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President's Message

Happy Spring Members!

It is nice to finally see some sunshine and warmer weather, and all the colorful spring flowers! I'm excited to announce that in June we will sponsor our first post-pandemic in-person training, IT for Non-IT Auditors. I'm looking forward to seeing our members in person! See the Training section for further details. Also, May is Internal Audit Awareness Month, continue reading for additional information on how to raise awareness of the importance of Internal Audit! Lastly, the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) is seeking public comment on proposed changes to the International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF), with focus on the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing. The public comment period ends May 30, 2023. The U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) also recently issued an exposure draft seeking public comment to the proposed updates to Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS); however, the comment period ended April 28, 2023. Looking forward to seeing you all soon!



Cheryl McCormick
President



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CASA Team

- Cheryl McCormick, President
- Dee Kumar, Vice President
- Laura Langston, Treasurer
- Sara Sheikholislam, Secretary
- Shanah McKnight, Executive Director
- Chris Prasad, Training Committee
- Julio Almanza, Training Committee
- Mary Camacho, Peer Review Committee
- David Shockey, Peer Review Committee
- Jennifer Whitaker, Immediate Past President

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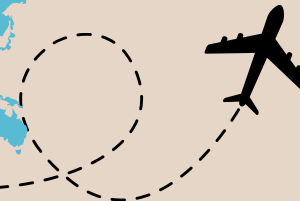
Spotlight

MEET

Sara Sheikholislam

Sara is coming up on her one year as CASA's Secretary and is loving it! She is responsible for documenting the Board's meetings and preparing minutes. She has been with the state for 23 years, with most of her time in internal audits. For the past two years she has worked with the California Lottery, and no, she cannot buy lottery tickets.

One thing Sara cannot live without is her Quest Peanut Butter Cups —11g protein, 1g net carb, 80 calories, and pretty tasty. Her favorite show is The White Lotus. Her dream vacation would be traveling to the United States to buy her Quest Peanut Butter Cups while living in Europe. Her favorite color is black.





May is International Internal Audit Awareness Month

Yes, we are not making this up! It's an ENTIRE month dedicated to bringing awareness to the internal audit profession. This is your time to shine and spread the word!

The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) has made it very easy for everyone to share what internal auditors do and the value they add. This will be helpful for the recruitment of future potential auditors, to educate the general public, and to provide your organization with a clear view of the essential role internal audits plays in strong organizational governance, internal control, and effective risk management.

The IIA's Building Awareness Toolkit is the perfect complement to your celebration of Internal Audit Awareness Month. It offers creative ideas and tips, sample programs, videos, tools, and templates all designed around generating greater awareness of the important work that you do. Start showcasing internal audit to customers, executive management, the board, and anyone else who may be interested by visiting IIA's link provided here: [Promoting the Profession](#).



TRAINING

May

Auditing Real Risks for Real Results
Presented by: Tali Ploetz
May 15 –16, 2023

June

IT for Non-IT Auditors
Presented by: Danny Goldbert
June 19, 2023
Hilton Arden West
In-Person Training

July

High Impact Audit Practices: Project Planning
Brainstorming, Communications & Results Delivery
Instructor John Hall
July 24-25, 2023
On Line





Auditors are in demand! Check out the postings below.

Financial and Performance Evaluator I, JC-368535

FFD: 5/8/2023

California Department of Finance

Financial and Performance Evaluator II, JC-368585

FFD: 5/8/2023

California Department of Finance

Financial and Performance Evaluator III, JC-369845

FFD: 5/16/2023

California Department of Finance

Senior Manager, Audit, Bulletin No: 005603-011

FFD: 5/17/2023

Public Transportation Services Corporation

CEA Level B - Deputy Director, Office of Compliance, JC-369236

FFD: 5/17/2023

Department of Public Health

Associate Management Auditor, 051-723-4159-008

FFD: Until Filled

California State Controller

Staff Services Management Auditor, 051-723-4159-010

FFD: Until Filled

California State Controller

Associate Management Auditor, JC-366561

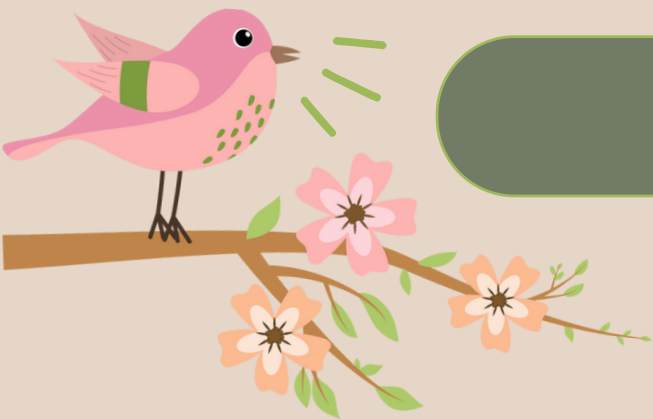
FFD: 5/12/2023

California Public Utilities Commission

Staff Services Management Auditor, JC-366561

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VOLUNTEER

OPPORTUNITIES

2023 Peer Reviews

CASA is seeking motivated volunteers to participate in our Peer Review Program. Participating in a peer review is a great opportunity for leaders within the State of California audit community to exchange ideas about best practices and learn from each other, while helping audit units meet their external assessment requirement. The time commitment is less than you might think and taking a deeper dive into the standards can really elevate your audit game!

We encourage you to apply by submitting a completed nomination form located at www.casa1.org/review to the peer review coordinators.

Management and licensed professionals (CPA, CIA, CGAP, etc.) are strongly encouraged to apply.

Want to Learn More?

Visit www.CASA1.org/FAQs

Have Questions?

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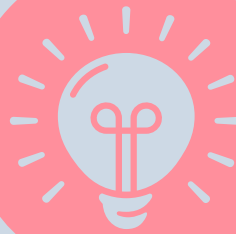
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No winner was selected from the February 2023 trivia as no one submitted an entry! Therefore, we have simplified the trivia for this month in hopes of increasing participation! Please complete the CASA trivia questions and submit your responses to CASAuditors@gmail.com by May 19, 2023, for a chance to win a \$10 gift card to Amazon!



CASA History

1. What is the CASA organization dedicated to improving?
2. On average, how many training courses does CASA provide each calendar year?
3. What is the most favorite part of attendance at the training courses?
4. How many individuals comprise the CASA Board?
5. How does an organization receive credits toward their CASA Peer Review?

