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## President's Letter – Summer 2003

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I would like to thank Jukka Lippenon (President 2000-2001), who transitions off the board this year after serving for many years, and Phil Spak (President 2002-2003), our past president who will be moving on to the board, for their many contributions to The Hartford Society of Financial Analysts.

This past year two officers had left the Hartford area to take positions elsewhere. Tom Keene, Program, and Tim Burns, Treasurer, quickly stepped in to fill these roles. Edward Ohannesian has taken on the challenges of Education Chairperson this year and will be co-coordinating the Spring 2004 CFA Review Program. HSFA had intended to offer a Fall 2003 CFA Review Program; unfortunately, there have been insufficient registrations to support holding a second review program for this new exam. Michael Adams joins us as our newest officer as Secretary & Membership Chairperson.

The 2003 Forecast Dinner at the Hartford Hilton was a great success. We had record attendance for our guest speaker's Ralph Acampora, John Manley and Nick Perna. Edward Ohannesian and Michael Adams have volunteered to coordinate our 2004 Forecast Dinner and they will let you know the date once it has been finalized.

Stephen Campisi (President 1999-2000) will continue in his role as our AIMR Liaison. Stephen continues to be an outspoken voice in support of local societies such as ours. Phil Spak continues as our University Liaison and Paul Bryan (President 2001-2002) continues as our Awareness Chairperson. The officers, board members and program chairs volunteer a great deal of time and energy to make our society such an active organization. Please take a few moments to thank each of them for their efforts.

There are a number of changes occurring within AIMR this year. Some of the changes, I believe, are directly related to the growth of the CFA program. Strained relationships with local societies have probably been a catalyst for others. To address these issues AIMR's President Council Representatives (PCR) made a number of recommendations to AIMR's board over the past several months. Our Eastern Region PCR, Warren Johnson, from The Boston Security Analysts Society, has been and continues to be an active participant in this committee. I will try to keep you apprised of these changes.

I have been directly involved in the development of our website, [www.TheHSFA.org](http://www.TheHSFA.org), over the past few years and continue to believe it will be an effective means to reach you. We are making a number of significant changes to simplify event registrations. Last year we realized that many members were not receiving our e-mails. We eventually found out that many web-hosting companies have begun limiting the number of e-mails that can be sent per day in an effort to reduce SPAM. We made a major change to our e-mail service to remedy this problem. When we finish these improvements to the website, I will send you an update by e-mail. I look forward to any feedback you may have about the current website and the revamped version when it is available. We do rely upon the contact information you provide to AIMR, please help us by keeping this information current.

Mark Wednesday October 15<sup>th</sup> on your calendars, we are planning a late season Golf Outing. We will be holding a scramble format outing at Tunxis Plantation in Farmington. Tee times will begin at 11:00 AM. After 18-holes of golf there will be a dinner at the club's restaurant. The cost for members will be \$85 and \$100 for non-members (includes greens fees, 2 golf carts per foursome and dinner). This

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is an excellent event to meet other HSFA members, entertain clients or reward your staffs. Register on the website today. As needed, we will combine groups of less than four into foursomes.

If you are interested in being more involved in your society we have two new chairperson roles: website and social (this includes events such as the golf outing). Please call me if you have an interest in either of these chairperson roles, if you would like to help on any of our committees, or would just like to share your thoughts about HSFA and our activities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles A. Therriault". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "C" and a long, sweeping tail.

Charles A. Therriault, CFA  
President