

May 2010 **Newsletter**

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Annual Golf Outing And Scholarship Fundraiser

June 8, 2009 11:00am - 8:00pm

Drumm Farm 15400 E. 34th St Independence, MO

The Kansas City Chapter of IFMA will be hosting the annual Scholarship Golf Outing on Tuesday, June 8th at Drumm Farm. So, gather up four of your friends and join us for the golf, food and fun! If you don't have a team, don't worry, we can find one for you. This is a perfect opportunity to get to know other Chapter Members!

Registration will begin at 11:00am with a shotgun start at 1:00pm. Dinner and the award ceremony are immediately following the conclusion of the tournament.

Register today, deadline is May 21st.

If you have questions, want to volunteer, sponsor this event or donate prizes, please contact us at KcifmaGolfTournament@gmail.com

Sponsorship Involvement Requested for 2010/2011

KCIFMA is inviting you to become a sponsor for the 2010/2011 fiscal year. Sponsors gain visibility to 216+ members, of which roughly 65% are professional. Professional members often use the KCIFMA site to find vendors for projects. Your company will be highlighted within our website with directs links to your website.

Lastly, your sponsorship helps provide the educational seminars and the monthly programs that make this an Excellent Chapter. Look for a letter in the mail coming soon with all the details, or go on-line and download the invoice from the Sponsors Page on www.kcifma.com.

KCIFMA UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Time	Event Name	Location
5.16	11:30-1:00 pm	Monthly Meeting Leadership Skills	H&R Block One H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO
5.18-21	4 Day	IFMA Competency Course Business of FM	IFMA Headquarters 1 E. Greenway Plaza, Ste 1100, Houston, TX
6.8	11:00-8:00 pm	Annual Golf Outing Scholarship Fundraiser	Drumm Farm 15400 E. 34th St, Independence, MO
6.15-16	2 Day	IFMA Competency Course Leadership and Management	IFMA Headquarters 1 E. Greenway Plaza, Ste 1100, Houston, TX
6.17-18	2 Day	IFMA Competency Course Operations and Maintance	IFMA Headquarters 1 E. Greenway Plaza, Ste 1100, Houston, TX
7.20	11:30-1:00 pm	Monthly Meeting Connecting the Dots - FM Evolution	Jewish Community Campus 5801 W 115th St, Leawood, KS
8.17	11:30-1:00 pm	Monthly Meeting Energy Star/Mgmt Programs	Stinson Morrison Hecker 1201 Walnut, Ste 2900, Kansas City, MO
	Webinar	Monthly Program Meeting IFMA Ed	IFMA Education Program Other Event

Kansas City Chapter Monthly Meeting

May 18, 2010

Leadership Skills

H&R Block One H&R Block Way Kansas City, MO

11:30am - 1:00pm

Welcome to our Chapter's Newest Members

Allen Beall Evologic Gary White
Premier Corporate Search

Greg Flippin *Missouri Employers Mutual Ins.*

Shannon SteeleMilliCare Commercial
Carpet Care

Facility HUMOP

During a recent computer network audit, a company found that one of its employees was using the following password:

"MickeyMinniePlutoHueyLouieDeweyDonaldGoofyS acramento"

When asked why he had such a long password, the employee said he was told his password had to be at least 8 characters long and include at least one capital.

President's Podium

Current news on the internet, radio, TV, and in newspapers everywhere has been focusing on disasters. Some of these are natural such as earthquakes, volcano eruptions and tornados. Other disasters have been man made like truck bombings and oil rig explosions. In all cases those who are better prepared have the best outcome.

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Being prepared can mitigate the damage from a disaster, save lives, reduce property damage and speed up the recovery process. The first thing to do to be prepared is to make a list of possible adverse events that could cause a disaster for your type of business. Then find out everything about the disasters and their effects on your company operations. Property managers need to be informed about potential disasters in order to keep their facilities ready for any possible event. In the past several months KCIFMA has had some programs related to disasters. One meeting was at FEMA Headquarters in Kansas City the other was last month when Mike Thompson talked about severe weather. Knowledge is very important as to how you can respond during a disaster.

Now would be a good time to review your company's disaster plan. If you are in a new facility you may need to develop a disaster plan or update your old one. It is difficult to find the time to devote to your disaster plan. However, there is no time at all during a disaster to formulate a plan. Believe me from my past experience, a good disaster plan can save a lot of time and frustration during a disaster.

KCIFMA members can help you with your plan. Do not forget to contact them as well as other companies to update your emergency supplier list. Call these companies ahead of time to check that they offer the services and materials you will need on a 24-7 basis during a disaster. Your list should include emergency services, fire, police, and ambulance, disaster recovery companies, building contractors, real estate companies, plumbers, electricians and janitorial companies. Utility companies should be included in your emergency contact list along with food vendors and water suppliers. Disasters can affect large geographical areas. Out of town and national vendors should be added to the list. The longer your list is, the more useful it will be during a disaster.

The last ingredient needed to be well prepared for a disaster is training. Everyone in your organization should be familiar with the disaster plan. Annual fire and other disaster drills are an excellent training tool. Everyone plays an important part during a disaster. Remember to stay informed about possible disasters, Develop a plan and keep it updated. Train all staff members to be prepared for any possible disaster.

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