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Check Out the Section's Website

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There is one place on the Web that is devoted to actuaries at small insurance companies—the section's Web page on the SOA website. We've worked to make it better, and with increased usage and involvement, we can make it better still.

To find the site, go to www.soa.org and locate the "Find a Section" box at the lower left. Click "Smaller Insurance Company" in the drop down box, and you're there. The SOA staff puts a lot of content on section Web pages, and we are working to make our Web page more section-specific.

We've focused especially hard on the "Latest News" area, posting updates about the latest National Association of Insurance Commissioners' meeting and the Solvency Modernization Initiative, among other things. I suggest checking the website once a week. The more people that check out the information, the harder we'll need to work to keep it fresh. It's a challenge to keep up with everything, and these news postings can be a great help.

I also recommend the "Resources" area, where you might find a link to the latest version of VM-20 or the American Academy of Actuaries' website about PBA. Of course, you can link to issues of *smalltalk* or research articles, and you can see upcoming events.

Our website has one other feature that excites me—it's the first to allow members to contact us. Near the top, immediately above "Latest News," is a link that allows you to contact me. You can ask a question or make a comment. You can suggest that we make a change to the website. If you know something that other section members might want to know, you can notify me so that it can be added to the site. If we get to the point where members are frequently suggesting content, our section website could become one of your favorite places for news. Everything is in place.

We are all very busy, and keeping up with the latest news can be very time consuming. Our section Web page can become your friend—a great source of news in one convenient place. I encourage you to visit it frequently and use the link to contact me freely. I'll stop writing so you can check out the site now! ●



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