As always, please feel free to contact me with any suggestions or requests to improve these emails or our chapter. Michael F. Angelo, CISSP, Chapter Director of Communications communications@southtexas.issa.org

This Month's Newsletter:

Monthly Meeting Announcement
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Monthly Meeting Announcements:

Luncheon Program

Luncheon Topic:

Erlang: Availability vs Security

While Erlang is not a new language, it's concurrent processing and fault tolerance properties are making it a popular choice for implementations where high availability is key. In this presentation, MJ Keith will highlight some of the potential risks you face when availability takes priority over security.

Our Guest Speaker:

MJ Keith, Senior Associate, Stach & Liu

Bio:

MJ Keith’s primary areas of expertise are external penetration testing, web application security assessment, and Android security. Prior to joining Stach & Liu, MJ served as a Senior Security Analyst at Alert Logic where he developed attack detection signatures and assisted customers with incident response. MJ is an active security researcher, having presented at HouSecCon and Austin BSides.
**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

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**Our Meeting Sponsor:**

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**Next Month:**

**Title:** YTBD  
**Presenter:** YTBD  
**Abstract:** YTBD
Registration:
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.

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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**Luncheon Meeting Fees**

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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)

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**Upcoming Training Opportunities**

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

1. **CISSP Review Class**
   - Currently In Process
2. **Security+ Class:**
   - April 20th
   - Rice University
3. **Ethical Hacking and Penetration Testing Class**
   - The class will be held May 6th through May 10th, in a week-long, daytime format. This class will have a minimum of 15 to be held, and will have a maximum of 24.
   - Location: Rice University Campus
   - Dates:
     - May 4th Setup laptops
     - May 6th to May 10th 8am to 5pm - instruction 8:30 to 4:30.
- Meals included
- 36 CPE hours; 4 additional CPE for laptop setup optional session May 4th.
- **Prerequisite / Background:** Familiarity with Linux, Windows admin; TCP/IP; VMware, CISSP, SANS or Security+
- Click here for details - http://www.eventbrite.com/event/5489075974

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.

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**Training Opportunities:**

**Austin:**
- TBA

**Houston:**
- ISACA - April 18th Mario Chiocchi - ‘Modern Malware, Modern Defenses & Protection’ (See www.isacahouston.org for details, registration:)

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**Upcoming Regional Training Opportunities:**

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**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.

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**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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