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Spring 2017

NEWSLETTER OF THE INTERNATIONAL FACILITY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION - MINNEAPOLIS / SAINT PAUL CHAPTER



March Chapter Meeting

Date:

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Time:

11:15 am – 1:00 pm

Location:

McNamara Alumni Center
200 SE Oak Street
Minneapolis, MN 55414

Registration:

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Facility Manager Blind Spots Outside of the Building

About the Program:

With spring right around the corner, it's time for FM's to start thinking about investigating exterior building maintenance issues that might be necessary at their facilities. Our panel of experts will be sharing their expertise about the different blind spots they see when evaluating properties on behalf of FM's. The panel will also address issues pertaining to changing regulations, building codes, labor costs, and other relevant topics that could impact FM's as we head back outside this spring.

Moderator:

Chris Barrett, *Allianz Life Insurance Company of North America*

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upcoming events:



IFMA Winter Social

February 23, 2017



March Chapter Meeting

March 8, 2017



Deep Dive Event

March 16, 2017



New Member Reception

March 22, 2017

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President's Letter: The Benefits of – Volunteering

Volunteering has a positive, meaningful impact on our local chapter, but did you realize that it can have many benefits for you too? Here are some of the reasons it's important for you to consider volunteering:

Learn or develop a new skill. Volunteering is the perfect vehicle to discover something you are really good at and develop a new skill. Skills-based volunteering is an excellent opportunity to develop talents to help you get ahead in your career. It is never too late to learn new skills and no reason why you should stop adding to your knowledge just because you are in employment or have finished your educational track. For example, planning and implementing a major fundraising golf event can develop goal setting, planning and budgeting skills.

Be an engaged part of our chapter. As facility managers, we all know that we cannot operate as if we are an island if we want to be successful. As part of the Minneapolis/St. Paul IFMA Chapter, we all depend on each other for survival and volunteering is ultimately about helping others and having an impact on other FM's professional growth as well as yours. What better way is there to connect with others in the chapter and give a little back? As a volunteer, you certainly return to the chapter some of the benefits that it has given to you.

Motivation and sense of achievement. Fundamentally, volunteering is about giving your time, energy and skills freely. Unlike many things in life there is choice involved in volunteering. As a volunteer you have made a decision to help on your own accord, free from pressure to act from others. Volunteers predominantly express a sense of achievement and motivation, and this is ultimately generated from your desire and enthusiasm to help.

Boost your career options. A recent survey showed that among 250 of the nation's leading businesses, 72% of employers would recruit a candidate with volunteering experience over one without; 93% of employers believe that volunteering can add to skills and 95% of employees who volunteered to learn new skills had benefited either by getting their first job, improving their salary, or being promoted. And let's not forget, networking with fellow professionals is a great way to find out about potential career opportunities.

Ready to get more involved? This is the perfect time of year to increase your involvement in our chapter. Every one of our committees is looking for additional volunteers. There are six committees: Events, Programs, Membership, Professional Development, Academics, and Public Relations. If you are interested in any of these volunteer opportunities, please send an email to myself or to Mary Pat Nielson, our chapter administrator, at marypat@msp-ifma.org.

One last thought. Volunteering reflects and supports a complete picture of you, and gives real examples of your commitment, dedication and interests. Show people what you are passionate about and maybe you will inspire them too!

Greg Wood, SFP, CFM



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March Chapter Meeting - continued

The Speakers:

Roofing:

Kurt Scepaniak, *President, Horizon Roofing*

Kurt Scepaniak has been in the roofing and sheet metal industry since he was 12 years old working for Horizon Roofing the company his father started in 1976. He started sweeping floors at age 10 and roofing at 12 and has worked in every part and position at Horizon Roofing. In 2000 he took over Horizon Roofing and with the help of some amazing people has grown Horizon from 2 million in revenue to an estimate 30 million in 2017. Horizon leads the industry with custom technologies they have developed and has won 43 awards to date for quality, safety and growth.

Building Walls / Windows:

Larry Koch, *Registered Architect, Inspec*

Larry Koch is a Licensed Architect with 33 years of architectural experience, over 20 years of which he served as project manager for numerous large, complex projects. More than 25 years of his experience is in the design and construction of law enforcement, municipal, county, state, and federal security and correctional buildings. He has extensive experience in building enclosure design, commissioning, providing peer review of new buildings, assessing existing buildings, and providing repair recommendations related to the building envelope. Larry is known to quickly understand and assess complex situations and deliver effective solutions.

Landscape Management:

Ryan Foudray, *Prescription Landscape*

Prescription Landscape has over a 35 year history as a professional landscape management company specializing

in all aspect of Commercial Grounds Care and Snow and Ice Management. Their services include Grounds Maintenance, Snow and Ice Management, Irrigation System Service and Repair, Fertilization, and Landscape Enhancement and Installation.

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Trees:

Jon Heaton BCMA, *Commercial Arborist Representative, Bartlett Tree Experts*

After 4 years as a wildland firefighter in Utah, Jon began his career in arboriculture with Bartlett Tree Experts in Washington D.C. In 2011, he joined the Twin Cities office and now provides care for commercial properties and home owners associations throughout the metro area. His focus is on providing cost-effective, scientific tree care and comprehensive management plans to help owners and operators of commercial properties maximize the value of their landscape. Jon is a Board Certified Master Arborist, ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualified, and an all-around nice guy. He has cared for a variety of properties from small industrial with 5 trees, to a half a half a billion dollar university project with over 1,000 trees.

Bartlett Tree Experts is the world's leading scientific tree and shrub care company and has been providing scientific tree care since 1907. Their resources include nearly 100 offices, over 300 arborists, and a team of scientists working at our 350 acre research lab and diagnostic clinic in Charlotte, NC.

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February Chapter Meeting Recap

For our February meeting we toured the recently renovated UHG Optum campus in Eden Prairie. This new building is an agile environment, meaning that there are almost no assigned desks for the building's approximately 2,000 employees. They set out with a goal of 1.5 people per desk, and have been achieving a ratio of 1.2-1.4 depending on the department. UHG has placed sensors in the chairs, desks, and other furniture to help measure how much they are used and make decisions

about placement. Features to facilitate this environment include employee lockers, easily movable sit-stand desks, and other flexible work spaces for when a small group needs to meet or to allow for a single person to have some privacy. While there have been some challenges surrounding change management and providing IT help desk services (it can be hard to find exactly where the employee who needs help is located that day), the change has been a success overall.



April Chapter Meeting

Date:

Wednesday, April 5, 2017

Time:

11:15 am - 1:00 pm

Location:

 McNamara Alumni Center
 200 SE Oak Street
 Minneapolis, MN 55414

Registration:
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Join us at our April meeting to learn more about how your facilities outdoor spaces can have a positive impact on your company and its employees. Our speaker is a leading expert in their field and will bring practical information to help guide your decisions in shaping and maintaining your facility.

About the Presenter:

Dr. Kathleen Wolf is a Research Social Scientist at the College of the Environment, University of Washington, and is also a key collaborator with the US Forest Service Pacific NW Research Station on urban forestry studies. Dr. Wolf's research explores the human dimensions of urban ecosystems. She has also worked professionally

as a landscape architect and as an environmental planner. Kathy's professional mission is to discover, understand and communicate human behavior and benefits, as people experience nature in cities and towns. Moreover, Kathy is interested in how scientific information can be integrated into local government policy and planning. She has served with national organizations that promote nature in cities, such as the Transportation Research Board national committee on Landscape and Environment, the Sustainable Sites Initiative, and the TKF Foundation. You can view her research at www.naturewithin.info; and the Green Cities: Good Health project at: www.greenhealth.washington.edu

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Minnesota 2015 Energy Code

Meghan Huber, LEED AP

It has been a year and a half since the 2015 Minnesota Commercial Energy Code became effective on June 2, 2015. Continued building energy-efficiency continues to be an important goal here in our state and through out the country. The new 2015 Energy Code emphasizes energy conservation through performance of mechanical, lighting and power systems as well as improved energy efficient building envelopes.

These energy-conserving standards are now required for design, construction, repair, renovation and alteration of all residential and commercial buildings in the state. The changes focus on three main areas:

- Heat loss control
- Climate control
- Illumination changes

The new code allows separate paths to meet the code requirements:

-2012 IECC with state specific amendments (prescriptive path or performance path) OR

-ASHRAE 90.1-2010 (with a sub-compliance path "building trade-off option)

One of these paths must be used and designers cannot mix and match between the various code paths. Here in the Twin Cities, I've been told that most designers/code officials have been using the ASHRAE compliance path.

The Minnesota Energy code is required for all new and renovated commercial public buildings in Minnesota with two exceptions:

- Buildings that do not use either electricity or fossil fuel; and
- Equipment and portions of the building systems that use energy primarily for industrial or manufacturing processes.

The good news is there is now one codebook for that incorporates either of the code standard paths. Available through the Department of Labor and Industry, this is a must for all architects, mechanical and electrical engineers as well as facility managers (Purchased at www.minnesotasbookstore.com or can be viewed online at www.dli.mn.gov/ccld/codes15.asp).

In order to show compliance with the performance path, most building officials have made it necessary that engineers and architects provide an analysis using energy modeling such as COMcheck.

A few examples of changes that affect the three main areas of the new codes' focus:

HEAT LOSS CONTROL: This change impacts the building envelope and one of the changes in the new energy code (2012 IECC path), is a limitation of vision glass to 30%. Note, this can be increased to 40% if used in conjunction with 50% daylight controls over the entire floor area.

CLIMATE CONTROL: Heating/cooling and lighting systems are now required to be commissioned a third party agent. This requirement means that the heating, cooling, ventilation and lighting systems are tested after installation to be sure that the all are performing as designed. Commission reports are then completed and may be required by a building official as part of the permit process.

ILLUMINATION: These systems are also impacted in several ways including limiting the interior and exterior power used by lights based on watts per square foot, new control standards occupancy sensors and daylight controls which automatically control when lights are on or off depending on if the space is occupied and if there is enough outside lighting already in the spaced.

These are just a few of the larger areas that are impacted by the new 2015 Minnesota Energy Code. The code and its implementation are very complicated so be sure and work with your preferred design or engineering professional to be sure your project is complying with these changes.

Resources:

Building Codes Assistance Project / Minnesota
Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

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<p>Date: Thursday, February 23, 2017</p> <p>Time: 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Location: 8900 Excelsior Blvd Hopkins, MN 55343</p>	<p>Cost: Members & Non-members: \$5</p>	<p>Registration: Click here to login into your IFMA account and register today!</p>
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Please join us on Thursday, February 23rd and share your recent holiday adventures and network with your fellow IFMA members! Bring a bottle of wine, growler, or 6 pack of beer to share!



IFMA Cares recap

18 mighty IFMA volunteers united at our January Feed My Starving Children event. While competing between sites in Chanhassen, Eagan and Coon Rapids, we packed 51,840 meals!

Thanks to all who participated. Stay tune for the next IFMA Cares event coming your way this spring.



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Introducing the Newest Member

TOM MADSEN*Business Development, CoBeck Construction*

Strong focus on providing facilities/maintenance services on corporate and healthcare campuses, and manufacturing facilities throughout the Twin Cities. I enjoy road biking and volunteer as Camp Director for Freedom Week, a camping ministry serving kids of Minneapolis and St. Paul.



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