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An April Message from Your Chapter Chair – *Mary Therese Tylus, MA*



As many of you know, we have been heavily emailing all our expired Chapter members as a reminder to pay your International and/or Chapter Dues. We have also been reaching out to nonmembers as well to increase our membership and participation in the Chapter. In many instances, we have found that in our nonmember rolls which also contain some former or expired members, these persons have multiple profiles and email addresses. This occurs when people move to other jobs and sign up for an event using a new email address because the current one on file belongs to their former employer. To help us keep our database as accurate as possible and to avoid duplicates and sometimes triplicates, we are requesting that if you change your email address, please go in and update your Chapter profile. That way when you sign up for an event, you have only one record in our system. Also, you may have received a reminder email if at some point you registered a guest for an event and used your personal email. You can avoid that if you obtain from your guest their own email address to use at the time of registration.

After receiving your Chapter Dues payment, our Webmaster receives the notification that you have paid and while we strive to update the member within 24 hours of payment, please understand that there may be a delay from time to time in doing so. Once we process the request, if you are a new member or a former member who expired more than a year ago, you will receive a welcome email that welcomes you to the Chapter, provides your user ID, and gives you a link to click on to set up your new password. Current or newly expired members will not receive the welcome email. Newly expired members who are reactivated will be able to continue to use their current user ID and passwords without interruption.

An April Message from Your Chapter Chair – Mary Therese Tylus, MA - Continued

We have recently implemented a new sponsorship form for anyone who would like to assist in sponsoring an event other than the Golf Outing, Women In Security, Women In Security/NextGen, or website sponsorships. This new form can be found on the website along with the others. We truly do appreciate all our sponsors in helping us to put on the various events outside of our monthly Chapter meetings.

I want to take a moment to recognize our new NextGen Chair, Andrew Bartol, and new Mentorship Chair, Mike Ortiz for the outstanding job they did in putting on their first co-hosted event on March 28, 2024. If you missed it, you missed a truly great event! A great thank you to their panelists, Brandi Srda, CPP, Jason Ortiz, CPP, and Derrick Walker who all spoke about how they found their niche in security and shared many nuggets of wisdom on how to succeed in the security industry, regardless of whether you are in physical, cyber or internet security. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the delicious food that was provided. I would also like to recognize and thank once again our sponsors for the event: P4 Companies, Prosegur Security, and Apex3Systems.

Hope to see you at our upcoming April 18, 2024, Chapter meeting at Harry Caray's. Our guest speaker is Paul Ohm, CPP, who will speak on the topic of "Armed v. Unarmed Security – Implications and Considerations for Supplemental Coverage during the DNC and Beyond". Come join us for an informative and educational discussion.

Thanks for reading and enjoy the rest of our newsletter! Take care and be safe!

Securing Success: NextGen Mentorship & Networking Event - What a Huge Success!!!

The March 28, 2024, NextGen Mentorship & Networking Event held at The Black Barrel Tavern and cohosted by Andrew Bartol, our NextGen Chair, and Mike Ortiz, our Mentorship Chair was a huge success for all who attended and participated. Andrew and Mike moderated a three-person panel, comprised of Brandi Srda, CPP, our Women in Security Co-Chair (Titan Security), Jason Ortiz, CPP, our Military Liaison & Chapter Resources Chair (Inter-Con Security), and Derrick Walker of Triumph Connections who represented CyberSecurity. The moderators gave the panelists some thought-provoking questions and the moderators in turn, shared their personal stories of how they entered their respective fields of security and shared many nuggets of wisdom on how to succeed in the industry with the young security professionals in attendance. The evening was filled with great fun, food, and fellowship! It was a great way for those in attendance to meet new people and in some instances reconnect with others in the security industry. A shout out to our sponsors – P4 Companies, Prosecur Security, and Apex3 Systems who helped to underwrite this fantastic event.





Crime Spree Targeting Small Museums Ends After 20 Years

The [story](#) hit 60 Minutes on Sunday, 7 April, and garnered more than [2,000 words](#) from The New York Times: authorities had arrested nine people they say are a gang of unsophisticated burglars that had raided 14 small museums and exhibits—not to mention neighborhoods and small stores. Throughout the span of a couple of decades, the thieves had stolen, among many, many other things, such items as a jersey worn by Baseball Hall of Famer Christy Mathewson and a painting by Jackson Pollock.

Getting the OMG factor out of the way: they have either confessed to or been accused of stealing nine of Yogi Berra's 10 World Series rings and melting them down, selling the gems and precious metal at a tiny fraction of what the rings would be worth. Of the group, five pled guilty and the remaining four have trial dates scheduled for later this year.

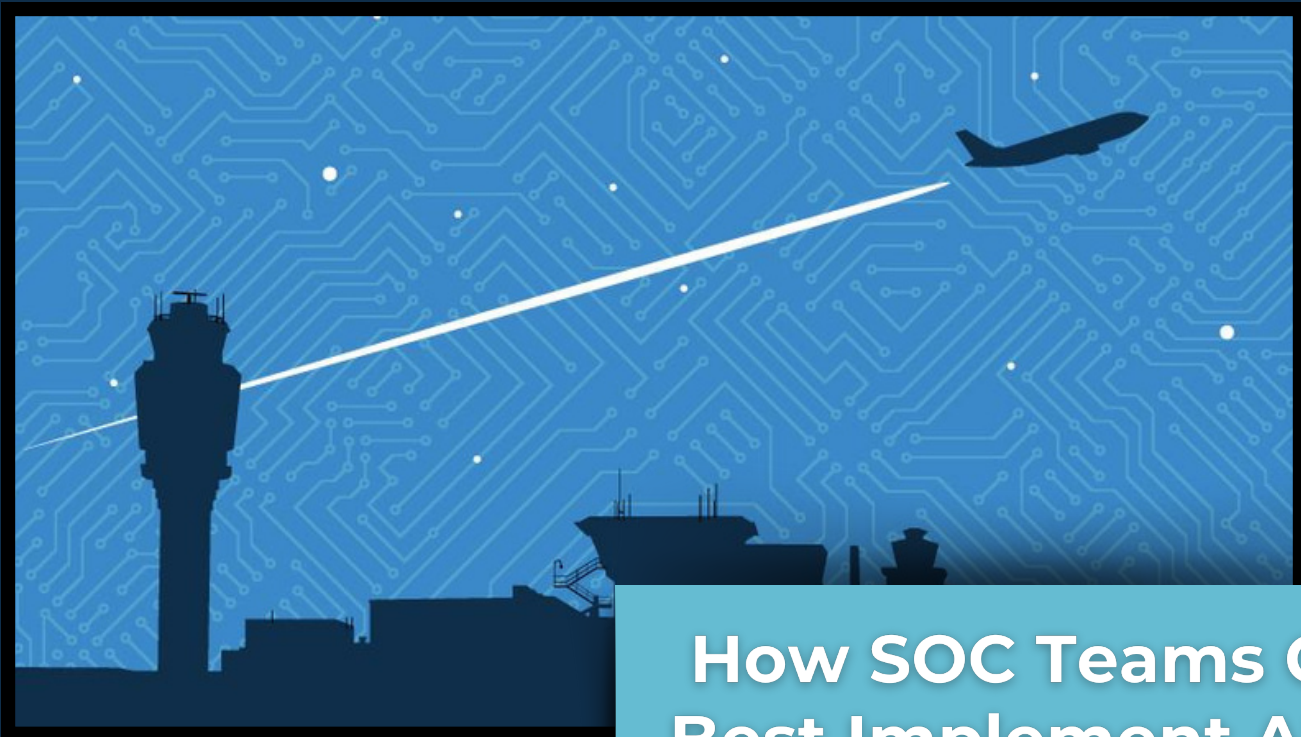
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Fast Facts: How the EU AI Act will Impact Security Technology

Europe led the way in creating the world's first major privacy regulations with the EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which transformed the way businesses around the world interact with consumers and manage their data.

Now, the EU is poised to take similar groundbreaking steps with the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Act. The goal of the legislation is to ensure that fundamental rights, democracy, the rule of law, and environmental sustainability are protected from high-risk AI, while continuing to create an environment where Europe innovates and develops AI solutions.





How SOC Teams Can Best Implement AI as a Security Co-Pilot

The ubiquity of artificial intelligence (AI) within the enterprise is approaching that of the cloud: In 2023, generative AI app usage among enterprise employees increased by 400 percent, and more than 10 percent of enterprise employees accessed at least one generative AI application every month, compared to just 2 percent in 2022.

Cybersecurity professionals are adopting these tools at an even higher rate. Fifty-six percent reported already working with AI and machine learning (ML), while 36 percent of cybersecurity practitioners said they are exploring the possibilities of doing so, according to research from CompTIA.

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Legal Report: Washington Settles Suit with Opioid Producer Johnson & Johnson for \$149.5 Million

Opioid crisis. Pharmaceutical company Johnson & Johnson agreed to a \$149.5 million settlement with the state of Washington, bringing an end to a lawsuit that the state filed more than four years ago over the company's alleged role in the opioid addiction epidemic.

The settlement will be paid in one lump sum within this fiscal year.

Washington state and local governments will dedicate \$123.3 million to substance abuse treatment, expanding access to overdose reversal medications and support for pregnant people experiencing addiction, according to the settlement. Half of this amount will be directed to local governments across the state.

The remainder of the settlement will be used to cover costs and fees payable to the state's attorney general. (Janssen Washington State-Wide Opioid Settlement Agreement, King County Superior Court, 2024)

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ASIS International Announces the Launching of a New Join Process

Effective February 14, 2024, ASIS International will launch the new join process. What does this mean for our new International members?

1. It will be easier to join ASIS International – the application stays the same, but the payment process will be easier. The website to join International remains <https://www.asisonline.org/join>
2. If International members want to purchase multiple products from the ASIS store with their membership – they will receive the membership discount. For example – someone may decide to add membership and a webinar to their cart – the webinar will be discounted to FREE at checkout due to the customer being recognized as a new member upon purchase.
3. Regardless of when someone joins, their International membership will be good for one FULL year (At this time, if you joined in March – though you'd pay full price, you'd only receive membership for 9 more months).
4. Expiration dates will appear in an International member's My Account section and multiple reminders will be sent out via ASIS International upon renewal time.
5. International members continue to have the ability to sign up for auto renewal and save 5% or renew for three years in advance to save 10% AND lock in the current price.
6. Soon International members will have the option to pay by PayPal.

Once you join – your International expiration date always stays the same. Unless you let your International membership lapse – then you would need to rejoin the International Association and you will receive a new International expiration date.

And when you join the Chicago Chapter as a new member and pay your dues what happens next? Your expiration date for your Chapter Dues will now be the same as your International Dues expiration date.

For now, those of us who have joined International and the Chapter prior to February 14, 2024, your International and Chapter Dues Expiration Date will continue to remain 12/31 of each year.

ASIS Chicago Chapter Event Registration Information

We always look forward to having everyone join us at our monthly chapter events and we welcome all guests! However, it's essential to ensure that you have provided your up-to-date contact information when signing up for yourself or a guest. We require this information to inform all attendees in case of an emergency, such as a cancellation or change in venue. Unfortunately, during our January meeting, we had to cancel due to a burst water pipe, and we were unable to reach everyone. We noticed that some people did not enter a phone number when registering, or if someone registered a guest, they did not include their contact information. Therefore, please make sure to add your contact information when registering for our events, including your phone number and email address. Current ASIS members can keep this information updated from their International and Chapter profiles, while non-members can update this information when registering for an upcoming event. Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you at one of our future events!

Making Profile Changes to your ASIS International & Chicago Chapter Profile

Did you know that if you make changes to your ASIS International Profile, you have to go into your Chicago Chapter Profile and do the same? Yes, unfortunately, when an International & Chicago member makes a change to their profile in either system, the changes do not carryover. Thus, if you change jobs, change emails, add a certification, etc., you must make those changes in both systems. So, periodically check your International and your Chicago Profile for accuracy and up-to-date information. Your profile is only as good as you keep it current.

ASIS Chicago Chapter Certification Chair Position Available

Greetings Security Professionals:

Every year ASIS Chicago coordinates an Exam Day Prep certification study group for our members. Our study group meets once a week for 8 to 10 weeks. The content includes: identifying effective study tools, study tips and methods, and a review of the ASIS sources. The study group also includes practice Q&As similar to those candidates see on Exam Day.

Here are some benefits of participating in a study group:

- Learn what sources, methods, and tools have been used by those who have passed and not passed their exam.
- Discover which sources are most useful for Exam Day.
- What to expect on Exam Day.
- Meeting and Networking Opportunities with like-minded security professionals from all areas of security.
- Learning about new security trends, techniques, and practices.

Here are some benefits of becoming the Chicago Chapter Certification Chair:

- All the above; plus:
- Crafting, directing, and facilitating the Chicago Chapter's study group
- Receive automatic ASIS credits for volunteering
- Personal pride and accomplishment from assisting security professionals with their professional development goals.
- Becoming the Chapter's subject matter expert on ASIS Certifications, credentials, etc.

The only requirement is to possess an ASIS CPP certification.

If you're interested contact our **Certification Chair, Paladin "Pj" Jordan, CPP.**

The Value of an ASIS Certification

Enjoy personal satisfaction and professional achievement by:

- Validating your security management expertise
- Elevating your stature in the profession
- Gaining a competitive edge in the marketplace
- Enhancing your career and earnings potential. ASIS certificants earn an average of 20% higher salaries than those without an ASIS certification (per ASIS Certification Survey – April 2019)
- Broadening experience and training from law enforcement and military backgrounds

The Value of an ASIS Certification to Your Employer

- Build a strong, dedicated team committed to high standards and continuing professional development
- Promote ongoing enhancement of critical job knowledge and skills
- Feel confident that your staff are using best practices
- Recruit the most qualified professionals
- Reinforce or elevate your organization's reputation and credibility

Learn More



Do You Feel Overwhelmed by the Emails Being Sent From ASIS?

We have heard from several Chicago members that they feel inundated and overwhelmed with emails from the Chapter. We as a Board and Chairs, do our best to keep our Chapter communications to a minimum. We send out one to two announcements per week for our upcoming events and increase the frequency the week of so that those whose schedules free up at the last minute can attend.

As we investigated this issue further, we believe that perhaps the root of the “too many emails from ASIS” are from International, specifically, the Community Connections emails. Based on your selected preferences in your International profile of interests/expertise, International will then send those applicable Community emails. Those notifications can be modified by going into your ASIS International profile and changing your ASIS Connected Community Settings and/or your email & communication preferences as follows:

Step 1: After logging into ASIS International, click on My Information, select My Account, and then in the ASIS Links box to the right – My Communication Preferences.

Step 2: After making and saving changes scroll to the bottom of the page and click on ASIS Connected Community. Click on My Connections to see which ASIS Communities you are enrolled in and determine how often you want to receive them – daily or weekly. Make your changes and then hit save (also check to see who you are following).

Step 3: Move to the My Community Tab and select Email Preferences and verify or change your preferences and hit save. In this same tab, select Communication Notifications and do the same.

Need help? Call ASIS International Membership (703-519-6200) and they can help walk you through the process.

Update: Meeting Announcements From Chapter Webmaster

Below is an article from StarChapter, our website service and the service we use to send out mass emails to our Chapter members and nonmembers explaining a change in the From Address from mass emails coming from our Chapter. In the past the announcements about our meetings and events used to come from webmaster@asischicago.net. The new email address being used is now: postmaster@mg.asischicago.net. Please make sure that you check your junk and spam folders in case these emails are going there and unblock that new postmaster@mg.asischicago.net. Thanks.



StarChapter made some updates to our mass emailing features to comply with new guidelines required by Google and Yahoo. This change in From Address is in place to ensure to those providers that mass emails coming from your organization are authentic, and not spam. It may take some time for all email providers to adapt based on those guidelines, as all bulk email tools are experiencing an increase in delivery issues immediately following these new requirements. This issue should improve as email providers adapt to the new policies.

Moving forward, all mass email sent through your StarChapter system will be from postmaster@mg.yourdomain.ext. Yourdomain.ext will be replaced with your organization's domain name. You will still have the ability to add a unique reply-to email address or sender name to your message when setting up your email campaigns.

Please reference [this article](#) for further information and tips to maximize your delivery.

Best,
The StarChapter Team



Make Sure to Follow the New ASIS Chicago Chapter LinkedIn Page

Hello everybody! Currently, there are two different LinkedIn pages for the ASIS Chicago Chapter. One of the pages is a private group page and the other one is a public company page. These two different LinkedIn pages can often cause confusion on where to look and interact with. Due to these issues, we as a chapter will no longer be supporting or posting on the private group page. All social media content moving forward will be posted on ASIS Chicago Chapter's public LinkedIn page. This new change will give us the option to attract new members to the chapter and upcoming events. If you have not done so already then make sure to follow the new public LinkedIn page to stay up to date with chapter events and news!

**ASIS Chicago Chapter
LinkedIn Page**

ASIS Chicago Chapter

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

APRIL **18**

11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

April Meeting and Seminar

 Harry Caray's Italian Steakhouse - River North



APRIL **25**

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

District Brew Yards and Donations

 District Brew Yards and Donations, Chicago, IL



JUL. **29**

7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Dick Norwood Golf Outing

 Ruffled Feathers Golf Club



ASIS CHICAGO CHAPTER

APRIL MEETING

APRIL 18, 2024
11:00 AM - 1:30 PM



Paul Ohm, CPP

*Armed v. Unarmed Security -- Implications
and Considerations for Supplemental
Coverage during the DNC and Beyond*

HARRY CARAY'S ITALIAN STEAKHOUSE
33 WEST KINZIE STREET, CHICAGO, IL 60654

ASIS Chicago Chapter

APRIL MEETING

SPEAKER INFORMATION



Event Speaker:

**Paul Ohm,
CPP**

Armed v. Unarmed Security

Paul is the Executive Vice President and Principal at P4 Companies (P4S and P4P), with nearly 25 years of experience in the military and private sectors. His career in the private sector began with managing diverse portfolios for a major security firm, eventually leading to his role as the Director of Security at the University of Chicago. He has held his current position at P4 since 2018.

Throughout his tenure, Paul has managed large teams and has been involved in the planning and execution of significant security events, such as the NATO Security Conference, President Obama's election night, the ASIS International Conference, various professional sporting events, the Chicago Cubs World Series victory parade, and multiple high-profile visits and engagements. He has also managed active threat responses, university convocations, and civil disturbance assignments.

Paul plays an active role in several professional security organizations. He is a Past President of the Illinois Security Professionals Association, the Chair of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Public/Private Liaison Committee, and 2nd Vice President of the Special Agents Association.

REGISTER TODAY!



New Chapter Luncheon Ticket Price for Active Law Enforcement

The ASIS Chicago Chapter is proud to announce a special ticket price of \$19 for active law enforcement to come join us at our regularly at our monthly Chapter Luncheon meetings. Our monthly Chapter meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at Harry Caray's River North, 33 W. Kinzie in Chicago, IL. Come join us for networking, a great lunch and fantastic guest speakers on various topics relevant to security practitioners.

[Register Now](#)

Women In Security Invite You to:

DISTRICT BREW YARDS AND DONATIONS



Thursday, April 25, 2024
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM



District Brew Yards and Donations
417 North Ashland Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60622



\$40/person

Join Women in Security and the ASIS Chicago Chapter at District Brew Yards for an evening of craft beer and philanthropy. Pour your own brew straight from the tap at this unique brewpub and brewery, with 20% of proceeds benefiting the Cara Collective—a charity dedicated to eradicating relational and financial poverty.

Enjoy lite bites from Lilie's Q BBQ while giving back through our clothing drive. We're accepting gently used work attire and briefcases to support employment pathways for those in need. Please note, we cannot accept items like white suits and corduroy. Visit our website for the full list of accepted donations.

Raise a glass with us for a cause and help build an inclusive economy. Don't miss out on this opportunity to enjoy great beer, food, and company while making a difference. Save the date for District Brew Yards and Donations—it's an event you won't want to miss!

[Register Now!](#)

ASIS Chicago Chapter's

DICK NORWOOD CHICAGO CHAPTER GOLF OUTING

July 29, 2024

Ruffled Feathers Golf Club, Lemont IL



Registration at 7 AM and Shot Gun Start at 8 AM

Golfer Information

Foursome

\$700

Single Golfer

\$200

Lunch Only

\$65

Sponsorship Information

Premiere

\$1,900

- (1) Complimentary Golf Foursome
- (1) Year Website Advertising
- Registration Sign
- Tee Sign
- Banner
- (4) Drink Tickets + (4) Lunches

Platinum

\$1,500

- (1) Complimentary Golf Foursome
- (1) Year Website Advertising
- Registration Sign
- Banner
- Lunch Sponsor Sign
- (4) Drink Tickets + (4) Lunches

Gold

\$1,500

- (1) Complimentary Golf Foursome
- (1) Year Website Advertising
- Registration Sign
- Breakfast Sponsor Sign
- (4) Drink Tickets + (4) Lunches

Silver

\$1,000

- (4) Months Website Advertising
- Registration Sign
- Banner
- (2) Drink Tickets + (2) Lunches

Bronze

\$900

- (4) Months Website Advertising
- Registration Sign
- Tee Sign
- Banner
- (2) Drink Tickets + (2) Lunches

Golf Cart Sponsor

\$750

- (4) Months Website Advertising
- Registration Sign
- Tee Sign
- Banner
- (1) Drink Ticket + (1) Lunch

More Information on Back

Sponsorship Information Continued

Trophy Sponsor

\$500

- (1) Drink Ticket + (1) Lunch
- Tee Sign
- Banner

Hole Contest

\$500

- (1) Drink Ticket + (1) Lunch
- Tee Sign
- Banner

Deluxe Tee Sign

\$300

- (1) Drink Ticket + (1) Lunch
- Tee Sign
- Table at Hole

Tee Sign

\$200

- Tee Sign

Click or Scan the QR Code to learn more about the Sponsorship Opportunities Available



Contact Information

If you are interested in sponsoring or learning more about the 2023 ASIS Chicago Golf Outing, please contact Steve Siegel using the information below!



Steve Siegel - Golf Chair

steveadvil@hotmail.com

219-263-9085

Make Sure to Register Today and We Look Forward to Seeing You Out on the Golf Course This July!



CHAPTER EVENTS FOR 2024

Do you like to plan ahead and mark your calendar so you can attend our Chapter Meeting? Here are the dates and locations:

~~FEBRUARY 15, 2024~~

~~*In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's*~~

~~MARCH 21, 2024~~

~~*In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's*~~

APRIL 18, 2024

In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's

APRIL 25, 2024

District Brew Yards and Donations

MAY 16, 2024

In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's

JUNE 20, 2024

Virtual Zoom Chapter Meeting

JULY 29, 2024

Annual Chapter Golf Outing @ Ruffled Feathers Golf Course in Lemont, IL

CHAPTER EVENTS FOR 2024 CONTINUED

AUGUST 15, 2024

Virtual Zoom Chapter Meeting

SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's

OCTOBER 17, 2024

In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's

NOVEMBER 21, 2024

In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's

DECEMBER 19, 2024

In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's

We will provide more details and information about the upcoming events as we get closer to them. Please keep an eye on our website and check your email inbox regularly for updates.

We had some incredible events and speakers in 2023, and we are confident that 2024 will be even better. Thank you for your continued support!

DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR 2024 ASIS MEMBERSHIP DUES!

ASIS INTERNATIONAL

Go to www.asischicago.net

Click "Membership" on left hand side

Click "Pay ASIS International Dues" from drop down menu

Enter your ASIS username and password

Click renew "My Personal Account" and verify information

Submit payment (\$245.00) await receipt in your email inbox

LOCAL CHICAGO CHAPTER

Go to www.asischicago.net

Click "Membership" on left hand side

Click "Pay Chicago Chapter Dues" from drop down menu

Click "Pay Local Dues"

Click "Add To Cart"

Submit payment (\$10.00) and await receipt in your email inbox

Your ASIS International and ASIS Chicago Chapter dues must be paid separately.

If you have any questions, please contact Membership at tjwenzel32@gmail.com

ASIS International
Membership Registration
(New Members)



ASIS International
Membership Renewal
(Existing Members)



ASIS Chicago Chapter
Dues* (New & Existing
Members)





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Chapter



<http://asischicago.net>

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updates!**



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Women in Security Event Sponsor

To become a Women in Security event sponsor, go to the Tab on the left-hand side of the ASIS website and click on Women in Security. Scroll down to the bottom of the page. Click on 'Become a WIS Sponsor' and simply follow the prompts to support furthering the inclusion of women which strengthens the security profession and helps prevent conflict in a pragmatic way.

NextGen Event Sponsor

To become a NextGen event sponsor, contact Essam Choudhary at essamc@live.com today!

Chapter Sponsor

To become a Chapter Sponsor, go to the Tab on the left-hand side of the ASIS website and click on 'Become a Website Sponsor' today!