



Greater Orlando IFMA Chapter Newsletter

Fall 2006

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Committee Updates:

SOCIAL / GOLF – The Second Annual Golf Tournament was a success! 100 players were in attendance which was considerably more than last year! The amount being donated to the Russell Home will be finalized when all payments from sponsors have been made.

MEMBERSHIP – Phil, reporting for Grace, mentioned we are up to 151 members, talked about the mix of professional to associate being in line with our 75/25 goal. Geoff mentioned IFMA National discussion at WWP regarding the mix, how important associate members are, and the conclusion that there will not be a written % policy, it's up to each chapter.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/PROGRAMS – Doris reported they are working on the 2007 program slate and assigning tasks to committee members.

PUBLIC RELATIONS – Lisa reported the person leading the CNL art tour joined as a new member. Lisa is working with CNL to get approval to see some areas with new Gunlocke and Knoll furniture. Carter will provide a flyer on the building, and she asked for confirmation on the time, 6:00 meet in the lobby for the tour.

NEWSLETTER – Geoff reports for Chuck that the 3rd quarter newsletter will go out at the end of October.

IFMA Orlando Member Acclamations

Chuck Aldrich was elected to the IFMA Orlando Board of Directors.

Chuck also received the CFM - Certified Facility Manager designation from IFMA.

Congratulations Chuck!

Jack Tallevast had been appointment to IFMA's Sponsorship Committee as the new Chairperson

Congratulations Jack!



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Hitting the Links for The Russell Home:

The IFMA Orlando Annual Golf Tournament '06

I don't know about the rest of you , but I had a great time at the annual golf tournament this year. The StoneyBrook staff was very professional, the course was in good shape, the participants were enjoying themselves, the weather was fantastic, and I didn't play too bad either.

I can't say enough for how much I appreciate the great job the Golf Committee did at putting the tournament together. Everything from the course selection, to the food, to the sponsors added to the professionalism and success of the event.

Even though my foursome didn't earn one of the winning trophies, we didn't go away empty handed. A lot of sponsors were very generous and provided excellent prizes for the raffle. Besides the golfers, the Russell Home will benefit from the generosity of the participants and sponsors too.

The next time you see one of the Golf Committee members please take a minute and thank them for their hard work.

Golf Committee members;

Wendy Mauch
Larry Simmons, CFM
Stacey Austin
Mike Harris
David Kalser
Abby Lenhardt





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IFMA ORLANDO'S 2ND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

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2nd Annual Contest Sponsors:

Putting Contest - Rentacrate
Closest To The Pin – Cort Office Furniture Rental
Longest Drive (Men)-Millicare of Orlando
Longest Drive (Women)-Baker Barrios Architects

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| Verrex | Tower Realty |
| | Trammell Crow |

Our Golf Committee:

Wendy Mauch – Initial Tropical Plants
(Committee Chair)
Larry Simmons, CFM– City of Orlando
Stacey Austin - The Budd Group
Mike Harris – CNL Hospitality
David Kalser – Allied Barton Security
Abby Lenhardt - Workscapes



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Central Florida News:

Kuhn's project ahead of schedule

By: Jack Snyder - October 17, 2006

Developer Cameron Kuhn said he expects to get city approval this week for businesses to occupy the two office-condo towers at Premiere Trade Plaza in the heart of downtown Orlando. The giant plaza, moving toward completion, includes nearly 400,000 square feet of offices, 306 residential condos in a separate tower, a 1,625-space parking garage and 105,000 square feet of retail space, including a 12-screen movie theater.

Kuhn and Chuck Whittall, co-founder of Unicorp National Developments Inc., both said Orlando-based Unicorp will close on its \$20 million purchase of the plaza's retail space today. Whittall said the retail space - which he said is more than 90 percent leased - would begin opening during the first quarter of next year.

The movie theater, which Kuhn had hoped would open for the year-end holidays, now will probably open around April 1, Kuhn said. Design issues caused the delay, he said. Kuhn said the office towers are being completed three months early. More than 90 percent of the office space has been sold, he said.

About \$20 million worth of office sales have closed; the rest will be completed quickly, Kuhn said. The anchor tenant, Premiere Trade LLC, has not yet completed its \$12 million purchase of 61,000 square feet. The financial services and software products company has 60 days to complete the purchase, Kuhn said. The company must occupy space in the building to retain the plaza's naming rights.

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"We have a contract and are working on closing that contract," James Dicks, Premiere Trade LLC's president, said Monday. He added he has had recent offers to sell Premiere Trade LLC, which could influence what he does. Kuhn said Dicks has more than \$1 million at risk in the form of a nonrefundable deposit.

The residential-condominium portion of the development, called Solaire at The Plaza, is expecting its first residents to move in by mid-January. Twenty-one floors of condos have been built atop a nine-story parking garage, creating a 30-story tower.

Kuhn has planned a grand-opening week for the project that kicks off with an unveiling of statuary to be permanently displayed throughout the plaza. Kuhn has purchased seven statues by artist Tuan Nguyen that depict people in activities such as dancing and making music.



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Articles of Interest:

Designing next generation workplaces

By: Elaine Roston - August 18, 2006

The office of the future will be liberated from endless rows of gray cubicles, hard-walled conference rooms and bleak break areas.

"New, more mobile technology and a push for increased personal interaction are redesigning the office. There's so much emphasis now on communication. People are going to work in offices where they see people face to face, so there's going to be less of an emphasis on walled offices. It's not surprising that many of the changes in office look and feel are related to the wants and needs of a younger work force. This generation under 30 is into entitlements.

They want to work in an environment that's friendly.

Increased mobility and a growing trend toward telecommuting have put the traditional office in a precarious position. Companies have to compete with home offices. Businesses need to provide an enticing environment if they hope to make people want to spend time in the office. In this new environment, even traditional office furniture is not as important as it once was. It's all about change and mobility. Instead of stationary desks that tend to isolate workers into separate work spaces, teams of employees often will gather around tables.

They don't want to move furniture, they want to move people.

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Some theorize that workers who are mobile feel less isolated and are better able to exchange ideas. People are creating lots of spaces for conferencing opportunities spread throughout the office - everything from bar-height stools to easy chairs. In an era where some younger workers are more productive working on their laptops at a nearby Starbucks, newer office designs can include open cafes, lounge areas and smaller comfort areas for quick meetings.

Companies are competing for employees like never before. Those that can implement these changes are better at attracting and retaining employees. But it's not just tech companies - which historically have attracted young, free-thinking workers - that have begun remaking the office. It's across the board. Tech companies drove the trends of funky work environments. But we're seeing all industries, even companies like Bank of America and RBC Centura, using a cutting edge approach."

Tear down the walls.

The first step in transforming today's workplace into the office of the future is to rethink the use of space based on what tasks need to be done and by whom. It's not who you are but what you do and what it takes to do your job well. It is a breaking down of hierarchical space. Large office suites that traditionally were reserved for executives take up a lot of floor space.

The placement of these executive work spaces also is changing.



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IFMA Orlando's Previous Monthly Luncheons

August 24, 2006

Subject: IFMA Professional Certifications

Speaker: Dana Adamski

Contact Information:

dadamski@humana.com

September 28, 2006

Subject: "Pitfalls in Leases"

Speaker: Richard D. Solik

Contact Information: 407-841-8000

For the month of October we didn't hold a monthly luncheon due to the Annual Golf tournament held on October 20th.

Have an idea for a monthly luncheon program??

If you have an idea for a monthly luncheon topic and/or have seen a program here locally, we want to hear your idea! Please forward to Doris Wasson, Programs Chair
dwasson@towerrealtypartners.com
Please remember that the topic must be of interest to Facility Managers.



August Board Meeting held at the Russell Home Tea Room

The Russell Home is the charitable organization which will be receiving a portion of our proceeds from the 2006 Annual Golf Tournament.

The Russell Home is located in Orlando and is a home for atypical children. The home has been in the Orlando since 1951. It has been home to many children for many years and exists on private donations only. If you would like to book a small gathering at the Tea room, please contact the Russell Home at 407-855-8063. Great food, Great atmosphere, Great cause!



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CFM/FMP Corner:

My CFM Testing Experience – Part 1

By: Chuck Aldrich – October 18, 2006

Just like everything else we desire in life, the process of taking the CFM test will take time from your personal and professional lives, and it will take some money. Prior to committing to take the CFM test make sure your work schedule is flexible, and your family calendar affords you time for studying. The total cost for me to obtain my CFM was \$2001.49, which is on the high end of how much it can cost. Here's the process I took to get my CFM designation;

- 8/16/06 - I sat down with my boss and discussed my desire to obtain the CFM designation. I wanted to make sure my work schedule would allow me the time to travel to the exam review class, and make sure I would be able to commit one day for the test. We also discussed how much my company would be willing to pay through our training budget and educational reimbursement benefits, and how much I would be responsible for.
- 8/23/06 – Went on-line and registered to take the exam review course that was being offered at the IFMA Fall Symposium on October 6-7 in San Diego.
- 8/24/06 - Went on-line and purchased the CFM Study Guide.
- 8/30/06 – Printed the Application for Certification from the IFMA web site, filled it out and faxed it to Brenda Varner at IFMA's Professional development department.

- 8/31 – My Application for Certification was approved and I was given the information for the testing facilities so I could schedule my test date. I chose the Thomson Prometric testing facility in Maitland. I decided to take the test as quickly as I could after returning from the exam review course at the Fall Symposium. I scheduled my test for 10/11/06 at 8am.

- 10/4 – I flew to San Diego late on this day and gave myself one full day to adjust to the time difference so I could stay alert during the review class.

- 10/6 – 10/7 – Attended the two day exam review class. The exam review class ended in the late afternoon and I took the red-eye flight back to Orlando that night.

- 10/11 – I took the 7.5 hour test. After I entered my answer to the last test question, a notice from IFMA popped onto the computer screen congratulating me on passing the test.

From the time I decided to make the commitment to take the test until I completed the test, took eight weeks. The timeframe can be shorter if you don't want to take the exam review course. If you choose to take the test without attending the exam review class, and not buy the study guide, the cost will be \$450.00. I chose to purchase the study guide and attend the exam review class at the Fall Symposium, which added a lot to the total cost.

To be continued in the next issue.



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Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsor an IFMA luncheon, educational program, or special event and;

- Increase your visibility with local Facility Management experts
- Align your business with an established association of professionals
- Network and build relationships with local businesses
- Market to a targeted audience
- Reach potential clients through a variety of marketing opportunities including print materials, Internet ads, announcements from the podium, and more...

Prices for sponsorship opportunities:

\$250.00 will allow two minutes at the podium, display a logo at the front of the room, and distribute flyers to members and guests.

\$500.00 will allow four minutes at the podium, logo and flyer privileges.

For information on joining our Great Chapter please contact Grace Cubarrubia at grace@millicareof.orlando.com.

To download a membership application please visit: www.ifmaorlando.org.

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

If you come across an interesting article, or have written one yourself that you think our members would be interested in reading please forward it to Chuck Aldrich at chuck.aldrich@hughessupply.com.



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Calendar of Events for Nov 2006 - Jan 2007

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| Date | Program | Location |
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| 11/2/06 | Member Orientation Breakfast | Citrus Club – Downtown Orlando |
| 11/9/06 | IFMA Orlando Board Planning Session & Board of Directors meeting | Nextel/Sprint Maitland |
| 11/16/06 | After Hours Event Centura Bank/CNL Building and Art Tour 6PM | Centura Bank/CNL |
| 12/01/06 | RSPV's due for the Holiday Luncheon | |
| 12/7/06 | IFMA Orlando Holiday Luncheon | Orlando Culinary Academy |
| 12/14/06 | Board of Directors meeting | Nextel/Sprint Maitland |
| <p>Mark Your Calendar...</p> <p>Holiday Luncheon 12/7!!</p> <p>A unique holiday luncheon is planned for December..The chef's at Orlando Culinary Academy will be hosting our event. Come see this facility, enjoy wonderfully prepared food complete with cooking demonstration, and network with your IFMA members. Details will be coming soon!</p> | | |
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