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About ISACA Boise

ISACA Boise is a local chapter of the international ISACA organization. Our goal is to provide local IT audit, governance, and security professionals with the resources to the global ISACA organization. The Boise Chapter is proud to be recognized with the ISACA International 2008 Retention Award, for having highest member retention percentage for local chapters, and the 2008 K. Wayne Snipes Chapter Recognition Award for being voted the Best Small Chapter in North America.

Certifications – CISA, CISM, CGEIT

One of the primary services ISACA provides is providing professional certifications that are internationally recognized. Learn more about the ISACA's certifications [here](#).

Become a Member

Membership is facilitated through ISACA International at this [link](#). (ISACA Boise is chapter number 42.)

President's Welcome Letter

Hello and Welcome,

My name is Andrew Richter and I am the current President of the Boise Chapter of ISACA. On behalf of the entire Board of Directors I'd like to welcome you to the 2009-2010 year!

This is an exciting time for the Boise Chapter as we mark our 30th year as an active member of both the community and national affiliation. We have many activities planned on both the local and regional level. First, we are proud to be hosting the 2009 Western Region PCM Meeting that will bring chapter leaders from all over the west to Boise for 2 1/2 days of events and sessions.

The chapter is planning a full slate of CPE lunches and seminars for our local members. Our focus is bringing the most relevant topics to you, so you can take what you learn and put it to work. Additionally, we will be working with other professional organizations in the Treasure Valley to bring you even more opportunities for personal networking and CPE education. In this challenging time, your board is focused on making the time you invest with ISACA the most beneficial for you and your career. Our goal is to be the professional organization of choice in the Treasure Valley.

I look forward to meeting all of you in person throughout the year and welcome your comments and suggestions for how ISACA Boise can best serve you as IT Governance, Audit and Information Security professionals in the Treasure Valley area.

-Andrew

About ISACA

As an independent, nonprofit global membership association, ISACA engages in the development, adoption and use of globally accepted, industry-leading knowledge and practices for information systems. ISACA helps its members achieve individual and organizational success, resulting in greater trust in, and value from, information systems. Its members and certification holders are qualified and skilled professionals who make a difference.

Calendar of Events

- **April Event: The Annual ISSA day-long security seminar *with a dedicated ISACA Track (free to ISACA members)***

Date: April 29, 2010,

Location: [Nampa Civic Center](#), Nampa, ID [\[map\]](#)

Come enjoy the day with your colleagues and learn from some industry experts. Conference planning lead is Danny Rowell.

Please contact [Danny Rowell](#), vp@BoiseISSA.org if you want to speak, reserve a table or sponsor a portion of the conference

- **May Event: General Membership Meeting:**

Date: May 21, 2010, 11:30-5:00pm.

Location: Wahooz - 1385 South Blue Marlin Lane, Meridian, ID 83642 [\[map\]](#)

Cost: Free to members and \$25 for nonmembers

Come enjoy an afternoon of fun at Wahooz! Receive one CPE for the presentation and then take some time to play and network. Event business will include the election of the ISACA Boise Chapter Board of Directors for the 2010-2011 year. If you are interested on serving on the BoD, please contact Andrew Richter, [President](#). All positions are open except President and Secretary since they are in their second year of the 2-year term. For a full list of positions please visit the following [link](#).

- **Future Events:** Luncheon presentations will resume in September.

And remember, you can always get the latest and greatest ISACA Boise Chapter news and events at the following [link](#).

How Can the Cloud Impact Your Business?

A Conversation with Jeff Spivey, CPP, Development Team Chair

Q To whom is the *Cloud Computing: Business Benefits With Security, Governance and Assurance Perspectives* white paper written? What titles, roles will benefit the most from the publication and how?

A The white paper was written for people who are currently hearing about or considering cloud computing. It is appropriate for people at all levels who are interested in a brief overview regarding benefits and risks of the cloud. As stakeholders who have a vested interest, the chief executive officer (CEO), chief information officer (CIO), chief risk officer (CRO), chief administrative officer (CAO), chief information security officer (CISO) and chief security officer (CSO) will all find value in the white paper.

Readers will come away from the publication with a solid understanding of how the cloud can impact their business. They will also have an idea of what type of issues need to be considered when evaluating whether the cloud can propel or hinder business.

Q Why and how was the book developed?

A Understanding the potential benefits and risks of cloud computing is essential as the service offering has become ubiquitous. To develop the publication, ISACA worked with industry experts as well as members of the Cloud Security Alliance to identify business benefits and risks as well as governance, assurance and security initiatives.

Q Please describe the goals and aims of the publication. How do you anticipate the reader benefiting from the content?

A Readers will gain a business perspective on this emergent technology while better understanding existing and new risks. The main goals of the paper are to introduce the reader to cloud computing services and the potential business benefits and risks. While many publications have identified different service offerings that may be considered within the enterprise or as an outsourced service from a cloud provider, this whitepaper identifies specific areas to consider in governance, assurance and security in cloud computing.

[Click here](#) to download the complimentary white paper.

Member Spotlight

Dawn Teply, CISA

Dawn has lived in Idaho most of her life. She is a 2000 University of Idaho graduate with Bachelor of Science degrees in Accounting and Information Systems. Dawn has worked in the Boise, Inc. (previously Boise Cascade) Internal Audit department for the last 9 years with a focus on Corporate audits. She is currently the Project Manager heading up Boise's SOX 404 Compliance program. Dawn spends her free time coaching tee ball, watching soccer, and playing with her children, ages 7, 5, 4 and 1.

Dawn joined ISACA in 2004 and has served on the Boise Chapter's Board for 6 years. She has held the following positions in reverse chronological order; Treasurer, President, Program Chair, and Audit & Nominations Chair.

10 Tips for Risk Management

By Victor Chapela

1. Use "intent" to separate intentional risks (hacking or fraud) from unintentional risks (availability). The types of risk are completely different to manage and each requires different types of controls to mitigate.
2. For unintentional risks, most of which are availability incidents, use a standard business impact analysis (BIA) to assess risks and business continuity plan (BCP) to mitigate them.
3. For intentional risks, however, determine impact as the external value of your information. How much is it worth to an employee, to the press, to your competition or to organized crime?
4. Classify your information based on this external value, and define policies and standards to protect high-risk information.
5. From the universe of possible risks, prioritize by focusing on those that have occurred and have been published. Out of those, determine which are applicable to your organization. Finally, establish which have a higher, recurrent long-term value to an attacker. The latter group should have the highest priority in the risk management plan.
6. In protecting intentional risks, determine which assets store, process or transmit high-risk information. But most important, create an inventory of the accounts, groups and privileges that have access to it.
7. Evaluating, filtering, restricting and monitoring the accounts with access to high-risk information are the most efficient ways to mitigate intentional risk.
8. If a specific risk cannot be mitigated, have the data owners sign a temporal risk acceptance statement. Always include an expiration date, after which the risk should be addressed.
9. Implement a risk management process that can periodically reassess risk, recommend mitigation controls, collect risk acceptance statements, manage mitigation projects and maintain a risk inventory.
10. Senior management sponsorship is essential for risk management to be efficient and effective. Fortunately, it tends to be easier for them to understand risk management than other security-related disciplines.

For more information on IT risk management, [download](#) ISACA's new Risk IT framework publications.

Dawn is quoted as saying, "*The ISACA organization has provided me with leadership experience and a great network system, not to mention the invaluable education and CPEs provided by the Boise Chapter through seminars, mini-seminars and luncheons*".

Note: If you would like to be featured in the **Member Spotlight** section of an upcoming volume of the **ISACA Boise Chapter Newsletter**, please email a short biography to David Jorgensen at this [link](#)