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## 2014 Annual Celebration

The day will include the Monthly Chapter Meeting, Symposium, 30th Anniversary Celebration, and Awards.

**Date:**  
February 12, 2014

**Location:**  
TCF Bank Stadium, University of Minnesota

### Keynote Speaker:

Norwood Teague, University of Minnesota's Director of Athletics. Mr. Teague will be discussing the changes that will take place due to the fact that the Vikings will be using TCF Stadium for the upcoming football season.

[click here](#) for more information & to register

### Schedule:

11:15-1:45 pm – Registration/Vendor setup  
1:45-2:00 pm – Business Meeting  
2:00-3:00 pm – Keynote Presentation  
3:00-3:10 pm – BREAK  
3:10-4:30 pm – Speaker/Panel  
4:30-6:30 pm – Expo/Tours  
6:30-7:00 p.m. – 30th Anniversary Dinner  
7:00-8:00 p.m. – Awards of Excellence

### Panel Discussion:

What does it take to transition a 50,000 seat venue from an NCAA stadium to an NFL stadium?

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## upcoming events:

### 2014 Annual Celebration

February 12, 2014

### March Chapter Meeting

March 5, 2014

### April Chapter Meeting

April 2, 2014

### May Chapter Meeting

May 7, 2014

### June Chapter Meeting

June 4, 2014

### Golf Event

July 8, 2014

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## President's Letter



### New Years Resolution

Happy New Year to you! I hope that this year is success and productive for you and your career.

I want to share with you my wish and hope for all IFMA Professionals and Associates. That is for you to take some time and consider the rate at which your

profession is evolving and changing. Evaluate your need to be connected with your IFMA network and consider your present and future education requirements.

A great way to continue your networking within IFMA and in support of your IFMA Chapter is to make sure that you attend our Chapter Symposium on February 12 at 1:30. This event will be held at the University of Minnesota TCF Bank Stadium. Good opportunity to see the new outdoor football stadium of the Golden Gophers and to be part of an enlightening education and awards event.

To continue to build momentum for your career also consider becoming certified with one of IFMA three credentials, The Facilities Manager Professional (FMP), The Certified Facilities Manager (CFM) and the Sustainable Facilities Professional (SFP).

The FMP will be offered this year through your chapter and is the entry level credential for the Facilities Professional. It is IFMA most popular credential and a necessary certification for starting your career. It introduces you to IFMA 11 Core Competencies.

The CFM is a credential for an experienced FM Professional. This focuses on the 11 core competencies with a deeper dive in all of those areas.

The SFP is the newest credential and one that aligns well with current sustainability practices. You will learn how to maneuver within current sustainability program practices. This includes how to create a sustainability business plan.

You can find out more about these learning opportunities at [www.ifmacredential.org](http://www.ifmacredential.org).

Keep in mind that refreshing your FM career can also be accomplished through the University of Minnesota FM program at the College of Continuing Education.

[Click here](#) to learn more.

**Happy New Year, New Resolutions and New Learning!**

**William O' Neill, CFM**

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## IFMA MSP - We've come a long way....

Sue Raiche, Co-Chair Education, A&M Business Interior Services



October 1983, 30 years ago, Bob Walsh and Rodger McCombs attended an event in Denver to learn more about a new organization called IFMA and how it might apply to the Facilities Management Group in Minneapolis. The FMG, as they were known, had 7 members Bill Nygren, Rick Palmer, Jim Tennesen, Bob Walsh, Chuck Rice, Perry Johnson, and Rodger McCombs.

As a result of the Denver trip, the "Magnificent 7" became the founding fathers of our Minneapolis/St. Paul Chapter of IFMA. Rodger McCombs became our first chapter president in 1984. He served for 2 years.

Several of the early IFMA members and past presidents recently gathered to share memories, how they learned about IFMA, and the impact IFMA had on their careers. There was a common theme that IFMA was more educational than other organizations. Many shared new careers and how FM has transferred into their retired life through volunteer activities.

While looking through the archives and photos, chuckling at our earlier hair and clothing styles, our favorite memories were shared.

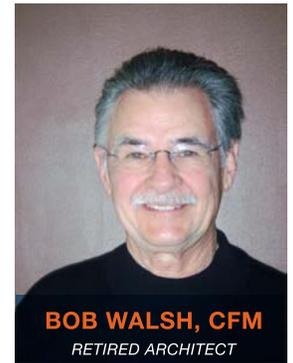
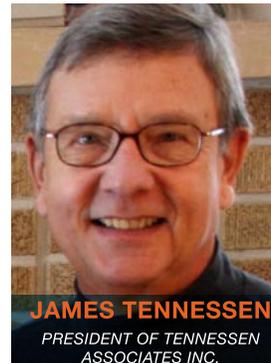
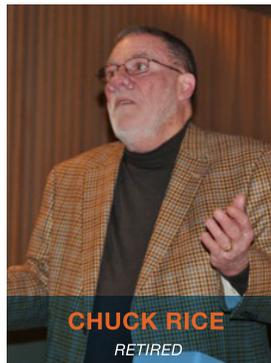
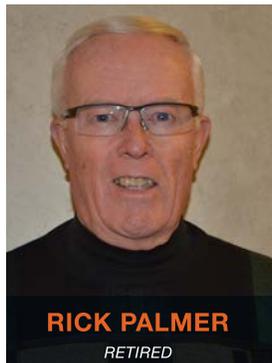
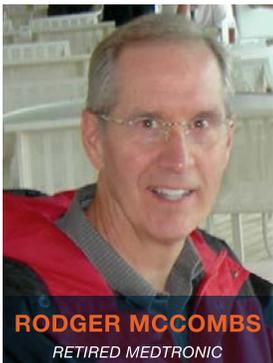
- The early IFMA Conferences were always held in Chicago, at the end of October, which coincided with the anniversary of the formation of the Association in October, 1980. Often, the event fell on Halloween, which triggered some interesting costumes at the awards banquet. However, Halloween posed challenges for

parents of small children, and the dates have changed. There is a brief history under the "About IFMA" link on the International website.

- Conferences provided many fun memories including a festive evening at Dick's Last Resort in Dallas, 1987. It was this year MSP Chapter was named Chapter of the Year, after sweeping all Chapter awards. It was also the year of the first Homer Hanky when the MN Twins won the World Series Championship. One unique conference purchase included an uzi as a wife's gift! Imagine trying to get that on the plane today! You know there is more to this story!
- At regional conferences Des Moines, Madison, & Bloomington a "golden hula hoop award" emerged and passed among several of our very talented female past presidents. I am sure this fabulous award is buried deep in the archives!
- The IFMA pin exchange at the conferences was developed as a tool to encourage networking and open the door for conversation. Did you know our chapter actually designed a pin for the Baltimore conference in 1990? Unfortunately, we couldn't afford to buy pins, so it became a sticker. And to think we were able to implement at \$25,000 endowment in 2013! With great financial leadership, we've come a long way.
- Several photos represented a time when smoking indoors at events, and in the office, was the norm! Ashtrays were a common desk accessory!

[click here](#) to read more

## Member Profiles of The Chapter's Founding Fathers



[click on the member's photo](#) to read their profile

## Member Anniversaries

### ONE YEAR

#### **RICH ANTHONY**

*Winona Orc Ind*

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#### **KEVIN ROSE**

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#### **JODENE WOODS**

*General Mills, Inc.*

### TEN YEARS

#### **JEFF DREWS**

*The Goodman Group*

#### **CHRIS SCHRAM**

*Surfacequest*

## New Members

#### **DEREK CLARKIN**

*Prime General Contractors LLC*

#### **ANDY DELASSUS FMP**

*General Contractor*

#### **ELIAS LEMON**

*Polaris*

#### **MICHAEL MANNING**

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#### **ROSEMARY PETERSON**

*Washington County*

#### **MICHELLE PLUMMER**

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## Note from the Events Committee

### Members-let your voice and opinion heard

#### Chapter Volunteer Awards:

An email was sent out asking for nominations for our Chapter Volunteer Awards. Please take some time to think about someone who you know has put in a lot of time and effort with volunteering for the Chapter. If you would like to submit a nominee for any of the following categories, please contact Debbie Norton at [debbie@msp-ifma.org](mailto:debbie@msp-ifma.org), 952-564-3076.

#### Categories:

- Associate Member of the Year
- Professional Member of the Year
- Rookie of the Year

#### Awards of Excellence:

Please look for an email, or check the website to submit your vote for "Best of Show" category for the awards that will be presented on February 12, 2014.

#### Board of Directors Nominations and Ballot:

Look for an email coming out in April asking for nominations for the following Board of Directors positions:

- Vice President (three year commitment)
- Secretary (two year commitment)
- Treasurer (two year commitment)

## Board Meeting Minutes

#### Date:

Wednesday November 20, 2014

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#### Date:

Wednesday December 18, 2013

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# Sustainability Spotlight

By Greg Williams CFM, SFP, FMP – IFMA MSP Chapter Vice President



Happy New Year! Here's wishing you a Successful and Sustainable New Year!

I like to focus my reports on sustainability success stories that offer real solutions for Facilities Management. Not just the doom

and gloom reports with the cliché pictures of the Polar Bear floating on a melted chunk of ice.

Please contact me with your sustainability success stories so we can share them and learn proven practices in Facilities Management sustainability.

## The 2013 Sheila Sheridan Award for Sustainable Facility Operations and Management

You may already be aware of this award being won by a member of our chapter but this does bear (no pun intended) to be reiterated in this article.

The award was presented at WWP 2013 in Philadelphia, PA to Greg Wood Director of Building Services at Washington County, Minnesota. Greg is a colleague of mine and IFMA MSP Chapter board member. Greg was instrumental in designing and leading a major change effort in his organization. This

effort involved the custodial maintenance service that was traditionally performed at night. During the night the county's building systems (lighting, HVAC, etc.) continued to operate as cleaning was performed thus keeping energy costs high for very low occupancy and usage. He was also challenged by HR troubles and the direction to significantly reduce the operating budget (sound familiar?).

This change effort involved Washington County switching to daytime cleaning thus saving energy, decreasing budget impacts, creating operational efficiencies while increasing customer AND employee satisfaction. All while targeting APPA level 2 cleaning standards as their goal. Greg and Washington County have the metrics to prove it. Greg and his staff were able to reduce their operating budget by \$550,000.00.

At WWP13 I attended Greg's educational session "Seeing the Light of Day Cleaning in Washington County".

Greg partnered with Jennifer Shramo CEO of Innovative Cleaning Services and our own Rhonda Rezac R S P i \_ S P A C E in a well delivered presentation. Good work Greg – a true *Triple Bottom Line* home run!



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## EP Lab 1 Completed at Regions Hospital

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If you've ever lived in an apartment building, you know how annoying noisy neighbors can be. Now imagine performing surgery, or just trying to get some shut-eye while those neighbors are doing construction.

Construction is an everyday occurrence at Regions Hospital in St. Paul. And thanks to careful planning, communication and cooperation among the hospital team and the KA Construction team, nobody loses any sleep over it.

Part of the HealthPartners family of care, Regions Hospital retains Kraus-Anderson Construction Company as their on-site construction manager at the hospital campus as well as their clinics in St. Paul and surrounding communities extending into western Wisconsin. KA has been on site since 2007.

From 60 to 100 construction workers are on the job at Regions Hospital on any given day, according to project superintendent Matt Olson. KA performs 50

to 75 projects a year ranging from minor painting and recarpeting to major hospital expansions and renovations. Working with Regions project manager Brian Palmer, the construction team works in close proximity to ongoing hospital operations by successfully addressing infection prevention, noise, dust, vibration and other potential disruptions.

Every project comes with its own unique considerations and sensitivities. For example, KA recently completed a four-month renovation of a 576 SF electro physiology lab on the second floor of Regions. Three operating rooms are in the immediate vicinity of the lab. One is on the other side of the wall. Directly above the lab is the sleep studies program of Gillette Hospital.

"Controlling the noise factor was our biggest challenge on this project," said KA Project Manager Rachael Oelke.

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