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JULY 2018- PRESIDENT LETTER

Dear Colleagues and Friends:

It is a great honor to begin my service to you as President of MaHIMA for 2018-2019. I want to thank everyone who has served on the board and committee members for dedicating their time and talents. I want to extend a special thank you to our past-President Diana Lindo. Diana took me under her wing and mentored me to be able to take on the position of next president with confidence. I am looking forward to a great inspiring year! I also want to thank Elisa Pelchat, our MaHIMA Administrator Director. Elisa spends countless hours ensuring that workshops, meetings, webinars, etc. are organized and running efficiently. I also would like to thank Linda Hyde for all she does in keeping our finances in check. This responsibility is not an easy task but Linda takes this challenge on with pride and honor.

July 13-14, 2018 I will be attending the AHIMA CSA Leadership Symposium alongside Robin Andrews, President-Elect, and Marianne Garfi, Director of Communications. The AHIMA CSA Leadership Symposium is a two-day event that engages AHIMA and CSA leaders in strategic direction, envisioning the future and leadership in the evolving HIM profession. Look for updates in the September edition.

Our Annual meeting was a great success! Special thanks to the planning committee for putting this all together along with all the work by Programming, Hospitality and Vendor committees.

I want to thank everyone who attended our strategic planning session in April. It was a great success and many talented members collaborated to come up with goals and tasks for the upcoming year.

The four objectives identified in our strategic planning session are:

- Preparing HIM Professionals for the future
- Expanding areas of expertise



*MaHIMA Annual Conference Silent
Auction Basket Competition Winners!
Anna Jacques Hospital HIM Department.*

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- Building/recruiting board members
 - HIM Awareness and visibility

Serving on the board or becoming a member of a committee is a rewarding and fulfilling experience. It gives you the opportunity to make a difference for our profession now and the future. I would like to challenge all MaHIMA members to reach out and serve on a committee or task force. You can sign up by going into the MaHIMA website click on the “About” tab and select the volunteer tab and sign up. You can also reach out to Elisa or myself and we will lead you in the right direction. I am available by email if you need to reach me: bvonmalder@sturdymemorial.org

Ready Set Volunteer!!!!

Bibi Von Malder, RHIT, President, MaHIMA

FINANCE REPORT – THIRD QUARTER YEAR TO DATE (JULY – MARCH 2018)

Submitted by Linda A. Hyde, RHIA Finance Committee Chair

Income for the first nine months of our fiscal year totaled \$130,128 with expenses of \$116,721. Sixty-four (64) % of our income for this period was generated from our educational meetings and exhibitor and initial attendee registrations for this year’s Annual Meeting. Additionally, twenty-one (21) % of our income came from AHIMA member rebates.

Thirty-nine (39) % of our expenses are from educational programs including initial expenses for the Annual Meeting. The remainder of expenses are due to administrative costs, the implementation of the new members-only page on our website and the AHIMA meetings our delegates attend (House of Delegates, Leadership and Hill Day).

As usual, the third quarter is typically when we see overall income exceed expenses as we generate additional income from annual meeting registrations and a significant portion of AHIMA rebates for the year.

As of the end of March MaHIMA has \$121,878 in assets with seventy (70) % (\$85,712) in our investment accounts for reserves.

PRESIDENT- ELECT’S MESSAGE

First I would like to thank everyone who voted – and special thanks to those that placed their vote of confidence to elect me as President-elect.

In the upcoming year and during my preparation for President, I will work closely with the current President Bibiana Von Malder, Past President Diana Lindo and the MaHIMA Board to learn all that is necessary to fulfill my duties as President-elect and become successful in my term as President. I will work smart and hard to fulfill my duties as President-Elect by working with the entire membership. I plan to listen and observe during this upcoming year, so I can prepare myself for the Office of President and member of the MaHIMA Board of Directors, which are very important roles.

I look forward to attending the Leadership Symposium in Chicago in July, where AHIMA prepares us to take on our new leadership role. I am excited to be able to volunteer in this great organization and happy to serve in this new role.

Again thanks to all members of the MaHIMA association for all you do and look forward to working with all of you.

Sincerely,

Robin Andrews, RHIA, CCS, M.Ed, President-Elect, MaHIMA



HAPPY 2018-19 MAHIMA YEAR FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE!

As I take the Director of Communications position after serving on this dynamic committee for many years, I look forward to increasing the effectiveness and quality of communication between our organization and our members. My plan for this year is to polish our bi-weekly blog, *Stay Connected*; provide organizational updates through our quarterly newsletter, *Connect*; and increase the volume of social media postings to Facebook and LinkedIn. We will also continue our student outreach endeavors to increase the connection between these new professionals and our current members. We will continue the work of the Awards committee, a subgroup of Communications, which recognizes the achievements of our members and is a very exciting committee to participate with as well.

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I solicit all members to consider volunteering time to any of the numerous Committees that makes MaHIMA beneficial to belong to, even if for a small project. New ideas are always welcome. As the saying goes: many hands make light work!

Have a wonderful summer!

Marianne Garfi, HIM,RHIA,CCS-P

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NEWS FROM NOMINATING

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee. Making MaHIMA the best it can be has been an ongoing mission. We need your thoughts and ideas and there are many different ways to express them. I hope that you will consider serving in a leadership role in the coming year. Please reach out to me if you would like to learn more.

Thank you, and I look forward to a productive year.

Norma A. Chitvanni RHIT, CHPS
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EDUCATION COMMITTEE NEWS

It has been my honor to serve as the MAHIMA Director of Education. I am now in the second year of my two-year term as Director, and couldn't be happier with the work the Education Committee has performed over the past three years. The Education Committee's goal is to bring the membership pertinent, timely, and up-to-date educational sessions to meet the needs of Health Information Management professionals.

The Education Committee strives to provide you with the most recent information on trends in health information and the healthcare industry in general. Our calendar of upcoming education opportunities include:

- In August there is a FREE workshop on CDI that will be held at Baystate Health's Whitney Avenue Conference Center in Holyoke, MA. This workshop is a collaboration between MAHIMA, NYHIMA, and the local chapter of ACDIS.

- We are working with AHIMA IG to plan an Information Governance workshop.
- We are planning a Data Analytics workshop as a hands-on event. Attendees will work in Excel on data while the instructor explains the analysis and steps involved. This is in the early planning stages and you will see a survey for ideas in the near future.

Looking forward, would you like to serve your colleagues? Consider running for Director of Education in 2019, which is right around the corner! The position is fulfilling and brings a new perspective on bringing the best educational sessions to our profession. Feel free to reach out at any time with ideas for educational sessions. We want to hear from you.

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