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# Letter from the Chair

By Tim Pauza

**G**reetings! In this edition of my quarterly letter, I would like to highlight an exciting new opportunity for technology section members. With the help of our staff partners at the SOA, we have implemented a private LinkedIn group for section members. This online forum for networking and information sharing will focus on the challenges and interests of our members. As the technology demands grow for actuaries in an ever more complex and challenging economic environment, we believe LinkedIn can provide us an invaluable opportunity to keep abreast of the latest developments in arenas where technology is playing a major role in the future of our industry. Don't miss out on this opportunity to participate. As I write this letter, there are 73 members signed up for the group. The momentum is just starting to build, and I expect that number will have grown significantly by the time this edition of the newsletter is in your hands. If you have not already done so, join LinkedIn, join our group, and see what your fellow section members are up to. ([www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com))

In other important section news, section council elections are just around the corner, and we have an excellent slate of prospective council members who have volunteered to be on the ballot and take a leadership role for the sections. They will be introduced to you soon, as part of the SOA election process. Thanks to our volunteers for their willingness to get involved, and thanks to all of our current council members and friends of the council who work hard to keep our section going! The section council and friends, continues to make progress on several important initiatives. We are developing materials for upcoming meetings, soliciting software reviews for actuarial systems, researching webcast offerings in technologies of interest to our membership, and publishing this quarterly newsletter. The list goes on, and we are always ready to add to it, especially when we discover ways to serve you better. Have an idea for us? Let us know. Want to get involved? We can accommodate that too. Please reach out to any of the council members listed inside the front cover of this newsletter with your ideas or to volunteer.

Thanks and happy reading! ■

Tim Pauza

2009 Section Council Chair

*Editor's Note: Just before the newsletter went to print, candidate profiles were posted on the LinkedIn site. Visit the site to review their statements.*



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