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A Message from the 2024 Chapter Chair – Mary Therese Tylus, MA



From time to time, we hear from members who inform us that they haven't been receiving our meeting and event announcements after paying their Chapter Dues (remember Chapter Dues are collected separately by the Chapter from International by logging into our Chapter website and renewing or joining if you are a first-timer). If you are using your work email to receive our notifications, please first check your junk or spam folder to determine if they are landing there. If they are, please go into your email software and move our emails to your safe sender/allowed list. I am aware that sometimes anti-virus programs such as Norton or McAfee will block these emails and move them automatically to the junk folder so make sure you are letting those programs know our emails are safe. Also, if you are using your work email for our communications, please check with your IT Department and ask for their assistance in allowing our emails to come through to your inbox. And if none of this works, just remember to go back in and check the email in your profile as perhaps you are using an old email address that you no longer have access to or have switched to a totally different email address since joining our Chapter. I usually like to suggest to new members that you use for all ASIS communications – whether International's or the Chapter's -- your personal email when setting up your profile. That way you should have uninterrupted notification service of our meetings and events.

On another note, for those who are joining for the first-time or those of you who have let your membership lapse after a year or so, our webmaster receives the notification that you have paid your Chapter dues.

A Message from the 2024 Chapter Chair – Mary Therese Tylus, MA - Continued

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, you will receive a welcome email which welcomes you to the Chapter, provides your userid, and gives you a link to click on in order to set up your password.

Finally, if you missed this announcement last month, we are excited to announce that the Chapter will be partnering with the Illinois Security Professionals Association (ISPA) to hold a joint learning session for members of both our organizations at the upcoming Midwest Police & Security Conference/Expo held on August 22-23, 2024, at the Tinley Park Convention Center, 18451 Convention Center Drive, Tinley Park, IL. This conference is FREE to attendees and more information about this conference/expo can be found at www.mspce.com. As more detailed information becomes available about this learning session, we will keep you abreast through web announcement emails and updates in our future newsletters. We are hoping to see many of our members at this free conference.

Hope to see you at our upcoming March 21, 2024, Chapter meeting at Harry Caray's. Our guest speaker is Pierre Bourgeix who will speak on the topic of "Demystifying Critical Infrastructure Security". Come join us for an informative discussion stripping away the noise around securing and protecting critical infrastructure.

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



4 Strategic Steps to Move School Security Forward

School safety is a priority for faculty, administrators, parents, and students alike. According to a recent report from Motorola Solutions, 67 percent of both K-12 school parents and teachers were much more concerned about safety in 2023 than they were five years ago.

Their concerns are understandable, given that there have been more than 180 school shootings in the United States resulting in injuries or deaths since 2018. On top of worries about violence, school personnel must also consider and prepare for day-to-day emergencies, including medical and mental health incidents.

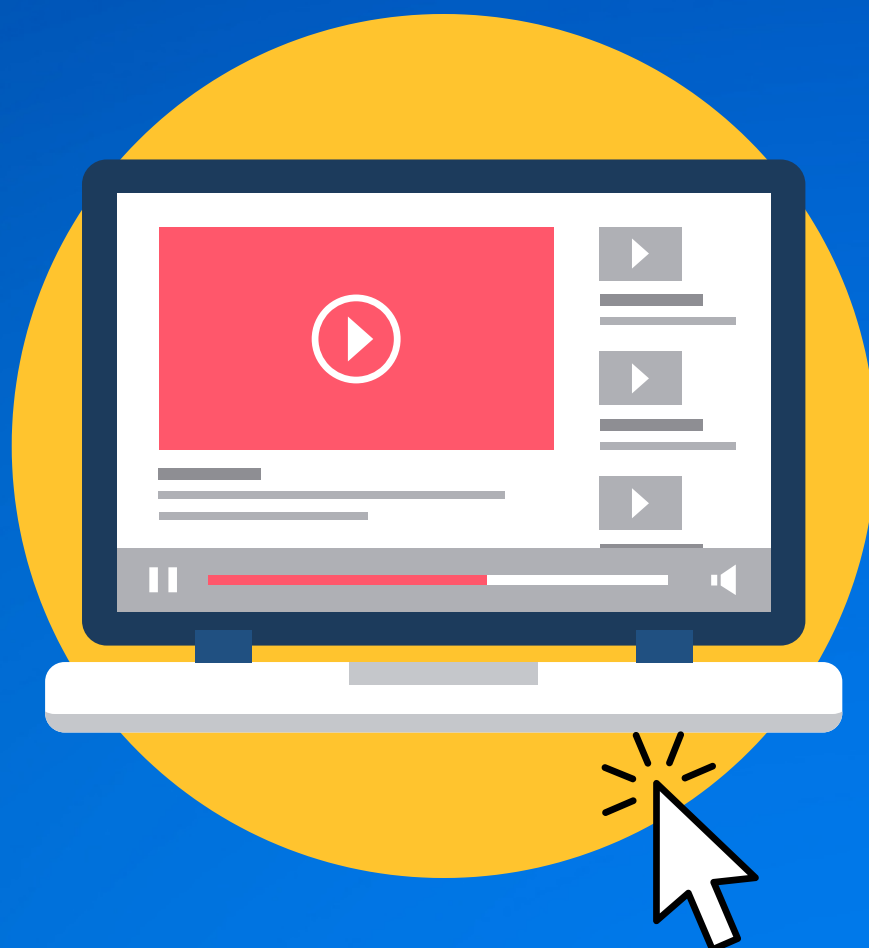
Today's educators are asked to put the safety, security, and protection of staff and students above all else. Given these heightened responsibilities and the myriad emergencies unfolding on campuses, it's important to holistically assess the people, processes, and technologies that are in place for safety. The following considerations can serve as a springboard as you look to move school safety forward in 2024 and beyond.

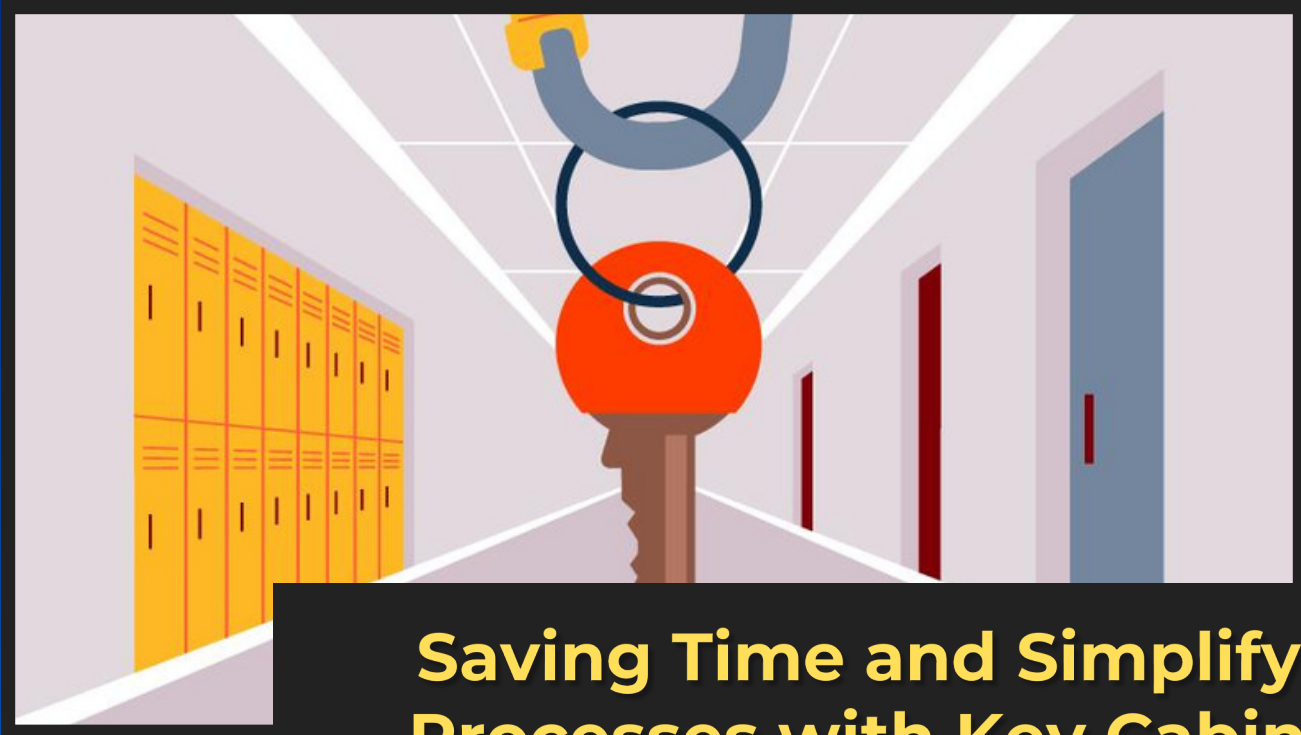
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Fast Facts: 4 Student Behavioral Changes That Spark Concern

Behavioral threat assessment for children can be challenging because they are still learning how to regulate their emotions. Amid a student body's rapidly developing dramas, personalities, and fads, it can be hard to parse out which behaviors merit further investigation.

The Off-Ramp Project—the resource and eLearning hub of The Violence Prevention Project—found that four categories of behavioral changes should elicit specific concern and assessment.





Saving Time and Simplifying Processes with Key Cabinets in a Texas School District

School buildings are rarely purely educational facilities, instead they serve whole communities, with church group meetings, sporting events, theatrical performances, and other activities. This makes access control a continuing challenge, especially for a large school district like Northwest Independent School District (ISD), which serves more than 30,000 students in 14 cities, towns, and communities across 234 square miles in Texas. The district was struggling to keep up with managing access for building rentals and community events. In their hunt for a solution, school officials decided to leverage a system they already had in place—intelligent key cabinets.

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Navigating the Challenges of K-12 Safety with Technology and Design

Each day, more than 56 million children attend K-12 schools in the United States. These educational institutions play a pivotal role in laying the groundwork for students' future educational and career aspirations while fostering lifelong social and emotional skills. In addition, schools are grappling with a dynamic array of security threats and challenges, often with limited resources and expertise. They must navigate the delicate balance between ensuring safety, effective learning, managing operations, and culture.

Even in the ever-changing world that we live in, the fundamentals of security design do not change. The Four D's—deter, detect, delay, and deny—can be applied to all types of facilities, especially K-12 schools. When security design harmonizes with architectural interventions, we can proactively enhance safety and positively impact a student's educational experience.

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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.**

THIS MONTH WE CELEBRATE
YOU!



**member
appreciation
month**

March is ASIS Member Appreciation Month!

Every day we are reminded of what makes ASIS so dynamic—our members. Through this global network of over 34,600 members worldwide, members are supporting one another by sharing industry best practices, resources, and insightful advice.

This month, discover new member-only content releases, webinars, sales, and giveaways! As you explore all that's available through ASIS' vibrant community, we encourage you to join a Subject Area Community, partake in an upcoming member event, and connect with an ASIS mentor who can help you reach your next professional goal.

Member Exclusive Sales!

Each Week members can enjoy further savings on ASIS' most popular items.

- 1-6 March: **24% off the CPP Study Manual (Print and eBook)**
- 7-12 March: **24% off the PSP Study Manual (Print and eBook)**
- 13-18 March: **24% off the APP Study Manual (Print and eBook)**
- 19-24 March: **24% off all ASIS Certificate Courses**
- 25-31 March: **24% off all ASIS eBooks**

Log into your ASIS Member Account to automatically receive your member discount.

Learn More!

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.

Change In From Email Address re: Meeting Announcements From Our 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

MARCH MEETING

MARCH 21ST, 2024
11:00 AM - 1:30 PM



Pierre Bourgeix

Demystifying Critical
Infrastructure Security

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

ASIS Chicago Chapter

MARCH MEETING

SPEAKER INFORMATION



Event Speaker:

**Pierre
Bourgeix**

Demystifying Critical Infrastructure Security

Within the security industry, Pierre Bourgeix spent 30 years as a global security consultant and innovator, at such industry leaders as ADT, HySecurity, Wallace International, Tyco, SecureState, and ESICONVERGENT LLC. Pierre has had years of experience within the physical and cyber security arena and has been involved in developing security governance programs and has been integral in the design of enterprise security systems. His primary expertise is Physical, Cyber Security Governance and is an SME in video security analytics and integration. Pierre's path has taken him from the Physical security barrier industry, gate control, electronic security, managed services security, and finally cyber security arena. Pierre has worked on projects throughout the middle east including Saudi Arabia, UAE, Kuwait, and throughout the middle East and Asia. Pierre has spoken at many conferences such as ISC, Manufacturer events, and association meetings globally. Pierre is one of the thought leaders in convergence of IT, OT, and Physical Security. He presently is involved in creating security standards for the testing of products, systems, and solutions. Pierre also has developed a model that will explain the Physical Security Kill chain which will lead to the need for proper predictive analytics across IT, OT, and Physical Security. Pierre has assisted in developing a Converged Security Gap Assessment that can assist companies in developing a proper risk rating across IT, OT, and Physical Security. He has also been involved in helping create SIA cyber security certificate. Pierre speaks fluently in English, French, and Arabic.

REGISTER TODAY!

ASIS Chicago Chapter

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

MAR.

21

11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

March Meeting and Seminar

 Harry Caray's Italian
Steakhouse - River North




MAR.

28

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**NextGen Mentorship
Networking Event**

 The Black Barrel Tavern
1061 W Madison Street
Chicago, IL



JUL.

29

7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

**Dick Norwood Golf
Outing**

 Ruffled Feathers Golf Club



**AUGUST
22 & 23**

**Midwest Security and
Police Conference/Expo**

 Tinley Park
Convention Center





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'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!



SECURING SUCCESS: NEXTGEN MENTORSHIP & NETWORKING EVENT

Event Information:

A three-person panel interview and discussion will be held with industry professionals who have achieved success in their respective fields. The discussion will cover their entry into the industry, as well as tips and techniques they used to achieve their success. The participants will represent different areas of expertise such as IT/systems, corporate operations, and field/building security. This event will be moderated by Mike Ortiz and Andrew Bartol, and there will be an opportunity for Q&A and open discussion. There is limited parking in the area so guests must either utilize the park chicago app on the street, uber, carpool, etc.

 Thursday, 28 March 2024

 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

 The Black Barrel Tavern
1061 W Madison St, Chicago, IL, 60607

 \$35.00 Per Attendee



SPEAKER

Brandi Srda, CPP

Titan Security Company
Security Account Manager



SPEAKER

Jason Ortiz, CPP

Inter-Con Security
Account Executive



SPEAKER

Derrick Walker

Triumph Connections
Sr. Managing Director and
Chief Technology Architect



MODERATOR

Andrew Bartol

Prosegur
General Manager



MODERATOR

Mike Ortiz

P4 Companies
Senior Director of Security

Sponsors :



Register now at :

www.asischicago.net

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

MARCH 28, 2024

NextGen Mentorship Networking Event

APRIL 18, 2024

In Person Chapter Meeting at Harry Caray's

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

AUGUST 22 & 23, 2024

Midwest Security and Police Conference/Expo

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

More details and information will be given out the closer we get to the events.

Remember to look at our website and watch your email inbox for more details.

2023 had so many exciting events and speakers and we know 2024 will be even better. Thank you for all the 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 (\$234.00) 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)

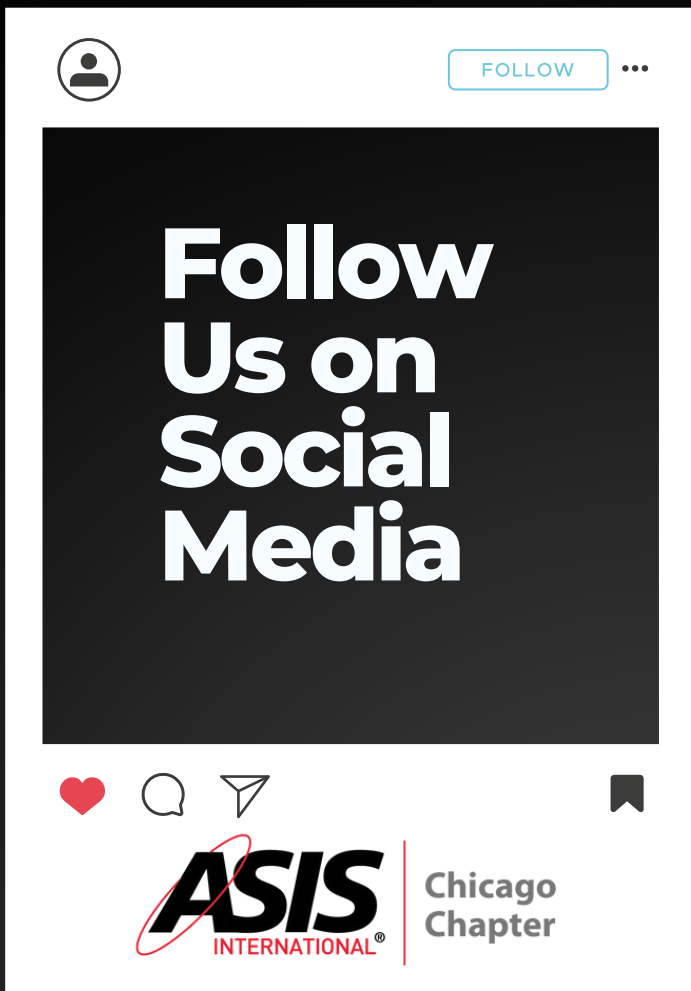


ASIS International
Membership Renewal
(Existing Members)



ASIS Chicago Chapter
Dues* (New & Existing
Members)





@ASIS Chicago
Chapter



<http://asischicago.net>

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the latest news &
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!