



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ray Zimmerman

I called Eric Postle to see how the October Chapter meeting at Starbucks went and got the answer I expected, that I missed another great meeting. The Starbucks Team (representing Facilities, Personnel, and other departments) gave a sobering account on the impact the Nisqually Earthquake had on their building and business. The attendees were impressed with how well they handled the emergency and appreciative of the lessons learned they shared with the audience. We hope to get a copy of the lessons learned list to share with everyone.

While that meeting was taking place, several members of the chapter joined IFMA members-at-large from around the state and I to attend World Workplace in Toronto. As this annual event goes, this one was well attended by both members and vendors. And Toronto proved to be an outstanding host. Although our Chapter chose not to participate this year in the always-competitive Awards of Excellence, we still had lots to cheer for at the Awards Banquet. One and a half years ago, we were invited to co-sponsor a Regional Best Practices Conference at the Pacific Northwest Laboratories (PNWL) in Richland. Through the amazing talents of IFMA member Diane Falk and support of her management at PNWL, the conference was not only a success, it resuscitated the Research and Development Council and put the PNWL on the IFMA world map. The efforts of Diane and R&D members earned them the Council Achievement Award and PNWL earned the prestigious Golden Circles Award as the outstanding FM department in North America. Wow! Shortly after those awards, the Public Sector Council won Council of the Year. Our very own Ross Buffington of the GSA in Auburn was Council President. Wow, wow!

Speaking of wow, the Tomorrow Space meeting is shaping up to be the best ever. It will be held at KOMO Television's new offices that, I am told, are "state-of-the-art". We will be co-hosting this meeting with IIDA so get your reservations in early to insure a seat. Also, there should be a flyer in the newsletter (and on the website) for the Educational Symposium in February. Take the time to examine the courses offered. I'm sure you will agree it is a "must see" event. Finally, join us for our annual Holiday Recognition Event at its new venue, the Terrace level of Safeco Field. We will be recognizing the contributions of our Board members, committee members and sponsors to the Chapter this last year as well as "party hardy".

The last word will be on Councils. As noted above, IFMA Councils are alive and well in the Pacific Northwest. There are 13 IFMA Councils focused on specific facilities or organizational types. These councils meet once or twice a year, several use listservs and their members correspond regularly. They provide an opportunity for members that share a common facility-type to share ideas and experiences. Go to ifma.org and pick Councils, then Council listings (left sidebar). It's worth the look.

See you at KOMO.

Ray

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thank you!



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Sander Abrams Scholarship Awarded to Linda Flynn

Linda Flynn, Facilities Manager at AvanaDe, was awarded a \$500 scholarship for the UW's Certificate Program in Facility Management, 2002-03. Linda was selected because of her distinguished record in the FM certificate program in the last year, as well as her active participation in the IFMA Seattle chapter. The Sander Abrams Scholarship Fund was established by the chapter in the memory of Sander Abrams, longtime member. The funds are awarded to qualified individuals for application towards tuition and fees in the UW FM Certificate program. Please join us in congratulating Linda!

welcome! new members

Toni Larkins	Sales Manager	Coffee Wholesale Warehouse
Jacob Spence	Project Manager	BECU
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Kandice Coleman	Territory Manager	Monterey Carpet
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IFMA FACILITY MANAGEMENT EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

Thursday, February 27, 2002
7:30am - 4:30pm
Bellevue Athletic Club, Bellevue, WA
\$90 for IFMA members

Mark your calendar for IFMA-Seattle's premier educational event of the year. The IFMA Facility Management Symposium offers members a day of informative sessions on important topics in your field. Spend a day of learning and networking with your peers. Start the year off by investing in your own professional development.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Eight educational sessions provide practical information you can use on the job.
- Network with peers and hear from a variety of experienced presenters and educators.

SAMPLE SYMPOSIUM TOPICS

- O&M at the Museum of Glass in Tacoma
- Technology: The New FM Competency Area
- A Day in the Life of the Facility Manager
- Planning for Emergencies: Pre-Disaster Prep
- Communication Strategies for Facility Managers
- Current Finance and Real Estate Issues
- Planning and Project Management
- Commissioning

UW FM Program Helps Build Skills for Career Advancement

**BY TRISHA DVORAK, UW EXTENSION
PROGRAM MANAGER**

If you're already involved in facility management, then you know something that more and more successful companies are beginning to recognize, too: skilled facility managers contribute value-added capabilities to an organization's critical mission, delivering meaningful work through: strategic and short-range planning, real estate strategies, budgeting, problem solving, project management, materials sourcing, negotiation, contract management, design, code compliance, construction management, and maintenance and operations. No longer limited to primarily maintenance service tasks, today the facility manager is increasingly recognized as an important member of the core business team, helping an organization to anticipate and respond to both internal and external customer needs.

Article continues on www.ifmaseattle.org

TOMORROW SPACE 2002

November 19th, 2002 at
FISHER PLAZA

Look what you'll be missing if
you don't attend this year's
Tomorrow Space:

TOMORROW SPACE 2002 AGENDA

November 19, 2002

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subject to change

Location:	KOMO Production Services 140 Fourth Avenue North Seattle, Washington 98109
7:30-7:50	Sign-In Informal Networking Coffee and pastries
7:50-8:00	Get folks seated
8:00-8:10	Intro by IIDA and IFMA
8:10-8:50	Workstage TBD
8:50-8:55	Transition time
8:55-9:30	Technology & Architecture Intro by NBBJ (Rob Swartz) Speaker #1: Dean Allen (McKinstry)
9:30-9:50	Technology & Architecture Part 2 Intro by NBBJ (Rob Swartz) Speaker #2: Ed Doyne (Fisher Properties Inc.)
9:50-10:00	Technology & Architecture Q&A Lead by NBBJ (Rob Swartz)
10:00-10:30	Facility Tours (Option #1: KOMO Tour) (Option #2: Fisher Properties Tour)

This year's Tomorrow Space is being held at the Fisher Plaza in downtown Seattle. A unique blend of talents from Fisher's Broadcast and Properties divisions created Fisher Plaza, a one-of-a-kind Communications Community. What began as a need for more space for KOMO Television has evolved into the most sophisticated communications building ever designed. It took vision on everyone's part to create a building that is highly adaptable. It's not just a television station, or radio stations, or an Internet hub, or office space, or a connectivity center. It is any and all of those things...and it will continue to change to serve this transforming company.

Check out www.ifmaseattle.org for more on Fisher Plaza!

RSVP NOW
TO THE IFMA OFFICE AT
206-367-8704

***Board Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30am.*

October 2002

*Surviving the BIG ONE - Starbucks*Nisqually
Quake, 1 Year in Review*

November 2002

*3rd/4th - IFMA Intl Seminar: Emergency
Preparedness & Writing a Safety Plan*

*19th - TomorrowSpace, Fisher Plaza
7:30am-10:30am*



**CHECK OUT
WWW.IFMASEATTLE.ORG
FOR THE
POWERPOINT
PRESENTATION**

December 2002

*5th - Annual Holiday Event
Safeco Field, Terrace Club*

January 2003

Chapter Event

February 2003

*27th - Education Symposium,
Bellevue Club*

March 2003

Chapter Event

April 2003

New Member's Breakfast

May 2003

Chapter Event

June 2003

3rd - Mariner's ball game

July 2003

Vendor Vignette

August 2003

Chapter Event

Programz Corner

Melanie D. Poteet, Programs Committee

HOLIDAY RECOGNITION EVENT

Thursday December 5th, 2001

Come celebrate the season with your fellow members at Safeco Field on Thursday evening December 5th at 6:00 PM in the 3rd base Terrace Club.

We'll be celebrating another successful year for IFMA Seattle as well as presenting checks to the beneficiaries of our 2002 Golf Tournament. We're working on getting the Moose to attend and help in the presentation.

As always we are looking for sponsors, so contact John Balch to be first on the list. We're also looking for door prizes and you can get in touch with Denyce Cahill to get in on the fun and be recognized at the event.

Prices will be the same as last year with attendance being limited to members and a guest. Single tickets are \$40.00 and couples are \$70.00. Contact the IFMA office at 206-367-8704 to RSVP NOW!

We look forward to seeing you there. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Lewis @ 206-226-1650 or christopherlewis@earthlink.net.

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