



The Institute of Internal Auditors

Ozarks

President's Message

Warm Summer Greetings,

I hope this message finds you all well and thriving in our ever-evolving industry. As we begin another chapter year, and my second as chapter president, I wanted to extend my thanks to you for being a part of this great chapter!

This last year has brought a lot of change within our profession as we continue to become familiar with and implement the IIA's new Global Standards. I do hope you will take advantage of the various resources that our chapter and the IIA as a whole are offering to help organizations adapt to the new Standards.

The year ahead brings even greater challenges to our profession. As we continue to navigate the risks posed by cybersecurity threats, regulatory changes, data privacy, resource constraints, the political landscape, and emerging technologies, I'm grateful for the network that our chapter provides that allows us to walk through these challenges together.

I also want to thank the volunteers who served our chapter during the last year and those who are joining (or rejoining) our volunteer ranks again for the coming year. These men and women care deeply about our chapter and are committed to its success.

As always, your involvement and support are what make our chapter vibrant and successful. Whether you're a seasoned member or new to our community, your contributions matter. Together, let's make it a great year!

Sincerely,

Linden Ballard,

Ozarks Chapter President

Ozarks Chapter Annual Report

- We currently have 123 Members
- 42 members hold certifications and total certificates are up 2 over the last year
- 10 members served on the board or a committee
- We held 4 training events that provided 8 hours of CPE
- We held a membership appreciation event last June at a Springfield Cardinals Game
- We provided panelists to promote the profession to Auditing Classes at Missouri State in the Fall and Spring
- We promoted neighboring chapter events offering an additional 8 CPE hours
- We donated \$250 to the IIA Research Foundation
- We sponsored an IIA membership for a local professor

It's not too late to register for our Membership Appreciation event at Hammons Field on Friday, August 9th! The chapter is providing a free ticket to watch the Springfield Cardinals take on the San Antonio Missions from the Redbird Roost (including an all-you-can-eat buffet) for members. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$31/ticket.

You can register for the event at:

<https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=802472&>



Welcome New Ozarks Chapter Members

- Avery Hudson— American AgCredit
- Clinton Shoemaker— Mercy
- Dylan McArthur—Great Southern Bank

Membership Anniversaries

5 Years

- Kris Sanderson,
Great Southern Bank

2024-2025 Leadership Slate

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Interested in volunteering on a committee or as a future officer?
Reach out to a member of the leadership team for more information!

IIA Global Standards Update

The public comment period for the CyberSecurity Topical Requirement closes on Tuesday, July 3rd. You can read the draft requirement and complete a survey by visiting: <https://www.theiia.org/en/standards/2024-standards/topical-requirements/public-comment-period-now-open/>

You can learn more about the Topical Requirements by visiting:
<https://www.theiia.org/en/standards/2024-standards/topical-requirements/>

Remember that the new standards become effective in a little over six months on January 9th, 2025!



Upcoming CPE Opportunities

Ozark's Chapter Offerings:

8/20/2024	Approaching AI from a Strategic Perspective Invite Coming Soon!	Virtual	1 hour CPE 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
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Offerings through theIIA.org:

7/9/2024	Designing Anti-Fraud Tests That (Actually) Work! Free Member Webinar	Virtual	1 hour CPE 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
7/31/2024	Internal Audit: Vision 2035 - Creating Our Future Together Free Member Webinar	Virtual	1 hour CPE 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
8/7/2024	ESG and the Role of Internal Audit Audit Issues in ESG Free Member Webinar	Virtual	1 hour CPE 11:00 AM – 12:00PM
8/22/2024	Exploring GenAI Use Cases in Internal Audit Free Member Webinar	Virtual	1 hour CPE 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Visit <https://www.theiia.org/en/learning/online/webinars/> to get the latest schedule of upcoming webinars and watch archived webinars.