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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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## April 2025 Message from Your Chapter Chair – *Mary Therese Tylus, MA*



Happy Spring everyone! Those April Showers we have been getting are certainly going to bring us those May flowers soon! My own daffodils in front of my house have already poked their heads out and have opened and are blooming!

Please join us for our monthly Chapter Meeting at Harry Cary's on Thursday, April 17, 2025. Our speaker is John K. Sellers, CPP, a former Officer of the Chapter, who will speak to us on the topic of Theories of Crime Prevention and their Application. Tickets are on sale now so later in the newsletter click on the register today button. Hope to see all of you there!

April is Law Enforcement and Military Appreciation Month for our Chapter. I would like to give a shout-out to all our members who serve in either or both capacities. We truly appreciate your service to our communities and our country. Please come to our April meeting so we can acknowledge you and your service. I encourage all our members to bring someone from law enforcement or the military to our April meeting as their guests so that they can learn more about ASIS both at the International and Chapter level. Law Enforcement/Military Personnel now have a special ticket price of \$19 which is available for all our monthly regular meetings.

At April's meeting, we will be conducting a fundraiser via a cash-only split-the-pot raffle benefiting Bank the Blue, a charity supporting mental health services for Illinois law enforcement officers. You can learn more about this charity at: <https://banktheblue.com>. So, bring your wallet and help contribute to this worthy charity!

## April 2025 Message from Your Chapter Chair – Mary Therese Tylus, MA - Continued

Coming soon and not yet finalized are plans for a Friday evening event hosted by our NextGen and Mentorship Chairs – Andrew Bartol and Mike Ortiz. We are looking at some time in May so as we firm up plans and the agenda, look for the announcement in your email box and future newsletters.

Also coming soon will be finalized plans for the Women In Security's "Emerging Technologies" to be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2025. Watch for more details coming soon!

As always, if you are an industry expert and would like to present at one of our Chapter meetings or know of other speakers of interest for our upcoming monthly meetings, please reach out to our Program Chair, Hamid Chaudhry at [hamid.chaudhry@gmail.com](mailto:hamid.chaudhry@gmail.com) either with your information and topic or the contact information of other speakers of interest. We are always looking to broaden our members' knowledge on the various and sundry topics relevant to security professionals in our Chapter.

Finally – don't forget our upcoming Golf Outing on Monday, July 28, 2025, at Ruffled Feathers Golf Course in Lemont. Sponsorships and Golfers are wanted! Please see the newsletter for more information or contact our Golf Co-Chairs – Andy Hollinger or Chuck Slaybough for more details (see the newsletter).

Thanks for reading and I hope to see you all at our April meeting!

# ASIS Chicago Chapter UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS



## APRIL 17

11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

ASIS Chicago April Meeting and Seminar

 Harry Caray's Italian Steakhouse - River North



## JULY 28

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

2025 ASIS Chicago Chapter Golf Outing

 Ruffled Feathers Golf Club



Join us for the April 2025 ASIS International Chicago Chapter Monthly Meeting as we proudly honor law enforcement and military personnel in recognition of Law Enforcement and Military Appreciation Month. We encourage all members and non-members alike to attend and invite the law enforcement and military professionals in your lives to this special gathering. During the meeting, we'll be holding a Cash-Only Split the Pot Raffle to benefit Bank the Blue, a nonprofit organization supporting the mental health needs of Illinois law enforcement officers. Raffle tickets will be available at 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10. Bank the Blue partners with certified clinicians and police training programs to provide culturally competent care tailored to the unique challenges faced by those who serve and protect. To learn more, visit [banktheblue.com](http://banktheblue.com).



ASIS CHICAGO CHAPTER

# APRIL MEETING

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APRIL 17, 2025  
11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

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## **John K. Sellers, CPP**

- Retired Sergeant – UICPD
  - Retired Chief Petty Officer, USNR
  - Security Management Professional
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Join us at the April 2025 ASIS International Chicago Chapter Monthly Meeting as we honor law enforcement and military personnel for Appreciation Month. All law enforcement and military are welcome, and attendees are encouraged to invite them.

We'll also host a cash-only split-the-pot raffle benefiting Bank the Blue, a charity supporting mental health services for Illinois law enforcement officers. Learn more at: <https://banktheblue.com>.

# ASIS Chicago Chapter

## APRIL MEETING

### SPEAKER INFORMATION

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**Event Speaker:**

**John K. Sellers, CPP**

- Retired Sergeant – UICPD
- Retired Chief Petty Officer, USNR
- Security Management Professional

#### **Theories of Crime Prevention and their Application**

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##### **Retired Sergeant – UICPD**

Served in CALEA accredited police department with demonstrated success in Communications, Crime Prevention, Electronic Surveillance, Forensic Video Analysis, and Patrol.

##### **Retired Chief Petty Officer, USNR**

Served in active and reserve roles in Naval Security Force Leadership and Small Arms Marksmanship Instruction. Nationally Recognized for expertise in Antiterrorism and Force Protection.

##### **Security Management Professional**

Results oriented leadership in Cultural, Educational, Hospital, Industrial, and Retail markets. Over 20 years progressive experience with multiple security services providers.

##### **Volunteer service**

Over 30 years serving civic, philanthropic, professional, and public service organizations in numerous roles.

**REGISTER TODAY!**



# ASIS Chicago Chapter Golf Outing



July 28, 2025 • Ruffled Feathers Golf Club, Lemont IL

Registration at 7 AM and Shot Gun Start at 8:30 AM

## Golfer and Sponsorship Information:

### Foursome

\$750

### Single Golfer

\$200

### Lunch Only

\$85

### Platinum ▶ \$2,000

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

### Gold ▶ \$1,500

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

### Silver ▶ \$1,000

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

### Trophy Sponsor or Hole Contest ▶ \$600

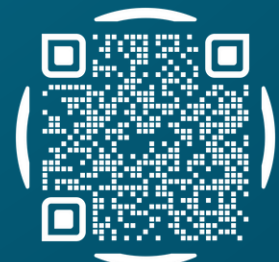
- (1) Drink Ticket + (1) Lunch
- Tee Sign
- Banner
- Table at hole

### Tee Sign ▶ \$300

### Register Here ▼



If you are interested in sponsoring or learning more about the 2025 ASIS Chicago Golf Outing, please contact Chuck or Andy using the information below.



Chuck Slaybough ▶ [✉ chuck.slaybough@axis.com](mailto:chuck.slaybough@axis.com)

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Andy Hollinger ▶ [✉ andy@athena-security.com](mailto:andy@athena-security.com)

[☎ 610-505-2572](tel:610-505-2572)

# 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

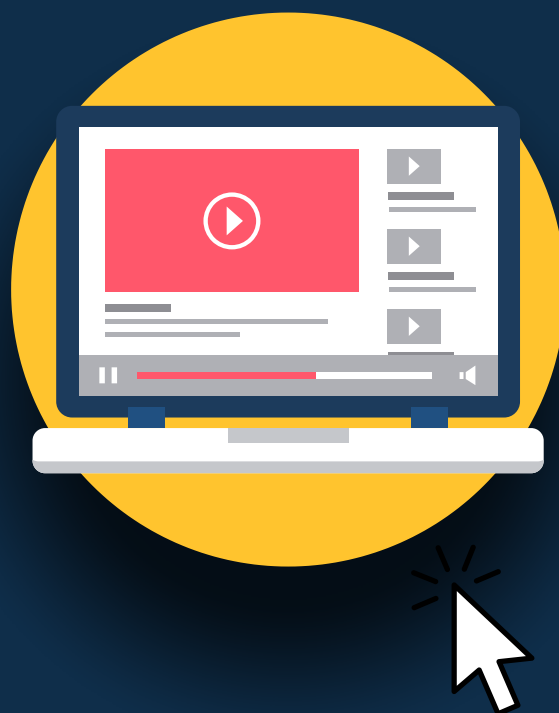
Learn More



## Fast Facts: 4 Features that Improve Active Assailant Preparedness

The four features to improve active assailant preparedness will not be a huge surprise. In fact, they are highly logical. What made the findings from the *Active Assailant Preparedness: Risks and Recommendations*, sponsored by Everbridge, so notable was how strong the correlations are.

ASIS has undertaken more than half a dozen research projects as part of its Security Issues Research program, and most of them work to measure the effectiveness of tactics, procedures, or other variables. Statistically valid results are relatively common, but no other research project had such a wide disparity between the “haves” and the “have nots” (and the “dos” and “do nots”) as the active assailant research project.





## Two Emerging Workforce Scams Can Lead to Dire Consequences

This week, news emerged about two different trends that concern workforces: in Mexico, cartels use hiring scheme to force people into illegal cartel work, while North Korea seeks to infiltrate European and U.S. companies by placing compromised IT workers.

### **Mexico**

An investigation into a Jalisco ranch in western Mexico has uncovered horrific methods that the Jalisco New Generation Cartel has used to train, and sometimes dispose of, recruits.

The cartel uses three methods in replenishing and growing its numbers—volunteers, recruitment of former military or police officers, and forced recruitment, according to news reports.

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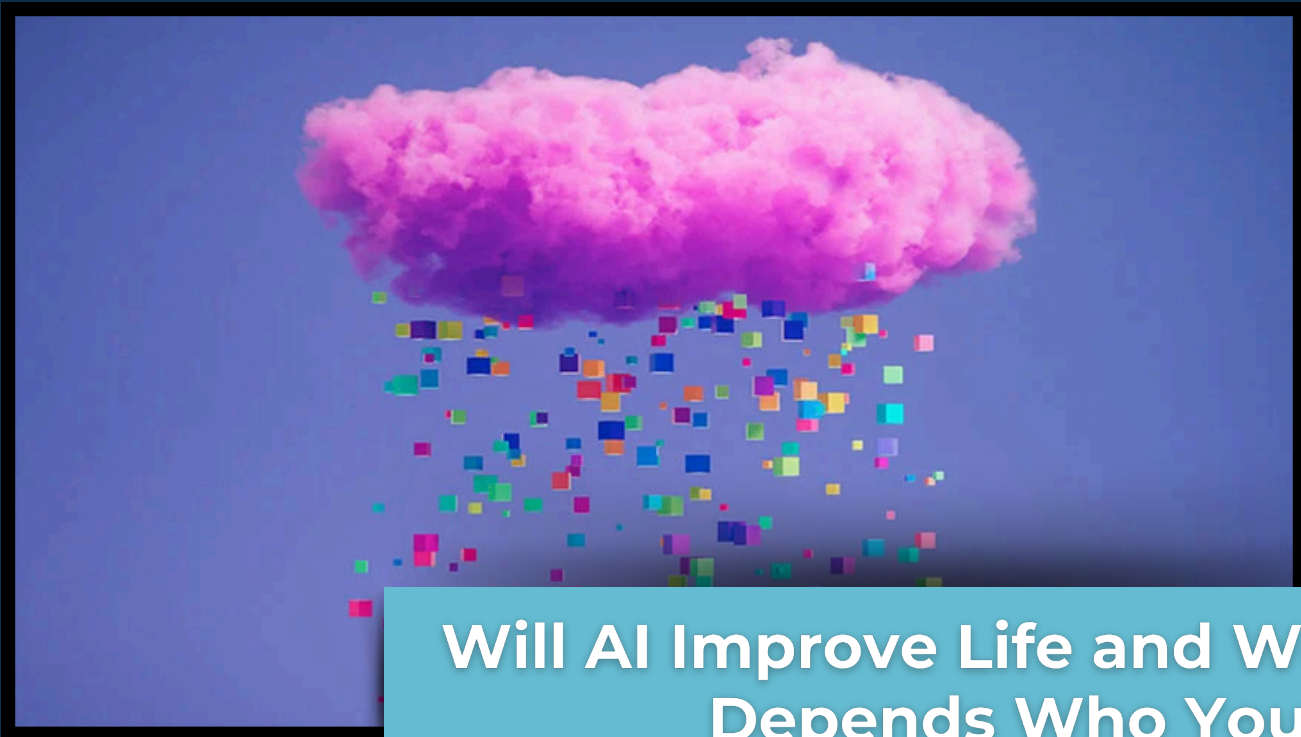


## Experts Tell Congress Lack of Tracking Creates Cybersecurity Gaps for Medical Devices

During a U.S. House hearing on 1 April, healthcare and cybersecurity experts said that it was no April Fools' joke: there's no well-established process in place tracking medical device inventory, leaving patients, operators, and healthcare staff at risk of being exploited by potential gaps in the cybersecurity of such devices.

These devices save lives every day—pacemakers, patient monitors, insulin pumps, and more have become crucial tools that help medical professionals treat and care for patients. But like many other modern devices, many of them are connected to networks and the Internet.

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## Will AI Improve Life and Work? Depends Who You Ask

The Pew Research Center just released results from a major study about the U.S. population's opinions and attitudes about artificial intelligence (AI). They compared the results with the opinions from AI experts, showing the sometimes-wide disparities of how experts view the emerging technologies compared to the public overall.

The research is based on feedback from 5,410 people in the United States and 1,013 AI experts that live in the United States. Pew identified the experts by compiling a list of authors and presenters at 21 AI-related conferences.

The full report is easily accessible on Pew Research's website, as is a **summary**. Below are some of the findings that stand out, followed by some resources specifically on AI in security from Security Management and ASIS International.

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## ASIS Awards and Scholarships Applications Open Now

ASIS International is proud to honor and celebrate outstanding achievements in our industry while also nurturing the security professionals of tomorrow. The ASIS Awards of Excellence recognize the outstanding achievements, leadership, and contributions of individuals and organizations that have made a significant impact within the security industry. Scholarships and grants provided by ASIS International and the ASIS Foundation create opportunities for security professionals to advance their careers and continue to make the world a safer place.

The ASIS Awards of Excellence honor both individuals and organizations with over a dozen award opportunities. Recently, ASIS has added the Distinguished Service Award to its list of commendations. This award is designed to celebrate individuals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, commitment, and outstanding contributions to ASIS International during the award year. Any current ASIS member is eligible, so nominate yourself or a fellow member today!

The ASIS Foundation provides multiple scholarships for certification, including the general ASIS Foundation Certification Scholarship. This scholarship can be awarded to any ASIS member in good standing. Each scholarship includes an online review course PLUS the certification exam fees for your choice of the CPP, PCI, PSP, or APP certification.

[See the full list of ASIS awards, scholarships, and grants.](#)

Applications are open now for all ASIS awards, scholarships, and grants. Applications must be submitted by **30 April 2025**, so don't hesitate – **APPLY NOW!**

# 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.

# 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



## New Chapter Luncheon Ticket Price for Law Enforcement and Military Personnel

The ASIS Chicago Chapter is proud to announce a special ticket price of \$19 for all law enforcement and military personnel to come join us at our regular 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](#)

# CHAPTER EVENTS FOR 2025

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

**JANUARY 16, 2025**

*In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's*

**FEBRUARY 13, 2025**

*In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's*

**MARCH 10, 2025**

*In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's*

**APRIL 17, 2025**

*In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's*

**MAY 15, 2025**

*In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's*

**NO JUNE MEETING**

*TBD on doing a Virtual Zoom Chapter Meeting*

**JULY 28, 2025**

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

# CHAPTER EVENTS FOR 2025 CONTINUED

## **NO AUGUST MEETING**

*TBD on doing a Virtual  
Zoom Chapter Meeting*

## **September 18, 2025**

*In Person Chapter  
Meeting at Harry Caray's*

## **OCTOBER 16, 2025**

*In Person Chapter  
Meeting at Harry Caray's*

## **NOVEMBER 20, 2025**

*In Person Chapter  
Meeting at Harry Caray's*

## **DECEMBER 18, 2025**

*In Person Chapter  
Meeting at Harry Caray's*

**We look forward to  
seeing you at our  
upcoming meetings!**

**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!**



## 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**

# DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR 2025 ASIS MEMBERSHIP DUES!

## ASIS INTERNATIONAL

Go to [www.asischicago.net](http://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](http://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 (\$20.00) 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 [leonardo.jimenez@securitasinc.com](mailto:leonardo.jimenez@securitasinc.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



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updates!**



SPONSORSHIP  
OPPORTUNITIES  
**AVAILABLE!**

### **Women in Security/NextGen Event Sponsor**

To become a Women in Security or NextGen Event sponsor, go to the Tab on the left-hand side of the ASIS Chicago website, and click on Subcommittees. Scroll to the middle of the web page and click on "Become a Women In Security/NextGen Sponsor" and simply follow the prompts to support furthering our Women in Security and NextGen professionals.

### **ASIS Chicago Event Sponsor**

To become an ASIS Chicago Event Sponsor, go to the Sponsors Tab on the left-hand side of the ASIS Chicago website and then click on ASIS Chicago Event Sponsor and follow the prompts to become a sponsor for any one of our special separate events.

### **Become a Website Sponsor**

To become an ASIS Chicago Chapter Website Sponsor, go to the Sponsors Tab on the left-hand side of the ASIS Chicago website and click on Become a Website Sponsor and follow the prompts to become a website sponsor today!