Chapter Monthly Luncheon
The Sheraton, 12 Noon, May 18, 2004

Topic: Annual Sponsorship Luncheon

Please join us in showing our appreciation for all of our 2004 sponsors. The sponsorship committee will be presenting our 2004 sponsors with their certificates. Our entertainment for the event will be provided by Comedy Sportz of Milwaukee. Hope to see you there.

Help Us Get it Right!

This is a reminder to please RSVP with your lunch reservation to the IFMA office by no later than the Friday before each meeting. We encourage and invite anyone who is able to attend to do so. However, place settings are determined by the count the Sheraton is given on that Friday. Because we have had numerous walk-ins over the past several years, we are making the following change. If you do not RSVP by the deadline date that’s set, and attend the lunch meeting, please be aware you will be asked to wait until those who have turned in their attendance on time are seated. It is quite possible that you will not have a place to sit for the lunch, meeting, and topic presentation. So, get your reservations in early so that everyone can enjoy the time together, comfortably! Thank you for your cooperation.

New Member Mixer Event!

Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 20, 2004. The Madison IFMA Chapter will be sponsoring a "new member" mixer event just for our newest members who have joined within the last 12 months. This will be a great chance to socialize with other new members and learn about the many benefits of your IFMA membership.

The mixer will be held at Dick Pearson’s lakeside residence at 5030 Lake Mendota Drive and will feature a Hawaiian theme. Come as you are or arrive in your favorite Hawaiian apparel, anything goes! The event will begin at 5:00 p.m. with refreshments, hors d’oeuvres and party favors followed by a short presentation at 6:30 p.m. by members of the IFMA Madison executive committee.

If you’ve recently joined IFMA or know of potential new members that would be interested in attending, please RSVP by emailing the IFMA office. When you do so, please indicate which of the following is your principal beverage of choice:

- Red wine
- White wine
- Beer
- Soda
- All of the above

Directions to Dick’s house will be emailed to those that RSVP. If you have any questions concerning the event please call Larry Barton at (608) 276-9200.

Also, anyone who would like to come by boat should get directions from Dick Pearson. His email address is dick@pearsonengineering.com.
As I write this, we have just finished hosting the 13th annual Tri-Chapter Symposium. While the attendance was down a little for the Monday educational session, we had a combined three-day attendance of over 150 people. We had 47 folks who showed up on a cool blustery Sunday afternoon for the tour of the Camp Randall remodel and new construction. Over 80 people attended the Monday’s educational sessions and we had over 30 for Tuesday’s CFM review.

I would like to thank all of the Tri-Chapter committee members for all the hard work they put into this year’s event. The committee members from Madison are Ginni Jones, Barb Unger, Laura Huttner, Charlie Ross and Sherri Rose. From the SouthEast Chapter: Cornel Rosario and from the NorthEast Chapter: Chris Gudio. The South East Chapter has informed us that next year’s Tri-Chapter will be held on Tuesday, May 10th, 2005, so mark your calendar now.

On a different note, Bonnie McCloskey with WMC has informed us that they will no longer be able to help with the mailing of the newsletter. If there is anyone’s company out there that would be interested in taking this on in return for a Silver Level sponsorship, please let me know. Bonnie says it takes her about a half a day a month.

-Chuck Gifford, President
IFMA Anniversaries for May

1 Year
Joseph Valley
Alliant Energy
Thomas Underwood
Ryan Properties Inc.
Eugene Post
Potter Lawson

3 Years
Paula Roberts
Steelcase, Inc.

4 Years
Chris Morey
UW Credit Union
Jonathan Ranum
John Deere Credit

5 Years
Kim Keister
CUNA Mutual Insurance Group

6 Years
Karen Suchomel
CUNA & Affiliates

7 Years
Charles Ross
Covance

15 Years
Wayne Clark
General Casualty Companies

17 Years
Frank Alfano

Mark the Date

World WorkPlace
October 17-19, 2004
Salt Palace Convention Center
Salt Lake City

June Newsletter Deadline
Friday, May 21, 2004
Please submit materials to Nikki Eddy
at
Nikki.Eddy@covance.com
(as an attached WORD document)
Or Fax to 608-242-2722

Visit the IFMA Madison Web Site at:
IFMAAdison.org

a package of seeds. Table 1 occupants - Catherine Neumann, Rita Gavcynski, Dan Drager, Tim Lerdahl, Steven Newcomer, Chris Beall, Joe Johnson, and Larry Barton.

Table 3 took 2nd place with 23 suggestions also receiving packages of seeds. Table 3 occupants - Ron Disch, Bonnie McCloskey, Mike Bergenske, Brad Harris, Karen Miller, Kent Hoffman, Gary Studebaker and Karen Suchomel.

April Tour was Crescent Building

IFMA members toured the Crescent Building on March 29, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. The Crescent Building, located at 25 N. Pinkney St. was built in 1897 and offers an excellent view of the Capitol building from its front windows. Members attended the tour to see in person the “green” materials and techniques that Madison Environmental Group employed during their first phase of renovation. We also toured the areas under going renovation in Phase 2, which includes additional office space on the third floor, and the renovations to the facade and the first floor entrance. We reviewed the plans for the remodeling and the green roof.

Sonya Newenhouse and Maureen Mahle led the tour, answered questions and discussed their views on valuing people and their contributions over materials, and preferring to spend construction and office budgets on labor-intensive recycled materials when the cost for newer or more convenient materials was substantially the same. During the seven weeks of the Phase 1 construction, the costs of “going green” were found to be equal to or less than the cost of traditional construction, and did not impact the overall schedule. Ms. Newenhouse also stated that no recyclable building materials had been stockpiled or pre-identified before design and construction began. Desks and shelving units were hand-made by local craftsmen from recycled wood and glass with an eye to future reusability as well as current functionality and beauty. In fact, nothing in the office area appears to be second-hand or recycled or even below premium grade.

On a lighter note, we learned that in addition to being more energy efficient, a compact fluorescent bulb may actually be safer than an incandescent bulb. Ms. Mahle noticed what appeared to be bugs in the globe fixture above her desk earlier on tour day, and decided to clean them out. Upon removing the globe, she realized that it was completely full of water, the result of a roof leak, but the bulb remained functional during its dunking. We also were invited to inspect the worm bin and the resultant compost being stored on the fire escape. Their resident gardener is eagerly anticipating the arrival of spring.
IFMA Madison Chapter Calendar of Events

May 2004
11 Executive Board Meeting
18 Sponsorship Luncheon
14 Lambeau Tour
20 New Member Mixer

June 2004
8 Executive Board Meeting
15 Business Luncheon
? Mallard's Game – Duck Pond
? Circles of Excellence Kickoff?

Our Sponsors
2003 - 2004

Gold
Creative Business Interiors, Inc.
Dayton's Commercial Interiors
Kramer Printing
Pearson Engineering, LLC.
The Bruce Company

Silver
Ahern Fire Protection
Cuna Mutual Group
Environment Control
Facility Now, Inc.
Globalcom Technologies
Kraft Foods
ServiceMaster Building
Strang, Inc.
Whiteside Facility Engineering, LLC
Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce

Bronze
Bachmann Construction Company, Inc.
Badgerland Farm Credit Services
Bessa & Associates, Inc.
Coyle Contract
Datakeep, Inc.
Davis Furniture
Emmons Business Interiors
Eppstein Uhen Architects
Foremost Farms USA
Gordon Flesch Company, Inc.
Henricksen & Company, Inc.
Honeywell
InteriorLOGIC Facility Planning
Joseph LaPorte & Associates
Lands' End
Lerdahl Business Interiors
Madison Gas & Electric
Paragon Corporation
Pellitteri Waste Systems
Reynolds Transfer and Storage, Inc.
Welton Enterprises, Inc.
Withus & Associates
Wisconsin Office Interiors