SMI at the SNIA Winter Symposium 2013

The SNIA 2013 Winter Symposium was held January 25-28 in San Jose, California, at the Sainte Claire Hotel. The Storage Management Initiative (SMI) participated in several meetings and events:

- SNIA and SMI Awards
- Storage Management Initiative Board meeting
- SMI-S Technical Track meetings

SNIA Volunteer of the Year!

SNIA presented Mike Walker, aka "Farmer Mike," with the Volunteer of the Year award. He was honored as "an individual who, above all others in 2012, consistently stepped up and helped SNIA achieve something new and groundbreaking or who significantly advanced an existing program." Congratulations, Mike, and thank you for everything you've done for SMI!

Mike's Volunteer of the Year award

Most Outstanding Achievements of a Forum or Initiative in 2012

SNIA's Leo Leger and Wayne Adams presented this prestigious award to **SMI**. Don Deel, SMI Governing Board Chair, accepted the award. This honor goes to "the Forum or Initiative which in 2012 significantly advanced a cause for SNIA with its achievements leading to an impact on the industry or the Association." Congrats to the SMI Board, volunteers, and staff!

SMI Outstanding Contributor Awards for 2012

At the SNIA Reception on Tuesday evening, Don Deel, SMI Governing Board Chair, presented the SMI Outstanding Contributor Awards for 2012. Congratulations and thanks to these well-deserving awardees:

Scott Baker, Individual member *Contributed to SMI-S specification development, led the Disk Resource Mgt. Technical Work Group*	**Tony Fiorentino, EMC** *Contributed to SMI-S specification development*	**Mike Hadavi, EMC** *Contributed to SMI-S specification development*	**Hector Linares, Microsoft** *Invited SMI to the Microsoft Mgt. Summit (MMS), arranged to host an SMI-Lab Plugfest at Microsoft*

SMI Governing Board Meeting

The SMI Governing Board met on Tuesday afternoon. Initiative leaders welcomed all symposium attendees. Troy Biegger, SMI Marketing Committee Chair, and Don Deel, SMI Governing Board Chair, reviewed 2012 accomplishments and addressed goals and direction for 2013. Marilyn Fausset, SNIA, presented Google Analytics results for SMI and CTP web pages. Kudos to the Governing Board for SMI's award.

Learn about the SMI Board members on the new SMI Leadership web page: http://www.snia.org/forums/smi/about/smi_leadership.

Board members Alan Yoder, Huawei, and Don Deel, EMC, appreciate SMI's award.

SMI-S Technical Track Meetings

The SMI Technical Steering Group (TSG), led by Chair, *Steve Quinn*, HDS, held SMI-S meetings from Monday morning through Wednesday. Several TSG members presented, including *Steve Peters*, LSI, *Mike Walker*, retired, *Mike Hadavi*, EMC, *Scott Baker*, independent, *Jim Davis*, WS, *Jeff Goldner*, Microsoft, and *Tom Mancuso* of the SNIA. Topics included *V2.0 Status*, *Job Control*, *Profile Registration*, *Server Management Profiles*, *Modeling of FEM Sessions*, *SNIA MOF processes*, and *Indications*. Attendees discussed possibly reorganizing the Technical Working Groups to streamline the TWGs.

For more information on the Storage Management Initiative, visit http://www.snia.org/smi.