Message from the Chapter President

Greetings Membership!

It's hard to believe, but I've spent the last two incredible years at the helm of this phenomenal Membership, serving as your chapter President. The adage "time flies when you're having fun" couldn't be more apt.

As I reflect upon these past two years, it's with a blend of sentimentality and joy. Yes, the journey required considerable effort, but the abundance of remarkable memories, impactful changes, and the diverse array of individuals we've touched more than compensates for it. This rewarding experience, and the lasting impacts we've made, ensures my continued association for the foreseeable future.

Your unwavering support for me and my team has been invaluable. I can't express enough gratitude for the outstanding board you elected, which played a pivotal role in bolstering my administration. Your faith and backing, I believe, have been manifested fruitfully over these past years.

As I step down from this role, I implore you to extend your ongoing support to your incoming chapter President, Tim Mortimer. Tim is an extraordinary individual, rich in experience, who has plenty to impart. We have been colleagues on the board and in global consulting for a decade. He embodies the qualities of a sincere, empathetic leader, prioritizing others and his family above all. He is creative and engaging, continuously innovating to ensure everyone's active participation at a macro level. Above all, he values fairness. I eagerantly anticipate my new role as the "Immediate Past President" on the board, collaborating with Tim over the next two years.

Our discussions about the transition have been thoughtful and strategic. Tim has contributed some excellent ideas throughout the process. All these were deliberated over an intense game of chess. Who won? Well, that's a secret we'll
Reflecting on the last two years, we’ve accomplished some truly remarkable feats:

1. In collaboration with our Lions Pride Leadership Partners, we developed The Leadership Continuum, a coaching and mental health program recognized with global accolades.
2. Our Training and Development Team issued over 23,000 CPEs, highlighting our commitment to continuous learning.
3. A new Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion team was founded, led by Alyssa Vumbaco. This team reinforces our existing Emerging Professionals, SheLeadTech, and overall Membership committee.
4. Our Academic Committee granted over $75,000 through the Student Competition and Scholarship Program, reflecting our dedication to the future of our field.
5. We made a substantial difference in the lives of those affected by Hurricane Ida, thanks to our partnership with the YellowBoots Long Term Recovery Organization.
6. We supported Ukrainian families affected during the war through contributions to the Ukraine1K 501c3.
7. Donated towards the planting of 1,000 trees in Kenya following the Canadian wildfires.
8. Our volunteer hours with Project Hospitality helped provide sustenance to hundreds of families, embodying our commitment to service.
9. We cultivated or revitalized partnerships with ISACA’s chapters in Sydney, Melbourne, Nigeria, New England, New Jersey, Chicago, London, and Scotland. We also nurtured relationships with IC2, IIA, PMI, and C-Vision.

Your unwavering support has been instrumental in these achievements. With a new board and a stellar group of officers at the helm, rest assured, you’re in exceptional hands, or better said, arms!
Here are a few highlights from our activities in the last month:

- **Chapter Elections and Bylaws Update**: The elections have concluded, and the Bylaw updates are in place.
- **Wasserman Award Dinner and Gala**: An unbelievable, sold-out crowd to celebrate the year, and listen to our Wasserman Award Recipient.
- **The Leadership Continuum**: We look forward to an inspiring tale from our Sydney Chapter President about her daring escape from Turkey to Australia – a true testimony of bravery and inspiration. Set your calendars for 6/29/23.
- **Training and Development**: Early bird registrations for our Spring 2023 classes are now open.
- **Volunteer Opportunities**: We're putting out a significant call for volunteers to help with our annual events and activities.

**Chapter Elections & Chapter Bylaws**
The elections have wrapped up, and we announced our new officers and board at the Membership Gala. Please join us in extending hearty congratulations to our new Board Directors!

New Chapter Officers

Tim Mortimer  President
Teena Bacchus  1st Vice President
Wei Tschang  2nd Vice President
Emanuell James  Corresponding Secretary
Eugene Levin  Treasurer
Christina Cruz  Recording Secretary

New Board Directors

Alex Bazay  Jim Powers
Alyssa Vumbaco  Joseph Tso
Ashley Manger  Kwongmei To
Christeen Russell  Lance Flacco
Japneet Kaur  Lianne Stefanick
Jason Starr  Sam Vohra
Jay Rofsky  Tom McDermott

Farid Abdelkader- Immediate Former President

A huge thank you to all outgoing Board Directors for their active contributions over the past year. We wish you the best of luck and always welcome your return to volunteer with the chapter! On behalf of the Membership, we extend our sincere gratitude.

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Karen Alexander- Immediate Former President

2023 Gala Extravaganza

Our recent Gala was an absolute blast! We managed to outdo last year’s event, attracting over 300 attendees, making it our largest gala ever. A massive thank you to Alyssa Vumbaco, Sam Vohra, Japneet Kaur, Christine Russell, Jay Rofsky, Alex Bazay, Joseph Tso, Jason Starr, and the entire Gala committee for their extraordinary efforts in organizing this event.

With two floors at our disposal and sufficient space for easy mobility, we introduced features such as a 360-degree camera and a photobook for additional networking opportunities across the five rooms assigned to us. The venue was spectacular, and the attendees were even better.

Our Global CEO Erik Pruscheck, Former Chairman Tracey Dedrick, John Desantis, Global Head of Strategy, and Wasserman award winner Chris Dimitriadis deserve a special shout-out. We’re grateful for our chapter (Austin/New England), vendor partners, and ISACA Global family who traveled from different corners of the world to attend. We also appreciate the former presidents and Wasserman award recipients for participating in the VIP event preceding the Gala. Your presence was highly valued.
ISACA NEW YORK METROPOLITAN CHAPTER CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO

The Past Presidents' VIP Celebration &

The Annual Gala and Wasserman Award Dinner

THURSDAY JUNE 22 AT 5:40PM

CITY WINERY

25 11TH AVE, NEW YORK, NY
Current Board, Associate Directors, Former Presidents, and ISACA Global Leadership
Chapter President Speech to the Membership

Wasserman Award Recipient Speech to Membership
Me and my Mother
My Family In Attendance

**The Leadership Continuum: Australian Chapter**
We had the honor of meeting the newly inducted President of the Sydney, Australian Chapter, Zeynep Soyulu. She is poised to grace us with leading our principle eight (8), “Motivation” this 6/29/23. She will tell us the story about her scary contentious situation she was in during the wars in Turkey. She will go into detail about leveraging her skills, ISACA certs, and other factors to flee the country. Learn about what motivated her to make it. She is presenting this at her time 2AM to accommodate us all! Register Now.
Leadership
As mentioned on our website and in previous newsletters, we are thrilled to announce that our Leadership Continuum has been recognized with the prestigious ISACA Innovative Chapter Solutions Award. This is an extraordinary achievement.

Our award:
To view all previous Leadership Speakers and videos, including Barbi Goldstein’s spotlight and the Leadership roundtable featuring Jim Ambrosini, Nigel James, Ken Drinkard, Chad Reyes, and myself, please visit [http://isacany.org/leadership](http://isacany.org/leadership).

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**Training and Development**

Please see the Training and Development section for early-bird exclusive discounts on over a dozen certification (CISM, CRISC, ITIL, CISSP, CDPSE) and training (Digital Forensics, Cybersecurity, Privacy, Technical Writing, TPRM, SDLC, DA, Resilience, ERM, and many others) events in store for Spring 2023.

**Volunteer Opportunity Reminder**

Great news! Don’t miss out on the chance to become an ISACA Metropolitan New York Chapter volunteer. Volunteering comes with fantastic benefits, including earning up to 20 CPEs per year, which is equivalent to thousands of dollars worth of training. Volunteers also receive reduced pricing or waived fees to attend ISACA Chapter events, and those supporting live events are often comped. Additionally, volunteers have the opportunity to become Associate Directors, providing increased exposure to the Board Directors and Membership, and it’s an excellent way to give back while
opening up career opportunities through networking. Many volunteers are entered into the ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter Leadership Training program. If you’re interested in volunteering, please email me President@isacany.org and Volunteer@isacany.org with your interest.

Important Notices

- **Women in Tech Spotlight**: The Women-In-Tech Spotlight series is an honorary program that recognizes the leadership and professional accomplishments of women in the information technology, information security, and governance, risk, and compliance industry. We are currently accepting nominations. Please submit your nomination using the link here.
- **Top Four Under 40**: Nominate your emerging professional rising star here! Our four rising stars will (1) be featured on our website and social media, and (2) will be reimbursed for their study materials and exam fees for 1 certification (upon passing grade). To be eligible, the emerging professional must be a member of the New York Metropolitan Chapter.
- **DEI Spotlight**: The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Spotlight series is an honorary program that recognizes individuals for their leadership and contributions to DEI initiatives in their companies and/or communities. We are currently accepting nominations. Please submit your nomination using the link here.

Personal Closing Note

Month after month, the steadfast dedication and resilience of our chapter never ceases to inspire me. Our volunteers' relentless support, our strategic pivot towards fostering industry leaders, and our unwavering commitment to philanthropy are all nothing short of exceptional. Reflecting on my tenure as your chapter President, I’m filled with a profound sense of honor and gratitude. It has been an extraordinary journey navigating through challenges related to disaster relief, philanthropy, leadership, and humanitarian needs. The fact that our recent Gala was a sold-out success only underscores our collective efforts and determination to extend our influence beyond our traditional mission.

We've successfully evolved our Chapter from a mere professional association into a vibrant hub of impactful initiatives, a feat that could not have been achieved without your unwavering support. Each member's contribution to this remarkable transformation has been instrumental, and for that, I am deeply grateful. As I transition into my new role as Immediate Past President, I assure you that I intend to maintain an active role, working alongside Tim Mortimer and the rest of the Board. I eagerly anticipate the great work we can continue to achieve together.

I invite and welcome anyone interested in joining our continuously expanding family as a volunteer. United, we can continue to make substantial global impacts! Thank you for being such an integral part of our extraordinary community and journey. I extend my best wishes to you all.

Until then, our future fearless leader, Tim Mortimer, will be busy strategizing next steps =)

Stay motivated and continue making a difference, my New York Fam! Serving you all has been one of the most significant honors of my life.

LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/in/faridkader/
Membership Committee

Alyssa Vumbaco, Chair

Japneet Kaur, Co-Chair

Sam Vohra, Co-Chair

The mission of the ISACA Membership Committee is to provide a meaningful experience for the chapter members through a series of educational, fun, and networking events.

Upcoming Membership Event
We are excited to present our new collaborative event in queue for the first time with the ISACA London chapter. The leadership team has been phenomenal to help the membership committee ‘Add a touch of global experience’ for our ISACA members - to kick off our new Chapter year! Event topic and sign-up details are coming out shortly. Don’t miss an opportunity to hear out from our amazing panelists.

The Annual Gala
Thank you to all that joined the ISACA New York Metropolitan Annual Gala and Wasserman Award Dinner on June 22, 2023. A sold-out evening of 300 professionals enjoying knowledge sharing, networking, and celebrations.
FOUR UNDER 40

Congratulations to our "Top Four Under 40" winners and a big thank you to our "Star Volunteers"!
Top Four Under 40 is an annual program that recognizes four ISACA New York Metro members under the age of 40 who have made significant contributions in the fields of IT Audit, Cybersecurity, and/or GRC. These outstanding individuals have consistently delivered immense value to their respective teams and organizations, surpassing expectations and going the extra mile. Their exceptional dedication and notable achievements make them deserving of recognition.

**Farid Abdelkader**  
Global Head of Technology Audit  
New York Life

**Alyssa Vumbaco**  
Director, Global Enterprise Risk Management  
DXC Technology

**Krishna Nekkalapudi**  
Senior IS Auditor  
Lumen Technologies

**Julian Corbin**  
Senior Manager  
B. Riley Financial
Volunteers are integral to the success of the ISACA organization. ISACA members who generously offer their skills and time as volunteers take great pride in knowing that they play a vital role in the ongoing achievements of our chapter. Today, we recognize and express our heartfelt gratitude to our exceptional Star Volunteers for their invaluable contributions.

Krishna Nekkalapudi  
Senior IS Auditor at Lumen Technologies

Dylan Gaznabbi  
Tech Audit Summer Analyst at Goldman Sachs

Daria Emellianova  
PM at Grand Market International

Jan Raphael Floro  
Risk Advisor at MUFG

Tatyana Lemberskaya  
VP at SGCIB

Mayank Nagpal  
IS Analysts at Sentry

Reed Sullivan  
Senior Associate at Protiviti

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**Monthly Membership Meeting**
Want to be included in our monthly membership meeting? Email membership@isaca.org so you can be in the know of all upcoming volunteer opportunities.

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**SheLeadsTech Subcommittee**

**What is SheLeadsTech?**
SheLeadsTech is a women-focused program which works to increase the representation of women in Technology leadership roles and the workforce. Powered by a vast global network of women IT professionals dedicated to supporting others, SheLeadsTech provides women with mentorship, leadership training, and skills training to grow and excel within the industry.

Alyssa Vumbaco, Chair  Christeen Russell, Chair

What’s new with SheLeadsTech
We are in the process of planning our next SheLeadsTech Tuesday event. Further details to be released shortly.

SheLeadsTech Spotlight
Hallie, the visionary founder of Mad Mirror Media, shines as our featured Women in Tech Spotlight this month. Her multifaceted work in R&D, disinformation, ad-tech investigations, and online harm mitigation through organizations like the Disarm Foundation and Integrity Institute showcases her exceptional contributions to the tech industry.
Hallie Stern
Founder and Director of Digital Rapid Response and Information Strategy for Mad Mirror Media, a digital identity and technology consultancy.

As the founder of Mad Mirror Media, a digital identity and technology consultancy, Hallie leads R&D initiatives, conducts courses on disinformation and influence, and investigates anomalies in ad-tech ecosystems and algorithms for government organizations and private clients. She also works with the Disarm Foundation to develop tools and standards for mitigating online harm related to disinformation and is a member of the Integrity Institute.

Hallie earned an M.S. degree from NYU in Global Security, Conflict, and Cybercrime, specializing in The Human Side of Cyber Conflict. During her time at NYU, she completed practicums and fellowships at prestigious organizations such as The Global Disinformation Index, UMD START, the Department of State, and the Department of Homeland Security. She was also honored with The David L. Boren National Security Fellowship.

Before pursuing her graduate studies, Hallie dedicated a year to investigating digital communication in various regions, including Africa, the Mediterranean, and South East Asia.

**Wise Words & Advice**

Amateurs hack computers. Professionals hack people. Experts use computers to access people.

Don’t forget that we are still a human, interacting in an augmented world of 1’s and 0’s, all of which have been written by people. When it comes to cybersecurity, stay kind, be brave, and never stop innovating in favor of the people you are trying to protect.

Call to Action!
Nominate a Woman in Tech
Do you know a woman who has made a significant impact in the field of technology through her leadership and professional achievements? Nominate her for the SheLeadsTech Spotlight Series, where we recognize and honor the accomplishments of women in tech. To submit your nomination, please use the link provided here or scan the QR code.

Join the SheLeadsTech Task Force
Become a part of our SheLeadsTech community by volunteering at our in-person and virtual events. We are looking for volunteers to help with planning, speaking and leading discussions. If you’re passionate about making a difference, please contact us at sheleadstech@isacany.org or reach out to one of our chairs.

Emerging Professionals Subcommittee

Who are Emerging Professionals?
The Emerging Professionals (EP) Committee focus on members new to the profession and members 40 and under, representing the future of the profession. We provide guidance and networking opportunities as emerging professionals navigate through the early stages of their career.

JapNeet Kaur, Chair
Alyssa Vumbaco, Co-chair

First-Ever ‘Diwali Event’ Celebration with ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter
Get ready to illuminate your evening with the ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter’s inaugural celebration of ‘The Festival of Lights - Diwali’ in collaboration with our DEI committee. Stay tuned for upcoming event details. Don’t miss this unique opportunity to earn CPE credits while wearing your finest festive attire!

Call to Action!
Volunteer
Join our Emerging Professionals team and support the initiative by volunteering. Plan events, build a network, and share your ideas. Interested in speaking or mentoring? Contact EmergingPros@isacany.org.

OneInTech – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Subcommittee

Alyssa Vumbaco, Chair

The ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter believes that diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) drives value for our members and makes us better able to serve our membership and community. ISACA NYM is committed to fostering a culture that values diversity, equity, and inclusion.
OnInTech – DEI Spotlight
Is there someone at your company or in your circle who is committed to fostering a culture that values diversity, equity, and inclusion? Have they made an impact on you or others within your department, company, and/or network? If so, please help us recognize their contributions by nominating them for ISACA New York Metropolitan’s new OneInTech – Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Spotlight Recognition Program. Submit your nomination using the provided link here or QR code.

Join the DEI Task Force
Become a part of our DEI Committee by volunteering at our in-person and/or virtual events. We are looking for volunteers to help with planning, speaking and leading discussions. If you’re passionate about making a difference, please contact us at membership@isacany.org or reach out to the DEI chair.

Training and Development Committee

Ms. Kwongmei (May), Chair
Mr. Lance Flocco, Co-Chair

The New York Metropolitan Chapter is pleased to offer a wide range of certification and certificate exam review classes for 2023, including CISA, CISM (with new exam domains), CRISC, CGEIT, CDPSE, CCAK, and CCSK. We are excited to announce that Jay Ranade, who has been teaching ISACA certification exam review classes for our chapter since 2006, will be teaching all exam review classes hosted by the New York Metropolitan Chapter in 2023. Please save the dates for the upcoming classes in 2023 and take advantage of this valuable opportunity to prepare for your certification exams.

Don’t wait. Register now!

Message from the Committee Chairs
As we approach the conclusion of the 2022-2023 board term, we would like to share a word of wisdom. The chapter serves as a platform for the learning bird to soar into the vast sea of knowledge. Just like a pink flamingo seeking out different types of algae to consume and transform into a vibrant and colorful creature, we believe that every individual has the potential to evolve into a magnificent rainbow flamingo and ultimately, a phoenix.
Learning is a lifelong journey without boundaries, as the universe itself sets the limit. Our committee is dedicated to providing a network of support, knowledge, and wisdom to facilitate this continuous growth.
Now that you have embraced your inner flamingo and acquired a pink feather, it is time to take flight and pursue your chosen path. You may wonder, "What comes next?"
The next step is to obtain certifications and engage in educational classes that will nurture your growth, just like shrimp nourishes a flamingo.
We would like to recognize and congratulate the individuals who have successfully blossomed from young birds into accomplished pink flamingos. These top scorers have displayed exceptional dedication and commitment.
Lastly, on behalf of the Training & Development Committee, we would like to wish all our readers a happy summer!
**TOP CERTIFICATION SCORERS**

It has become a cherished tradition for the Training & Development Committee to annually honor the hard work and achievements of our Chapter members. We would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to the top three scorers in the New York Metro area for the exams conducted from January to December 2022. Your exceptional performance is truly commendable, and we applaud your dedication and commitment to excellence. Well done!

### January - June 2022

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To explore all the upcoming classes we offer, please visit our chapter’s home page and navigate to the Training & Development Committee section. Embrace your uniqueness and soar above the rest with our certification programs. Start your journey to becoming a magnificent Rainbow Flamingo now!
Summer 2023 CISA Exam Prep

Saturdays
7/15, 7/22, 8/5
9am-5:30pm ET

Member: $795
Non-Member: $895
Live webinar format only
21 CPEs

Info + RSVP:
https://cvent.me/bRr7Ea

CISA and IT Boot Camp Combo Exam Prep

Saturdays
7/15, 7/22, 7/29, 8/5
9am-5:30pm ET

Member: $995
Non-Member: $1095
Live webinar format only
28 CPEs

Info + RSVP:
https://cvent.me/ZPQ1e1

IT Boot Camp for CISA, CISM, CRISC, CDPSE, CSX

Saturday 7/29
9am-5:30pm ET

Member: $300
Non-Member: $350
Live webinar format only
7 CPEs

Info + RSVP:
https://cvent.me/x5W4Yq
Last day to register is 7/24, 8pm

Summer 2023 CISM Exam Prep

Sundays
7/30, 8/6
9am-5:30pm ET

Member: $595
Non-Member: $695
Live webinar format only
14 CPEs

Info + RSVP:
https://cvent.me/VdZYLb
Summer 2023
CRISC Exam Prep

Sundays
7/16, 7/23
9am-5:30pm ET

Member: $595
Non-Member: $695
Live webinar format only
14 CPEs

Info + RSVP:
https://cvent.me/wdG3AZ

Fall 2023
Blockchain:
Technology, Applications, Risk, and Controls

Sunday 10/15
9am-5pm ET

Early Bird!
Member: $295 | $345
Non-Member: $345 | $395
Live webinar format only
7 CPEs

Info + RSVP:
https://cvent.me/240Alq
Early Bird Registrations ends 9/15

Summer 2023
AI - Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Neural Networks for IT Professionals

Sunday 9/16
9am-5:30pm ET

Member: $295
Non-Member: $345
Live webinar format only
7 CPEs

Info + RSVP:
https://cvent.me/dXGQkb
Early Bird Registrations ends 8/9

New Lunch & Learn Series
"How to Implement" with Chris Moschovitis
How to implement the NIST Privacy Framework
Date: August 3rd, 2023 12 to 1pm, CPE: 1
https://cvent.me/RrKvZ1
Last Registration is July 31st at 4pm
New Leadership Program from the Committee
The ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter and Lions Pride are proud to announce their new CPE “On-Demand” soft-skills program course series launching in July. Chad Reyes, co-founder Lions Pride, who has been so instrumental in our Leadership Series, will be presenting the modules.

Four programs will be conducted in this series. The first program will be "10 Steps to Getting Ahead in Work and Life" (10 CPE Credits). In this course, the groundwork is explained and tips and tools for a life of personal self-growth are provided.

The other three courses listed below will be introduced later in the year:

**21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership (21 CPE Credits)**
This CPE course is a foundational instruction manual for a life of leadership. Learn specific steps to build and sharpen both your business and personal life. Beginning with the Law of the Lid and ending at the Law of the Legacy. This CPE course will change the way you live and lead.

**8 Steps to Developing People (9 CPE Credits)**
This course take you through the 8 essential items to understand when developing people. This CPE course brings awareness, giftedness, and style together in a way that simplifies the steps to ensure people are developing below you.

**5 Levels of Leadership (5 CPE Credits)**
Before embarking on any journey, we must first locate ourselves. I’m sure you’ve been in an elevator lobby and took notice of a small diagram on the wall with either a red dot or an arrow accompanied by the words, “you are here.” That simple diagram enables us to gain our bearings; knowing where we stand clarifies where we need to take our next steps toward our intended destination. This simple principle applies to developing ourselves and others. The 5 levels of Leadership course will show how to apply these levels to gaining influence with others.

Please lookout for the details of this CPE Program Series to be unveiled at our Annual June Gala.

We look forward to seeing you there!

If you have any topics that you would like the committee to present or would like to present a topic as a guest speaker, please write to education@isacany.org
ACADEMIC RELATIONS

Ashey Mangar-Persaud, Chair  
Eugene Levin, Co-Chair

Message from the Academic Relations Committee

On behalf of the Academic Relations Committee, we would like to thank all our members who have been with us and participated in all of our events both in-person and online!

Take a look at our recap below which showcased what we and our students have achieved for the year 2023-2024:

2023 Student Cybersecurity Case Study Competition
The 4th Annual Cybersecurity Case Study Competition, organized by the Academic Relations Committee, featured 16 teams, comprising 81 students from renowned institutions such as CUNY Baruch College, CUNY Queens College, Pace University, Yeshiva University, Maryland University, Binghamton University, Stevens Institute of Technology, Columbia University, SUNY University at Albany, and Manhattan High School for Girls. The case study, “Pharmaco,” was developed by the Beedie School of Business at Simon Fraser University, which focused on topics like Ransomware, Email Theft, PHI Theft, Malware Infection, and Large Breach.

Eleven teams successfully completed the “PharmaCo” case study and submitted their analysis to seven competition judges. The judges ranked all teams, and on Sunday, May 7th, the top three teams were interviewed. Students in the winning teams received chapter scholarships from a prize fund of $30K.

The winners of the competition:

1st place: Cyber Tiger Security  
Joint team from Baruch College and Stevens Institute of Technology

2nd place: Seems Susphishus  
Baruch College

3rd place: Ransom Fighters  
Queens College

We would like to express our gratitude to competition sponsors, Fortinet, Protiviti, and ISACA NJ Chapter, for their generous contributions to the prize fund. Their support has been invaluable in helping ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter to cultivate the next generation of cybersecurity leaders.

2023 Academic Relation Awards

Outstanding ISACA Student Group - Baruch College Cybersecurity Club
The Baruch Cybersecurity Club has demonstrated outstanding commitment and active involvement with the ISACA NY Metropolitan Chapter. They have consistently attended a significant number of monthly meetings, actively engaging with the Academic Relations Committee, and actively participating in various ISACA NY Metropolitan events. The
Academic Relations Committee has consistently received excellent feedback from ISACA volunteers and expresses their willingness to collaborate with the Baruch students in the future. Their dedication and contributions make them a deserving nominee for the “Outstanding Student Group” award.

**Outstanding Student Contributor - Iqra Malik**

Iqra Malik, the former President of the Baruch Cybersecurity Club, deserves recognition as an “Outstanding Student Contributor.” Despite stepping down from her presidency in Spring 2023, Iqra Malik remains actively involved in the club’s activities. She consistently provides valuable suggestions to the Academic Relations Committee, such as using Discord for communicating with the student members. Moreover, Iqra Malik has gone the extra mile by collaborating with other ISACA Student Groups to organize student events, showcasing her exceptional dedication and leadership skills. Iqra Malik has also been the recipient of the ISACA NY Metropolitan Chapter scholarship, further highlighting her commitment to academic excellence and engagement with the organization.

**Outstanding Academic Advisor - Professor Steven A. Solieri**

Professor Steven A. Solieri has been closely collaborating with the ISACA Student Group at Queens College since its inception. During his tenure, he has consistently motivated students from Queens College to actively engage in various activities organized by the ISACA NY Metropolitan Chapter, with particular emphasis on the annual Student Competition. Additionally, Professor Steven A. Solieri has successfully introduced an IT Audit course at Queens College and collaborated with Eugene Levin and Barry Dynkin, the Chairs of Academic Relations, to develop a comprehensive syllabus for the academic year.

**ISACA Academic Relations Advisory Team Volunteer Opportunity**

ISACA Academic Relations is looking for volunteers who are willing to work closely with our ISACA Student Groups for the following key activities:

- Advise the student bodies of the ISACA clubs in planning, marketing, and executing events
- Advise students on how to conduct elections and transition roles for each semester/academic year
- Inform students of upcoming ISACA events
- Report to the Chair of Academic Relations on student activities and resources needed for the clubs (e.g.: speakers for presentation, food for ISACA events, etc.)
- And more!

If you are interested in this opportunity, please fill out the [ISACA NY Metropolitan Volunteer Form](mailto:academic.relations@isacany.org) or email us at academic.relations@isacany.org.

**Call to Action**

- Looking for IT professionals who would like to give a presentation on any IT topic at any university
- Looking for mentors to work with students during 2023-2024 academic year and help them with career development and job search

If interested please fill out the [ISACA NY Metropolitan Volunteer Form](mailto:academic.relations@isacany.org) or email us at academic.relations@isacany.org.

**FROM OUR PARTNERS**
ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter is thrilled to announce the return of **Cyber Security for Critical Assets World**, now in a virtual format. This unique large-scale event will take place on July 11th, bringing together the critical asset community from around the globe.

As a worldwide 24-hour event, **Cyber Security for Critical Assets World** will follow the sun, starting with speakers from the APAC region and moving through MEA, Europe, LatAm, before concluding in North America. This format ensures that attendees can participate regardless of their geographical location.

The comprehensive 24-hour program is designed to empower attendees with the knowledge and tools needed to build resilience, mitigate risks, and develop effective cyber security strategies in the face of emerging and persistent threats. Renowned cybersecurity experts from esteemed organizations such as BP, EDF, Air Liquide, Enedis, Shell, and many more will be delivering insightful presentations and participating in thought-provoking panel discussions.

ISACA Members are eligible for a **FREE Pass** Online by using the code **ISACA-NY (Regular Retail Price $199)**. Don’t miss this opportunity to gain invaluable insights and network with industry leaders.

Prepare to be both challenged and inspired as we uncover new techniques and defense mechanisms shared by some of the world’s leading cyber security innovators. Keynote sessions by trail-blazing industry executives will offer exclusive insights, and interactive panel debates will allow you to benchmark your approach to cyber security against your peers. Engage in group discussions that address specific cyber security pain points and take advantage of in-depth case studies tailored to your sector, offering actionable insights.

Curious to learn more? Visit our website to view the **agenda** and explore the impressive lineup of **speakers**, giving you a glimpse of what to expect from this one-of-a-kind event.

Secure your spot now by registering [here](#).

We look forward to welcoming you to **Cyber Security for Critical Assets World**, where you’ll gain valuable knowledge, network with industry experts, and stay ahead of the evolving cyber security landscape.

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**PHILANTHROPY SUBCOMMITTEE**

Eugene Levin, Acting Chair

**Chapter Scholarship**

In the 2022-2023 academic year, the New York Metropolitan Chapter proudly awarded **three $1,500 scholarships** to students interested in pursuing Digital Trust professions. Looking ahead, we are thrilled to announce a new initiative that will allow us to expand our scholarship
program. Our fundraiser goal is to raise $16,000 to award eight $2,000 scholarships in the 2023-2024 academic year.

To help us achieve our fundraising target, the New York Metropolitan Chapter has pledged to match donations up to a total of $8,000. We are fully committed to supporting the next generation of digital trust professionals and we hope you will join us in this critical mission.

If you would like to contribute to the New York Metropolitan Scholarship Fund, which will be used to award scholarships in the 2023-2024 academic year and will be matched 100% by the chapter, please use the QR code. Your donation is tax-deductible and will make a meaningful difference in the lives of aspiring Digital Trust professionals.

ISACA New York Metropolitan Chapter Moisey Levin Memorial Scholarship

Four students pursuing an IT security-related degree in the NY Metro area will be awarded:
- $2,000 USD academic scholarship for tuition
- A Career Building Bundle
  - Free ISACA Student Membership, course, mentorship, and more!

Apply 5 June - 14 Aug 2023

ISACA Grove
The New York Metropolitan chapter is thrilled to announce its partnership with Everteen.com, a trailblazer in technological advancements that empower individuals worldwide to make a positive impact on our planet.

Through this collaboration, we are dedicated to combating deforestation and promoting habitat protection in 12 countries across the globe. Our alliance with Everteen.com is instrumental in achieving this goal, as their satellite monitoring service provides unparalleled transparency, enabling us to witness the tangible impact of our tree planting endeavors. Everteen.com’s public page offers the opportunity for everyone to view the GPS coordinates of their trees, allowing for a seamless understanding of the direct effect of their contributions. Additionally, chapter members have the unique ability to contribute to the ISACA Grove initiated by the New York Metropolitan chapter by adding their own trees.

The significance of Everteen.com’s tree planting projects extends beyond environmental benefits. These initiatives also prioritize the creation of stable employment opportunities for local farming communities involved in the projects. By planting trees, we not only contribute to environmental sustainability but also support local economies and communities.
We are proud to announce the establishment of **ISACA Grove**, a flourishing forest comprising 1000 trees located in Kenya. Watch it grow and witness the impact of **ISACA Grove** by visiting the following link: [https://evetreen.com/company/isacany](https://evetreen.com/company/isacany)

**Add trees to ISACA Grove!**
Insert unique forest code "670" for **ISACA Grove** at checkout and gift more trees to our forest!

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**CSX LIAISON & CYBERSECURITY EDUCATION LEADER**

Jay Rofsky, Chair

**Overview**
The Cybersecurity Education Leader provides CSX-Fundamental (CSX-F) training for chapter members as well as Cybersecurity awareness updates and hot topics of interest to the membership.

**Call to Action**
If you are interested in supporting the Cybersecurity outreach of this Chapter, please contact Corresponding.secretary@isacany.org or click here for volunteering information.

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**Current Hot Topics**
Every month, the Cybersecurity Education Leader plans to provide the latest Cybersecurity industry updates related to IT Audit, Cyber Breaches and Threats, Cloud Technology, Data & Privacy, and Enabling Technology.

If you have any updates, you believe are worth noting, please email our chapter lead.

ChatGPT Accounts Breached: Group-IB Reports

Singapore-based cybersecurity firm, Group-IB, has discovered over 100,000 compromised OpenAI ChatGPT accounts on various illicit dark web marketplaces. Many enterprises incorporating ChatGPT into their workflows enter classified correspondences or use the bot to optimize proprietary code. Dmitry Shestakov, head of threat intelligence at Group-IB, warned that due to ChatGPT’s standard configuration retaining all conversations, attackers gaining access to account credentials could inadvertently receive a trove of sensitive information.

The compromised credentials were traced back to the logs of information-stealing malware Raccoon and have been traded on underground platforms over the past year. The number of available logs containing compromised ChatGPT accounts hit a high of 26,802 in May 2023, with the Asia-Pacific region accounting for 40.5% of stolen accounts between June 2022 and May 2023. To address these risks, Group-IB advised users to frequently update their passwords and enable two-factor authentication (2FA). The firm underscored the significance of threat intelligence in defending against such attacks.

For more info: Source 1 Source 2

DOJ Establishes National Security Cyber Section

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) has announced the formation of the National Security Cyber Section (NatSec Cyber) within its National Security Division (NSD). This development is a result of findings from the Comprehensive Cyber Review conducted by Deputy Attorney General Lisa O. Monaco in July 2022. Matthew G. Olsen, Assistant Attorney General of the NSD, stated that NatSec Cyber would bolster the DOJ's capacity in key roles and allow it to scale up and expedite disruption campaigns and prosecutions against nation-state threat actors, state-sponsored cybercriminals, and others posing cyber-enabled threats to national security.

NatSec Cyber's main goal is to enhance the DOJ's ability to effectively combat malicious cyber activities. The section aims to address the escalating sophistication and aggression of cyber-threats from hostile nation-state adversaries by nurturing partnerships within the DOJ and across government bodies. Collaboration with key partners like the FBI's Cyber Division and the Criminal Division's Computer Crimes and Intellectual Property Section is deemed critical in accomplishing these objectives. Avishai Avivi, CISO at SafeBreach, has applauded the NatSec Cyber launch as a positive step for the security industry and the internet community, reinforcing the administration's National Cybersecurity Strategy.

For more info: Source 1 Source 2

IT Audit Updates

- Why Recovering Active Directory from a Cyberattack is an Essential Component of ITDR Source 1 Source 2
- Lawmakers Lean on Research, Success Stories in Effort to Diagnose Cyber Workforce Shortage Source 1 Source 2

Cyber Breaches & Threats

- New Mirai Variant Campaigns are Targeting IoT Devices Source 1 Source 2
- US Military Personnel Warned of Malicious Smartwatches Source 1 Source 2

Cloud Technology

- VMware Discloses Trio of High Severity Bugs in Network Monitoring Tool Source 1 Source 2
- Cloud Security is the Greatest Area of Concern for Cybersecurity Leaders According to EC-Council's Certified CISO Hall of Fame Report 2023 Source 1 Source 2

Data & Privacy

- Smart Pet Feeders Expose Personal Data Source 1 Source 2
- Meta's Data Practices Are in the Spotlight: Brands Should Pay Close Attention Source 1 Source 2

Enabling Technology

- US to Launch Working Group on Generative AI, Address Its Risks Source 1 Source 2
- Cisco Launches New AI Networking Chips to Compete with Broadcom,Marvell Source 1 Source 2

Special thanks to our CSX and Cyber Education Leader Volunteers for their great work identifying and summarizing the content for the Chapter.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
If you are interested in volunteering, see our volunteer webpage, and send an email to volunteer@isacany.org to let us know the following:
1. What committee(s) you are interested in?
2. What is your time commitment?
3. Submit a photo
4. Short Bio (up to 250 words)

JOB OPPORTUNITIES
Employers: List open positions on our website for FREE! Openings are posted for 30 days unless you direct otherwise. Send position description and contact information to jobs@isacany.org. NOTE: job postings can only be seen by registered users logged into our site.

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To members who voted, your trust I embrace,
With gratitude deep, I offer my grace.
Though the Secretary's role I'll miss, no doubt,
As Treasurer, chapter's wealth I'll devout.

Composed with the help of ChatGPT

Please let us know your thoughts and suggestions about the content at corresponding.secretary@isacany.org

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