

PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

I really thought before I became President that I would NEVER have anything to say to the membership that was worthy of an article. Unfortunately for you all, I've discovered that I have lots to say. You can judge whether or not it's really worthy of an article.

Let me start by saying that if you missed the September Program Meeting, you really missed something great! People toss superlatives out all the time, but I'm telling you, the program was GREAT! I've been doing emergency preparedness and business continuity planning for over ten years. Some of you may have been doing it longer than that. And I went into this program thinking, "what can Alan Bram, who manages facilities in a campus setting, have to say to me, working in a federal facility, that would be useful and meaningful?" I can tell you now that the answer was A LOT. The pragmatic, down in the weeds, style of the presentation; the examples; the SLIDES; even the brochure on the table; each piece of it had something I could take away with me. I was actually EXCITED about emergency planning again!

And I could tell by all the people who requested copies of the presentation, it had the same effect on a lot other people.

But that led me to remember..... We have some GREAT people with TREMENDOUS knowledge in our midst. Often we forget that. Use these veterans. Pick their brains if you're working on a project. That's often the fastest way to get good ideas. And I have yet to find an FM who isn't willing to share knowledge, experience, and expertise with other FMs.

Thank you, Alan, and thank you Programs Committee, for the presentation.

Betty Klein
Chapter President
IFMA, Kansas City

Btw-Alan's presentation, is posted on the webpage under Resources, Reading List. This is a Members Only resources, so please log in first! We are hoping to be able to post other helpful presentations on this page in the future.

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This is the October edition of the KCIFMA monthly mailer. If you do not wish to receive future editions, please contact the Chapter Administrator at info@kcifma.com.

Coming Events

**Thursday Nov 15th
November Program Meeting
Privacy Matters
at encompass
1512 Grand Blvd.
Kansas City, MO
Reception: 5:00–6:30
Seminar: approx. 6:30–7:30**

How often do clients complain about privacy in the workplace? This course reviews what privacy really is, how it relates to work performance, and how to manage the interaction between individuals and their environment.

Web-based Internationally Broadcast Audio Seminars

10/17 Energy Budgets at Risk

11/01 The Facility Management Scorecard

11/15 Avian Flu and Pandemics:
Practical Guidance for the Facilities
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*Save the Date
the evening of
December 11, 2007
An Event
Celebrating
20 years
of
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Food, Drinks, Music, Fun,
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Wednesday – Friday!
Oct. 24-26, 2007
New Orleans, La., USA**

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**IFMA
WORLD WORKPLACE
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www.worldworkplace.org

IFMA Foundation has organized a
Habitat for Humanity "Work Day"
Saturday, October 27, following WWP.

The Project:
A New Orleans Fire Department
This is an ALL VOLUNTEER effort and it
needs your support!
For more info see the website.

Post World Workplace Happy Hour

Date: October 30, 2007
Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Location: The Cashew
2000 Grand (Downtown)



WELCOME our Chapter's Newest Members

Mike Coleman
Blast - It - Clean

David Conradt
File Depot of Johnson County

Joe Fritton
State of Kansas

Anna Graether (rejoined)
American Century Services

Judy Johnson
Ernst & Young LLP

Michele Gregg
Stinson Morrison Hecker LLP

Lynda Taggart
Interior Green

Mitchel Magner
Learning Care Group

Linda Jordan
Verizon Wireless

Membership Drive

IFMA recognized the Kansas City Chapter for a net membership growth of 3% or higher for the month of September., 2007.

The Kansas City Chapter's Membership Drive is working, thanks to all of you. Remember, the drive ends at the end of November, and the prizes will be awarded at the party on December 11.

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