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I thought I’d do something different this month and post a video in place of my normal letter. I hope you’ll take a few minutes to watch it. To add to that, there are many resources available to address the COVID-19 response in our facilities. And our very own, Belva Lowry, is putting together a virtual webinar to include internationally recognized infectious disease expert, Tricia Holderman. I’m looking forward to this event. Stay tuned for an invite coming soon.

Despite the challenges with gathering in person, our Young Professionals group will be hosting a virtual happy hour later this week. If you’re a YP, please grab a drink and grab your phone or webcam and join in on the fun. Invite will be sent out shortly.

And finally, our Preferred Business Partner drive is in full swing and runs through June 30. We ask that each of our Associate members consider becoming a Chapter Sponsor during this time and take on the title as a PREFERRED BUSINESS PARTNER. You can check out all the great benefits on our website. This window is only open until June 30 and will then be closed until the following year. We’ll announce all our Preferred Business Partners at our annual IFME event in July. Get your company recognized and sign up today!

Stay safe and stay healthy,

Micah O’Dell, CFM, SFP, FMP, COEE
President Dallas/Fort Worth Chapter of IFMA 2019-2020
What you didn't know about Lisa Hedrick...

Name: Lisa Hedrick, FMP  
Title: Facilities Specialist  
Company: SAP America, Inc.  
Certifications: FMP  
Joined IFMA: 2011

How did you get into the FM field?  
The company I worked for in 1994 never had a facilities persons and I filled the need when the company grew to the point that they needed someone to take the lead. Induction by fire was the beginning of my career.

Of what accomplishment(s) are you most proud? 
Getting my FMP.

How did you hear about IFMA? 
I learned about IFMA from a colleague when I began working at SAP in 1995. My first World Workplace was the one held in Dallas years ago.

What has been your biggest challenge or obstacle? 
There have been several over the years including crime incidents, Y2K, being outsourced twice, being laid off and rehired, and now COVID-19.

Have your relationships with other IFMA members been beneficial? How? 
Peer-to-peer and vendor networking have been great.

What is the one thing few people know about you? 
I can be shy. I'm an observer first, then I'll interact. I do not like public speaking.

What advice would you give those just beginning their FM career? 
Network!!! Especially for women. This is a male-dominated field and an aging field. Educate yourself.

What do you enjoy doing when you’re not at work? 
Spending time with grandkids, photography, travel, church, and being with friends. I love music events, local and touring acts.
**Committee Updates**

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

**BUSINESS PARTNERS:**
Cheryl Costello; Chair

**AWARDS:**
Jamie Vaughan, FMP; Chair

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:**
Ali Bahr, SFP, FMP; Chair

**EDUCATION:**
Peter Aguirre, CFM, SFP; Chair

**FM EXPO:**
Kelly Naumann; Chair
Scott Foster; Co-Chair

**GOLF:**
Mark Slicker; Chair
Jay Hawkins; Co-Chair

**HOLIDAY:**
Debbie Hawkins; Chair
Nixon Exantus; Co-Chair

**JOB BANK:**
Didi Wykes, CFM; Chair

**MEMBERSHIP:**
Dewayne Holley; Chair
John Plohetski; Co-Chair

**PROGRAMS:**
Kelly Conley; Chair
Philip Jobour; Co-Chair

**TECHNOLOGY:**
Zoe Freeman; Chair

**YOUNG PROFESSIONALS:**
Elisa Barsotta; Chair
Mackenzie Beldon; Co-Chair

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**Nominating Committee**

Nominations have closed for the Board of Directors positions that will take office July 1, 2020. The slate will be presented to the membership as an online election beginning May 1, 2020.

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**Job Bank**

Linda Waters, CFM, SFP, FMP, has a long history with IFMA DFW, having served as President, founding the Awards program and serving as its Chair, and for the past few years Chairing the Job Bank. She has now stepped down from chairing the Job Bank, and Didi Wykes, CFM, has agreed to assume the full responsibility as chair. If you are in the market for a position, or have one available, please e-mail info@dfwifma.org.

**Director Facilities Management - ATMOS Energy**  
(Dallas)

For more information on the Atmos Energy position, please click on the job title above.

**Associate, Facility Operations - George W. Bush Presidential Center**  
(Dallas)

For more information on the George W. Bush Presidential Center position, please click on the job title above.

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**Golf**

Due to sheltering in place restrictions, the golf tournament has been rescheduled for Monday, Nov. 2nd at The Tribute at The Colony, 1000 Lebanon Rd.

Be sure to register your foursome or player spot this month to take advantage of early-bird rates. Member foursomes currently are $1,000 and Member single players are $250. Sponsor opportunities range from $500 each for the competitions to $1,000 for the Tee Box and $4,500 for the Title.

**SCHEDULE**

7 AM: Check-in/Breakfast  
8 AM: Shotgun Start  
1 PM: Cocktails (Cash Bar)  
1:30 PM: Lunch & Awards

For more information, click HERE.

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**Membership**

Please welcome March’s new Chapter Members!

**ASSOCIATES**
Robyn Elkin - Total Roofing & Reconstruction  
Ray Hackman - Monolithic Roofing Solutions  
Stephanie Kirby - Interstate Restoration Garrett Conner - Yellowstone Landscape Mitchell Marshall - Yellowstone Landscape  
TW Mock - TAD Recovery  
Kevin Richardson - Kevco Electrical Construction

**PROFESSIONALS**
Addie Tuxhorn - Securonix  
Gary Metzler - Metzler Enterprises

**Sponsorship**

All existing Chapter sponsors (Preferred Business Partners) and those who want to become one need to commit and pay for their 2020/2021 sponsorship by June 30, 2020. Those who miss this window will not be eligible until 2021. Learn more HERE.

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**Interested in joining a committee?**

Numerous opportunities are available and we would love for you to be a part of the chapter’s exciting work. Please email info@dfwifma.org for more information.
Upcoming Events

Wednesday, April 15:  **Virtual Facility Fusion 2020**
11 AM CST  
$10 per session or $49 for the entire series  
REGISTER HERE

Friday, April 17:  **Virtual Young Professionals Happy Hour**
4 PM Wherever You Are  
ZOOM Calendar Invite Link

Thursday, May 28:  **New Member Networker Roughrider Ballgame**
6 - 9 PM CST  
Free for New Members Who've Joined in the Past 12 Months  
REGISTER HERE

Wednesday, July 15:  **IFME Awards**
4 - 8:15 PM, Dickies Arena  
SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, August 13:  **Economic Forecast: Dr. Gaines**
11:30 AM - 1 PM (Lunch Served)  
Addison Conference Center  
SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday, October 6:  **CRE Technology Symposium**
9 AM - 2 PM (Lunch Served)  
Capital One Conference Center  
SAVE THE DATE

Monday, November 2:  **Annual Golf Tournament**
8 AM Shotgun Start!  
The Tribute at The Colony  
Member Foursomes - $1,200 / Non-Member Foursomes - $1,400 Facility  
Manager Individuals - Free (E-mail richj@dfwifma.org to register)  
PLAYER REGISTRATION  SPONSOR REGISTRATION
Our Preferred Business Partners

Platinum

Gold

Silver

Bronze
Golf shots from our March 12th Annual Topgolf Networker