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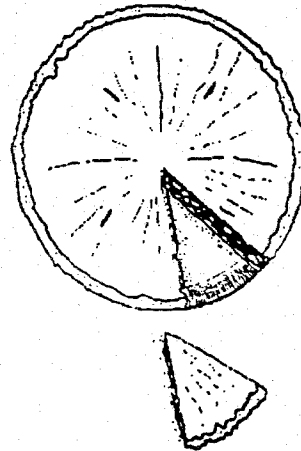
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ATLANTA CHAPTER - FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM MARTHA . . .

Have a piece of the IFMA pie!! As I told you last month, this is our watch phrase for the year. January's PIE stood for "Participation Is Essential." For February, PIE stands for "Participation Is Educational." Sharing ideas, problems and solutions! Hearing speakers who have experienced the same challenges faced by you! Discussing mutual projects in round table format! Discovering needed products and services provided by our affiliate members! Discussing and debating around the lunch table! Reading the IFMA national publications! Attending the National Conference! Participating in IFMA-sponsored seminars! Using the IFMA research and library services! Knowing the other facility managers in the area and that you can call any one of them to find a solution! These are some of the numerous forms of education you receive when you participate and take an active role in IFMA.

Let your chairpersons and officers know in which committees you are interested. Is there a particular program or subject you would like presented? Do you know someone who would present one of our programs? Contact Jaime Lanier. Are you interested in the social events -- want more? different? Contact Kim Harden. Sharon Buesse's networking group is always interested in your input in order to make the functions beneficial and educational. The Education Committee has been charged with drawing new ideas, technologies and techniques to our attention. Membership is seeking help in contacting new or potential members and "lost sheep." IFMA is actively involved with universities in developing facility management curriculum. We are working toward certification for facility managers. Where better to learn about and keep up with your profession than through your professional organization? You paid for it . . . now get your money's worth. "Participation Is Educational," so have a piece of the pie.



FEBRUARY LUNCHEON AND PROGRAM

*"Two-thirds of all people who have handled the relocation process for their company are in a less responsible position or out of a job after a move."**

**IFMA Journal, February, 1989*

The February meeting will feature the top relocation experts in the Atlanta area . . . **the IFMA membership.** Bring your "Magic Tricks" or current challenges to share with the rest of the chapter. Join us for a lively round table discussion on this critical issue, moderated by Jim Pelger, IFMA Atlanta's Vice President. Although the topic is geared toward facilities managers, allied and affiliate members are invited and encouraged to attend. Your input is very valuable.

Reservations must be made no later than Friday, February 16th, by calling Noble Data Systems at 233-1777. The cost is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. We will not be able to invoice you for meetings attended, so please come prepared to pay at the door by check or correct change. In accordance with IFMA policy, no-shows will be invoiced.

International Facility Management Association
Box 133
1579F Monroe Drive, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30324
404/233-1777

COST OF LUNCHEONS

You may have noticed that the cost of the luncheon for this month has increased. We are trying to hold some of the meetings on the northern side of the city to give everyone equal opportunity to fight midday Atlanta traffic. It is extremely difficult to find restaurants large enough to hold 60-70 people that can give us a decent meal for under \$20.00. The mart is the only place we have found that still has meals for \$15.00. Hotels are reluctant to book luncheons for more than a month in advance (they want to hold open for conferences and conventions which will book rooms). So, when we are at the Mart, the cost will still be \$15.00 and \$20.00. But when we are away from the Mart, it will probably be \$20.00 to \$25.00. We just wanted you to know the reasons for the increase. If you know of a restaurant with a **separate** dining room for 60-70 people (and we hope to see attendance increasing) that will serve us lunch for \$15.00, **inclusive of gratuity and tax**, please let Monica Stein (368-0101) know. She is the luncheon coordinator, as part of the Program Committee.

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Our Atlanta chapter was well-represented at the IFMA Leadership Conference in Houston on February 2 and 3. Christine Neldon (National Vice President), Jean Lusso (Regional Vice President), Martha Osborne (Chapter President) and Jim Pelger (Chapter Vice President) all attended. The reception at the new national headquarters office was an exciting beginning to the conference. The new offices are lovely and very impressive (even if they don't have a facility manager on staff), the food was great and the people were all friendly, eager to meet or renew acquaintances. We found that the IFMA national staff was eager and willing to help. We were able to get answers to some of our questions right then - on the spot! The camaraderie extended beyond the reception to some of the local restaurants and night spots! We piled into Jim's rental car and looked like the typical clown car when we unloaded. But, after all, closeness is what we were there to develop.

The day of presentations, panels, discussions and endless networking yielded lots of good ideas and positive reinforcement to some ideas we have already put in place. Jim and Martha are bursting with enthusiasm. Martha decided that this year our goal should be to strive toward "Chapter of the Year." You will be hearing more about this in the next newsletter, but LOOKOUT! . . . The Atlanta chapter is on the move!

Please note the following dates on your calendar for future IFMA events in Atlanta:

Wednesday, February 21

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Round Table Discussions aimed at Facilities Management problems
Trio Restaurant

Wednesday, March 21

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Kimball Showroom
Atlanta Merchandise Mart

Wednesday, April 18

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Atlanta Merchandise Mart

Wednesday, May 16

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Atlanta Merchandise Mart

Wednesday, June 20

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Atlanta Merchandise Mart

Wednesday, July 18

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Trio Restaurant

Wednesday, August 15

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Armstrong Showroom
Atlanta Merchandise Mart

Wednesday, September 19

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Update on Underground and informal walking tour
Underground Atlanta

Wednesday, October 17

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Inforum

Wednesday, November 21

Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Trio Restaurant

Wednesday, December 19

Christmas Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.

Westin Lenox

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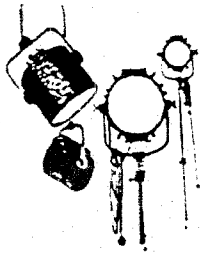
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Historian:

Education:

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SPOTLIGHT



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Kim Weiss, Chairperson
Karen Howard

The Membership Committee has plans to go all out to attract new members this year with a telephone campaign. In the past, there have been many problems with National and record keeping. They now have a new database and our committee is working very hard at the local level to straighten it all out.

Kim is Manager of the Facilities Department at Long, Aldridge and Norman, a ninety-attorney law firm. She is responsible for 50,000 square feet at two locations and is in her fourth year with the firm.

Karen Howard is a sales rep with Carrithers, Wallace & Courtenay.

SOCIAL EVENTS/SPONSORS

Kim Harden, Chairperson

Kim is Contract Specialist for Baker Furniture for a three-state territory. She has been with Baker Furniture for three years and has been a member of the Atlanta chapter of IFMA for 1-1/2 years. For the first time, this committee will establish a budget. They are beginning a corporate sponsorship drive to help raise funds for the Atlanta chapter. What they are hoping to do is to raise money and establish a budget that would sustain programs for this year.

The funds raised would help pay for speakers, social events, officers' trips and possibly subsidize the monthly luncheons and sponsor educational endeavors (such as seminars, workshops and perhaps a scholarship).

The committee would like our members to supply any leads. Please send a company name, address, telephone number and contact person to:

Kim Harden, Baker Furniture
351 Peachtree Hills Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30305
FAX # 233-1138

A form has been provided in this newsletter for your convenience. Thank you for supporting IFMA with your efforts!

NETWORKING SESSION

Date: Tuesday, March 6, 1990
Time: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Place: Hyatt-Ravinia
I-285/Ashford-Durwoody
Subject: "Getting to Know You"

Please join us for an informal opportunity to get to know each other one-on-one. Bring a supply of business cards to exchange. Cash bar will be available.

Please call Sharon Beusse at 565-1116 or Judy Clements at 633-8998, to make your reservation, no later than Monday, March 5.

New members are especially encouraged to join us for this informal get-acquainted session.

NEW MEMBERS - A warm welcome to: *Brian Gracey with Carter & Associates and Mary Smith at Federal Savings Bank.*

FYI - Kim Weiss is the first member to send an article of interest concerning the facilities management field. The article was printed in the January 1990 issue of Facilities Design and Management. Thanks, Kim.

FACILITIES NEWS IN BRIEF

Government revives metric committee. The federal government's Interagency Committee on Metric Policy (ICMP) has been reconvened. It will coordinate the Federal transition to use of the metric system and to ease its impact on business. In quick response, Business & Institutional Manufacturer's Association (BIFMA) has reactivated its Metric Conversion Subcommittee to help its furniture manufacturer members.

JOB BANK - Please call John Steffes at 395-5350 to match available facilities-related jobs and candidates.

INFORMATION CHANGES - If you have a change in your name, address, phone number, etc., call **Kim Weiss at 527-4045**, and she will pass the information on to the appropriate parties.

TAKE NOTE - Dorothy Harris, Awards Committee Chairperson, would like your suggestions for award categories you would like to see honored this year. All committee members will be requested to attend all executive meetings. The meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month. The next one will be on Monday, February 26 at the MCI facility. You will be notified of the time and directions before the meeting. **New IFMA national address is: One Greenway Plaza, 11th Floor, Houston, TX 77046.**