

PRESIDENT'S WEEK IN REVIEW

Week in review for June-July, 2007

JUNE Presidents month in review

Well a weekly update was an ambitious thought, but a monthly is more practical.

It was a very busy month (I took 2 weeks vacation). Besides vacation, I missed the Board of directors meeting, and seemed to be catching up all month!

We did get our submittal in for an award of excellence for membership marketing. We'll find out in August if we were successful.

The Judy Toth executive coaching program was well attended, there were a few more walk in's that we were prepared to handle, and apologize for any inconveniences people had. It does point out the importance of RSVP'ing. Dubsdread suggested we try a buffet style setup, so you'll probably see that in one of the upcoming months.

The 2nd CFM roundtable is just around the corner, July 10th. Chuck Aldrich is leading the preparation for this one, Larry Simmons, Kathy Lesiuk, and yours truly will also be there.

The Golf tourney is on the books for September 28. We hope to have another full house and help the Russell Home out again. Last year we raised over \$3000 for them. Thanks all and come out again this year, we had fun with networking and just having some time out of the office !

World Workplace is in October, those of you that have been to monthly programs since March will be included in the drawing for a free registration, courtesy of IFMA Orlando (value \$695). If you can make it there will probably be about 10 IFMA Orlando members present. Last year in San Diego we all got together for a nice sit down dinner (courtesy of Millicare). Hoping to have good luck again this year with a sponsor for a chapter dinner. And of course besides the networking, education, and world class keynote and closing speakers there are no shortage of parties !

About the first of August we'll kick off our sponsorship program for the year. We're updating the website to have sponsor banners, and for the first time we're seeking annual sponsorships that will allow sponsors to be recognized all year long. Additionally, we'll still have individual event sponsorships available. Watch the website and listserv for the announcement!

Time to get those hurricane plans in place, see you next month !

As always consult the website for names and addresses of people on the board or committee or members from the directory when you have a question or need help!

Geoff

JULY Presidents month in review

I'm back from vacation, got the 4th under our belt, it's really summer ! For those of you that don't know me too well... I'm a bicycle commuter, from near Fashion Square about 4miles to downtown is my daily each way. Riding the bicycle every day, it's getting humid, that time of year to get the hot weather clothes out and plan extra time for when you need a shower. Riding at a slower pace, except on the way home ! I've already gotten caught out in the rain twice people say "what do you do?" well, you get wet... basically... but you can only get so wet then it's like being a kid again it's a lot of fun... and it truly is only water.

I'm starting to get excited about World Workplace in New Orleans late October, already have registered, booked air and hotel. My wife won't go, she has fond memories of the Jazz Festivals we attended, and wants to wait until New Orleans get's a little more rebuilt.

The Golf Tourney invites are out, looking forward to Sep 28 ! And it is a Friday ! The sponsorship program will be out in August, more to come on that soon.

What's up in FM at Glatting Jackson? There was an article in the Orlando Sentinel business section about our new office space July 12. Our old "character building" has 4 little roof leaks, and our new space has leaks as well, from balconies that were added. Some termites and moths have shown up, (we've just changed pest vendors), and we have a new coffee shop tenant (ROHO) in our ground floor space. We're finally finishing up construction with the lighting control systems and hvac control systems being turned over.

We had a great board meeting yesterday, as we adapt the website futher to be more interactive we will be making board minutes available (probably start next month), so you can see what we're up to. One good thing, we have some great ideas for more educational, more networking, more programs, giving more services to our members ! Thanks for your membership and your contributions to the chapter.

We also are working on a long term strategic plan and balanced scorecard. You should see these published on the web site in August. Items like succession planning, long term charitable relationships, funding scholarships, and working with local colleges to promote an eventual facility management degree program are some of the long term objectives we're beginning to organize plans for.

Finally, we will be preparing the slate of officers for the 2008 (can you believe it!) calendar year within the next couple months. Please take the opportunity to sound off to someone on the board, about what's hot and what's not with the chapter. Also feedback about any board members is greatly appreciated. We certainly want to put the best forward ! Thanks for that !

Oh, by now we had the 2nd CFM roundtable session July 10, (really was the first "learning" session, and we've scheduled the 2rd CFM roundtable for Tuesday, August 14, at Sprint(formerly Nextel) in Maitland just off I-4. It will run from 11:30 to 1:00 and besides the great new conference facility Sprint offers us (thanks Tami Berry), the chapter will spring for a lunch buffet for all attendees. So as I like to say, the price is right ! Free parking, free admission, and yes there is a free lunch to go along with the CFM program to help prepare for the CFM exam. Hope to see you there ! We think we are going to keep the 2nd Tuesday lunchtime for a while as a regular informal FM oriented program, for the next few months CFM exam preparation will be the topic.

One last thing... the monthly program this month is an after hours, on the 26th at 5:30, at the Premiere

trade plaza, led by Baker Barrios, architects for the building. They also have their offices in the building, and as program sponsor will be providing snacks and cool beverages for your enjoyment. Hope we can have a great turnout and meet some new people ! Downtown Orlando is cool !

As always, feel free to contact any of the board or committee members, see you next month!

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