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December 2024 Message from Your Chapter Chair – *Mary Therese Tylus, MA*

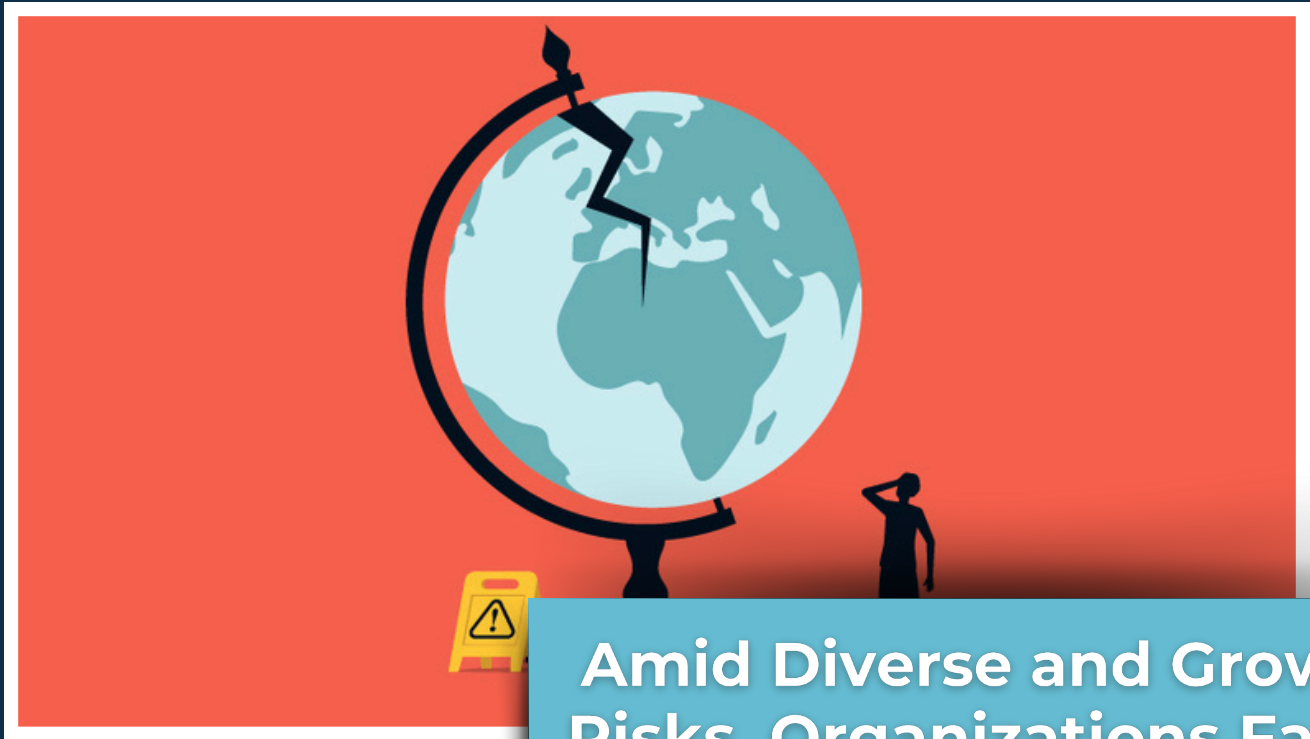


On behalf of myself, and the 2024 Officers and Chairs of the ASIS Chicago Chapter, we wish all of you a very Merry Christmas, Happy Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

We look forward to seeing you at our December Holiday Party on December 19, 2024 at Harry Caray's. Details can be found in the newsletter and in your email box!

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HOLIDAYS





Amid Diverse and Growing Risks, Organizations Face a Fragmented Landscape

Most people (65 percent) surveyed by International SOS for its **2025 Risk Outlook** said they perceive their environment to be riskier this year.

Long-term and emerging issues are converging to produce a complex, polarized, and unpredictable landscape between and within countries, with risks for organizations amplified by ongoing conflict and confusion, the report said.

All in all, the world feels more fragmented and fragile right now, the report concluded.

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Fast Facts: What is Occupational Fraud?

Fraud can encompass a wide range of schemes—from identity theft to bid rigging to Ponzi scams.

A key area of fraud that security practitioners are often involved in investigating is occupational fraud. But what exactly is occupational fraud? And how does it differ from other types of fraud?



ASIS Chicago Chapter 2025 Webmaster Position Available



- Manage and update content for the Chapter website.
- Ensure the website is updated regularly in order to provide relevant information to the membership and implement any new enhancements to give the membership a better website experience.
- Seek out ways to enhance the chapter's web presence in order to better serve the local membership.
- Work closely with the Chapter Treasurer and Membership Chair regarding members renewing membership, new members, expired members, etc.
- Work closely with the Communications Chair to distribute the monthly Chapter newsletter via the website email distribution list.

Interested? Please contact Mary Therese Tylus, MA – Chicago Chapter Chair at marytylus@comcast.net or **773-318-6901** if you are interested in the position.



Are U.S. Workers Satisfied With Their Jobs? Yes and No

Most Americans surveyed for a **new Pew Research Center report** said they feel good about their job security, but not their pay. Relatively few expect to look for a new job in the coming months.

Only half of American workers said they were extremely or very satisfied with their job overall, with 38 percent saying they were somewhat satisfied and 12 percent not satisfied.

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NFL and NBA Warn Players to Exercise Caution As Burglaries Continue

With the recent burglary of another professional athlete's home, the FBI appears to be investigating similar incidents, which began in September 2024.

Although the Bureau did not confirm or deny that an investigation was taking place to news outlets, professional sports leagues and local police agencies claim the FBI is looking into the possible involvement of a transnational organized crime group in the burglaries.

The most recent incident occurred on 9 December, when the home of National Football League (NFL) quarterback Joe Burrow, who plays for the Cincinnati Bengals, was burglarized. At the time of the break-in, Burrow was playing in Dallas, Texas.

"The county police did not confirm if the burglary at Mr. Burrow's home is included in the federal investigation," **The New York Times** reported.

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ASIS International 2025 Member Challenge

At its core, *ASIS* is its members. The opportunities, relationships, and resources we offer are possible because of the security professionals like you from around the world that join to share, learn, and connect.

Spread the word to your peers and colleagues through our Member Challenge so they too can be a part of our valuable community Plus, you'll earn a digital recruitment badge that will display in your *ASIS Connects* profile.

And through November, they can use promo code 75NOV for \$75 off membership*.

Invite Friends and Earn Rewards

When it comes to expressing the power of ASIS membership, nothing is more valuable than the impassioned perspective of our engaged members. Reach out to your network to share why joining ASIS was the right move for you, and help your colleagues and peers discover the enormous opportunity, community, and resources available to them as ASIS members.

Refer New ASIS Members and Everybody Wins

Share your ASIS journey and earn rewards in the process!

Ready to get started? Post the sample messages from the Social Media Toolkit (below) to your social networks and begin racking up rewards.

[Contest Rules](#)

[Refer Your Colleagues](#)



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 Crew Positions Are Available!

Hey there! We're on the hunt for awesome ASIS Chicago Chapter members to join our certification crew! If you're a member in good standing with both International and our Chicago Chapter, and you've got one of those nifty ASIS certifications (or you're working on it), we'd love to have you!

Here's what you'd be doing:

Our certification crew is responsible for assisting members with ASIS exam prep. This includes tasks such as coordinating and scheduling study groups, sharing effective exam prep tools and methods, and ensuring that our members have all the necessary resources and support to achieve their certification goals.

As a member of the crew, you'll play a crucial role in helping our chapter maintain its high standards of professional development and excellence.

One of the key aspects of the role is communication. You'll be the point of contact for our members regarding certification-related information and updates. This could involve sending out reminders about upcoming exam deadlines, providing study materials, or answering queries about the certification process. Effective communication is vital to keep our members engaged and informed throughout their certification journey.

Moreover, you'll have the opportunity to contribute to the improvement of our certification process. We're always looking for ways to enhance our members' experience and make the certification process more efficient. By providing feedback and suggesting improvements, you can help us make our chapter even better.

Lastly, being part of the certification crew is a fantastic way to network and build relationships within our chapter. You'll work closely with other dedicated members who share your passion for professional development and security. This can open up opportunities for collaboration, mentorship, and lifelong learning.

So, if you're passionate about helping your fellow ASIS members achieve their certification goals, and if you're eager to contribute to the betterment of our chapter, we'd love to have you on our certification crew.

Interested? Contact Certification Chair, Paladin "Pj" Jordan, CPP at info@pjda.net.



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

DEC. 19

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

ASIS Chicago Chapter
Holiday Party

 Harry Caray's
Italian Steakhouse
- River North





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](#)



ASIS CHICAGO CHAPTER
INVITES YOU TO OUR



HOLIDAY PARTY

DECEMBER

19

11 AM - 2 PM

HARRY CARAY'S ITALIAN STEAKHOUSE

33 WEST KINZIE STREET

CHICAGO, IL 60654



Let's celebrate together!

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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:

~~MARCH 21, 2024~~

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

~~APRIL 18, 2024~~

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

~~MAY 15, 2024~~

~~*Women in Security Forum*~~

~~MAY 16, 2024~~

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

~~JUNE 27, 2024~~

~~*Virtual Zoom Chapter Meeting - Teams*~~

~~JULY 18, 2024~~

~~*Virtual Chapter Meeting*~~

CANCELLED

~~JULY 29, 2024~~

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

CHAPTER EVENTS FOR 2024 CONTINUED

~~SEPTEMBER 19, 2024~~

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

~~SEPTEMBER 23 to 25~~

~~*GSX 2024
Orlando, FL*~~

~~OCTOBER 17 & 18, 2024~~

~~*Public Speaking Event,
Location - Willis Tower*~~

~~OCTOBER 30, 2024~~

~~*Chicago-Milwaukee-North
Shore Chapter Joint Meeting*~~

~~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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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!