PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Wishing you and yours a very safe and happy holiday season! November was yet another busy month for IFMAadison. Thank you to Target Commercial Interiors for hosting both the November Executive meeting on 11/14 and the Webinar on 11/16, Sustainability: How Your Short-Term FM Strategies Affect Your Long-Term Goals. We also enjoyed hearing more about being “Green” from Larry Barton and Ron Mastalski from Strang at our lunch meeting on 11/21, and had a tour of the new Hospice Care residence in Fitchburg on 11/30.

Don’t miss the opportunity to celebrate the holiday season with fellow IFMA folks on Tuesday, December 12th at the Annual Holiday event at Capital Brewery in Middleton. Be sure to bring a donation for a local food pantry.

Watch for more information on the CFM review class coming up in January along with other January event information. And remember to “Save the Date” – Thursday, May 10th for the annual TriChapter event at Monona Terrace. We are working on lots of terrific educational, inspirational, and networking opportunities for this event.

As 2006 draws to a close I can’t help but reflect on how fast the year went, seems like I just got used to writing/typing 2006 and now I need to start training myself for 2007. Amazing! Not only that - my term as President is half over. In the next few months we will begin to look for officers for the 2007-08 term. These positions offer incredible professional and personal development opportunities…think about it!

Hope you make the best of the rest of 2006, and embrace 2007 with enthusiasm and joy.

Happy Holidays!
Sheri L. Rose, CFM

Holiday Party

The Madison Chapter of IFMA Holiday Party is all set to go on Tuesday, December 12th at the Capital Brewery in Middleton, from 4 p.m. until 10ish. Chuck Gifford’s delicious deep fried turkey and Rick Kurz’s white chicken chili will be the specialties for the evening, although we are asking IFMA members to bring a dish to pass so we can enjoy all of the closet chefs in the chapter. Cash bar for the evening.

We are again holding a food drive for a local food pantry, so if you would like to bring a non-perishable food item to place in the IFMAadison holiday box, that would be great too!

Membership Committee Update

The membership committee would like to thank Larry Barton & Dani Michels for arranging the penthouse party for our new members October 25th. Dani put a lot of time and effort into it, and everyone who attended agreed that it was fantastic!

We are excited to announce that our committee will be working toward student liaison contacts with our local secondary schools for guest facilities-related students at our lunch meetings, in concert with the legacy executives committee’s scholarship initiative.

Monthly Meeting Meal Ticket

Your 2007 monthly meeting meal ticket invoice is inserted into this newsletter. Purchase of this meal ticket option will entitle the holder to attend Madison-IFMA Monthly Membership meetings without a door charge.

This saves time at the reception desk, and saves you money! Complete this submit this form, and take advantage of this incredible offer.
Strategic Energy Planning Thoughts

There is a great deal of information on global warming, green buildings, renewable energy, and energy efficiency in the media these days. California is taking some major steps to address this. The American Institutes of Architects (AIA) promotes and endorses sustainable development and is discussing carbon neutral design. ASHRAE is looking to develop an energy standard that is 30% better than the current commercial building energy standard by 2010. Awareness of issues related to climate change are increasing.

Another trend that is less discussed is that the US is starting to significantly increase its imports of LNG (liquified natural gas). As North American natural gas production is declining (with much of the North American resource in Canada), imports are expected to fill some of the gap. While there is wide a distribution of natural gas resources in the world, the major resources are in Russia, Iran, and Qatar. These are not known as the most predictable trading partners.

Keep in mind that the US only started importing crude oil in the ‘60s (I believe) and we now import around 70% of our oil. With this history we might be able to draw some parallels to our use of natural gas. If we import natural gas and there is a supply disruption, what will that do to the price? Whereas oil disruptions affect how we drive, gas disruptions could affect home and business heating and cooling.

Given all these issues, and the fact that buildings last 40 years or so, it makes sense to begin making concerted progress on how we build and operate our commercial buildings.

I think IFMA could have a leadership role in this area. IFMA could educate its members on these issues and promote green and energy efficient design and operation to its companies. There are many opportunities to try something new.

[Submitted by Scott Olsen, P.E., as a recommendation for program articles or circles of excellence topics. If you have any suggestions, or if you would like to see this topic explored further in a program or discussion group, please contact the program committee or the executive committee.]
Welcome New Members

September

Jason Jones 3 Years  Findorff
Michael Gehrmann 4 Years  Novagen
Sheri Rose 5 Years  Capitol Indemnity Corporation
Lawrence Barton 7 Years  Strang, Inc.
Jeffrey Kent 8 Years  Swedish American Health System
Shannon Kassner 9 Years  TDS
Judy Benish 10 Years  Alliant Energy Corporation
Patricia Sweitzer 17 Years  TDS Telecom
Michael Stark 18 Years  WI Department of Administration
Richard Pierce 19 Years  UW, Wisconsin Union

October

Rebecca Brown 1 Year  Creative Business Interiors
Lisa Humphrey 1 Year  University Research Park
Susan Matiak 2 Years  Wolf Appliance Company
Brenda O’Brien 2 Years  Covance Laboratories
Roger Vogts 2 Years  UW – The Wisconsin Union
Dave Utley 5 Years  Globalcom Technologies, LLC
Michael Pohlman 5 Years  Nickles Electric
Jason Willemarck 5 Years  Foremost Farms USA
David Kramka 5 Years  Covance Laboratories
Robert Finley 11 Years  Coyle Contract
Brett Warrington 14 Years  Paragon Corporation
Dustin Struckmeyer 16 Years  Potter Lawson Interiors
Michael Bergenske 17 Years  CUNA & Affiliates
Paul Schams 19 Years  Dairyland Power
Tim Lerdahl 26 Years  Lerdahl Business Interiors, Inc.
Richard Kusch 26 Years  WPS Health Insurance Corp

November

Phillip Bernhardt 1 Year  Creative Business Interiors
Steve Kelliher 1 Year  University Research Park
Kevin Unbehaun 2 Years  Wolf Appliance Company
Brett West 3 Years  Covance Laboratories
Scott Phillips 5 Years  UW – The Wisconsin Union
Suzette Sasman 7 Years  KMI Designs LLC
John Talbot 10 Years  Summit Credit Union
Karen Mackowski 13 Years  National Guardian Life Insurance
Barbara Unger 15 Years  Arnold & O’Sheridan, Inc.
James Zirbel 15 Years  JT Packard
Brett West 17 Years  Madison Gas & Electric Co.

December

Jan Daggett 1 Year  Bachmann Construction
Mary Edwards 2 Years  Coakley Brothers Company
Darwin Lauterbach 3 Years  Coakley Brothers Company
John Mulcahey 8 Years  UW Medical School
Jeffrey Rood 8 Years  Humanscale
Douglas Duren 8 Years  Rettler Corporation
Greg Knapp 10 Years  Paragon Business Furniture Group
David Kinney 15 Years  Great Lakes Educational Loan

Welcome New Members

Dan Beeman 1 Year  Two Tall Developers, LLC
Lois Berning 19 Years  American Family Insurance
Sean Hyland 19 Years  Mentor Biologics
Daniel LaPaz 26 Years  Sun Prairie Area School District
Shannon O’Reilly 26 Years  AVI Midwest
Peter Ryan 26 Years  AVI Midwest
Jim Wildman 26 Years  Miron Construction
IFMA Madison Chapter Calendar of Events

December 2006
12  Executive Board Meeting
12  Holiday Party

January 2007
9   Executive Board Meeting
16  Luncheon Meeting - Common Window Mistakes-Klein Dickert (?)
20(?) Tour - Cardinal Float Glass Tour(?)

February 2007
13  Executive Board Meeting
20  Luncheon Meeting - Energy Management for Facility Managers
??  Tour

January Newsletter Deadline
Friday, December 29, 2006

Please submit materials to Matt Darga at
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(as an attached WORD document)