

Region I Spring Forum Report
Chapter 57
March 24, 2007

Strengths:

- We have a lot of volunteers working for the benefit of the Chapter. Our Board numbers 20, which gives us an incredible amount of commitment and resources to the Chapter.
- Attendance at our monthly luncheon meetings now averages 80, with a high of over 105. We attribute this success in large part to the caliber of our guest speakers, and the rest to consistency and reputation.
- In 2006, our membership increased by 20%, this increase is continuing through the first quarter of 2007.
- We are fortunate to have many generous sponsors, and we are financially stable.
- We have an excellent website that makes information easily accessible to our members and a monthly newsletter that is transmitted via e-Mail.

Weaknesses:

- Although our membership is very active, there are several members that repeatedly make a significant time commitment to the Chapter. From time to time, they experience member burnout.

Opportunities:

- We are hosting the Tri-Chapter Installation Luncheon in December 2007.
- We are organizing a golf tournament fundraiser with possible a half-day seminar for mid-October 2007. This is a new event for our Chapter, and we are excited with the educational, sponsorship and fundraising opportunities that it will bring.

Threats:

- Our Education Chair has struggled this year. Our classes are not going forward as scheduled. The Board is stepping up to solve the problem, but classes may be delayed or canceled as a result.
- Employers' training budgets are being tightened, making it more difficult for members to take classes.

General Condition of Chapter:

- Overall, Chapter 57 is in excellent shape.