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Meeting News

DATE: Thursday, Jan. 13, 2000

AGENDA: 11:15 Registration
11:30 Speaker
12:30 Lunch

LOCATION: Engine House No. 5
121 Thurman Ave.
Columbus, OH 43206

☆ Directions on Newsletter Cover ☆

MENU: Choice of: (Choose one when making reservations.)

LONDON BROIL - thinly sliced beef on a bed of mushroom sauce, with potato du jour OR

BROILED BOSTON SCROD - with rice medley

Both are served with the Martha's Vineyard salad, seasonal vegetable, bread, warm apple dumpling with Bavarian cream topping, and coffee, tea, pop, or milk.

PRICES: \$ 15.00 Members
\$ 18.00 Non-Members
\$ 5.00 Student (Student is full-time undergraduate, non-professionally employed)

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RESERVATIONS POLICY

The deadline for reservations is **Monday, January 10th, 12:00 noon**. If you do not reach Rich directly, please be sure to leave the following information: Name, Member/Non-Member, and Company. **Also include choice of entree.** **Cancellation deadline is Tuesday, January 11th, 12:00 noon.**

ALL RESERVATIONS MADE AND NOT CANCELED BY THE DEADLINE MUST BE PAID FOR.

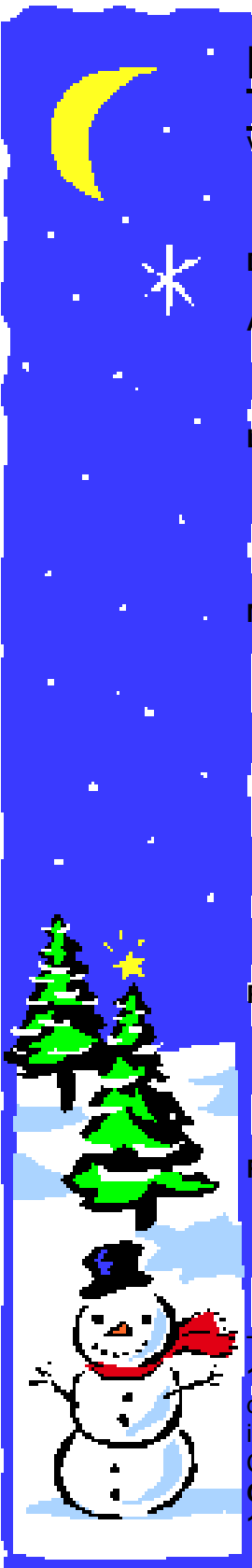
Using ACL for Security Audits

Our luncheon topic for the January meeting will be a presentation on the use of ACL in auditing security on AS/400, UNIX and DEC/Alpha computer systems. This will allow IS auditors with access to ACL and limited experience in auditing these operating systems a starting point for their audits.

This month's speaker will be Richard Ridewood. Rich has been a member of the Central Ohio Chapter for the past six years. Rich has been actively involved with the chapter for the past five years. He has served as President, Vice-President, Board of Director, and is currently the Arrangements Chairperson. He has worked in the Information Systems Auditing field for almost seven years, most of which has been with the Auditor of State's office. He is currently the Deputy Information Systems Auditor for southern Ohio. In this capacity, he is in charge of overseeing all information system audits for all local government entities within this region. He has performed and/or supervised a number of general and application control audits on a variety of platforms. In addition, he has been called upon to develop audit software reports to aid the financial auditors in the course of their audits.

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MEETING DATES

1/13/00	Using ACL in Security Audits Engine House No. 5
2/8/00	Joint meeting with IIA Buckeye Hall of Fame
3/2/00	Monitoring and Intrusion Detection
4/6/00	TBA
5/11/00	TBA

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

From the Desk of Norman Hofmann

I hope that all of you and your families had a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Years. Due to worries about Y2K and many of our members having to be on alert status the first week of the new year, *this month's meeting will be on Thursday January 13th.*

Our program for the rest of the year is almost complete and promises to be both entertaining and educational. The chapter will be offering a spring seminar in partnership with ISSA. The seminar will be on April 26th - 27th, which is a Wednesday and Thursday. The seminar is from the MIS Training Institute and is entitled *The Good Guys' Guide to Testing Network Vulnerability: Pinpointing and Probing Systems Exposures*. The speaker will be Mr. Ken Cutler, who is one of their top presenters. More details will be provided in subsequent announcements.

Other dates of Interest:

IS Audit and Control Training Week, 13-17 March 2000; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

17-21 July 2000; Orlando, Florida

North America CACS 2000, 7-11 May 2000; Dallas, Texas

International Conference 2000, 16-19 July 2000; Lake Buena Vista, Florida

Network Security Conference, 21-23 August 2000; Las Vegas, Nevada

eBusiness Conference, 21-23 August 2000; Las Vegas, Nevada (Tentative)

The final registration date for the 2000 CISA exam on June 10, 2000 is April 3, 2000. To date, I have had only a few responses expressing interest in a CISA review class. Anyone interested in a review class should contact either myself or Ed Bell.

A reminder to everyone that this newsletter is available in a PDF format. A copy of each month's newsletter will be posted on our chapter Website, www.osu.edu/units/uts/isaca-centralohio/, on approximately the 20th of each month. In addition, we will Email a PDF copy of

the newsletter to all members who would like to receive a copy in that format. Just contact either myself or the chapter newsletter co-ordinator if you would like to receive your newsletter this way.

Remember, due to the breakeven nature of our meeting budget for this year, reservations made but not canceled before the deadline *will* be billed for.

There will be a board meeting at 10:30 before this month's chapter meeting.

**ISACA Central Ohio Chapter
Balance Sheet
As of December 13, 1999**

ASSETS:

Checking/Savings	10,134
Accounts Receivable	50
TOTAL ASSETS	10,184

LIABILITIES & EQUITY:

Liabilities	0
Equity	10,184
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY:	10,184

**ISACA Central Ohio Chapter
Income Statement
June 1, 1999 - December 13, 1999**

Income	3,631
Expenses	3,964
Net Income (Loss)	(333)

**Network Security Conference
21-23 August 2000; Las Vegas, Nevada**

ISACA is pleased to announce the 2nd annual Network Security Conference. Building on the overwhelming success of the first conference, the second will feature longer and more focused presentations. Keep watching the ISACA web site in 2000 for details.

www.isaca.org/conf1.htm

4th Quarter 1999 Y2K Experts Poll Results

An informal public-interest coalition of *CIO* magazine, the Information Systems Audit and Control Association and Dr. Ed Yardeni's Y2K Center conducted its third Y2K Experts Poll in late November 1999 to provide a snapshot of Y2K readiness among large, global firms. The previous polls were conducted in June and September 1999.

Project Completion: Thirty-two percent (32%) reported their Y2K projects were 100% complete and 56% said they were 91% - 99% done. Many organizations took longer than expected to finish, though, with 57% needing the last months of 1999 to finish their Y2K projects. Curiously, few organizations (7%) expected to perform Year 2000 work in 2000.

Mission-Critical Systems: Fifty-nine percent (59%) expected mission-critical systems to function properly, while 33% acknowledged 1% - 5% of these systems might malfunction or fail.

Third-Party Software: Fifteen percent (15%) were still waiting for third party Y2K-compliant software.

Non-Mission-Critical Software and Embedded Chips: Seventy-five percent (75%) believed up to 25% of their non-mission-critical systems might malfunction. A majority (86%) did not believe they would encounter problems with embedded chips. However, 13% indicated not all of the chips would be evaluated before the date change.

Supply Chain: Many internal Y2K projects had not been independently assessed. Indeed, 42% said no independent audits had been conducted and 65% simply sent questionnaires to determine if partners were ready. Only 14% conducted visits. Most relied on conversations, questionnaires and phone calls.

Confidence in Services: Confidence in electricity and phone services was on the rise since the initial poll. However, about one-third still expected problems with these services.

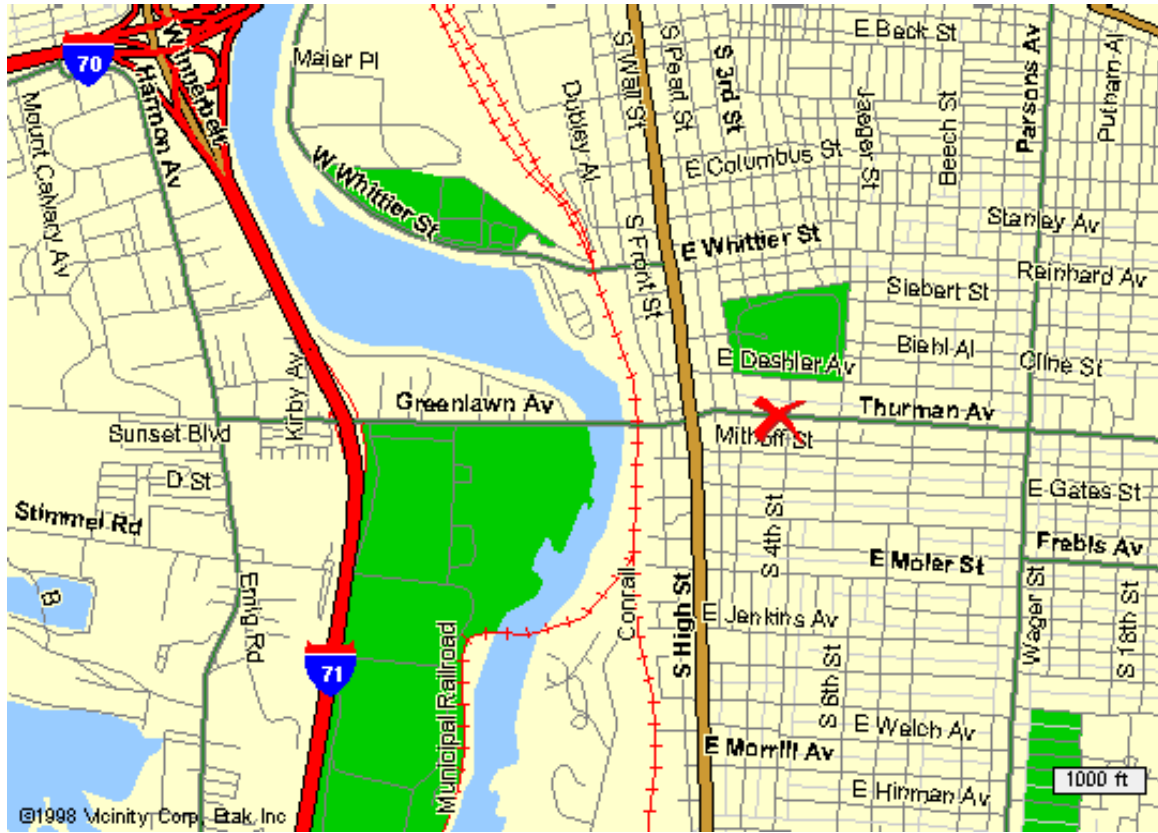
Contingency Planning: Almost a third (28%) were still formulating or had not implemented contingency plans. A significant portion (38%) was not planning to increase inventory for the century change. However, 24% planned to stockpile two to seven days of materials and 27% said they would store another one to four weeks worth.

Legal Considerations: The majority (69%) did not think lawsuits against their organizations were likely.

Personal Perspectives: Thirty-six percent (36%) believed the Y2K problem was a non-event and were ignoring the hype. On the other hand, 39% believed it would be a non-event but planned to have extra cash and food on hand. More than half (51%) planned to stockpile extra food at home.

Complete findings, as well as visual documentation and a statistical drill down feature, from the November 1999 Y2K Experts Poll are available at <http://www.peoplepolls.com/results/cio/111099.asp>





Membership Information: www.isaca.org/memb1.htm