

August 25, 1988

Dear IFMA Atlanta Chapter Members and Friends:

Please note the following dates on your calendars for upcoming IFMA events in the Atlanta area:

Wednesday, September 7 11:45 a.m. Sunday-Wednesday, October 23-26

Lunch, Merchandise Mart IFMA Annual Conference at

Peachtree Plaza Hotel and

Merchandise Mart

Wednesday, November 16 Friday, December 9

11:45 a.m.

Lunch, Merchandise Mart Christmas Luncheon, Wyndham Hotel

August Meeting

Thank-you to the Institute of Business Designers for their part in preparing a very successful and very well-attended luncheon last month featuring Fay Gold on the topic of corporate art collections. We appreciate the fellowship and the learning experience!

September Meeting

Our speaker for the September 7th luncheon meeting will be Douglas Gattis, Vice President of Human Resources for Life of Georgia in Atlanta. He will address some of the "human" aspects of the workplace, including the raging controversy on non-smoking areas, which all facility managers are trying to handle.

Doug Gattis is a native Tennessean and graduated from David Lipscomb University in Nashville. He has been employed with Life of Georgia for 30 years. He is presently responsible for personnel, home office training, employee benefits, home office and field payrolls, and the Life of Georgia corporate fitness center.

The cost will be \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. Checks or correct change at the door will be appreciated. Reservations are required and must be made no later than Friday, September 2 at noon by calling Phyllis Linden at 233-1777. The meeting will be held in the Monte Carlo Room at the Merchandise Mart at 11:45 a.m. No-shows will be invoiced.

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October 23-26 - National Conference

The Ninth Annual Conference and Exposition on Facility Management will be held October 23-26 in Atlanta. Members, by now, should have received the 25-page booklet outlining all aspects of the conference, including social events, speakers, program and seminar topics, costs, etc. If you have not received your booklet, call (713) 623-4362 and ask the Houston office to mail you a copy.

Please note that there are spouse packages available, as well as a daily fee available for registrants who can't attend the entire three days. These rates are described on page 24 of your booklet. Full registration fees for members increase from \$395 to \$495 after September 16. For non-members, the fees increase from \$495 to \$595. So, please get your registrations made soon! This promises to be a "facilities management happening" in your own backyard! Please join in, learn a few things, network a lot, and enjoy yourselves!

The conference will feature 42 presentations and 7 half-day tutorials from which to choose. There will be 320 exhibits displaying the latest in facility management products and services. The opening reception will be held Sunday night at the Carter Presidential Center. And, Conexion will be running concurrently! Your national officers, including Atlanta's own Ed Rondeau and Christine Neldon, are looking for a large attendance from Atlanta members to support this "first" national conference in the southeast.

Southeastern Regional Hospitality Gathering

8:00 to 11:00 p.m., Sunday, October 23

Conference registrants from the eleven chapters of the southeastern region will get acquainted after the Carter Presidential reception on Sunday night. A sign will be posted in the registration area giving the location. It will be held in the suite of our own chapter member, Ed Rondeau, who also serves as National President of IFMA! This will be a great opportunity to meet other professionals from:

Birmingham, Alabama
Central East Coast of Florida (Melbourne area)
Jacksonville, Florida
St. Petersburg, Florida (Sun Coast area)
Atlanta, Georgia
Louisville, Kentucky
Charlotte, North Carolina
Durham, North Carolina (Research Triangle area)
Memphis, Tennessee
Nashville, Tennessee
Richmond, Virginia

Refreshments will be served!

Southern Hospitality

The Atlanta Chapter members are hosting this conference. We want all our peers to leave Atlanta with a favorable impression, and that starts with each of you! Please be of assistance to others in any way you can. Friendliness, a smile, and helpful directions and information will go a long way toward making this conference successful. In order to make our Atlanta members visible to our guests, we are distributing a wearable identification for each of you, which will quickly identify you as an Atlanta member. Look for this at the registration area. And, thanks in advance for all that Southern Hospitality!

New Member

We welcome Lisa Roach, Ameriplan Health Service, to our organization!

Job Bank

John Steffes says he has several people who are looking for facilities-related positions. Please call John at 395-5350, if you know of available jobs or applicants.

Please join me and your officers at the September 7th luncheon and the October National Conference!

Sincerely.

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