THE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE...

“Ladies and gentlemen
On behalf of all the people who have assembled here
I would merely like to mention if I may
That our unanimous attitude
Is one of lasting gratitude ….
And therefore I would simply like to say
Thank you very much!
Thank you very much! “  Lyrics from the Musical Scrooge

These lyrics are resounding in my last month as your IFMA Richmond Chapter President. I have an attitude of gratitude to all of the IFMA Richmond Chapter Membership.

The Board members. Their passion for moving forward the mission of the chapter and IFMA National is indicative at every board meeting. They volunteer their time in meetings coordinating monthly events and programs for the membership, while being fiscally responsible. Thank you very much!

The membership. We have over 110 professional members. 1 out of 3 professional members are certified with some type of IFMA credential – CFM, FMP, and SFP - and we recently had a Sustainable Facility Professional – SFP – Program. Our Associate members stepped up to our Annual Sponsorship and monthly meeting Sponsorship. Thank you very much!

We had a wonderful Golf Tournament that raised $10,000.00 for our two charities, where we had again members volunteering their Saturdays. Thank you very much!

We had an awesome 30th Anniversary! We are one of the oldest IFMA chapters. We had an IFMA National representative and several past presidents present. A milestone celebrated in grand fashion. Thank you very much!

Barbe, as our administrator, keeps us all organized. Thank you, Barbe, very much!

MEETINGS

June 2015 Membership Meeting
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2015
Time: 5:00 pm
Place: The Diamond
Program: Squirrelarama
Cost: Members $15  Members w/ Cert. $10
    Non-Members $35
RSVP: By Thursday June 4, 2015

Next Board Meeting:
Date: Tuesday, July 7, 2015
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Place: Dominion Innsbrook Building

Next Membership Meeting:
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2015
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Congratulations are in order to Chapter Administrator Barbe Shaffer, who was honored at the CSI Awards Banquet in Philadelphia on Saturday, May 2 as she received the Distinguished Service Award for the Mid-Atlantic Region. This award is given to an individual who has rendered distinguished services to the Region in the advancement of its objectives or in its administration, and is the highest honor the Region can bestow on an individual. Well done, Barbe, and apparently well deserved.

Also to Art Bykonen, who I noticed and mentioned at the March meeting as being embarked on a serious weight loss program. Now at the May meeting, I did a double take as he has dropped 150 pounds, and really looks slim and trim in his new wardrobe. Very impressive & well done, Art! We all know how difficult that achievement is and are proud of you for sticking with it.

Being involved with the CARITAS homeless shelter program at my Church (Trinity Methodist on Forest Avenue) gives me the opportunity to catch up with several IFMA types who are also church members and helping with the program. In addition to Mark Friedrich who is a regular CARITAS volunteer, as he has been on our Rebuilding Together and Habitat projects, Sidney Buford is still working on the project upgrading the Library down at John Tyler Community College, and Rob Skipper is still with Emerald Construction, working on a number of projects, including one up in Fredericksburg.

Another familiar name and face noted in the Times-Dispatch Business Section as Doug Hilemn joins Eagle Commercial Construction, handling Pre-Construction, Business Development, and Project Management. Best of luck in your new affiliation, Doug!

Sorry to see the Bull & Bear Club closing on 5/31 after almost 50 years in operation, most recently on the 21st floor of One James Center. As the site of the Chapter’s 1989 and 2003 Christmas Parties and several other Chapter functions in the early years, it brings back favorable memories of good food and service, with a great view.

Other news on the always changing Restaurant front features long time favorite (and I thought the very first Thai Restaurant in town, with a very pleasant patio area) Beauregard's Thai Room changing hands and becoming Sangjun, while the super popular Peter Chang's takes a ten year lease on the iconic Hofheimer Building on Broad just west of Boulevard for their second location in the area. Almost next door to the Joy Garden (another long time Chinese restaurant fixture in the area) which has been limping along recently, Peter Chang's will certainly finish them off, once they open, as Scott's Addition continues to be the hot spot for redevelopment.
MEMBERSHIP CORNER
By Julie Mutcher, Membership Committee Chair

Welcome to our newest members!

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Looking for help on a particular problem or issue?
One of our member vendors may have just the solution you’re looking for. Be sure to check them out and use their services if applicable.
Go to www.IFMARichmond.org, Community, Vendor Database and click on the link supplied.
Rebuilding Together – Richmond Project Day – 2015 – follow up

By Barbe Shaffer

On Project Day, we had approximately 21 volunteers from IFMA Members, family members and friends. We had a good day, but the rain prevented us from completing a couple of projects plus we ended up with some missing parts for the railing.

Thanks to a small team (Ranny Robertson, Mike Maroney, Jim Mallon, Mark Friedrich, and me), we came back a couple of weeks later and completed the railings, installed a new light fixture, sealed the gutters, installed a new oven door, and added a better retro-fit to the toilet. Looks like a brand new house.

What a great organization to have so many members that are willing to give of their time to help out.

BEFORE

AFTER

Editor’s Note: For a complete write up on the event refer to page 8 of the May issue of our newsletter
STRIVE FOR FIVE 2015 PROGRAM

We want YOU, OUR MEMBERS, to participate in our monthly meetings, our professional breakfasts, and Rebuilding Together - Richmond.

From January 2015 through June 2015, any member participating in at least (5) IFMA National and/or Richmond Chapter events, the member's name will be put into a drawing. The drawing will be held at our Annual Meeting at Squirrelarama at the Diamond on Tuesday June 9, 2015.

There will be several $100.00 Gift Certificates and Prizes randomly drawn from the members that have participated in at least (5) events. You can be a winner in so many ways!

Come attend and participate in IFMA and STRIVE FOR FIVE!

Visit our New & Improved Local Chapter Web Site

www.ifmarlrichmond.org

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Our IFMA Richmond Chapter is very fortunate to have our rich past and our enriching present. With the 2015-2016 Board, the future of the IFMA Richmond Chapter is in good hands. “Thank you very much! Thank you very much!”
More competition in the Sports Training arena as former Genworth CEO Michael Fraizer (who bought the Richmond Raider indoor football team and then had difficulty finding them a practice facility) builds a 50,000 sq. ft. facility just east of Rt. 301 up near Hanover HS (that's the blue building over behind the new Dollar General). With the Raiders practicing there since early this year, they've just had their official Grand Opening, and have called the venture Sports Reality.

Another new name to get used to as MeadWestvaco merges with Rock-Tenn and the combined packaging firm will call themselves WestRock, with Rock-Tenn's CEO Steve Voorhees becoming the CEO of the new company.

And no surprises at the top of the Times-Dispatch's Top Employers List as Capital One again holds down the #1 spot with 11,491, trailed by the three big hospital operations (VCU, HCA & Bon Secours), Walmart, and Dominion Resources.

Lots of nice improvements getting pushed as September and the World Bicycling Championships gets closer. Landscaping at City gateway exits off I-95 at Boulevard and I-195 at Cary/Grove really look good. Hope they can maintain them that way without nearby water as time goes on. Kanawha Plaza design finally gets approved, after the two planning bodies throw their weight around, and I think Dominion (who is picking up the tab for much of the work) might have leaned on somebody a little. Work should now begin in June, and if they can get that one done by the time the World's starts (9/19 is the first event) it will be a real achievement.

Also hope that the Capital Trail, which everyone seems to keep saying will be complete by the Worlds, gets finished by then. I remain somewhat skeptical, but am rooting for them, as progress is noticeable, but a lot of work remains, and time is getting short.

Some angst among sports fans of area schools as the practice accelerates of players transferring to get additional playing time if it doesn't look like they will be first string, or if there is a change of coaches. VCU basketball gets hit by the latter, while UVA football is finding itself short of back up quarterbacks, ands U of R sees their top shot blocker transfer to the U. of Pittsburg.

Also from the Sports section, no complaints as Stephen Curry is named MVP of the NBA, as he's well on his way to becoming the best long range shooter in the history of the game. Coming out of high school in Charlotte, he really wanted to go to Tech, in his father Dell's footsteps, but Coach Seth Greenberg had no scholarships available so he ended up at Davidson, where he really blossomed, and the rest is history.

And there has got to be something wrong with our tax system when I read that Apple has $193 billion in cash and investments, but $171 billion of it was made out of the country. In order to avoid paying the taxes by bringing the funds back on shore, they have borrowed nearly $44 billion in order to pay dividends or buy back stock. I know we are trying to support local industry, but there must be a way to solve this problem with all the great thinkers we have in Washington.
This year’s GOLF TOURNAMENT will be held on Monday, September 21, 2015
Hermitage Country Club

Contact Tim Hume at 804-708-8927 or e-mail timh@hermitagecountryclub.com regarding sponsorship availability.
A warm but breezy evening as 53 found their way to the Harley Davidson dealership on 5/12 for the meeting. Those of us who don’t come regularly to the Northlake area find new buildings springing up on each visit, and were thankful to Barbe Shaffer for planting the several IFMA signs to guide us into the meeting site past the huge lot of McGeorge RVs. Entering the showroom filled with sparkling new motorcycles, most with price tags in the 20’s (and slogans on the wall like “Ride Hard or Stay Home”), I saw no evidence of our group. Asking a staff person where the meeting was, I was directed to the stairs which led to the spacious, 10,000 s.f. Meeting Room on the 2nd floor. Up the steps and there they were down at the far end, socializing and enjoying the refreshments provided by Sophisticated Soirees. Once again, Sophisticated Soirees’ Andrea Huntjens had come up with something different in addition to her very popular crab balls and the usual attractive assortment of veggies. This time it was a three tier rack holding what looked like deviled eggs at first glance. Upon further examination, and checking with earlier arrivals, however, the fillings turned out to be roasted red pepper hummus, traditional hummus, and a spinach creation, all of which were very tasty.

In due course, President Connie convened the meeting and we took our seats around the circular tables and along the back wall. New members Pam Gover of Office Movers and Jim Bowman of Unique Building Maintenance Enterprises were welcomed and briefly introduced themselves. Past President Jim Mallon was then called upon to conduct the election of officers for the new fiscal year, which he handled smoothly. There being no nominations from the floor, the Nominating Committee’s slate of Harvey Jones for President, Kathy Taylor for Vice President, and returnees Steve Pancham for Secretary & Bernadette Coleman for Treasurer were elected unanimously by acclamation to be installed and take office at next month’s meeting at the Diamond.

Next up, Karen Frebert reported on our upcoming meetings, with our social at the Diamond with the Squirrels on June 9, followed by our return visit to the completed CORT showroom on the Boulevard on July 14, and the postponed visit to the Gateway Building Downtown on August 11. Then came Tim Hume reminding us of the Sept. 21st Golf Tournament which again is being held at Hermitage CC, and asking any of the participants from last year to confirm whether they will be returning as he has new participants ready to step in, if they are not.

Connie then recognized all of the Chapter’s Annual Sponsors as you see them listed on the next to last page before introducing Mark Woodcock, representing CII Services, our sponsor for this meeting, who described his firm to us.

Next Connie introduced Greg Haley, the President of Haley Builders, the GC on this project, who called up and introduced the members who were present of the team that were involved in this $6.5 million Project. Soon he had Steve Haley & David Hanky of his firm, Mike Bricker from Architect & Structural Engineering firm Balzer & Associates, and Tom Rockecharlie from MEP Engineering firm Simmons,

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Rockecharlie & Prince standing in a long line beside him behind the table at the front, available to answer questions about the project.

Having been handed Design/Build responsibility along with Harley Davidson's requirements for their prototype SIGNATURE store, with the mission of expanding and relocating the existing dealership which had been a couple of miles away over on Rt. 1 since 2001, they decided to use a pre-engineered metal building. It was delivered to the site on December 1, 2013 and ready for a grand opening 9 months later on 9/1/14. At 56,000 sq. ft. (about 20,000 more than the Rt. 1 facility), the building contains a number of features to support the Harley Davidson philosophy, which treats their customers as members of a “CLUB”. The spacious 10,000 sq. ft. room above the sales floor in which we were meeting was designed to accommodate club meetings, expos, and other events, with a kitchen, both interior (overlooking the sales floor) & exterior (overlooking the safety training course and stage to the side) decks. Driver training courses, rides, and rallies are regularly offered and supported here. The outside stage will permit concerts to be offered. Many of the features (such as the kitchen) are preceded by HOG which is the Harley nickname, and also used as their stock symbol on the NYSE.

During the tour following the presentation and questions, after going outside to view the training course and stage, we re-entered the sales floor and checked out (and some sat on the seats of) the shiny inventory of “hogs” (the biggest ticket on which I noted to be close to 40K). Then it was over to the clean and orderly Service Department, which is staffed by 8 mechanics and two assistants. Adjoining that department is a good sized room containing a number of “hogs” being stored there for members, apparently most heavily used during the winter months, but a popular service year around for those who might need it. Concerts and club events are always open to the public, the schedule for which can be found on www.richmondharity.com and click on Events. Big concerts coming up are Confederate Railroad on Friday, 6/5 and Rosie Soul & the Rock & Roll Cowboys on Saturday 7/11 with tickets available at the store.

Thus ended another interesting meeting and tour. Now we know what's in there as we whiz by their great exposure on I-95. Thanks to Karen Frebert for arranging it with the help of H-D's Marketing/Events Coordinator Amee Wilson, our hostess for the evening! Thanks also to Mark Woodcock, and CII Services for their sponsorship; and to Greg Haley and his Design/Build team for his presentation and their question answering and comments.
New Payment Processing: Sign Up Genius!

In an effort to make signing up for events more efficient and user-friendly, IFMA Richmond Chapter is utilizing Sign-Up Genius!

Below the calendar of events on the web site, you will see a yellow button labeled “Sign Up! Sign Up Genius”.

To sign up and pay for upcoming events, click the yellow button.

Once you click on the button, you will be taken to the event page for which you would like to register. There are several options or “Slots” listed. Choose the appropriate option by “checking” the orange “Sign Up” box within the selection.

Once the option has been selected, click the light blue “Submit and Sign Up” button at the bottom of the event page. You will then be taken to a page where you will be prompted to enter your first name, last name, email (entered twice).

There is an option to create an account with Sign Up Genius (this is not a requirement). You may also select to have an iCalendar reminder of the event sent to your email.

If paying by credit card or via Pay Pal, click the orange button that says, “Sign Up and Pay Now.”

You will be taken to a secure payment page (payments are processed by Pay Pal; however, you are not required to have a Pay Pal account to pay for events). If not paying by Pay Pal, choose the second option (Pay with a debit, or credit card, or Pay Pal credit).

Once you make your selection, you will be taken to the payment processing page. Once the payment has been processed, you will receive a confirmation email that your registration is complete.

No Shows will be billed unless you cancel your registration 24 hours prior by email to: ifmarichva@gmail.com
Richmond Chapter Monthly Meeting
June 9, 2015

- The ORC birthday zone on the 1st base line will be reserved for IFMA.
- 5:00 pm to 6:00: Registration and hot dog, hamburger, chips and soft drink buffet, games and induction of 2015-2016 Officers.
- 6:15 PM, take our seats, which will be a block of lower level seating.
- Harvey Jones to throw out the first pitch.
- Bud Vye will be on the Flying Squirrels Radio Network to promote what IFMA is doing.
- Presentation by Parney and autograph session by players and coaches.

Where:
IFMA NIGHT WITH THE FLYING SQUIRRELS “Squirrelarama”
Richmond Flying Squirrels vs Portland
Registration/Food starting at 5:00
Game starts at 6:35 PM
Park in main lot for $3.00

RSVP by:
Thursday, June 4, 2015
Simply e-mail Barbe Shaffer at ifmarichva@gmail.com
or register on our website at www.ifmarichmond.org
and pay by PAYPAL

COST:
Members w/certification - $10
Members - $15
Member Spouse - $15
Children - $10
Non-Member - $35
Non-Member spouse - $35
Fees include cost of food and admission to game

Registrations are required. An additional $5 will be charged at registration if you have not registered prior to the event.

Credit card payments accepted at the door.

Be sure to include your guests name and company

No Shows will be billed
June Meeting

Richmond Flying Squirrels
VS Portland
The Diamond
Tuesday, June 9th
5:00 PM

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