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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### What is IFMA

IFMA provides education, training, information, and certification (CFM & FMP) to facilities professionals around the world. IFMA has over 18,000 members worldwide and is the largest facility management organization in the world, with 124 Chapters and 15 Councils. The Madison Chapter has 174 members. But what does this mean to you?

It means that you are a part of a professional organization that provides value to you and your employer. That being said IFMA is also a volunteer organization. Folks that devote time to the organization are doing so in addition to their job responsibilities, family, and other interests. Therefore I believe it's critical that the time spent with IFMA is efficient and worthwhile.

In order to make that happen we created a Strategic Plan for the 2006-07 year allowing us to focus on specific, concrete goals. My personal goal is to keep things simple, and as much fun as possible.

The feedback from the surveys filled out earlier this year told us the most important things about IFMA were educational and networking opportunities. We added Administration, as without it - none of the other items are possible. If you want to read our complete Strategic Plan visit our website at <a href="https://www.IFMAdison.org">www.IFMAdison.org</a> and click on About IFMA.

Simplified, our 3 main goals are: 1) Administration, 2) Education, and 3) Networking. I will be addressing each of these items in more detail in future newsletters.

Hopefully you were able to attend our 2006 Golf outing at Stoughton Country Club on 6/27. Special thanks to Paula Roberts and Vickie Wenzel who consistently make this a wonderful event. We really appreciate all your hard work!

I look forward to a fun and value added year! Sheri L. Rose, CFM

### Chapter Monthly Luncheon The Sheraton, 12 Noon, July 18, 2006

July's lunch presentation will be given by Mary Evers Statz from Eppstein Uhen Architects. Mary is IFMAdison's web site committee chair. She will give a short demonstration on the chapter web site, and she will show you a few other web resources for facility professionals. Maybe you have some resources you could share with us? Please join us for a fun networking event, and come prepared to share!

### New IFMAdison Officers Sworn In



Officers of Madison IFMA were sworn in at the June chapter meeting. Pictured, left to right, are outgoing President Laura Huttner, Treasurer Gene Post, Vice President Larry Barton, President Sheri Rose and Chapter Secretary Jim Whiteside.

## Membership Directory Being Planned

In preparation for printing the 2006 - 2007 membership directory members should verify their membership information (company, address, phone, fax, email). This can be verified/updated on the IFMA International website www.ifma.org.

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# Another Great Golf Outing!



The weather was perfect! Stoughton Country Club provided a great venue and we had a record number of 144 golfers. Lot's of great networking connections were made, and lot's of wonderful door prizes were awarded. Judy Benish from Alliant Energy won the 2006 registration to World Workplace in San Diego, CA. (Remember it pays to place your business card in the bowl at each monthly IF-MA luncheon) AND the turtle cheesecake was divine!

Thanks again to Paula Roberts, Vickie Wenzel, Pam Gray and all others who helped out that day and during the planning phases of the event. IFMAdison really knows how to throw a party!

# Welcome New Chapter Members

Kari Hamilton Office Services Manager Foley & Lardner khamilton@foley.com

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Mary Ann Jargo **Database Adminstrator** Covance Laboratories maryann.jargo@covance.com

# Engineering Team Honored

Strang, Inc. of Madison has been voted one of the top two engineering firms in the state of Wisconsin by Corporate Report Wisconsin Magazine readers. The firm was recognized during a June 9, Best of Business Awards 2006 luncheon, sponsored by the Trails Media Group, Inc. publication.

# Premise Liability

Premise Liability is a broad term that encompasses many types of cases, including those involving building design flaws, unsafe interior and exterior conditions, environmental hazards, improper traffic patterns, unsafe conditions, and a wide range of other issues related to individual security. Premises liability holds owners and occupiers of property legally responsible for accidents and injuries that occur on that property. Depending on the legal rules and principles in place, liability of owners and occupants of property will vary. The courts typically focus on the status of the injured visitor in determining the liability of the owner or occupant.

Many premise liability cases hinge on the presence or absence of a master security plan at the establishment. Such a plan should address such things as the establishment's or management's philosophy towards security, allocation of resources for security, the name or type of security employment (is there a security director with a clear line of authority and accountability?), the name of the security plan, training of security personnel (is the security force adhering to state licensing requirements?) clear direction for security personnel, maintenance of records of problems and criminal events (e.g., incident reports), integration of security hardware into a security plan, integration of local law enforcement into the master plan, coordination of security codes, and periodic review of the security program.

Failure to implement security procedures, even if they exist on paper, can be just as bad from a liability stance as having no security plan at all. The installation of CCTV with no one watching the monitors, or having broken equipment, creates a "false sense" or "illusion of security." The illusion can be very damaging in a lawsuit.

Building and business owners have always been responsible for providing adequate security for employees and visitors. New case law has established that the failure of the proprietor to accept the responsibility for adequate security lays the foundation for lawsuits. Furthermore, litigation has become more explicit; it extends the responsibility of the proprietor to the premises' property line rather than just the area in which business is conducted. If a security plan is conducted but not implemented, the proprietor is subject to litigation. Property owners face a significant potential liability problem every time someone steps onto their property.

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# Executive Committee Meetings

The executive committee meeting schedule and location has been set for the 06-07 year. As always, any member may attend these meetings. It's a great way to see how the committee works, and how our exceptional organization is managed. Please refer to the schedule below, or see the Madison IFMA website under "Events and Programs."

August 8, 2006 Eppstein Uhen 222 West Washington Avenue

September 12, 2006 Strang 6411 Mineral Point Road

October 10, 2006 Strang 6411 Mineral Point Road

November 14, 2006 Target Commercial Interiors 1020 John Nolen Drive

December 12, 2006 Target Commercial Interiors 1020 John Nolen Drive

January 9, 2007 Summit Credit Union 4800 American Parkway

February 13, 2007 Summit Credit Union 4800 American Parkway

March 13, 2007 Potter Lawson 15 Ellis Potter Court

April 10, 2007 Potter Lawson 15 Ellis Potter Court

May 8, 2007 Capitol Insurance Companies 1600 Aspen Commons

The meeting start at 7:00 a.m., and genrally last one hour. Please contact any committee member for specific directions

August Newsletter Deadline Friday, July 28, 2006

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Visit the IFMA Madison Web Sit at: IFMAdison.org



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### IFMA Madison Chapter Calendar of Events

#### **July 2006**

- 11 Executive Board Meeting
- 18 Luncheon Meeting
- ?? Social Mallard's Game

#### August 2006

- 8 Executive Board Meeting
- 15 Luncheon Meeting
- ?? Tour / UW Hospital or Children's Hospital

#### September 2006

- 12 Executive Board Meeting
- 19 Luncheon Meeting
- ?? Tour / JT Packard

#### October 2006

- 8-10 World Workplace, San Diego
  - 10 Executive Board Meeting
  - 17 Luncheon Meeting



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