"IFMAY Month"

Can you believe it is already May! The month of May usually is a very busy month for most folks - specifically facility managers. We can begin our outside projects such as roofing, landscaping, parking lots, concrete and exterior repairs, just to name a few. It is also the time of year when the Farmer’s market returns, our home lawn care begins and graduation events are on the schedule.

It’s also a good time to move which brings me to a phrase that I thought I’d never say…. “I’d rather move 100 staff than move my own home.” Yes, in a few short weeks I’ll be moving to Baraboo, which isn’t the problem. The problem is that when I move 40 or even 20 staff they do all the packing, for the most part. But as anyone knows - unless you hire a moving company, you are on your own to coordinate the packing at home. Luckily, I love the coordination of office moves (and some home moves) and all the aspects of moving staff to new space or whatever the tenancy might be. I believe the passion you have for your job specifically speaking, the facility manager, is one of the most significant characteristics of a successful facility manager.

This month IFMA Madison also has several “moving” educational and networking opportunities such as the Tri-Chapter in Green Bay at the Brett Favre Steakhouse on May 9th, our Sponsorship Appreciation Luncheon on May 16th with entertainment, the New Member event at the Casbah Restaurant on May 25th, and a possible tour of Morey Airport/Field with the final details soon. For additional opportunities to get a moving experience, AND if you are available on May 20th, please contact me with preferably no lifting restrictions.

Last, but not least, I want to thank the Academic Facilities Council for inviting the Madison Chapter to be a part of their meeting here in Madison. It was an extremely interesting and educational opportunity for facility managers alike. The networking and round table discussions provided an insight into academic facility managers that although a unique group, they are still a wonderful resource to other facility managers! Thanks again!

- Laura J. S. Huttner, President

Chapter Monthly Luncheon
The Sheraton, 12 Noon, May 16, 2006

Sponsorship Appreciation Lunch!

Come one come all, it’s time to honor our 2006-2007 Sponsors at our Annual Appreciation Lunch!

We had an outstanding drive this year raising a total of $17,650. Thank you to everyone for your generosity and support.

This year we have a great line-up for the Appreciation Lunch. We will start by honoring our Sponsors. Then, we’ll follow-up with an amazing Comedy Magic show by Braier’s Magic. Braier’s Magic has traveled the country entertaining groups like 3M, Microsoft, Honeywell, WPS, American Family Insurance and more. This is a MUST SEE show!! Don’t miss it.

May Tour

We are working on a tour of Middleton's Airport - Morey Field. More to com via email!

New Member Event

Mark your Calendars! Our spring '06 new member mixer will be held on Thursday, May 25, 2006 at the CASBAH restaurant, 119 E. Main Street, in downtown Madison. The social hour starts at 5 p.m. followed by the program at 6 p.m.

Members Only Section Reopens on Web Site

The “Members Only” area of the IFMA Madison website www.ifmadison.org has been reopened.

Please note: the new “user id” you will need to enter to access the Members Only area is your personal IFMA ID number issued by IFMA International.

The current “password” is IFMA2006 (use all caps when entering this password). Once you have entered the Members Only area we suggest that you select the “Change Password” option and enter your own personal password.
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Golf Outing Set & Seeking Sponsors

Your IFMA Madison chapter’s Golf Outing is right around the corner! (June 27th)

Sponsorship spots are available now:
• For $100 you can be a hole sponsor
• For $100 you can be 1 of 3 event sponsors [such as longest drive]
• For $150 you can be 1 of 2 beer sponsors.
Anyone can also donate Door Prizes [all donations appreciated]
All Sponsors receive recognition before and during the event.

Please reply to vickie.wenzel@target.com today!

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Member Profile
Sheri Rose - IFMAdison President-Elect

Sheri, how long have you been involved with IFMA?
5 years

Brief history of work experience?
My father was a residential builder (now retired) so I’ve been involved in the building industry as long as I can remember. I’ve framed houses, had a small business drawing and designing house plans, and finally ended up in the facilities management profession.

Offices held in IFMA?
Current Vice President / President-Elect

Tell us about your family.
I will be married 25 years this summer to a wonderful man, Scott, who has always supported and encouraged all of my crazy ideas. We have two great children - our daughter Megan, who is graduating from UW Madison in May, and our son Adam, who is a full time student at UW Whitewater.

Your idea of a dream vacation?
A week at home enjoying all the fun things to do in and near Madison.

The thing you appreciate most about being an IFMA member?
All the things we so often hear others talk about - the educational opportunities, the networking, the wealth of information and support within our chapter, and the opportunities for professional development. But I’ve often said and believe that Facilities people are the nicest, most down to earth people I know. That’s probably what I appreciate the most.

Most interesting facility related problem or solution?
I once was directed to build an interior office in 48 hours. I would have never believed it could have been done, but we did it.

Favorite IFMA memory?
Running through the rain in Philadelphia with a fellow fun group of IFMA folks looking for a restaurant for dinner.

2006-07 IFMA Madison
Chapter Officer Slate

The Nomination Committee submits the following slate for your consideration. There will be a voice vote conducted at the June 20th annual business meeting.

President* Sheri Rose, CFM
Vice President Larry Barton
Treasurer Gene Post
Secretary Jim Whiteside, CFM
Past President* Laura Huttner

Respectfully submitted, Laura Huttner
President and 2005-2006 Nominating Committee Chair

*Succession Positions

Recap of April Circles of Excellence

The April Circles of Excellence series focusing on HVAC system comparisons has concluded and was attended by 20 people over the 3 week session. This was an excellent opportunity for IFMA members to ask questions and share experiences concerning mechanical systems. We thank all of the members who participated and appreciate their contribution toward making the series a success.

Special thanks go out to Ed Ornes of Strang, Jason Beren of Kilgust and Matt McConnell of Oakbrook for organizing and presenting the series. They did a great job and the information they shared was very pertinent to the

June Newsletter Deadline
Friday, May 26, 2006

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

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IFMA Madison Chapter Calendar of Events

May 2006
- 9 Executive Board Meeting
- 9 Tri-Chapter Symposium (Green Bay)
- 18 Luncheon Meeting - Sponsorship
- ?? Tour / Morey Field (Airport)

June 2006
- 13 Executive Board Meeting
- 20 Luncheon Meeting - Annual Business Meeting
- 27 Golf Outing (Stoughton Country Club)

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

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