MESSAGE FROM MARTHA:

Facility Management is a Profession In Evolution. Many of us came into Facility Management through the back door, beginning with a relocation that was dumped on us as an addendum to our regular, unrelated responsibility; and gradually, we took over from there. We learned by trial-and-error and by reading constantly, and asking lots of questions. We heard of an organization for Facility Managers and joined the local chapter, hoping maybe to get some information and moral support. We got IFMA -- 8,000 plus folks, who are all working toward a common goal: to be excellent in a "job" that is rapidly -- thanks to IFMA's efforts -- becoming a recognized, respected, certifiable profession. We got a local group, with meetings aimed at teaching us new things and giving us a chance to meet other Facility Managers and people who have products and services we need. We got a monthly national newsletter and a journal full of valuable information. We got the best yearly conference available to anyone. We got seminars and research service. The list goes on and on. But most importantly -- we can have each other, but only if we all come to the meetings, share ourselves with one another and actively participate in the networking, educational and yes . . . even the social events. So, come on -- have a piece of the P.I.E. After all, we are an important part of Facility Management: a Profession In Evolution.

P.I.E.:

January - Participation Is Essential
February - Participation Is Educational
March - Promote IFMA Enthusiastically
April - Personalize IFMA's Ethics
May - Profession In Evolution

MAY LUNCHEON AND PROGRAM

A Proactive Approach to the Problems of Indoor Air Quality

Wallace W. Rhodes, P.E., Ph.D., a leading authority in the field of indoor air quality, is a graduate engineer of the Georgia Institute of Technology. His professional activities span more than 30 years of concentration in engineering systems for heating, ventilation and air conditioning, with concomitant research in microbiology and interior airborne contamination. His long investigation of an unknown disease led to the discovery of the major source of Legionnaires Disease.

As an IAQ consultant, he has investigated contaminants in almost every type of building, serving clients in private industry and government. He founded ENACT in 1973 to focus more professional resources on the resolution of IAQ problems, and has been a driving force in the growing public awareness of indoor air contamination. Dr. Rhodes has been published in many major journals of engineering, medicine, epidemiology and science. A noted public speaker, he often serves in leadership roles in seminars designed to explore indoor air quality problems.

Plan now to join us for this very hot topic. We will meet on Wednesday, May 16th at 11:45 a.m. at the Atlanta Merchandise Mart.

Reservations must be made no later than Monday, May 14, by calling Noble Data Systems at 233-1777. The cost is $15 for members and $20 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 charge. In accordance with IFMA policy, no-shows will be invoiced.
WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS TO THE ATLANTA CHAPTER:

Catherine Brackett - Coca-Cola, USA
Holly Brown - BellSouth
Robin Bruce - Electrostatic On-Site Services
Tim Darrah - Carter & Associates
J. Michael Denson - BellSouth
Jean Laffoday - Fiber Seal
Walter Needham - Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners
Brenda Roark - Centers for Disease Control
Margaret Sherrod - Coca-Cola, USA
Ed Showalter - Opus South Corporation
Attila Szekis - Reid Rowell, Inc.

New members Robin Bruce, Margaret Sherrod and Cathy Brackett (shown above) at the IFMA Atlanta Chapter April meeting
MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

The committee will begin doing a telephone poll this month of all names on the membership/mailing list. For members, we will be checking your opinions of IFMA, particularly on the local level. All other names that are non-members will be asked to either (1) join if professional or associate or (2) be put on the waiting list, if allied/affiliate. We have a huge mailing list, and over half are non-members and persons who do not attend or continue to express interest in IFMA, if unable to attend regular meetings. We would like to economize on postage and put the money to use in other chapter areas such as seminars, awards, etc. We will be as long or as short in our calls as you wish (there will be approximately 4 questions).

Thank you in advance,

Kim Weiss
Membership Chairperson

NETWORKING

The next Networking session is scheduled for Tuesday, May 22nd in the Cascades Room at the Terrace Garden Inn on Lenox Road, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. There will be free hors d'oeuvres, snacks and a cash bar. Due to a substantial number of requests, this session will be for Professional Members Only. To R.S.V.P., please call Sharon Beusse at 965-9246. A calendar for upcoming dates and locations for the networking sessions will be published in the next newsletter.

FACILITIES '90

Last call for registration for Facilities '90, to be held here in Atlanta June 13-15, at the Omni Hotel. This is the only computer automation conference geared specifically to facility managers.

PROFESSOR HOWIE DIDIT

Professor Howie Didit did not receive any questions pertaining to Facilities Management. He was, therefore, denied the opportunity to "show us his stuff." Let's not let him become discouraged. Send your questions to Chestley Yelton, 1347 Red Fox Run, Lulburn, Georgia 30247.

SOCIALS

The Fox Theater tour is now being planned for July. More details will follow next month.

Tennis Anyone?

The social committee is busy planning an upcoming tennis tournament in the fall as a shared fund-raiser for the IFMA Foundation and the Atlanta Chapter. Anyone interested in helping, please call Kim Harden at 266-0501.
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IFMA CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

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 14
Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.
Trio Restaurant

Wednesday, December 19
Christmas Luncheon - 11:45 a.m.
Westin Lenox