

THE PASSWORD

The Newsletter of ISACA - North Texas Chapter

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"The Password" Returns

With this issue of ISACA's North Texas News, we are re-establishing our newsletter called "The Password". Longtime ISACA members may recall receiving The Password in printed format several years ago, prior to the advent of the Internet.

Now, with electronic distribution being so readily available, and with a recent influx of new volunteers, The Password has sprung back to life.

~ ISACA Luncheon Meeting ~ June 12, 2008 - Cityplace

Pre Luncheon Session

10:15 AM - 11:20 AM -- Business Etiquette: A lasting Impression

Luncheon Session

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM -- Building and Maintaining Great Audit Committee Relationships

Post Luncheon Session

1:40 PM - 3:20 PM -- Audit Software SIG - Security Auditing With IDEA
(limited attendance)

----- **NOTE: Bring your laptop !** -----

For details and to register, go to [ISACA June 12th 2008 - Registration](#).

Much of the credit for resurrecting our newsletter goes to **Jeff Kromer** (Guaranty Bank) and **Stacey Hamaker** (Mary Kay Inc.) who have been diplomatically twisting arms for many months to make it happen. Everyone on the Board, whether elected, appointed, or just a volunteer, is anxious to see the newsletter be successful. This month's newsletter is a testimonial to the effort, with most articles created and edited in just the last few days. With a little practice, we feel certain that useful information will abound in the newsletters to come.

With each newsletter, we anticipate including a letter from our illustrious President, **Rick Link** (Affiliated Computer Services). Board members will be reporting on activities, plans and successes involving their committees. Others will be encouraged, even cajoled, into sharing the wealth of expertise they have gained over the years with their peers, by authoring additional content. Consider this as your invitation to join in and contribute.

This issue of The Password occurs in conjunction with our June ISACA Chapter meeting, the last of our 2007-2008 fiscal year. After a two-month summer hiatus, we will resume in August with information of interest to our ISACA Chapter and the Audit community.

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Welcome to the North Texas Chapter's first newsletter in over ten years - The Password!

Many thanks go to the Board members and you for helping get this communication tool up and running again.



The chapter's incoming newsletter committee includes the Newsletter Coordinator, **Doug Gorrie** (Independent Consultant) and his team; **Rob Turner** (Energy Future Holdings), **Angie Fares** (RadioShack), **Pamela Ross** (Aviall), and **Robert Cook** (Affiliated Computer Services). They have been working diligently behind the scenes to bring this first edition to you.

The summer months are fast approaching, and we are all thinking of our family vacations, college students returning home and also trying to cover for those who are out of the office. Rest assured - we are all thinking about the same things, so you are not alone.

The upcoming June meeting is our last for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. The recently elected 2008-2009 Chapter Board members will use this time to assess prior year results and to plan for the new chapter year. After this two-month summer hiatus, our first meeting for the 2008-2009 fiscal year is scheduled for September 11, 2008. The meeting location is still being finalized, but may be at either the Crowne Plaza in Addison or at CityPlace Conference Center in Dallas.

Looking forward into 2008 - 2009, **Cynthia McPhaul** (Energy Future Holdings), her Program Coordinators, **Laurie Flandrau** (AmeriCredit) and **Bill Jackson** (Raytheon), and her Program Committee members, **David Dominguez** (Grant Thornton) and **Jeremy Huval** (Grant Thornton), will be hard at work over the next few months planning the upcoming meetings, topics, speakers and venues.

The Chapter accomplishments for 2007 - 2008 were numerous:

- Total membership has grown to 1,357 members - the 9th largest in the world!
- Average meeting attendance for our nine meetings to date (excluding June 2008) has been 144.
- The Fall 2007 Seminar on VOIP Security and Audit and the Spring 2008 Seminar on Wireless Security, Audit and Governance were great successes, with about 50 attending each event.
- With the Fall 2007 and Spring 2008 CISA and CISM Study Groups, we now have over 25 years offering these examination study group venues.
- Over 55 continuing professional education hours have been offered to the chapter's members to help maintain their certifications.

Many thanks go out to each of the volunteers who participated throughout the year to help make our chapter a success! If you are looking for a way to help, please contact me directly.

I look forward to meeting you all during the upcoming events!

Sincerely,

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Member Surveys – Help Your ISACA Chapter To Help You

Each year, your ISACA Chapter canvases the membership to determine topics of interest and potential speakers for the coming year. We also give members an opportunity to express their interest in becoming an ISACA committee volunteer, and even participating as a speaker.

This year, the survey went out on April 25th. Information received from the surveys is invaluable as we prepare for the coming year's topics and presenters, so much so that, at our June 12th luncheon meeting, we will present a \$25 gift certificate to the first 50 survey respondents, as shown below:

Name	Company		Name	Company
Robert Cook	ACS		David Bowlin	
Richard Carroll	Controlled Recovery		Melody Ayeli	Deloitte & Touche LLP
Angela Bedard			Robin Rong	Transamerica Life LTC
William Monroe Levy			Kevin Wilson	Jefferson Wells
Sam Aruti			Silvester Smith	
Stacey Hamaker	Mary Kay, Inc.		Laurie Flandrau	AmeriCredit


Douglas J. Haider	Accuvant		Paul Smith	
Joseph A. Leubitz	Leubitz Consulting LLC		Katy Tran	
Judith R. Willett	Freeman		Michelle Klinger	Crimson Security
Amanda Munoz	Gamestop Inc.		Launa Saadeh	KBA Group LLP
Kelly Clark	Verizon Business Solutions		Greg Streder	Concentra Solutions, Inc.
Yvonne Perkins	Guaranty Bank		Kairat Amirkhanov	AT&T
Thomas Ferry	AT&T		Rosanna Villa Guerrero	
Timothy A. Greene	Flowserve		Apoorva Vijay	
Silvia Watmabe	Citi		Iddah M. Wangondu	Alliance Data
Karen Hopkins	Boy Scouts of America		Steven Bemis	The Garland Group
Rick Holland	Univ of Texas at Dallas		Chris Hambric	Citi
Terri Pitts	BNSF Railway		Anthony Johnson	Deloitte and Touche LLP.
Ken Schroeder	Univ of Texas at Arlington		Danny Reid	ACS
Joseph Juchniewicz	Accudata Systems Inc.		Al Johnson	HealthMarkets
Mike Kennemer	Celanese		Chad Thiemann	CVS Caremark
Nicole Turner	ViewPoint Bank		Armanda Moore	Unitrin
Tyler Sundrud	Countrywide Financial Corp.		Ami Coker Holt	Alliance Data
John South	Plexent		Michael "Andy" Kuykendall	Bank of America
Victoria Lewis			Adam Lam	Protiviti

We wish to express our Thanks to all those that have responded to date, and note that it's still not too late to pass along your ideas and other input. Just go to http://www.isacantx.org/index.cfm/member_survey and complete the survey, then keep a watchful eye out for next year's survey (May 2009) for a chance to win **your** gift certificate at that time.

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SMU Now Accepting Applications for Exciting New Certificate Programs in Information Engineering and Management (IEM)

Take advantage of SMU EMIS Department's exciting new selection of certificates in IEM for Fall 2008. Three noted graduate-level courses will earn you a distinguished certificate from the SMU Master of Science in Information Engineering and Management degree program (MSIEM). Subsequently, for students who wish to further their education even more, the certificate can form the foundation of a Masters degree. 

- Certificate in Information Technology Governance and Controls — provides an extensive background in IT governance and control topics. This curriculum is aligned with ISACA's IS Audit and Control model curriculum. This program provides material sufficient for those students wishing to pursue the ISACA Certified IS Auditor (CISA), ISACA Certified Information Security Manager® (CISM®), or IT Governance Institute's (ITGI) Certified Governance of Enterprise IT (CGEIT) credentials :
 - o EMIS 7360 Management of Information Technology*
 - o EMIS 7380 Managing Information Technology Controls
 - o EMIS 7382 Information Technology Security and Risk Management
- Certificate in Information Engineering Strategy — designed to provide the student training in strategies and decision-support methodologies:
 - o EMIS 7360 Management of Information Technology*
 - o EMIS 8356 Information Engineering and Global Perspectives*
 - o EMIS 7357 Decision-Support Systems*
- Certificate in Information Engineering Fundamentals — designed to provide the student a thorough understanding of the fundamentals of information engineering and management:
 - o EMIS 7351 Enterprise Fundamentals*

- o EMIS 7352 Information System Architecture*
- o EMIS 7353 Information System Design Strategies

*Required for the Master of Science in Information Engineering and Management degree

Certificate Admission Requirements

- A bachelors degree in an engineering or technical discipline (the technical requirement may be waived with sufficient relevant work experience), and
- An undergraduate grade-point average of 3.00 or higher on a 4.00 scale.

Students not meeting these requirements may be admitted on a conditional basis and will be required to take articulation (bridging) courses (for undergraduate credit).

Certificate Completion Requirements

- Individual certificates require completion of the specified courses with a minimum grade-point average of 3.00 on a scale of 4.0.
- Certificates are issued following completion of the certificate requirements and submission of the required administrative forms.

Master's Degree Option in Information Engineering Management

The student may apply for admission to the Masters degree at any point in the certificate course completion. Upon admission, graduate courses successfully completed for the certificate may be applied toward the MISEM degree as applicable.

Application Deadline for Fall 2008 – July 1, 2008

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CPE and Education Sources for Everyone

The North Texas Chapter of ISACA is building a library of links for continuing education and other useful information surrounding information system auditing, security, and privacy. In the inaugural issue of the North Texas Chapter Newsletter "Password", we offer three links. We invite our members to send links that are useful for continuing education, or related to job functions such as information system auditing, security, or privacy.

CPE Training from ISACA

These are webcasts presented by the international chapter that will provide CPE's. Please note you will need to login to watch the presentation.
http://www.isaca.org/Content/NavigationMenu/Members_and_Leaders1/Events3/Webcasts/ISACA_e-symposia_and_Webcasts.htm

The National Institute of Standards and Technology Computer Security Resource Center

This site gives information on security and links to government publications.
<http://csrc.nist.gov/>

Security Technical Implementation Guides (STIGS) and Supporting Documentation

This is a web site created maintained by the Defense Information System Agency (DISA). The site has useful baseline check lists for configuring systems. Additionally, is a fun site to look around.
<http://iase.disa.mil/stigs/index.html>

With your help, we can add to this initial list. Please e-mail your suggestions to us at communications@isacantx.org

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Corporate Education Partners Wanted for Low Cost Seminars

Our local North Texas Chapter of ISACA is looking for area organizations willing to partner with us on educational seminars during the coming 2008-2009 year

that begins this fall. We are borrowing an idea from the NYC chapter, forwarded to us by one of our own members!

Essentially, if the Corporate Partner can provide a location, parking and logistics, we can provide instructors, course materials, and registration services. This allows ISACA to provide additional educational opportunities to our members while the volunteer corporation is able to register a quantity of their own employees at little to no cost (pending course specifics).

Topics and duration (half day to multiple day) will be determined based on areas of interest. Suggested topics include courses such as: IT Audit Basics, Enterprise Risk Management, Auditing SAP, IT Project Management Essentials, IT Governance, and other topics ranked favorably on our member survey.

For further information, please contact **Clifford Gomes**, our incoming VP Education at education@isacantx.org.

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Questions? Comments? Corrections? Please advise us at Newsletter@isacantx.org



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