



Chapter (mini)Newsletter

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We're changing our distribution schedule!

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Hello all

You will notice that this month's newsletter is an abbreviated version. The board has decided to change the distribution schedule of the newsletter. Instead of releasing the monthly correspondence at the beginning of each month, all future newsletters will be distributed in the middle of the month. You will have the pleasure of two newsletters this month! This change will allow us to better distribute key ISACA information with our membership.

Additionally, we would like to begin including an attendee review of section from our breakfast sessions. We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in submitting a short (2 paragraph) review of the past breakfast session for the newsletter. In exchange for your contribution, you get one CPE as well as free admission to the next month's breakfast session. The reviewer for each session will be selected ahead of time to prevent multiple submissions. If you are interested in reviewing the next breakfast session on May 8th, please let us know at newsletter@isaca-edmonton.ca

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Volunteers Needed!

The Edmonton ISACA Chapter Executive is still looking for a few people to step in and help with next year's program. This is a great opportunity to network with others and help arrange local training that interests **you!**

Thank you to those individuals who have stepped forward and offered to help with next year's executive.

However, we still need more volunteers in two main areas:

1. Program Committee Members
- the VP-Programs cannot put together a program without help. We would like 2 or 3 others to help with items such as: sending out the monthly breakfast invitations, contacting the Royal Glenora, helping to organize a course.
2. Webmaster Committee Members
Do you have web skills? Would you be able to help maintain our local chapter website? Some of the tasks include posting breakfast invitations, employment opportunities, meeting minutes, International banners, etc. Maybe your skills could help us improve the website.

If you have some time you can commit to one of these roles, but can't take on a full role, then please let us know. Thanks in advance for your help!

To submit your name as a volunteer or for more information, please contact one of the following Nomination Committee members:

- Suzanne Robinson – membership@isaca-edmonton.ca
- Roxanne Kits – Roxanne.Kits@cgi.health.gov.ab.ca
- Kien Goh – treasurer@isaca-edmonton.ca

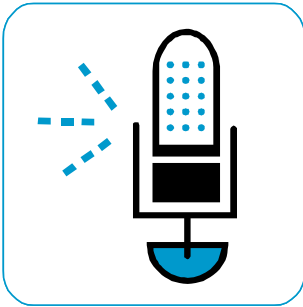
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Members*

*-Webmaster
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May's breakfast presentation



The New Role of Data Analytics

- Speaker:** Thomas Steeves,
Director, Data Analytics & Compliance Automation,
Control Solutions International
- Date:** Thursday, May 8, 2008
- Place:** Royal Glenora Club, 11160 River Valley Road,
Edmonton
- Time:** Breakfast available from 8:00 am; Presentation from
8:30 am – 10:00 am
- Cost:** \$15 Members; \$20 non-members

Speaker Profile

Thomas Steeves is the Director of Data Analytics and Compliance Automation at Control Solutions International's Vancouver Office. Thomas has 12 years of applied experience in data analysis, database management and technical programming. He is also a subject matter expert in the application of data analytics within transactional processing applications and has specialist-level knowledge of common client applications and ERP systems.

Clients benefit from his knowledge of compliance and assurance-related issues in support of Sarbanes-Oxley compliance initiatives and the development of automated controls testing. Thomas is a Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA), an ACL Certified Data Analyst (ACDA), and an ACL Certified CCM Implementation Specialist (ACCIS).

Presentation Overview

In what promises to be a highly engaging and informative session, Thomas will speak to the use of data analytics automation to help reduce the mounting costs that organizations are facing with respect to compliance efforts. Thomas will introduce data analytics methods to identify errors, fraudulent activity, and process inefficiencies using transactional data.

Specifically, Thomas will speak to:

- client compliance challenges
- computer assisted audit tools and techniques
- data analytics maturity level
- the power of data analytics automation
- a look at embedded and independent solutions
- product tool comparisons
- areas for the application of data analytics
- "How To Guide" for data analytics automation
- success stories

R.S.V.P.

We look forward to seeing you at our breakfast session. Please feel free to pass this invitation along to co-workers, associates, and any other interested parties. Please register no later than Friday, May 2nd on-line at www.isaca-edmonton.ca.

Please note that ISACA Edmonton reserves the right to bill for late cancellations. Should you need to cancel, please send notice to programs@isaca-edmonton.ca at least 72 hours prior to the event.

Breakfast series schedule

The following speakers have been schedule for upcoming monthly breakfast series sessions. For details, please refer to <http://www.isaca-edmonton.ca/calendar.asp#breakfast>

- Thomas Steeves:** The new role of data analytics May 8
- Tony Franceschini:** Topic to be determined June 12

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Upcoming Events

For details on current chapter events, please visit our website at: www.isaca-edmonton.ca/calendar.asp#Local

- The ISACA-Edmonton Annual General Meeting** June 12
will be held at the Royal Glenora Club,
prior to the speaker presentation.

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If you have any events that you feel would be valuable for the chapter membership and would like to have included in the newsletter, please forward them on to the newsletter director.

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Call for content

We are planning two new additions to the newsletter in the coming months and we need your help!

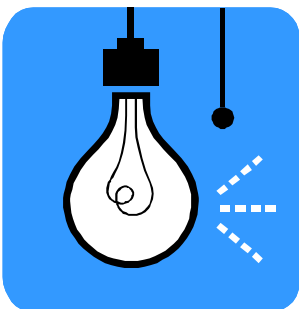
All submissions to the newsletter are eligible for CPE credits according to the ISACA policy

First, the board would like to expand the current events section to include activities submitted by the membership. These can include local, national or international events that you feel would be interesting and valuable for the membership group. All submissions must be IS audit and control focused activities that are open to public. Please forward your submissions to newsletter@isaca-edmonton.ca.

Secondly, as a part of our evolving newsletter, the ISACA Edmonton board would like to provide our membership with the opportunity to publish your articles in the newsletter and help advance IS audit and control in our area. If you have original content related to IS audit and control and would like to submit it for publication in the newsletter, please submit it to newsletter@isaca-edmonton.ca. All submissions to the newsletter are eligible for CPE credits according to the ISACA policy as stated below:

"Publication of articles, monographs and books (no limit):

These activities include the publication and/or review of material directly related to the information systems audit and control profession. Submissions must appear in a formal publication or website and a copy of the article or the website address must be available, if requested. For books and monographs, the table of contents and title page must be available. Continuing professional education hours are earned for the actual number of hours taken to complete or review the material."



NOTE: Submissions are subject to review by the ISACA Edmonton board. The board reserves the right to refuse publication of any content that is not deemed appropriate or relevant to our membership community.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact newsletter@isaca-edmonton.ca . We look forward to hearing from you!

Talk Back!

We hope that you find the information presented in this newsletter valuable and are always looking for ways to make it better. Do you have ideas on how to improve the newsletter? If so, we'd love to hear from you! Please forward your suggestions to newsletter@isaca-edmonton.ca . We look forward to hearing from you!

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