

Message from the Chair

Mission

The Society for Imaging Informatics in Medicine (SIIM) is devoted to advance computer applications and information technology in medical imaging through education and research.

SIIM provides an open environment for imaging information professionals to access expert and cutting edge resources in a collegial and practical atmosphere.

Dear Colleagues:

Throughout the past year, the SIIM leadership has focused on ways to strengthen the society's leadership position in imaging informatics in accordance with our mission and goals. With the society name change and purchase of new office space complete, efforts were refocused on SIIM's core mission of providing imaging informatics education and research. As our resources have grown, we have redoubled our efforts to invest the society's resources in activities that benefit the organization and its members.

The SIIM membership and leadership can look back proudly on the accomplishments of the past year, including a record-setting Annual Meeting in Providence, a new name and expanded focus for the society to encompass other medical specialties beyond radiology, and the purchase of new office space.

But the society's mission is always moving forward. In that vein, the strategic plan arising out of the leadership planning retreat in January, 2007, called for some key action items, including expansion of the Grant Programs, establishing the IIP certification program and an independent American Board of Imaging Informatics (ABII) to administer the certification test, developing an investment policy that will sustain SIIM's discretionary programs, conducting a JPEG compression study to further the society's TRIP™ Initiative, and developing a mission and charge for a new History Subcommittee.

I am happy to report progress on all of these initiatives: Three new grant programs were introduced for the 2008 season; ABII was incorporated and shortly afterwards the first successful certification exam was held at SIIM 2007; a long-term investment policy was planned and implemented; the compression study is underway; and the History Subcommittee has begun compiling oral histories from some of the society's founders and pioneers in imaging informatics.

SIIM continues to maintain active participation in collaborative research initiatives, such as the American College of Radiology (ACR) practice guidelines, the Academy of Radiology Research (ARR), and in the standards development efforts of DICOM and Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise (IHE).

We are pushing the education mandate further, with innovative programs to advance education for practicing radiologists, residents, and especially imaging informatics professionals, while broadening the appeal of our Annual Meeting to others. Our publications and online web presence continue to expand, improve, and grow. We have established a new Open Source Task Force and will publish a supplement to the *Journal of Digital Imaging* in 2007 to focus on open source efforts.

The society is strong and financially healthy. Fixed assets, including the *Journal of Digital Imaging* and the headquarters office condominium, have increased; and Annual Meeting revenue continues to grow.






We have an active and inquisitive membership. PACS has entered the mainstream in most health care settings, which allows us to build on that base while expanding our purview to new opportunities for imaging informatics research and education.

As the first chair to serve a two-year term, I am gratified by the accomplishments of the past year and looking forward to implementing new programs and initiatives to serve the SIIM membership in the year ahead.



—Curtis P. Langlotz, MD, PhD

Annual Report Timeline of Key Events: 2006-2007

2006

April	July	August	September	October	November
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Last "SCAR" Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas; SCAR officially changes name to SIIM ■ New SIIM logo introduced 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SIIM 2006-2007 Board of Directors takes office  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SIIM introduces redesigned member newsletter, <i>SIIM News</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SIIM staff moves into new headquarters offices in Lansdowne, VA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SIIM Announces Partnership with ARRT (American Registry of Radiologic Technologists) for IIP certification 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ First official SIIM committee meetings held at SIIM HQ ■ CIIP Test Content Outline released 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SIIM partners with RSNA to present practical informatics for the practicing radiologist courses at RSNA 2006, in addition to co-presenting several Refresher Courses in conjunction with RSNA ■ <i>Journal of Digital Imaging</i> supplement on imaging informatics administration published ■ SIIM introduces new membership marketing "integrated literature" package

2007

January	February	March	April	May	June
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SIIM Grant recipients announced: John Kornak, University of California San Francisco; Chris Siström, University of Florida ■ SIIM Board Retreat at headquarters in Lansdowne, VA; Open House for new SIIM HQ ■ SIIM launches new website: www.siiimweb.org ■ SIIM Expert Hotline integrated online so that members can directly ask questions of the SIIM experts, resulting in faster turnaround time ■ The <i>Journal of Digital Imaging</i> introduces totally electronic workflow for manuscript submission and review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SIIM hosts successful co-sponsor outreach lecture at HIMSS 2007: Enterprise Integration Strategies toward the Image-Enabled EMR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Revision to SIIM bylaws extends the term of office for secretary and treasurer from 2 years to 3 years, and adds one director-at-large position to the SIIM Board, increasing the number from 6 to 7 ■ New <i>Journal of Digital Imaging</i> cover introduced 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SIIM and ARRT form the American Board of Imaging Informatics (ABII) to administer the IIP Certification exam ■ SIIM named among the Top 10 associations and trade shows by Medical Imaging magazine ■ SIIM announces IIP education initiatives; launches Education Advisory Network, composed of SIIM members who are educators from the United States and Canada to establish a universal body of knowledge for imaging informatics professionals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ACR collaborative practice guidelines for "Determinants of Image Quality in Digital Mammography" and "Digital Radiography" approved; SIIM members played pivotal roles in the development of the guidelines ■ New SIIM user group - DIAMOND - formed for users of Dynamic Imaging IntegradWeb PACS ■ American Board of Imaging Informatics (ABII) is incorporated as an independent organization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SIIM hosts Annual Meeting in Providence, RI, and fifth successful IIP Pre-conference Symposium ■ SIIM hosts pilot test for CIIP; 99 individuals are the first to receive the "CIIP" designation

SIIM 2006-2007 Board of Directors

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December

■ SIIM formally announces new name and address

■ SIIM introduces new Technical Exhibits Booth at RSNA 2006



■ Corporate members support SIIM's education and research initiatives: Canon Medical Systems loans A-V projector for use in SIIM headquarter's meeting room; Barco plans for providing monitors for upcoming R&D Committee's TRIP™ compression study; Siemens Medical Systems sponsors the IIP Symposium; GE Healthcare, TeraRecon, and Dynamic Imaging provide educational grants to support sessions at the SIIM Annual Meeting

SIIM Committees

SIIIM committees form the backbone of the society's structure. A diverse group of active and engaged committee members are driving SIIM projects and keeping the society moving forward as the field of imaging informatics evolves.

Following are very brief highlights of recent and ongoing work of the SIIM committees:

Research & Development: Expansion of the Grant Program • Development of JPEG compression study as part of the TRIP™ Initiative • Partnership with ACR on development of practice guidelines • R&D Symposia at Annual Meeting

Chair: Elizabeth A. Krupinski, PhD

Education: Formation of the IIP Education Advisory Network (EAN) • Partnership with RSNA on practicing radiologist education • Co-sponsor educational session at HIMSS • IIP education and pre-conference symposium • Resident Scholarship program & resident curriculum

Chair: Barton F. Branstetter, IV, MD

Publications: Developing mission and projects for new History Subcommittee • Development of a new imaging informatics textbook for IIPs • Ongoing oversight of and improvements to the *Journal of Digital Imaging*, *SIIM News*, and the Primer Series

Chair: Eliot L. Siegel, MD

Annual Meeting Program: Incorporating other "ologies" into the program • Developing new student essay and travel awards • Initiating "named" lecture series • Elevating the level of the scientific program • Learning labs and more hands-on activities • Virtual tours introduced

Chair: Bradley J. Erickson, MD, PhD

Finance & Administration: Revision of SIIM finance and investment policy • New investment policy and guidelines to fund discretionary programs • Implementation of professional management for SIIM investments

Chair: Byrn Williamson, Jr., MD

Marketing: Producing a quantitative member survey to assess and clarify current core values and needs of the membership and the imaging informatics community • Marketing representatives on all SIIM committees • New SIIM logo, exhibit booth, and Integrated Literature Package

Chair: John B. Strauss

Online Communications: Continued website development • Development of online communities of practice • Podcasting and presentations from the Annual Meeting

Chair: Paul G. Nagy, PhD

July



■ 3 new SIIM Fellows announced at SIIM 2007 by COSF President Steve Horii, MD; Rangaraj Rangayyan, PhD, David W. Piraino, MD; and Katherine P. Andriole, PhD

■ *Journal of Digital Imaging* 2006 Impact Factor increases over the previous year; *JDI* manuscript submissions and page count have also increased

■ SIIM announces expanded grant programs, with two annual \$50,000 general research grants; a small grant for imaging informatics training and product development support; an emeritus mentor grant; and a micro-grant

■ SIIM Board approves new investment policy

■ SIIM 2007-2008 Board of Directors takes office. Carter Yates of Barco, Inc. is elected to the Board representing the corporate member constituency.

Financial

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position for the year ended December 31, 2006

Assets

Cash & Short-Term Investments	2,483,453
Accounts Receivable	22,179
Investments	2,099,543
Prepaid Expenses	50,565
Property & Equipment	2,154,662
Intangible Assets- <i>Journal of Digital Imaging</i>	279,000

Total Assets 7,089,402

Liabilities & Net Assets

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	53,040
Deferred Membership Dues	210,578
Deferred Annual Meeting Revenue	613,756

Total Liabilities 877,374

Net Assets 6,212,028

Total Liabilities & Net Assets 7,089,402

Consolidated Statement of Activities for the year ended December 31, 2006

Revenue

Membership Dues	350,001
User Groups	66,710
Annual Meeting	1,919,044
Investment Earnings	180,100
Contributions	15,789
Journal and Publications	88,679
Other Revenue	46,943

Total Revenue 2,667,266

Expense

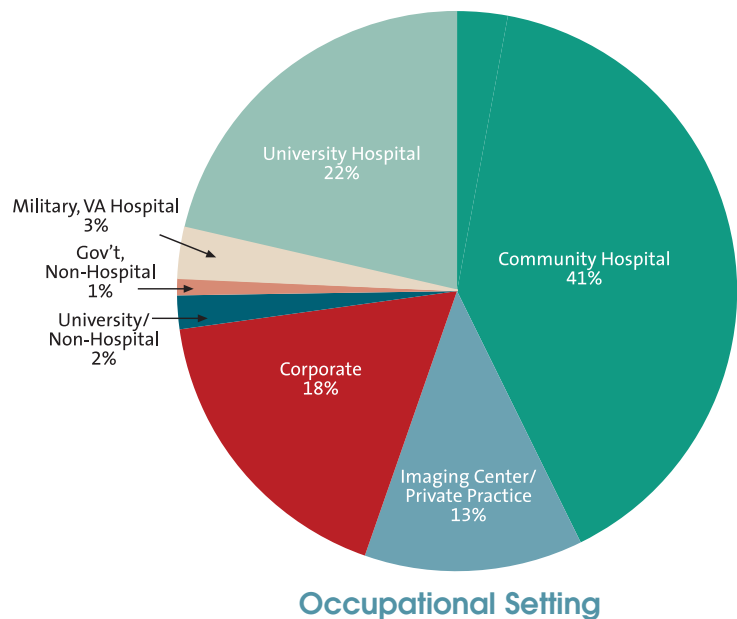
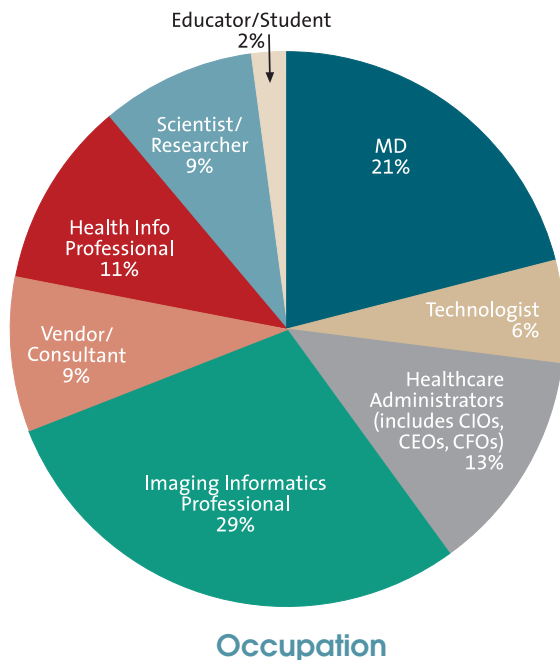
Annual Meeting	601,875
User Groups	50,859
Research/Grant Programs	30,184
Journal and Publications	206,152
Certification Program	84,999
Programs & Member Services	614,521

Total Expense 1,588,591

Change in Net Assets 1,078,675

SIIM's independent auditors, Gelman Rosenberg & Freedman, conducted their audit of the fiscal 2006 financial statements in August 2007. Their report is on file at the SIIM office in Leesburg, VA.

SIIM Membership



SIIM membership continues to be multi-disciplinary, becoming more diverse and multi-specialty.