News from the Academic Facilities Council of IFMA

A Message from the President:

It's the afternoon of December 23rd and our Campus is pretty quiet now, most students and staff have left. The buildings are being closed down and most of our staff will be headed home for a well deserved rest, only a few of us are left manning the ship. Of course being in Facilities Management means that someone is always at work. Although Campus is closed our staff will be on Campus 24 hrs a day throughout the Christmas closure to deal with whatever arises. This also means that its quiet now and it’s the perfect time to write the president’s message which is due in a couple of days.

In the past year the Executive and Board of the AFC accomplished a lot.

2010 - What a Great Year!
- Extremely successful facility workshop in Boston
- Great spring Conference in Washington – American & Georgetown University
- Four high quality webinars throughout the year
- The 20th Anniversary Celebration in Atlanta
- Great fall Conference in Atlanta – Georgia Tech
- Presentation of two IFMA Foundation Scholarships
- IFMA Award of Excellence – Newsletter Publishing

I'm in my second term as the AFC president and I can’t wait to get on with the task of making this year even better than last year. We’ve added a committee chair and two new committees to the board and everyone one of them is committed to making our 21st year as a council even better than last year. Special thanks to the 2010 AFC Executive and Board for all your support and efforts, John Shenette, Chuck Walden, Jolie Lucas, Steve Showers, Bill Myrick, Bill O’Neill, Jorge Abud.

Fall Conference

Atlanta has become my favourite city. Fried chicken and waffles, sweet potato cheesecake with glazed pecans with whipped cream and some of the friendliest people I've ever met. If that wasn’t enough to make me smile the AFC 20th Anniversary Conference and Celebrations were a rousing success and we won the IFMA Award of Excellence for our council newsletter.
Thank you! For those of you that were in Atlanta you heard me thank John Shenette (Smith College) for the masterful job he did of organising the conference.... but here it goes one last time “THANK YOU!” Also a special thanks to the staff of Georgia Tech who hosted us at their beautiful Campus, we even got to walk on the field and throw a few touchdown passes. Presentations from the conference as well as the AFC Lunch & Learn held on Friday of WWP will be on our website shortly.

The 20\textsuperscript{th} Anniversary celebration held on Tuesday night at the Atlanta History Museum was filled with good food, good friends and provided those there with the opportunity to share memories of the Council spanning 20 years. Several past presidents were in attendance including the Council first president Tom Cruse (U of Cincinnati). It really says something about a council that still has the original president as an active member.

\textbf{AFC Scholarships} – To mark the AFC 20\textsuperscript{th} anniversary two IFMA Foundation scholarships were presented. I had the pleasure of awarding the scholarships at the Foundation Award Ceremony. This year’s recipients Devin Cammack (BYU) and Sang Hoo Lee (Georgia Tech) were certainly two deserving recipients of these awards.

Spring Conference March 23-25/11 Boston Mass – This year for the first time the AFC will be held in conjunction with Facility Fusion this will allow AFC members to meet with other council members and take part in some of the FF events but also allow us to do some specific AFC events.

\textbf{Some upcoming dates to keep in mind}

\textbf{AFC Spring Conference /Facility Fusion – MIT & much more - March 23-25/11 Boston}

\textbf{AFC Fall Conference - Arizona State University  October 23-25/11 - IFMA WWP - Phoenix October 26-28/11}

\textbf{New Board Members} - I am pleased to welcome Greg Victor (Park County School District), Richard Rees (UGL Unnico) and Jessa Marshall (Bentley University) to the board. Richard is the chair of the new Corporate Development Committee, Greg is the new Membership Chair and Jessa is the Content Committee Chair. Bill O’Neill (U of Minnesota) is now chair of the new Sustainability Committee.

\textbf{Farewell}

Jeannie Nguyen our long time IFMA Council Liaison is leaving IFMA. Jeannie has recently been accepted to a nursing school and is looking forward to a new career as a nursing student with a future in healthcare. As she said in her departing message “It has become a passion of mine to be able to serve and provide quality service/patient care to those who need it.” Our loss will be a tremendous gain for health care.

All of us that have had the pleasure to work with Jeannie, know that she will provide everyone she touches with a brighter day.

GOOD LUCK JEANNIE!!!!!! We will all miss you.

\textbf{Maximize your Membership}

I had the pleasure of meeting some of the AFC’s newest members while in Atlanta, and have been racking my brains ever since trying to figure out how I can get them involved with the AFC. I think I have found a couple areas where your skills can be used. One of the best ways to maximize your AFC membership is to become involved with your council. It is easy to do and can take as little or as much time as you can spare. Getting involved can be as easy as responding to queries from AFC members, volunteering to sit on committees, suggesting, attending or presenting webinars, writing an article for the newsletter, chairing committees or joining the executive. If you are interested in finding out how to become involved with the council please contact any member of the executive or committee chairs.

\textbf{George Thomlison}

\textbf{AFC President}
One of the essential elements about the role of Facilities Director is that we are empowered to make a great many decisions every day that are far-reaching, financially impactful, and can affect our campus communities for years to come. We’re Kings and Queens of our worlds! After a while, it’s easy to get set in your ways because your world – your campus – becomes so familiar that in many cases we can do our jobs with one eyeball tied behind our backs.

But then we attend a conference like World Workplace (WWP) and the Academic Facilities Council (AFC) annual meeting and suddenly the clouds part and we’re introduced to a whole new world outside our fiefdoms. All that complaining about how hard it will be to be gone from the office for a few days is suddenly a faint memory, because you’re standing in a hardhat in the partially-constructed School of Architecture building at Georgia Tech, inhaling sawdust and dreaming about how your next renovation is totally going to include that cool conduit pathway design element. Drop-in ceilings be damned! Woo hoo!

The AFC has a great number of members but not everyone attends the annual conference. Granted, until recent years the AFC would hold its annual conference separate from WWP and those of us with limited financial and time budgets struggled to find an opportunity to attend. But now that the AFC conference is consecutive to the WWP, they’ve made it very easy for us to experience two great industry leadership events with only one trip away from the office.

This year the AFC conference included a great blend of diverse topics, from BIM (Building Information Modeling) and a tour of Georgia Tech, to energetic (no pun) presentations about smart meters and co-generation. To top it off, attendees were entertained by a fascinating, private behind-the-scenes tour of the Georgia Aquarium; the world’s largest at 8 million total gallons. Think the concept of touring an aquarium is a snore? Try saying that after being introduced arm’s length to a 30’-long whale shark snacking on krill in a $350M state-of-the-art tank. The tour generated many open-mouthed expressions, from walking through an underwater tunnel that puts you “in” with the fish, to the enormous veterinary facilities necessary to handle the incredible array of animals.

Visiting another campus is always a breath of fresh air, and it’s virtually impossible not to come away from a campus tour without one new idea for your own campus. (As a point of note, I came home with 4 single-spaced pages of notes and ideas!) But the AFC conference has proven it’s not just about lurking in the world of other campus facilities and doing behind-the-scenes tours. It also provides industry-specific informational sessions, and face-to-face networking with peers from around the U.S. and Canada with whom we can compare notes, learn new ideas, commiserate and relate.

Next year the AFC will again hold its annual conference just before the annual WWP, this time in Phoenix, Arizona during the last week of October, 2011. If you haven’t attended before, now is a great opportunity to schedule ahead to attend next year. Pack your business cards, your questions and ideas (and – hello, Phoenix – your flip-flops!)…See you there!

Jolie Cartier, CFM
California Western School of Law – San Diego
Webinars

- Five Secrets to Benchmarking Excellence – Sightlines, Janice Nolan and Matthew Bausher (rescheduled due to technical difficulties to 3 Feb 2011)
- Livestream one of the speakers from Facilities Fusion in March
- Generations at Work – Phillip Ayoub (5 April 2011)
- Smart Irrigation and Water Conservation – Hemisphere Water & Energy, Davis Leurk (June 2011 – date TBD)
- Retro-commissioning – PECI, David Peery (17 Aug 2011)

Academic Facilities Council Spring Conference at IFMA’s Facility Fusion Conference
March 23-25, 2011
Westin Waterfront

*Boston (Baw-Stun) welcomes the AFC!*

This coming spring will mark a first for the Academic Facilities Council. The AFC will be participating in Facility Fusion in Boston during March 23-25. AFC members will have the opportunity to participate in educational sessions that will be truly inspirational. The upcoming spring program will be following a very successful 20th anniversary program from Atlanta which showcased outstanding efforts taking place at our peer institutions.

During the March program, Massachusetts Institute of Technology will be hosting a program that will feature a lunch, educational sessions by their Facilities staff on the following; Inside Out – Analyzing your facility using GIS, and Spotlight on Facilities – A look at different areas managing an educational facility follow up by a campus tour that includes information on some remarkable buildings.

As part of the Boston experience, the AFC will also host an evening dinner networking event at a venue that showcases breathtaking views of the city skyline.

The program ends with a tour of Harvard University on the last day where members will discuss Harvard's Energy & Sustainability program as we walk through a very large solar thermal array and steam tunnel heat recovery system that supplies 60% of the domestic hot water for the buildings in Harvard Yard. The tour will include a look at the Science Center and Harvard’s iconic building, Memorial Hall, a part of Harvard that truly defines who Harvard really is.

Boston is known for its world class higher educational institutions and with Facility Fusion coming to this great city this will be truly a must see event.

Baw-stun welcomes the AFC and hopes that everyone will be able to experience a city full of exciting venues while collaborating with peers.

Hope to see everyone in a place I call home and believe that your attendance will be truly memorable!

Register on the AFC web site [http://ifma-afc.org/](http://ifma-afc.org/) or go to the last page of this newsletter!
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Academic Facilities Council 2011 Newsletter,
New Board Members:

**Greg Victor** - *Membership* - Greg has worked in academic facility management for twenty years, mostly in the K-12 arena. He worked for The Children's Guild (a special education facility with schools in Baltimore, Annapolis, and D.C.) and for Calvert Hall College (a private high school for boys in Baltimore). Following that, he spent a year in Yellowstone National Park as the Maintenance Director for the Old Faithful area. He now works for the Park County School System as the Director of Maintenance for District #6 serving Cody, Wyoming and the surrounding area. Greg has also served on various boards and councils, some with professional affiliations and some for personal interests. These include IFMA, the Academic Facilities Council, the Professional Management Council for Park County Schools, the NFPA, and the National Pastoral Musicians Association. Greg served on the governing board for the O’Dwyer Retreat House in Baltimore and currently serves as secretary for the Parish Council for St. Anthony’s Catholic Church in Cody. Greg holds a B.B.A. in Marketing from Loyola University in Baltimore as well as an M.B.A. from the College of Notre Dame in Maryland. He holds EPA certifications as an Asbestos Project Designer and Building Inspector.

**Jessa Marshall** - *Content Committee* - Jessa Marshall, the new Content Committee Chair, has been a member of IFMA for four years and a member of the AFC for the last two years. She is the Energy Systems Engineer at Bentley University, and shared her enthusiasm for energy meters and systems at the last AFC conference in Atlanta. Jessa is now working to update the AFC’s website with highlights of member activities and informational resources.

**Richard Rees** - *Corporate Development* - Richard is the Director of Business Development at UGL Services - Unicco Operations and has been a member of AFC since June 2010

**Cheryl Johnson, CFM, CFMJ, Program Chair**—*AFC Conference* - Associate Director, Facilities Management Administration, Arizona State University I have been a member of IFMA, Greater Phoenix Chapter, for 14 of my 20 years of service to ASU. A recent change of position at ASU prompted me to join the AFC about 1 ½ years ago. With the Phoenix Chapter, I have served as committee chair for Career Resources, Secretary, and Vice President. This year, I am serving on the World Work Place 2011 committee with the Chapter, and with the AFC, I am the committee chair for World Work Place 2011. Hope to see many of you in Phoenix in October, and, if the temperature isn’t 90°, I will be dreaming!

**Bill O’Neil** - *Sustainability Chair*

Any interesting news about your campus of facility that you would like to share?

Send them to Kari Stein at kari.stein@ifma.org

Academic Facilities Council 2011 Newsletter,
TIPS FOR NAVIGATING:

After your first login, you **must** subscribe yourself to the council postings to activate email deliverability to all council postings, similar to the listserv. You are **not** automatically subscribed to email delivery.

1. **Log in** to [http://www.ifmacommunity.org](http://www.ifmacommunity.org)  
   (You must use your IFMA member ID and IFMA password)

2. **Click on Forums** on the top left menu tab

3. **Click on Forum Subscriptions** (located on the left hand side of the page, under Shortcuts)

4. You can then change the default setting from not receiving subscriptions to receive postings via email. **Click under the Subscription to "YES"** (to receive postings by email similar to the listserv) or "NO" (which means you will need to login to the IFMA Online Community to view the discussions) The subscription’s default setting is "NO" in order to change it to "YES" simply click on the "NO".

TIPS FOR POSTING & REPLYING TO QUESTIONS:

1. To **reply** to emails that you receive, you can post your responses (just like the listserv).

2. If you would like to **post a new message/question** to the Academic Facilities Council Online Community without having to login to IFMA Online Community, just send your email to this email address for your specific council, [afc.council@ifmacommunity.org](mailto:afc.council@ifmacommunity.org). This will allow for you to post and reply by email, similar to the listserv tool we were using.

NEW! Academic Facilities Council Web site

Click here: [http://www.ifma-afc.org/](http://www.ifma-afc.org/)

Check out the AFC Web site for the latest information on conferences, officer contacts and much more!
About the Academic Facilities Council: Academic facilities offer facility managers and space planners many unique challenges. These individuals must effectively plan, design, construct, utilize and maintain a variety of buildings, grounds and equipment including classrooms, computer labs, residence halls and apartments, athletic facilities, dining halls, theaters, laboratories, libraries and health care facilities. The students, instructors and researchers who utilize these facilities have needs that may radically differ from conventional building tenants.
Fax complete registration form to 281-974-5620 or email to Kari.Stein@ifma.org or mail to Academic Facilities Council, 1 E. Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100, Houston, TX 77046-0194

Select one of the following registration options (Full registration or Thursday only):

- **Full Facility Fusion / AFC Conference Registration**: $419 (March 23-25, 2011)
- **Full Facility Fusion / AFC Registration for non-members** (includes 1 yr. membership): $745

This special Academic Facilities Council Conference rate is valid for the following conference agenda ONLY, and ONLY by submitting this form. The AFC member conference rate is NOT available with on-line registration.

**Wednesday**: includes all functions at Westin Boston Waterfront (Facility Fusion Conference Schedule)

**Thursday**: includes council functions offered at MIT and AFC dinner event only

- **AFC Thursday Only Registration**: $150
- **AFC Thursday Only with membership**: $476

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