You will notice that the newsletter has evolved a little bit. It will now carry the announcement for the Woodlands meetings as well as the Houston meeting. If you have any questions, comments, suggestions to improve these emails or our chapter please feel free to contact me.

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This Month's Newsletter:

- Houston Monthly Meeting Announcement
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- Training Opportunities
- Meeting Sponsor
- Sponsorships Available

Houston Monthly Meeting Announcements:

Luncheon Program

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Topic:

A Paradigm Shift in End Point Security

A paradigm shift in End Point Security: How important is stealth, real time, enterprise threat detection with contextual awareness to remediating and preventing advanced persistent threats?

Do you have complete attack lifecycle visibility to counter advanced, persistent threats? Cybersecurity is shifting to real-time, situational awareness so enterprise security teams can prioritize a rapid, intelligent response.
Many large organizations have become accustomed to detecting threats by relying on snapshot technologies, binaries or signatures, which simply don’t catch every piece of activity relevant to different attacks while they are in progress.

This session demonstrates why many traditional network based and existing end point technologies fall short in providing the context and threat impact necessary to prioritize security team resources and time effectively while protecting organizations from large-scale breaches.

Specifically, we’ll look at solving this challenge in a three-step approach:

1. Understand that your endpoint data sources are typically the weakest link in any network. This section will address the importance of monitoring activity at the endpoint level, in addition to network and perimeter monitoring, for a more comprehensive view of your threat landscape. A singular threat detection and analysis platform won’t scale to counter the advanced nature of malware.

2. Give consideration to behaviors that may give no indication of a security incident. This section will discuss how detecting activity that may or may not contain malicious intent initially may help prevent further damage. With an emerging need for a more robust combination of tools to pull the right data at the right time, this section will discuss how attack context can mean the difference between not knowing what to investigate, and not having to investigate security incidents when you have automatic intelligence and context while attacks are unfolding.

3. Scaling your operations to support enterprise-wide coverage. It’s always a challenge deploying new software to workstations, laptops and servers, particularly when those deployments are meant to secure endpoints. This section will discuss the importance of monitoring your endpoints to-scale from a best practices perspective, and will demonstrate how scaling operationally to support the volume and severity of attacks you face will help your team take better control of your security.

**Our Guest Speaker(s):**

Wade Lance, Vice President, Solutions Architect at CounterTack

**Time Schedule:**

August 14th, 2014
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:**
Thales e-Security is a leading global provider of data protection solutions with more than 40 years of experience securing the world’s most sensitive information. Thales customers - businesses, governments and technology vendors with a broad range of challenges - use our products and services to improve the security of applications that rely on encryption and digital signatures. By protecting the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of sensitive information that flows through today’s traditional, virtualized and cloud-based infrastructures, Thales is helping organizations reduce risk, demonstrate compliance, enhance agility and pursue strategic goals with greater confidence.

For more information, visit: [http://www.thales-esecurity.com](http://www.thales-esecurity.com).

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**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 Monday 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.

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**Woodlands Monthly Meeting Announcements:**

**Luncheon Program**
**Topic:**

*How to Compete and Obtain Funding for Security Initiatives in Corporate America*

Though security has become a topic of interest and concern in the press and in corporate America, it is still often difficult to obtain the funding to meet the concerns. This presentation will outline some proven practices that have knocked down the barriers across many large corporations to secure funding for security programs. As a result, many security initiatives were launched that have proven to be highly effective and earn the trust and confidence of senior management and the Board of Directors.

**Our Guest Speaker(s):**

Clif Triplett, Managing Partner SteelPointe Partners, LLP

**Bio:**

Clif is a Senior Executive with broad, in-depth experience and knowledge of all facets of information technology on a global basis. He has significant experience with Fortune 200 companies and industry leaders in the oilfield services, tractor, electrical utility, automotive, aerospace, defense and telecommunication industries. Respected leader, innovator, and change agent with a keen ability to quickly assess a situation. He designs strategies and architectures that best fit and serve the need of any particular company. As a graduate of the United States Military Academy, he was commissioned as an officer in the US Army Signal Corps, and immediately became heavily engaged in Cyber Security. During his 10 years of active duty service he worked continuously on Top Secret and other advanced technologies in the protection and defense of the US Nuclear Command and Control Systems. He was awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for his work on the security architecture of today’s War Planning and Logistics systems – JOPES (Joint Operations Planning and Execution System). Endeavors in IT Security continued in his civilian career. Clif has been a CIO multiple times as well as a Business Unit leader. At General Motors, the CISO was a direct report, and they together deployed a security strategy and practices that earned his CISO the recognition of his peers and was voted the ‘CISO of the Year’. While he served as the CIO of Baker Hughes this same sequence of events reoccurred. His CISO was once again recognized and a robust security strategy was deployed. However; this time his team was also recognized by Cisco as the Security Innovators of the Year in the Energy Sector. At the same time, HP recognized their efforts as HP’s Software Partner of the Year for the innovative use of HP’s Fortify in their world-class Testing Center of Excellence program. During his time with Motorola, Clif was responsible for all Services provided by Motorola, to include Security services. His security team consulted and managed security for many companies and government agencies. Their specialty was mobile security. Today, as a Managing Partner at SteelPointe Partners, he continues to be highly engaged in Security and was the 2013 Keynote Speaker at HP’s Annual Protect Conference in Washington D.C.

**Time Schedule:**

August 21st, 2014
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11:55 a.m. Sponsor Presentation
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**Location:**
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**Our Meeting Sponsor:**

CounterTack: CounterTack puts enterprises back in control of security at the endpoint. Stealth, attacker-developed technology combined with advanced Big Data analytics, CounterTack empowers teams with authoritative visibility into endpoint behavior at scale, with comprehensive attack context.

CounterTack Sentinel is the only endpoint threat detection and response platform that helps organizations monitor endpoints at scale for a coordinated, prioritized response.

**Registration:**

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

Allison Tower
1201 Lake Robbins Drive
The Woodlands, TX 77380


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

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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)

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

1. TBA
   - TBD

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:**
- TBA

**Houston:**
- ISACA - (See www.isacahouston.org for details).
  
  | Registration:       | 10:00 - 10:30 am Legacy Data Clean-up |
  | Morning Session     | 10:30 - 11:30 am | Ashley T. Griggs, IBM |
  | Morning Concurrent  | Legacy Data Clean-up | Mike Siraj, Sr. VP Director - Internal |
  | Session (Round Table)| Mike Siraj, Sr. VP Director - Internal |
  | Luncheon Session Topic: | Threat Modeling - the basics ... | ISACA IDEA SIG hosted by Audimation Services |

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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 Jason Deering (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)