



The Institute of  
**Internal Auditors**

Brazos Valley

# Chapter Newsletter

November 2022

## President's Message



Howdy Chapter Members!

The holidays are upon us and colder air has \*finally\* reached the Brazos Valley. As we focus our hearts on gratitude this month, I am thankful for this chapter and the amazingly generous volunteers that make it possible. From Mandy Schaefer, our first Chapter President, to Rut Rodriguez, the student volunteer who redesigned our LinkedIn page, we appreciate every volunteer and their professional dedication!

Congratulations to the TAMU Internal Audit Program on their successful celebration event as the 12th IIA Center of Excellence! On behalf of the chapter, we look forward to continuing to partner in your efforts to train up the next generation of internal auditors.

As always, our chapter is here to serve our members. Please email [iibrazosvalleychapter@gmail.com](mailto:iibrazosvalleychapter@gmail.com) with any questions or needs you have.



Gratefully,

Jessica Bolding  
Chapter President

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# Chapter News

## Chapter Events

### December Webinar and Chapter Meeting Thursday, December 8, 2022

Mark your calendars for an online CPE webinar featuring speaker Brandon Tanous, CIA, CGAP, CRMA, CFE. Brandon is a Partner at Weaver in Risk Advisory Services and is our IIA District Representative. The topic of the webinar will be Fraud Risk Assessment. Don't miss this opportunity to obtain 1 hour of CPE credit on an interesting topic at a low cost. Cost will be \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Student members are free. A short chapter meeting will be held following the CPE presentation. Check your email for the registration info!



### Mark Your Calendars

#### Spring CPE Event – February 22, 2023

More Information to be Announced Soon!  
Mays Business School – Wehner Building  
(Cocanaugher Center – 1st floor, room 183),  
210 Olsen Blvd, College Station

## Membership News

We extend a warm welcome to the following new professional members:

Whitney Glenz	Johnia Henderson
Dustin Hurst	Jayne Johnson
Ashley Karnei	Natalie Scally
Cynthia Scheick	

### Our chapter is growing!

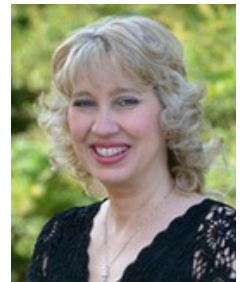
Our professional membership has grown by **10%** since August and our student membership has grown by **25%** since March!



## Volunteer Spotlight

Tammy Hoskens has volunteered in multiple roles for the chapter the last several years. She served for six years as the chapter's Treasurer. This year she has stepped into the role of Membership and Certifications Officer. Thank you, Tammy, for your commitment to the chapter and for taking on new challenges!

# Thank You



## Call for Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers:

- **LinkedIn Support Liaison**  
Help your fellow members get connected
- **Registration Coordinator for Spring Event** Qualifications include smiling and handing out nametags
- **Newsletter Preparer for February**  
Free Canva lessons included!

Email us at [iibrazosvalleychapter@gmail.com](mailto:iibrazosvalleychapter@gmail.com) to help out the chapter in these easy ways.

## Follow us to stay in the know!



**The Chapter has a new LinkedIn page.  
Click the banner to follow us on LinkedIn.**

# Audit News and CPE Opportunities

## Breaking News

### Mays Business School Internal Audit Program Center of Excellence Celebration

On Monday, September 26, 2022, an event celebrating the Mays Business School Internal Audit Program being named a Center of Excellence by the Institute of Internal Auditors was held at the Lettermen's Club at Texas A&M University in College Station.

Benito Ybarra, incoming Global IIA Chairman, served as the keynote speaker. Many guests, including students, professors, and members of the BVIIA chapter, were in attendance to congratulate the program's leaders on this high honor.



**IIA PAC** – The IIA has launched its own United States political action committee (IIA PAC) in order to help get the interests of internal auditors on ballots around the country and to support candidates who are committed to advocating for internal audit. Read more at the link above about this effort to seek to influence public policy on issues such as cybersecurity, privacy, and preventing waste, fraud, and abuse.

## More CPE Opportunities

### [COSO ERM Certificate Online](#)

November 28 – December 2, 2022

### [Critical Thinking: A Vital Auditing Competency](#)

January 19 – 20, 2023

## December CPE Opportunities

### [2022 Technology Trends Virtual Conference](#)

December 8, 2022

This event is part of a series of one-day conferences designed to help internal auditors stay ahead of critical issues and be more responsive in their work.



### [Data Analytics and Literacy Certificate](#)

December 12–15, 2022

This certificate program is designed to ensure the internal audit community possesses data literacy in order to assess data governance, including data analytics. Candidates who successfully complete the course series are entitled to participate in the certificate exam which is administered on the IIA's LMS platform.

### [Behavioral Ethics in the 4th Industrial Revolution](#)

December 14, 2022

We're now in what many have called the 4th Industrial Revolution – a time of great change and advancement in technology, but sometimes our behavioral ethics haven't kept pace with these changes. Internal audit needs to have heightened awareness of bias and devise means to keep our human bias in check as we move to greater reliance on technology.

## Register Now

The [2023 GAM Conference](#) is coming to TEXAS!!

**Members Price: \$1,655**

