

KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

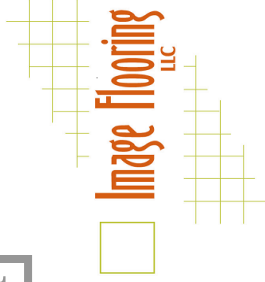
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# December 2010 Newsletter

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## President's Podium

Another holiday season is here. If you are like me, it is a mad rush to get through the end-of-year projects, prepare for the holidays, and complete reviews for yourself and staff.

One item that is important for my firm is the number of hours spent on training. If that is the case, IFMA has several options that allow time for training and to get credentialed as well. There is the



Facilities Management Professional (FMP)

program focusing on the foundational elements of

facilities management;

Certified Facilities Manager

(CFM) showcasing your

knowledge and experience; and

the new Certified Sustainability

Manager (SFM) allowing for recognition of your expertise in sustainability.



One of the best features of the chapter is the year CFM review provided at a discount for KCIFMA members. Also, to help support those younger members in getting an FMP designation, we are looking for ways to support the education through the possibility of scholarship money. So this year you have no excuses, get your appropriate designation.

I hope everyone has a safe and memorable holiday season and I look forward to seeing everyone at our holiday party.

Drew Knutson, CFM  
President, KCIFMA

## KCIFMA UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Time	Event Name	Location
12.7	5:00-8:00pm	Holiday Party KCIFMA 2010 Holiday Party	Scott Rice Office Works 14720 W 105 St, Lenexa, KS
12.7-8	2 Day	IFMA Competency Course Operations and Maintenance	Los Angeles, CA
12.13-14	2 Day	IFMA Competency Course Leadership and Management	IFMA Headquarters 1 E. Greenway Plaza, Ste 1100, Houston, TX
01.11-12	2 Day	IFMA Course Sustainable FM Course	IFMA Headquarters 1 E. Greenway Plaza, Ste 1100, Houston, TX
<b>Webinar</b>			
<b>Monthly Program Meeting</b>			
<b>IFMA Education Program</b>			
<b>Other Event</b>			

### KCIFMA

## 2010 Holiday Party

December 7, 2010

5:00 - 8:00 pm

Scott Rice Office Works

14720 W 105 St

Lenexa, Kansas

### Kansas City Chapter of IFMA cordially INVITES you to the event of the year!

This is a purely social, networking and fun event where you can come and enjoy yourself while mingling with other IFMA members. Tickets are \$20 per member and \$30 per non-member and include 2 drink tickets, heavy hors d'oeuvres, dessert and FUN!

We have a photo booth so you may take as many pictures as you would like and a DJ that is sure to entertain! Please bring an unwrapped toy for donation to the Kansas City area Toys for Tots program.

Attire: Festive / Business Casual

Kansas City IFMA is proud to support the Toys for Tots Campaign for the 2010



holiday season. Drop-off will be at the 2010 holiday party. Toys for Tots has been coordinated by the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves since 1947 and have been able to deliver Christmas presents to children around the nation.

*Due to catering order requirements, registrations/RSVPs must be received by (or cancelled by) 11:30am Friday December 3rd. Cancellations not received by the deadline will be charged/billed for the event.  
If your registration is not received by the deadline, we will not be able to provide you with food or drink.*

### Facility Humor

Drawbacks to Working in a Cubicle

- 1) Being told to "Think Outside the Box" when I'm in the box all day!
- 2) Not being able to check E-mail attachments without first seeing who is behind me.
- 3) My walls are too close together for my ham-mock to work right.
- 4) 23 power cords, 1 outlet.
- 5) Can't slam the door when you quit and walk out.
- 6) If you talk to yourself it causes all the surrounding cubicle inhabitants to pop their heads over the wall and say "What? I didn't hear you."
- 7) If your boss calls you and asks you to come into his office for a minute the walk there is like a funeral march... people hand you tissues as you pass and refuse to make eye contact.
- 8) You always have the feeling that someone is watching you, but by the time you turn to look they're gone.

## Kansas City Chapter Monthly Meeting

January 18, 2010

11:30 - 1:00 pm

### Soil Fertility Management

Jewish Community Campus

5801 W 115th St

Overland Park, Kansas

This seminar outlines an approach to landscape maintenance called Soil Fertility Management which focuses on a more sustainable method of landscape management. The seminar explains how facility managers can use soil, water and plant tissue testing to diagnose the actual issues with their landscapes, and then using that information, how they can create custom chemical treatments for their properties and deliver those treatments via fertigation through their irrigation systems. The end result of this approach is that the manager can dramatically reduce inputs such as water, chemicals and labor into their property while simultaneously achieving much better looking and healthier landscapes.