

ISSA SOUTH TEXAS CHAPTER

ISSA News Letter For October 2012



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As always, please feel free to contact me with any suggestions or requests to improve these emails or our chapter.
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Luncheon Program

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Luncheon Topic:

Decisive Security Intelligence – Information Security in the Cloud and What It Can Mean to You

Gordon MacKay, DDI Chief Technology Officer, will present an overview of how DDI is utilizing decisive security intelligence to advance information security research and application. He will elaborate on how DDI's Vulnerability Research Team is using Big Data analytics to detect Zero Day Vulnerabilities, as well as how this intelligence is bolstering the security of the DDI client community.

This session will focus on:

- "Decisive Security Intelligence" - how it is used to advance information security research and application
- Big Data Analytics – valuable in detecting Zero Day vulnerabilities
- Bolstering an organization's security posture

Our Guest Speaker:

[Gordon MacKay](#), CISSP - Executive Vice President, Chief Technology Officer, Digital Defense, Inc. (San Antonio, TX)

Bio:

Gordon joined Digital Defense in November 2002. He is responsible for strategic design, planning, and establishment of platform road maps, new platform development initiatives, and maintenance of the Company's security information event management platforms and proprietary assessment solutions. Gordon also oversees the Platform Development architecture as well as manages the Platform Development and Vulnerability Research organizations. He led the development team in the architecture, design and implementation of the Frontline 3.0 security information portal and its underlying Service Oriented Architecture platform - the Digital Defense Network Security Awareness System.

Gordon started his career in 1991 as a systems engineer at Nortel Networks in Ottawa Canada where he designed Interactive Voice Response systems. In 1993, he joined the Switching division and contributed towards platform features within the ISDN Connections group.

Prior to joining Digital Defense, he held several research and development leadership positions at Alcatel USA in Dallas Texas. In his last assignment at Alcatel, he led the Call Server Database Team with the inception and design of a real time in-memory database that is used in the Alcatel Softswitch. During his tenure at Alcatel, Gordon designed numerous telecommunications features inclusive of call processing as well as platform features.

Gordon holds a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering from McGill University, Montreal Canada.

Digital Defense, Inc. (DDI) is the premier provider of managed risk assessment solutions, protecting over \$500 billion in assets for small businesses to Fortune companies globally. DDI's dedicated team of experts helps organizations establish a culture of security through regular information security assessments, security awareness education and "Decisive Security Intelligence."

Date:

October 11th, 2012

Time Schedule:

11:15 a.m. Registration / Networking
11:30 a.m. Luncheon / Networking
11:45 a.m. Chapter Business Meeting
11:55 a.m. Sponsor Presentation
12:00 noon Presentation
1:00 p.m. Adjourn

Location:

HESS - Houston Engineering and Scientific Society Club
5430 Westheimer at Yorktown. (Free Garage Parking)

Advance Registration Appreciated

Our Meeting Sponsor:



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Monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at the following location:

[Houston Engineering & Scientific Society \(HESS\) Club](#)

5430 Westheimer at Yorktown. (Free Parking).

Time: 11:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 11th.

Meetings are open to all members and visitors who are interested in Information Security.

NOTE: We now ask for members to include their ISSA membership number when registering. A current ISSA membership is required to qualify for member meal prices and workshop fees. If you do not have your membership number available when registering on-line through Eventbrite, please bring your membership number with you to the meeting for check in and payment.

We encourage members and guests to make reservations [via Eventbrite](#) prior to 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before the meeting to help the chapter plan for enough meals and seating. Advanced reservations may also qualify for a discount on the meeting charge.

NOTE: For security reasons, ensure that you close your browser after booking your lunch reservation through Eventbrite .

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LuncheonMeeting Fees

	Advance Registration	Late - On line or Walk in Registration (after 5:00 pm Tuesday)
Luncheon Meeting (11:15 am - 1:00 pm)		
Chapter Members	\$20.00	\$25.00
Non Members	\$30.00	\$35.00

CPE Credit:1 hour for the luncheon presentation

Pre-Requisites: None, or as specified in the event.

Dress Code: Business or Business Casual Attire

Questions?: Visit the chapter web site for contact information (<http://southtexasissa.org>)

Upcoming Training Opportunities

As usual, our prolific education director is busy preparing educational opportunities for our chapter members at remarkably attractive prices .

1. Computer Forensics:



- Saturday October 13th and run through November 17th (6 Saturdays with 5 main classes and a 1 day tools class). The class will be held at the City of Houston Emergency Ceter, 5320 N. Shephard (south of Tidwell).
- Click [here](#) for the map.
- Additional sessions on Forensics tools are also in discussion, and may be held as a separate class at this or another location.
- Cost \$874 for ISSA Members, \$999 for non ISSA Members



- Register:

2. CISSP Overview Class:

- Saturday November 10th, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.
- Location: Rice University / Duncan Hall, 6100 Main Street, Houston, Texas (Room 164).
- Cost \$125 members / \$ 150 non-members.

- R e g i s t e r :

Please check our Eventbrite registration site at <http://southtexasissa.eventbrite.com>

Once again, please contact Joanne Ashland (education@southtexas.issa.org) to express your interest or for any questions.

Upcoming Regional Training Opportunities:

Austin:

- AppSec USA 2012, October 23-26, www.appsecusa.org

Sponsorships Available for Future Monthly Meetings

If your company is active in the information security business, you should consider taking advantage of the opportunity to raise awareness of your company to our members.

Each month we solicit a sponsor for the luncheon presentation as well as any special workshops.

The charge is quite small and it provides you the following benefits:

- (1) your logo on our chapter web site
- (2) five minutes at the beginning or end of the presentation to present your company, and
- (3) the opportunity to conduct a drawing, if you would like to, in order to collect business cards



Please contact Josh Locker (marketing@southtexas.issa.org) or any member of the ISSA chapter board to express your interest.

For CPA CPE candidates:

Our TSBPA CPE provider number is 008915.

Objectives: See description above

Content: See description above

Prerequisites: None

Experience Level: Moderate

CPEs: Varies by event (1 to 40 hours)

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