



# AFC Newsletter OCCURRENCE

Fall 2003

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### AFC President's Message – Susan Hobbes, AIA

I would like to thank the 2002-2003 AFC Officers Ann McGuire, Past President and Frank Coppinger, President for all of their efforts in support of the Council. Under Frank's leadership, two AFC conferences were held in conjunction with other councils to expand networking opportunities. Also during Frank's tenure as President, a survey of AFC members was conducted to look at ways of improving the Council's performance in meeting the needs of the members. Ann is receiving accolades for her facilitation of the Strategic Planning session at the Spring Conference and we are disappointed that she is unable to participate in the Strategic Planning session prior to the Fall Conference.

Speaking of the 2003 AFC Fall Conference, we are excited about the opportunity to visit two campuses in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

Texas Christian University's (TCU) roots date back to the late 1800's, but the current site held classes beginning in 1911. TCU has a student body of approximately 7,000, and the campus encompasses 260 acres in residential Fort Worth. TCU is 25 miles from the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport and four miles southwest of downtown Fort Worth on University Drive.

Southern Methodist University (SMU) was founded in 1911, has a total enrollment of 11,000 and the campus has 76 buildings on 165 acres. The spacious, tree-lined campus is located in University Park, five miles north of downtown Dallas.

Julie Barrett along with Larry Garrison, our TCU host, have prepared the schedule of events for Thursday, October 16. The theme for the conference is *Managing Change: Managing How We Change or Changing How We Manage*. Thursday's agenda focuses on the building side of managing change, how facility managers are being asked to do more with less. The morning session will include a discussion of the impact of operational costs of LEED Certification on the life-cycle of a building. Campus tours of three new TCU facilities will be conducted by the building users who are prepared to speak candidly about the positive impact of their new facilities as well as what they wish they had done differently.

Friday, October 17 takes us to SMU. Friday's conference looks at the people side of managing change, understanding perceptions of what building owners want and learning to effectively communicate with building stakeholders. Friday afternoon will conclude with a campus tour.

The hotel for the conference is the Westin City Center, (formerly the Le Meridien), one of the official IFMA World Workplace hotel sites. Although the official deadline for hotel reservations was August 26 the rate of \$139 is still being honored. Please visit the AFC website for more conference information.

See you in Dallas!

# New Council Members

Welcome to the following people who joined the council during the months of July and August:

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