

SHINE Newsletter, August 24 2009

Hi Everyone,

Another great workshop with lots of discussion, new and continuing sessions, well attended poster sessions, and excellent banquet entertainment has come to pass. Thanks for all the working group leaders for doing such a great job and the student leaders for organizing and running another successful student day. We had over 60 students this year, a big increase from the ~35 that have come the last couple of years. Hopefully this is an exciting new trend!

As always the workshop wouldn't have been possible with out the outstanding efforts of Umbe Cantu before, during and after the meeting. Although Antoun Daou was unfortunately not able to attend the actual meeting, we are very appreciative of all his hard work before and after as well.

I know many of you are eager to know when and where the next SHINE workshop will be held. We're actively working on that and will let you know as soon as we have any information.

Best,

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Items:

1. Workshop Presentations Online
2. New Steering Committee Members
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#### Workshop Presentations

The presentations given at each session of this year's workshop will be online shortly at <http://www.shinecon.org>, as will the session introductions and summaries.

Additionally Agency talks from NSF, CCMC, NOAA, and NASA are currently available at <http://www.shinecon.org/shine2009/agencies.html>.

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#### New Steering Committee Members

Each year after the workshop, 3 steering committee members rotate off and 3 new members are selected. This year David Alexander, Ian Richardson, and Mihir Desai conclude their terms. Thank you to them for all their hard work and dedication to SHINE.

We welcome Chuck Smith, Mark Popecki, and Jim Ryan as our new committee members. They have been involved with SHINE in many capacities over the past few years and we're sure they will bring similar energy and commitment to

the steering committee.

Additionally, David Alexander was the Workshop Coordinator who was so instrumental in putting together the last 4 excellent SHINE workshops at various locations. We thank David for all his hard work. Ilia Roussev has kindly agreed to take over as the Workshop Coordinator. We're sure he'll also do a fabulous job.

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#### Workshop Survey

Each year after the meeting, we post a web-based workshop survey. The responses to this survey are instrumental in our planning of the next workshop. The survey should be out shortly. When it does go live, please take a few minutes to give us feedback on this year's workshop.

One of the survey questions is what topics/sessions you would be interested in having next year. But, you don't have to wait until the survey comes out! If you are interested in a specific topic and/or interested in leading a session, please email the committee at [shine-committee@dopey.caltech.edu](mailto:shine-committee@dopey.caltech.edu) or Christina Cohen at [cohen@srl.caltech.edu](mailto:cohen@srl.caltech.edu).