinforce what you learn and help you identify the risks, controls, and gaps in cloud services.

Congratulations!!

to all who successfully passed the December CISA, CISM, and CGEIT exams

CISA		CISM
Ms. Renee A. Riniker,	Mr. Vincent Finney	Ms. Sara M. Matheys, CISA
Ms. Tanya Cvetan, CISM	Mr. Kurtis Keling	Mr. Gary A. Johnson
Mr. Tanguy Yves Fournis	Mr. Xin Yi	

Welcome to the Kansas City Chapter of ISACA!!

Mr. Asrar Ahmed Khan
Mr. Richard Joseph Price
Ms. Nicole Johnson
Ms. Jill Minton
Mr. Gary Glynn, CISM

Mr. Paul C. Klahn
Mr. Jeremy Hart
Mr. Brian Howell, CISA
George Anthony Jackson
Joseph Searle, CISA

ACL User Group—Unlocking the Power of ACL

Date: March 22nd, 2012
Time: Check-in 11:00 a.m.; Lunch 11:30 a.m.; Program 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Location: DoubleTree by Hilton Kansas City - Overland Park, 10100 College Blvd.
Registration: Email Brian Dickason, brian.dickason@hrblock.com (by March 16th)
CPE: Two hours of CPE will be granted for this FREE program.

ACL offers a number of commands and functions to take your data analytics to the next level. Understanding and applying these commands and functions can sometimes be a daunting task. This session will focus on 10 key commands and 10 key functions to help you increase effectiveness and efficiency in your audits. After discussing the ins and outs of these items, attendees will learn four audit tests they can perform the first day back in the office to help take their audits to the next level.