November 1993

Topic:       "Occupied Office Carpet Tile Replacement"
Speakers:   Patti Swierc of BellSouth
            Andy Ostman and Brad Barrett
            of Renovisions
Date:       November 17, 1993
Time:       11:30 Networking; 12:00 lunch
Location:   Marriott Perimeter Center
Reservations: Brown & Spiegel, Inc., 351-3323

The Atlanta Chapter’s own Patti Swierc will be presenting her experience and financial numbers on a recent carpet tile replacement project using Renovisions’ tools which “lift” systems furniture, allowing carpet tiles to be placed with a minimum of downtime and disruption. For those of you whose facilities have 24-hour data centers and who know of the special demands that they create, you will appreciate this successful project that Patti recently completed and will share with us on the 17th.

Brad Barrett and Andy Ostman of Renovisions will be speaking with Patti and will address how facility managers usually delay replacing carpet due to employee disruption and furniture breakdown. Often it’s these factors, or "impact costs," that will delay the decision to replace carpet until there is a move, reconfiguration, etc. When these "impact costs" are removed, carpet tile replacement can be judged by the needs for and benefits from new carpet.

PLEASE REMEMBER: This meeting is being held at the MARRIOTT PERIMETER CENTER!

DECEMBER 15
IFMA AWARDS BANQUET

IFMA will be holding their Awards Banquet at the Buckhead Towne Club. Kim Weiss has planned a fabulous menu, so mark your calendars and invite your associates to join you. Who knows who might be the "Facility Manager of the Year"!
President’s Message

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those individuals involved in both the Vendors’ Fair and the ASID/IBD/IFMA Joint Meeting for all their hard work in putting on these events. Tom Vernon, who chaired the Vendor Fair Committee, along with Haidee Courson, Dave Filson, Bill Thorpe and Mark Lackey did a magnificent job of orchestrating the event. Robin Bruce (IFMA), Terry Hudgins (IBD), Sheila Nall (ASID) and Rita Guest (ASID) all did a yeoman’s job in arranging the ASID/IBD/IFMA Joint Meeting. Unless you have been involved in these kinds of activities you really cannot appreciate the amount of effort required. These folks have been working since early March on these events and have put in countless hours. We owe them a real pat on the back!

I would also like to take the opportunity to thank The Knoll Group for their sponsorship of the Vendors’ Fair, and Pam Jones for all of her efforts. It was Knoll’s sponsorship that provided us with the opportunity to hear Dr. Leonard Kruk speak on Planning for Evolution. For those of you who heard Dr. Kruk, I am sure you came away with wonderment on what the future of electronics holds not only for the office but for our personal lives as well. Knoll was also responsible for hosting the cocktail party. Our many thanks!

Our thanks as well to Mohawk Carpeting, AlliedSignal Fiber, Ivan Allen Company, Sprint, Bell-Mann, Capitol Office Supply and Xerox Business Services for their generosity in funding Mr. Robert Tucker. Mr. Tucker truly gave us some insight on the driving forces of change for the 90’s.

The down side to both these events, however, was the lack of attendance. It was very disconcerting to see all the hard work by both members and vendors and then have so few people attend. I guess as a Chapter we will have to ask ourselves do we continue with these kinds of activities or just deep-six them? I solicit your comments.

In an attempt to better serve the Atlanta Chapter, we are having our November meeting on the north side of town. The meeting, November 18, will be held at the Marriott Perimeter Center. Please make note of this change.

And finally, I want to encourage all our professional members to vote "YES" on the Constitution and Bylaws changes. As of October 20th only 19 out of our 142 professional members have voted. Nationally, 4,548 votes are needed for passage of the referendum. Presently 25.7% of the professional members have voted with 99% in favor of passage. Let’s show them the Atlanta Chapter cares . . . PLEASE VOTE!

Pete
DENVER SHOTS

BY

MATT DAWSON
SNEAK PREVIEW

Dennis Forrest of Georgia Pacific and Christine Neldon of Arthur Andersen will be our speakers for the January luncheon, which will be held at the Mart. Their topic will be "How to Choose a Design Firm."

THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA WANTS YOU!!!

On September 22, 1993, two interior design classes at the University of Georgia learned how to take care of their facility management clients. Christine Neldon made presentations to the students focusing on the facility manager's diverse job and their support needs from vendors. Muriel Crawford (UGA professor) is interested in having facility managers lecture her future classes. Please call her at (706) 542-1634 or 332-3000 to volunteer.

CERTIFICATION UPDATE

- As of today there are 510 Certified Facility Managers (CFM's). 450 of these have been certified through equivalency and 60 have been certified by taking the exam.

- Over 30 people registered for the exam at IFMA '93.

- Approximately 500 equivalency applications need to be processed, and we are hard at work reading these detailed forms.

- So far we have read equivalency applications from the following countries outside of North America: Japan, Hong Kong, Australia, France, United Kingdom and Russia.

- Our new booklet presents the history of certification, explains the format and requirements for taking the exam as well as the schedule that must be followed in order to register for the exam, tells who can proctor, presents an overview of the appeals process, and much more.

QUARTERLY CALENDAR

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Please contact Leo Kovalchuk, Manager of Certification and Accreditation, at 1-800-359-4362 for more information.

IFMA proudly gives a round of applause to the following members who are Certified:

- Donald Austin Equifax, Inc.
- Holly Brown BellSouth Telecommunications
- Donald Brumbelow Shaw Industries, Inc.
- Robert Flinn Turner Broadcasting
- Gary Gustafson Azoco Performance
- Thomas Jones Georgia Tech Research
- Brian McCue Confederation Life Insurance
- Edmond Rondeau BDO Seidman
- Robert Shuffield NEC Technologies, Inc.

IFMA WELCOMES OUR NEW MEMBERS...

- Bonnie Albaugh MCI Telecommunications
- Steve Johns Graebel Atlanta Movers, Inc.
- Mark S. Lackey Facility Relocations, Inc.
- Craig A. Matakis Atlantic Business Systems, Inc.
- Jack McGee Consultant
- Ralph J. Sieja Sun Business Systems
- Edward A. Cave Cave & Associates, Inc.
- Thomas Drewicz Cecil Malone Company
- Jim Pesnell Worldspan

WELCOME TO OUR ASSOCIATION!!!

The Atlanta Chapter's membership is now 191!
Atlanta Chapter
October 25, 1993
Year-to-Date Actuals

Income:
Membership Dues $8,195.00
Subscriptions 1,230.00
Donations 3,275.00
Meetings 9,255.00
Donations-
Regional Meeting 2,700.00
June Night Out 1,140.00
Vendors’ Fair-Fees 8,100.00
Accounts Receivable 150.00
Income Subtotal $34,045.00

Expenses:
Membership $ 971.12
Luncheons 7,543.21
Public Relations 0.00
Newsletter 3,639.66
Postage 1,433.26
Secretarial Services 816.36
Executive:
Travel 1,207.43
Foundation Donation 1,500.00
Other-Recert. 400.00
Awards 0.00
Other (P.O. Box,
Service Charge, etc.) 957.83
Regional Meeting 3,367.43
June Night Out 483.00
Vendors’ Fair 7,729.47
Accounts Payable 0.00
Expense Subtotal $30,048.77
Net Income (Loss) $ 3,996.23

THE JOB BANK WORKS!

Trish Meyer reported that the position that Kaiser Permanente
listed in our newsletter was filled by an IFMA member from Miami who had relocated
to Georgia.

Did you hear about the new support group for Compulsive
Talkers?
On-and-On Anon

Please take note that our meeting in November will be in
NORTH ATLANTA. Many of you have asked for a location
change ... Here's your chance! In 1994, we will have
5 meetings in North Atlanta.
Meeting topics are being planned by your peers to be
current, innovative and informative. Please show your support and bring a friend.

-Steve Pelham

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY UPDATE

It's that time of year again!
The membership committee will
be updating the Chapter membership directory. They would
appreciate your taking the time
right now to review your listing
in the current directory. If
there are any changes, please
direct them to Bob Berntsen
at Blue Cross/Blue Shield, by
December 3, FAX 842-8010.

HOLIDAY IDEA

The Northern Illinois Chapter has published a cookbook titled
"... And You Want Me To Cook Too?" Profits from sales
go to the IFMA Foundation.
Single copies are $10.00, and
you can call (708) 351-0822 to
order this GREAT cookbook.

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IFMA 1994 SPONSORSHIP

1994 programs and activities are
being planned, and budgeting for
these events is part of the process. The IFMA Board of Directors would
like to give you an opportunity to plan your 1994 budgets.

Instead of asking for funding for
each separate event, you can choose from our "Sponsorship Menu." These
sponsorship levels give you an opportu-
tunity to be visible to our member-
ship throughout the year by showing
your ongoing commitment to the Atlant-
a Chapter.

We thank you for your consideration
and encourage you to respond before the 1994 activities begin. Sponsor-
ship levels are available for All-
ied/Affiliate Members only, and are
as follows:

$1,500 GOLD SPONSOR

Listed as Sponsor of all events.
Name listed as Gold Sponsor in all
programs, newsletters, and signage at
luncheons.

One Free space at Vendors’ Fair
(choice given before general reserva-
tions).

4 Free tickets and table signage at
banquet or Christmas party.

An Allied/Affiliate sponsor "Spot-
Lite" feature in our newsletter.

One luncheon Table Top.

Name badge with Gold Ribbon showing
sponsorship commitment.

$300 Credit for newsletter advertise-
ment.

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DIRECTIONS TO THE NOVEMBER LUNCHEON MARRIOTT PERIMETER CENTER

1. From I-285 take Exit #21, Ashford Dunwoody Road.
2. Go North to Hammond Dr. (first light).
3. Take Left on Hammond Dr.
4. Proceed to first light and take Left on Perimeter Center Parkway.
5. Marriott is 200 yards on left.

3 OPTIONS FROM DOWNTOWN OR AIRPORT

1. Take I-75 North to I-285 East. Follow previous directions.
2. Take I-85 North to 400 North to I-285 East. Follow previous directions.

ALLIED/AFFILIATE MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO STAY FOR A FEW MINUTES AFTER THE NOVEMBER 17 LUNCHEON MEETING TO MEET WITH LISA SPECKBECK AND NANCY WARNER TO DISCUSS CHAPTER OPPORTUNITIES. TOPICS WILL BE COMMITTEES, SPONSORSHIP, PROGRAMS, AND ANY OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING TO YOUR IPMA MEMBERSHIP.