OK...so we all know that our chapter has a lot to offer its members—tons of opportunities to learn and network. But what good are all those opportunities if you don’t know about them? They’re wasted if we don’t keep everyone properly informed. So here’s a quick refresher on how your executive team is working to communicate effectively with you, and on where you can find information:

• **Our website (www.ifmadison.org).** Not so long ago we launched our new and improved website. Its functionality is a work in progress, but your techie team (IFMA 2.0) is working to make it so we can get as much out of it as possible. One of its primary functions is to be a repository of information about everything our chapter has going on. You can go there any time to find out what’s scheduled.

• **IFMA International’s website (www.ifma.org).** Here’s where you can find lots of information about the facilities management profession, and learn about what’s happening in the world of FM internationally. You’ll find a wealth of information on this site.

• **E-blasts** They’re a good thing, and a great way to stay in touch with everybody. Your executive team has gotten feedback, however, that there have been too many. In response to that feedback, we’ve decided to stop doing individual blasts for each event, and are going to a once-a-week combined blast instead. So on Mondays, watch out for that blast, and check out what’s coming up as your plan your week. Your Sponsorship Task Force will be one exception. They will continue to send out their own separate blasts during the sponsorship drive (from January to March)—but that should be it. No longer will you be bombarded with emails from your chapter!

• **Luncheons** Our monthly luncheon is held the third Tuesday of every month at noon at the Sheraton on John Nolen Drive. At the beginning of every luncheon, your executive team takes a few minutes to make announcements and to provide updates on how the chapter the chapter’s financial status, upcoming events, strategic initiatives, etc. Here’s where you can get some information about the inner workings of the chapter that you might not get elsewhere.

• **And the last one….well, you’re reading it!** Your chapter newsletter is where you’ll find more in-depth information about upcoming events and articles that are relevant to the FM profession.

So there you go. We hope all of the above helps everyone to stay involved. Member involvement is what makes our chapter the vibrant organization that it is. If anyone has any comments, suggestions, or concerns, you can always email me at dani@cicbuildsout.com.

Dani Michels
President, IFMA-Madison Chapter

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Recapping IFMA’s January Tour
Chazen Museum of Art

Director Russell Panczenko and UW Project Manager Julie Grove guided 27 members through a behind the scenes tour of the recently opened Chazen Museum of Art on the UW Madison Campus. Russell’s deep knowledge and passion for this facility and the art that fills its space made for entertaining stories and education on how art is delivered, processed into the collection stored and displayed.

To learn more about the Chazen Museum visit
http://www.chazen.wisc.edu/

IFMA’s February Tour - New Meriter Clinic

Our February IFMA tour is the Meriter Monona clinic at 6408 Copps Avenue, on the corner of Broadway and Stoughton Road. It is Meriter’s sixth regional clinic – and it’s largest. The tour will be on Thursday, February 30 (OK, really March 1) at 6:00 pm, and will be hosted by Meriter’s Construction Manager, Nick Crompton, and Kahler Slater.

The 57,600 square-foot facility opened in October and serves those in need of primary care, including internal medicine, and family medicine. In addition to state-of-the-art medical imaging and laboratory services, therapy services are available at this location. In the near future, the clinic will also provide pediatric, OB/GYN, medical psychology, orthopedic and rehabilitation medicine services.

Please join us for an insider’s tour of this beautiful new facility. Register/RSVP on the Events section of our website by Friday, February 24.
News from MemberSquad!

IFMA Madison welcomes the following newest members to our award-winning Chapter!

**Timothy Ehlers** – Systems Specialist – Dean Clinic  
**David Harris** – Regional Business Development Manager – Environment Control of Wisconsin  
**Michelle Larrabee** – Great Wolf Resorts  
**Sierra Lewis** – Account Manager – Affordable Office Interiors  
**Jim Meyer** – Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District  
**Kristin Murray** – Facilities Services Specialist – Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation  
**Renee Primeau** – Contract Manager - Tandus

MemberSquad meets the first Tuesday of every month at Benvenutos on Northport Drive.

Our agenda consists of creating engaging programs for our membership – affording networking and educational opportunities for all and developing a professional member recruiting program.

Additionally, we are involved with the Bridge Program and the IFMA Connect mentoring program. If you’d like to get involved with an IFMA committee that’s always got somethin’ cookin’ – join us……we’d love to see you there!

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**IFMA Madison’s Community Crew**  
**Seeking Worthy Causes**

We are looking for project suggestions for our Community Crew for the remaining fiscal year ending in June. Non-profits, Elderly causes, Food Pantries, etc.

2 basic categories;

1. Inside projects that could be done on week nights. One project to be done in March,
2. Outside projects that could be done in April or May. Perhaps during week nights when the days get longer.

The type of project size we are looking for is 1 or 2 nights with approximately 4-6 people.

We are meeting again on the 20th so we could look over ideas then.

Thanks  
Douglas A. Sutter LEED AP  
Senior Project Manager  
Bachmann Construction Co. Inc.  
608-222-8869

Do you want to connect/collaborate with other IFMA members? One of the benefits of being an IFMA-Madison member is the ability to do just that. Our website facilitates finding other members by their work experience, company, accreditations, and more. However, this doesn’t work if you leave these fields blank! Please take 5 minutes and tell other IFMA-Madison members a little about yourself on our website.
Welcome to Carbon Crunchers!

Want to learn about practical ways to reduce carbon footprint? Does sustainability seem like something left for the professionals? Too big and grand to even know where to start? Want to network with other facility professionals who also don’t have enough time and resources for a new “corporate initiative”? Then join us for our round table discussions. Dates below.

Meetings will be held at Urban Land Interests’ downtown offices, at 7:30 AM. Meetings will last one hour. Coffee and treats will be provided. Parking will be validated for anyone using the garage under the building. Contact Matthew Darga if you have any questions (608) 268 7015 mdarga@uli.com.

RSVP if you can to Matthew Darga.

Address:
10 East Doty Street, Suite 300
Madison 53703
Parking available under building

Schedule of events


Tuesday May 29th. “Green Cleaning”. Green cleaning programs, strategies, and benefits.


Carbon Cruncher’s Mission: To support the facility management professional’s sustainability efforts.

Scope: To provide education, resources, and networking.

Directors: Leah Samson-Samuel and Matthew Darga
Tuesday, May 22nd, 2012—Game time 7:10

Party on the Dew Deck!

Inside Miller Park

Join your fellow IFMA Members and their guests from the Southeastern Wisconsin and Madison Chapters for a fun filled evening. We have reserved a limited number of seats in the Dew Deck in Miller Park. Your ticket includes an all-you-can-eat buffet including brats, hot dogs, chicken sandwiches and all the fixin’s, pasta salad, cookies, soda, two (2) beers, plus great seats within the Dew Deck area.

Members are just $40, non members are $50!

We have reserved a very limited number of seats so you must sign up early for this event!!!! First come, first serve!!!!

Game time – 7:10 pm. Buffet starts when the gates open and ends one hour after the first pitch.

Tickets will be distributed in advance of game day. Any questions, please call Mike Schwartz @ 608-209-1986.

Payment must be made before May 1st, 2012. We will be looking to car pool again like we did last year.

...RSVP & Mail Check To:
Mike Schwartz – C. Coakley Relocation Systems
1311 West Badger Road
Madison, WI 53713

Name: __________________________
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Guest Name: _____________________

Payment MUST be received before May 1st. Amount Enclosed $__________
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