

Lehigh Valley Chapter Newsletter



Vice President's Message

Dear Members,

Our chapter year is well over halfway through and we still have training and social opportunities for our members.

I would like to thank those that participated in the Practical Ethics virtual webinar on Ethics. This was the first time partnering with affiliated Chapters to expand training for our members.

The annual Student Night scheduled on April 22 at DeSales University with a keynote speaker, Dr. Ashley Stampone, CPA. This event is not only a training event, it is an evening for students to be recognized and it also gives them an opportunity to network with our chapter members.

We are co-hosting an all-day seminar on May 7th with the Lehigh Valley ACFE Chapter at DeSales University. The topics include fraud prevention, information security and financial crime prevention. You will be able to earn up to 8 CPE's.

The final event of the year is the annual social event held at the Iron Pigs, Allentown PA on May 21. Come out and enjoy a great evening of baseball and social time with our chapter leaders and members.

Check out the website for upcoming events for the remaining 2024/2025 Chapter Program.

As always, please share your ideas with any officer, board, or committee member.

Thank you for being a member!

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Vice President

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CERTIFICATIONS

CIA

We are excited to share that The IIA has collaborated with Becker Professional Education to offer a new CIA examination preparation experience. The Becker - IIA CIA® Exam Review will be available on 27 March 2025. Candidates with active subscriptions to the CIA Learning System will be granted access to the new product free of charge. For more information on Becker-The IIA CIA Exam Review please visit

[CIA Exam Review Course | Becker | Becker](#)

[Certified Internal Auditor | Global Certification in Internal Audit | The IIA](#)

CRMA

[Certification in Risk Management Assurance | Global Certification in Internal Audit | The IIA](#)

IAP

[Internal Audit Practitioner | Global Certification in Internal Audit | The IIA](#)

2024/2025 CHAPTER EVENTS

Date	Topic	Location and Registration
April 22	Student night, with keynote speaker: Dr Ashley Stampone, CPA, Assistant Professor, Accounting, Scranton University	Desales University, Center Valley, PA (registration coming soon!)
May 7	Fraud Prevention, Information Security, and Financial Crime Prevention	Desales University, Center Valley, PA Lehigh Valley ACFE - Meeting/Event Information
May 21	Social event	Iron Pigs, Allentown, PA (registration coming soon!)

REGISTRATION INFORMATION IS SENT TO YOU VIA EMAIL FROM THE CHAPTER144@IIACHAPTERS.ORG

CHECK OUT THE CHAPTER WEBSITE FOR UPDATED INFORMATION ON EVENTS:

[LEHIGH VALLEY \(THEIIA.ORG\)](http://LEHIGH VALLEY (THEIIA.ORG))

Welcome New Lehigh Valley Chapter Members!

- Melody Moore
- Amelia Ballard
- Carlos Aguilo
- Jamie Noon

CIA Certification News

Congratulations to our chapter member for achieving the CIA Certification!

Giuseppe Aiello - Guardian Life Insurance Company

2024/2025 Chapter Slate

Position	
President	OPEN
Vice President	Nanton John
Treasurer	Sarah Rossetti
Secretary	Anthony Sabino
Certifications Officer	Nanton John
Membership Officer	Beth Davis
Programming Officer	Sherry Tomaine
Audit Committee Member	Joseph Buick
Audit Committee Member	OPEN
Nominating Committee Chair	OPEN
Nominating Committee Member	Hilari Rinehart
Nominating Committee Member	Adria Nemeroff
Academic Relations Chair	Tara Zrinski
CAP Chair	Star Gonzalez
Newsletter	Jodi Hartzell
EMT Manager	Sarah Rossetti

Board of Governor	Nominee
2025	Debra Bealer
2025	Nanton John
2026	Shawn Dugan
2026	Jason Slabikosky
2026	Beth Davis
2027	Phil Ballard
2027	Star Gonzalez
2027	Tara Zrinski
2027	Rob Cirillo
2027	Allan Vavra
2027	Hilari Rinehart

CHAPTER NEWS (CONT'D)

PLEASE NOTE – The IIA has recently instituted a policy whereby new members must select the chapter with which they want to be affiliated when they originally enroll and register. In some instances, members have selected an incorrect chapter. As a result, we have found that some members who intend to be affiliated with the Lehigh Chapter are not and therefore are not receiving important communications about events and other offers from the chapter. If you are a group membership leader, please have your members check their profiles at www.theiia.org . Do not assume that because your staff is included in your group membership, they are affiliated with the Lehigh Valley Chapter. Also, if you are not in a group membership and are aware of any member who should be receiving communications from our chapter and is not, please encourage them to check their profile.

Regional and Surrounding Chapter Websites

Chapter	Website
Central Jersey	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/new-jersey/central-jersey/
Central Penn	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/pennsylvania/central-pennsylvania
Lehigh Valley	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/pennsylvania/lehigh-valley/
Philadelphia	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/pennsylvania/philadelphia/
New York	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/new-york/new-york/
Northeastern PA	https://www.theiia.org/en/chapters/united-states/pennsylvania/northeastern-pennsylvania/

Upcoming Non-Chapter News and Events

- The Global Internal Audit Standards** Auditors have had a year to prepare, and many [resources](#) are available to help them prepare to conform. Check out the new standards here <https://www.theiia.org/en/standards/2024-standards/global-internal-audit-standards/>
- Topical Requirement on Cybersecurity** The topical requirements have been released in multiple languages. They are a new, mandatory component of the International Professional Practices Framework <https://www.theiia.org/en/standards/2024-standards/topical-requirements/#download>
- Auditing Identity and Access Management, 2nd Edition** Released in late December, the updated Global Technology Audit Guide® (GTAG®) covers the controls that safeguard the confidentiality and integrity of systems and data by restricting user access. This guidance, now aligned with the Global Internal Audit Standards™, replaces the original edition published in 2021 and is free to members. <https://www.theiia.org/en/content/guidance/recommended/supplemental/gtags/gtag-auditing-identity-and-access-management/>

Upcoming Non-Chapter News and Events (cont'd)

- **2025 New Membership Pricing** New membership pricing takes effect on January 1, 2025. Visit the [Group Admin homepage](#) for details on the updated rates by group membership tier.
- **2025 Learning Catalog Launched** the IIA's Learning Catalog, Your Path for Professional Excellence, is a turnkey planning tool for individual and team development. Strengthen core competencies or upskill as needed to stay up to date with latest trends, Standards, and Vision 2035. [IIA Learning Catalog \(theiia.org\)](#)
- **Upcoming Auditing AI Course** Discover a revolutionary approach to AI training with Auditing AI: A Hands-On Course for Internal Auditors! This immersive, hands-on experience offers your team the chance to master AI and generative AI concepts in a secure, controlled lab environment. Plus, earn valuable Microsoft certifications. [Auditing Artificial Intelligence \(AI\): A Hands-On Course for Internal Auditors \(theiia.org\)](#)
- **Risk in Focus** Risk in Focus provides practical, data-driven insights to help internal auditors, and their stakeholders understand today's risk environment and prepare audit plans for the year ahead. <https://www.theiia.org/en/internal-audit-foundation/latest-research-and-products/risk-in-focus/>
- **Get your copy of the 2024 North American Pulse of Internal Audit!** The go-to benchmarking, metrics, and trends report for the profession is now available for download. Encourage your chapter members to get their copy of the 2024 North American Pulse of Internal Audit and share the digital-friendly format with their peers, audit committees, and executive management. <https://www.theiia.org/en/resources/research-and-reports/pulse/>
- **Upcoming Conferences** the IIA offers a wide variety of dynamic events focused on emerging issues in internal auditing. IIA conferences are designed to allow for networking with peers, gaining a greater understanding of leading practices, and taking your career to the next level. <https://www.theiia.org/en/learning/conferences/>
- **Stay Ahead of the Quantum Computing Curve** In this episode of All Things Internal Audit, Frontier Foundry co-founder and COO, Nick Reese, delves into the groundbreaking world of quantum computing and its game-changing potential. Discover how this cutting-edge technology could revolutionize the profession. <https://www.theiia.org/en/content/podcast/all-things-internal-audit/2024/ep-0045/>
- **Fraud Analytics for Internal Auditors Certificate** As fraud risks like synthetic identities and deep fakes continue to grow, this certificate program will equip internal auditors with essential skills to identify, detect, and deter fraud using data analytics. Build technical expertise to meet today's challenges and prepare to earn your certificate through The IIA's LMS platform. <https://www.theiia.org/en/products/learning-solutions/course/fraud-analytics-for-internal-auditors-certificate>