

SHINE Newsletter, September 2007

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Hi Everyone,

As we all recover from a busy summer and get back into the swing of the academic year, we want to update you on various SHINE-related items:

We first want to thank all the people who made the 2007 workshop in Whistler such a resounding success. In particular, the Working Group leaders did an excellent job of putting together an interesting scientific program and the student leaders organized another great Student Day. And, of course, a special thank you goes to Umbe Cantu for all her work on the workshop logistics.

As always, feel free to contact any of the Steering Committee members if you have any suggestions on how to improve SHINE and our Workshops. We welcome all ideas, particularly if they are accompanied by volunteers!

Best,  
Christina Cohen and the SHINE steering committee  
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1. Changes in SHINE leadership

A big thank you to the outgoing Steering Committee members Pete Riley, Nick Arge, and Terry Forbes. They have done a wonderful job of serving SHINE over the past 3+ years and we all appreciate their efforts and contributions! In particular, Pete has done a fantastic job of leading SHINE over the last 3 years. His tenure has been accompanied by record attendance levels at SHINE Workshops, involvement of individuals new to the SHINE community and from fields outside of Solar/Space Physics, large increases in student attendance, and 3 very successful SHINE Workshops!

Additionally our student leaders, Ofer Cohen and Sarah McGregor, have finished their 2 year terms and are ready for the hand off to new leaders. Thanks, Ofer and Sarah, for all your work, in particular with organizing the great SHINE Student Days at the last 2 Workshops!

Our new Steering Committee members are: Christina Cohen (new chair; Caltech), Ilia Roussev (Univ. Hawaii), and Bill Abbett (UC Berkeley). Thank you all for joining the committee. Nick Arge has graciously agreed to continue on as the Campaign Events Coordinator and Chris Russell will continue as the SHINE-GEM liaison. Thanks!

Our new student leaders are Nicki Viall (Boston Univ.) and Eileen Chollet (Univ. AZ). Thanks for stepping up and good luck!

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## 2. SHINE 2007 Workshop Survey

The results of the 2007 Workshop survey can be found at :

<http://www.shinegroup.org/eval/eval2007.php>

As you will see from the responses, the workshop was a judged to be a great success and there are many sessions that people would like to see continue at the 2008 Workshop. It is particularly encouraging that 98% of the respondents are planning to attend next year's SHINE workshop.

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## 3. SHINE 2008

Mark your calendars! SHINE 2008 will be held the week of June 23-27, 2008 at the Zermatt Resort in Utah (<http://zermatt.dolce.com/>). The GEM meeting will be held in parallel and we are planning to have at least one working group session each day dedicated to a SHINE-GEM science topic. Rest assured there will be plenty of great SHINE specific working group sessions each day as well.

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## 4. Call for SHINE 2008 session proposals

The success of the SHINE workshops largely results from the direct involvement of the SHINE community in proposing and organizing the scientific sessions. If you have an idea for a focused topic of interest to the SHINE community that would benefit from honest, open, and intelligent discussion, please contact the SHINE Steering Committee ([shine-committee@dopey.caltech.edu](mailto:shine-committee@dopey.caltech.edu)) with your proposal. No previous experience in running a SHINE session is required and the SHINE Steering Committee is available to assist.