

SMI at the SNIA Winter Symposium 2011



The SNIA 2011 Winter Symposium was held January 24-27 in San Jose, California, at the St. Claire Hotel. The Storage Management Initiative (SMI) participated in several meetings and events:

- SMI-S Technical Track meetings
- SMI Awards presentations
- Storage Management Initiative meeting

SMI-S Technical Track Meetings



SMI Technical Steering Group (TSG) meetings were scheduled from Monday afternoon through Thursday morning. Mike Walker led the meetings because Steve Quinn, the TSG Chair, was in Japan and unable to attend.



Mike Walker, Distinguished Farmer, led the SMI-S Track Face-to-Face meetings.

Several SMI-S authors presented. Topics included SMI-S 1.5 & 1.6 schedules, SMI-S V2.0 planning, storage tiering, replication services, Block Storage view classes, and feature modeling.

Troy Biegger and Jim Davis of WBEM Solutions travelled to San Jose to offer their suggestions re direction for SMI-S V2.0.



And the SMI Award goes to...

At the SNIA Reception on Tuesday evening, January 25, Don Deel, SMI Governing Board Chair, presented the SMI awards for 2010. Congratulations to these well-deserving award winners:

SMI Outstanding Specification Contributor Award:

- Tony Fiorentino (EMC)
- Paul von Behren (N/A)

SMI Outstanding Marketing Contributor Award:

- Troy Biegger (WBEM Solutions)

SMI Outstanding Plugfest Contributor Award:

- Jim Davis (WBEM Solutions)
- Jun Nakajima (Hitachi Data Systems)
- Steve Peters (PMC-Sierra)



Steve and Jim (seated) and Troy were on hand to accept their awards from Don Deel.

Storage Management Initiative Meeting



The Storage Management Initiative also held face-to-face meetings during the week. The initiative welcomed SMI Technical Steering Group members to join them in a discussion of SMI technical development, marketing, SMI-Lab and conformance test objectives for 2011. They also addressed overall strategic direction for SMI and SMI-S.

Doug Voigt, Alan Yoder, and Don Deel, members of the SMI Governing Board, discussed goals for 2011.