



Chapter Newsletter

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President's message

Congratulations Edmonton Chapter!

The ISACA Edmonton Chapter is the recipient of the K. Wayne Snipes Chapter Recognition Award for the best medium size chapter (101-300 members) for 2008. K. Wayne Snipes Jr., CISA, was an active member of ISACA who served at both the local and international levels, in various positions, including regional vice president at the international level. During his time in office, Snipes achieved the largest chapter growth, in the number of newly formed chapters and membership growth, of all regional vice presidents. In total, he dedicated 14 years to the North Texas Chapter and served eight years as an International Trustee on the Board of Directors.

Award recipients are determined based on the following criteria:

- Chapter membership growth
- Member service projects
- Chapter-sponsored educational events
- Attendance at chapter meetings
- Involvement on association committees, or with association activities
- Involvement with other professional organizations
- Compliance with ISACA International Headquarters

It is a great honour to receive this award and was only possible because of the support and dedication of the members of this Chapter and the volunteers that help to bring you quality speakers and training opportunity. Thank you for your support.

February 11th was the early bird deadline for the CISA, CISM and CGEIT exam registration. Exam date for all certifications is June 13, 2009. The final deadline for registration is April 8th.

Thank you for your continued support. As always, please feel free to contact me directly regarding any Chapter-related suggestions or concerns you may have.

Cornell Dover
Chapter President, 2008-09
780.909.6939

The membership corner

Your annual membership fees are now due! Please submit your payment so as soon as possible. All unpaid accounts will be purged off the membership list in April. If you have renewed your membership, we thank you for your continued support.

The Edmonton ISACA Chapter Board is looking for volunteers to sit on the Nominating Committee for the 2009-2010 year. This Committee consists of three members: one member of the current Board, the VP Membership, and one member at large. As per our Bylaws, "the Nominating Committee shall nominate candidates for offices to be filled at the annual general meeting." If you would like to assist me with this task or if you would like to consider participating on next year's Board, please send me an email (membership@isaca-edmonton.ca) and let me know.

Have you got your name in the draw yet? With your help, ISACA will continue to expand its unsurpassed network of peers through the 2009 ISACA Member-Get-A-Member (MGAM) campaign. Please use the MGAM web site (www.isaca.org/mgam) to initiate e-mail invitations to member prospects. This will ensure that you receive full credit for recruiting each new member, and have a chance to win valuable prizes. The MGAM program will be available through 15 April 2009. Prizes for the campaign are:

- **GRAND PRIZE (US\$ 1,000)**—For the member who recruits the most full-dues* paying new members;
- **SECOND PRIZE (US\$ 500)**—For the member who recruits the second highest number of full-dues* paying new members,
- **RANDOM DRAWING (US\$ 500)** — One randomly selected winner will be chosen. Each member will receive one entry in the drawing for each full-dues* paying new member recruited.

* Full-dues paying members are those who pay US\$ 130 + local chapter dues (if applicable) + the new member fee.

Please contact me if you have any membership questions.

Suzanne Robinson
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With your help, ISACA will continue to expand its unsurpassed network of peers....

.... The more members you recruit, the more chances you have to win!



The certification corner

Congratulations!

Congratulations to those 7 - CISA and 4 - CISM writers who successfully passed their exams!

We had a 100% pass rate for the CISM and an 87.5 % pass rate for the CISA exams! This is fantastic news and is more representative of Edmonton's normal pass rate. For the CISM exam Edmonton often has a 100% or close to it pass rate! And, we had a 100% pass rate from the group that attended the weekend CISA review session! **Congratulations again to everyone!**



Congratulations to Christine Hallum and Tim McCreight who respectively had the first and second highest CISA scores. I didn't get permission from the top two CISM writers to publicly congratulate them. I hope to have this for next month. ☺

Remember - registrations are open for the June 2009 ISACA exams - CISA, CISM, and CGEIT. For the upcoming June exams we already have the following numbers registered:

- 11 CISA writers.
- 3 CISM writers

Good luck to all of these writers on their exam in June!

Register for one of the exams online at

www.isaca.org/certification for a \$50.00 discount.

Registration for the June 2009 exams closes April 08, 2009.

New Certification - CGEIT

For those of you who don't know - ISACA has a new certification - Certified in the Governance of Enterprise IT (CGEIT)! Governance is becoming the "most important thing" in IT audit. The CGEIT certification is tailored for this new view of overall importance and need for IT Governance and shows that a person not only knows GRC but is also experienced in GRC. You can read more on the CGEIT certification on the ISACA.org web site. (*pronounced "See-Gite"*)

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The certification corner.....continued

Correction - CISA / CISM / CGEIT and Membership presentation January 08, 2009.

Thank you to all of those who came to hear **Suzanne Robinson** from Alberta Blue Cross and I speak. I mistakenly wrote that Roxanne gave the presentation when in fact it was Suzanne. I apologize for not giving Suzanne the credit she deserves for her hard work with Memberships and ad hoc support to the local ISACA chapter.

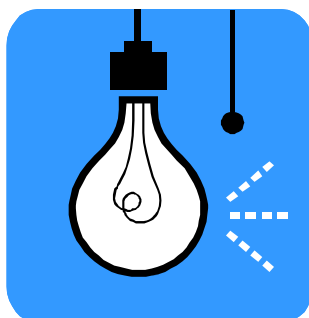
CISA review weekend

The last two CISA review weekends were a success. Thank you again to all of the people who attended and who volunteered their time. There is a tentative CISA review weekend scheduled for May 29, 30, and 31, 2009. The logistics and getting volunteers to put on this weekend is time consuming and a big commitment. Thus, we will not offer the CISA review weekend unless we have 5 committed and paid attendees by May 01, 2009. The review session will run Friday 5:00 - 9:00 pm Saturday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm with an hour for lunch off site and Sunday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm and then a mock exam from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Breakfasts and lunches will be provided and will depend on the number of people attending.

The cost of the weekend review session will be on a cost recovery basis. The cost will be approximately \$175 - \$195 per person. This includes meals, materials, exams, etc. At the very least this weekend will make you think about the CISA exam, study for a weekend, and meet and network with other like-minded people. If you are interested in the CISA study weekend please let me know at pdunnigan@oag.ab.ca. I will have the PayPal site set up soon I hope.

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*Final registration
deadline is April 8,- CISA,
CISM & CGEIT*



March's Breakfast Presentation

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, March 6 online 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.

IFRS and the Effect on IT Systems

Speaker: Nitin Khare CA, CISA, CIA, ITIL
r: Senior Manager - Western Region, Risk Advisory Services, BDO Dunwoody LLP

Date: Thursday, March 12, 2009

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

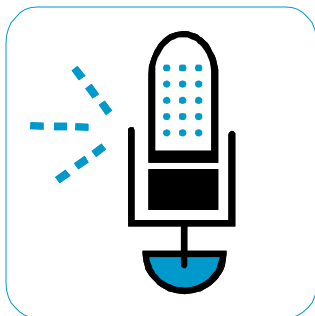
Nitin is a Senior Manager responsible for leading the Western Region Risk Advisory Services practice at BDO Dunwoody, and specializes in a variety of assurance and risk management related services including IFRS conversion, IT conversion, IT service management, IT risk and controls, CEO/CFO Certification advisory, ERM, process analysis and improvement, and more. Prior to joining BDO, Nitin spent several years in the Enterprise Risk Services Group of Deloitte where he managed a client portfolio of large, medium and small size companies, both public and private. He is on the IFRS Experts Committee for BDO Dunwoody.

Presentation Overview

Implementing IFRS in Canada is going to be a major undertaking for most companies, and many are trying to identify the level of effort that will be required by different areas of the business.

One of the significant areas of impact is the underlying IT systems that support the financial reporting process both at the transactional level and the reporting level.

This session will outline IFRS and the current environments, and will offer some potential effects and work required to align the IT environment with this initiative. Examples will demonstrate what major changes might be required in your IT systems and processes, along with IT and Internal Audit implications. This session is applicable to individuals that will be overseeing their organizations transition to IFRS, Internal Audit, IT Personnel that support systems related to financial reporting, and IT audit professionals.



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>

Nitin Khare CA, CISA, CIA, ITIL Mar 12

Speaker To Be Confirmed April 9

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Upcoming Events

North America CACS, May 3-7, 2009, Orlando, Florida

Early Bird Registration Deadline: February 25, 2009

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

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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.

Member Benefit of the Month

Audit Programs

1: Ten new audit programs have been released as complimentary Word documents for members. This represents a US \$45 savings per program for members.

2: Available at www.isaca.org/downloads