PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Well, I don’t know how “spooky” Halloween this year will be, but it will be definitely weird!! I hear some homeowners will be tossing candy to the kids who stand six-feet away on a duct-taped spot or turning off the lights and eating all the candy themselves! My Halloween hat is off to those of you who are having to raise and educate kids, as well as work from home! Spookiness is at its all-time high!!

Speaking of treats, our Programs Committee this past week held a virtual tour and presentation called “Rethinking the New Work Environment.” We had 45 on the Zoom tour, which walked us through Beck Group’s new headquarters, highlighting design decisions and how they have had to rethink and modify their office during the pandemic. It was excellent and I was very proud of the Chapter and the quality of the presentation and program. If you missed it, or simply want to view it again, please go to https://dfwifma.org/webinars and login as a Member to view it. A big thank you to Programs Chair Philip Jabour and Co-Chair Julie Fisher for sharing this with us!

Our Nov. 2nd golf tournament at The Tribute is this coming Monday and interest is intense! We have close to 140 golfers, 60 of whom are Facility Managers, and nearly all the sponsorships have sold. Please read about the safety measures that Golf Chair Mark Slicker has outlined in his Committee Update on page 3. You’ll see we are taking special precautions to stay safe, healthy and worry-free.

Our four-day Corporate Real Estate Technology Symposium begins Monday, Nov. 9th and runs from Noon - 1:30 p.m. daily through Thursday, Nov. 12th. Each session focuses on a different aspect of technology in the workplace and you, as Members, can attend one or all four sessions free of charge. More details can be found on page 4.

Due to the current challenges surrounding events in Dallas County, we just learned House of Blues cannot cater our Dec. 17th Holiday Party as planned and the Board has decided to cancel the event. At the Holiday party, we’ve traditionally collected Christmas gifts and donated the raffle sales to support New Horizons, a Texas residential treatment center for children who have suffered abuse and neglect. So that we live up to this tradition, we will collect new, unwrapped toys at Monday’s golf tournament and use the golf raffle sales for this purpose. We hope all golfers and sponsors will help us fulfill this tradition by bringing an item to the tournament!

I also want to encourage all our Business Partners and FM Professionals to promote your employment opportunities on the chapter website Job Bank. The Job Bank page is a resource for all members to advertise openings, to post a resume for a new position, or search among available Member candidates. Isn’t it better to hire someone you already know and love? AND isn’t it better to go to work with someone that you already know is a great employer? We currently have three job candidates listed. Click JOB BANK to learn more.

Congratulations to three of our Members, Lesley Turner, Errick Thompson and Amy Quarles for earning the Certified Facility Manager® credential (CFM)!!! This credential sets the industry standard for ensuring the knowledge and competence of practicing facility managers, and achieving it is no small task! I’ve been studying for a year!! Make sure these members know how proud we are of them, and send them a quick note!

Lastly, remember to set your clocks back one hour at 2 a.m. this Sunday, Nov. 1st, when Daylight Saving Time ends. Several people also like to use Daylight Saving Time as a reminder to change the batteries in their home’s smoke detectors!

On behalf of the Board of Directors, please, stay safe and healthy!

Sincerely,

Lisa Wells, FMP
IFMA DFW Chapter President
FM SPOTLIGHT

Name: Bill Elvey, FMP
Title: Senior Vice President, Facilities & Real Estate
Company: Children's Health System of Texas
Joined IFMA: 2008

How did you hear about IFMA?
I learned about IFMA after retiring from the U.S. Navy in 1997. At that time, I went into the Higher Education industry as an FM professional.

Of what accomplishment are you most proud?
Besides achieving the rank of Commander in the U.S. Navy, in 2008, I was elected President of APPA - Leadership in Educational Facilities and am also an APPA Fellow.

What is the one thing that few people know about you?

What advice would you give to those just beginning their FM career?
Never give up! Any problem can be solved, no matter how hard. Look at obstacles as opportunities to excel!

Is there anything else you would like to add?
I enjoy walking and golf. I love the FM profession because I enjoy working with people. Servant Leadership rules!

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COMMITTEE UPDATES

EDUCATION
Congratulations to the following Chapter Members for having earned the Certified Facility Manager® credential (CFM). This credential sets the industry standard for ensuring the knowledge and competence of practicing facility managers.

Lesley Turner, CFM, Previously with Oracle
I became a Facilities Manager of multiple leased locations for Oracle America, Inc. in 2010. There I provided customer service while supporting, developing, and coaching a team of 12 facility professionals earning them many promotions over the past ten years.

Errick Thompson, CFM, City of Dallas
I am the Director of the Building Services Department and previously served as Director of Equipment and Building Services. I was responsible for the fleet management of over 7,000 assets plus 13M SF of various facilities. I was Assistant Director of Public Works and Transportation from 2004 - 2011 (duties included capital program development, construction management, land surveying, stormwater management, budget management).

Amy Quarles, CFM, Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas
I am the Facilities Assistant in Property Management and Facilities for the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas in Irving, TX. I’ve worked for FHLB Dallas for eight years, first as an Administrative Assistant until 2015 and from September 2017 in my current position.

GOLF
We look forward to seeing those who registered to play or will be staffing their sponsorship at the DFW IFMA Golf Tournament on November 2nd at The Tribute in The Colony.

Check-in starts at 7 am with breakfast, and the tournament beginning at 8 am. While we almost have a full tournament, we’re practicing social distancing at the clubhouse and other gathering points on the course. CCS Projects will conduct temperature checks upon arrival, and those who are cleared will wear a green armband. All carts will be pre-sanitized by GBS Group. I want to thank all the players who have registered to play and all our sponsors and preferred partners who will be joining us to catch up with old friends and make new ones.

We’ll collect Christmas gifts and donate raffle sales to support New Horizons, a Texas non-profit residential treatment center for children, ages 7 – 17, who have suffered abuse and neglect. Please bring new, unwrapped clothing, gift cards, shoes, books, games, and toys to the tournament so that these kids have the best Christmas ever!

MEMBERSHIP
Please welcome those who joined the Chapter in October!

ASSOCIATES
Gary Dunn, LumaNation Commercial
Chris Miller, Republic Services

PROFESSIONALS
Carrie Rollins, Atmos Energy Corporation
Michael Zolton, Collin College

RETIRED
Ramon Nazarian

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS
Ryan Burrow, Lawns of Dallas

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

NOV 2
ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
8 AM - 2 PM
The Tribute at The Colony
SOLD OUT

CRE TECHNOLOGY SYMPOSIUM

NOV 9
HEALTH & SAFETY IN PLACES
WE WORK, SHOP, PLAY
Virtual, Noon - 1:20 PM
Members - FREE / Non-Members - $25

NOV 10
TECH BREEDS CONFIDENCE,
REIMAGINING THE WORKPLACE
Virtual, Noon - 1:20 PM
Members - FREE / Non-Members - $25

NOV 11
SMART BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES
IN RESPONSE TO COVID
Virtual, Noon - 1:20 PM
Members - FREE / Non-Members - $25

NOV 12
ADVERSITY, THE MOTHER
OF INNOVATION
Virtual, Noon - 1:20 PM
Members - FREE / Non-Members - $25

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