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September Monthly Meeting

Date: September 9, 2008

Location: KONE Inc
4225 Naperville Rd., Suite 400
Lisle, IL 60532

Speaker: Nick Kretchmer, Service Sales Manager
Brian Cave, New Equipment Sales Manager

Topic: Elevator Maintenance and "Green" Product Offerings

About our Speakers:

Nick Kretchmer and Brian Cave bring over 20 years of elevator and escalator industry experience. Nick worked as Service Sales Representative in KONE's Peoria office and Rockford office before being promoted to Service Sales Manager of the Milwaukee branch in 2005. He recently relocated to the Chicago land area where he assumes his current position of Service Sales Manager of KONE's Chicago operation. Nick is responsible for working with property managers of the top service accounts in the city, while overseeing and assisting 6 service sales representatives that manage the remaining accounts throughout the Chicago land and Northwest Indiana area.

Brian has worked in New Equipment Sales in our Boston, Baltimore, Denver, Corporate, and Chicago offices. Brian is currently the New Equipment Sales Manager for the Chicago operation and is responsible for overseeing and assisting 3 new equipment sales representatives that sell and manage work throughout the Chicago land and Northwest Indiana area. Brian works with the top area architects in design and layout of vertical transportation equipment in a wide variety of projects, including some of the high-rise buildings being built in Chicago. Brian also works with developers and property managers on developing the best possible vertical transportation systems for their properties.

About our Program:

Our presentation will focus on the importance of a preventative maintenance program for your vertical transportation equipment, and outline the new Illinois Code Requirements enforced by the State Fire Marshal. We will also touch on our new environmentally safe product offerings that provide significant energy cost savings and enhance elevator safety and performance.

About our Site:

After 104 years as Montgomery Elevator, a privately held, family-owned elevator company, we merged with KONE of Finland making us the fourth largest Elevator Company in the world. KONE's objective is to offer the best people flow experience by developing and delivering solutions that enable people to move smoothly, safely, comfortably and without waiting in buildings in an increasingly urbanizing environment. KONE provides its customers with industry-leading elevators, escalators and innovative solutions for modernization and maintenance, and is one of the global leaders in its industry. KONE is present in around 50 countries worldwide. It has eight production units in all main markets and seven global R&D centers. KONE's head office is based in Helsinki in Finland and the North America Headquarters is based in Lisle, IL.

KONE's key customers are builders, building owners, facility managers and developers. In addition, architects and consultants are key parties in the decision-making process regarding elevators and escalators.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no career services meeting prior to the general meeting.

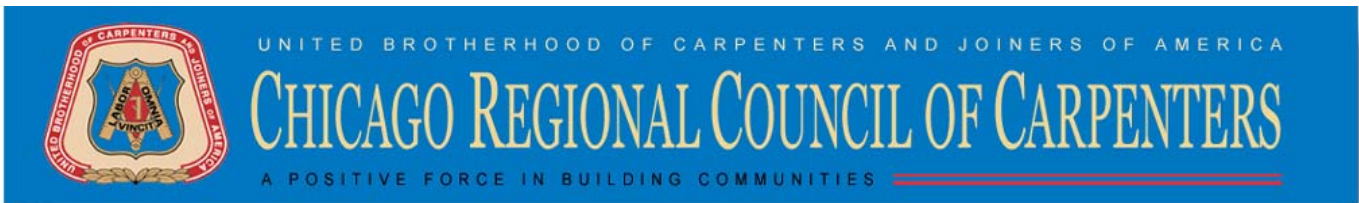
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President's Message—Julie Bizer, FMA



Baseball, Hotdogs, Apple Pie and Blackhawks?! Just kidding, I know it ends with some automobile..... but we certainly were excited to meet Reggie Kerr from the Blackhawks at our Schaumburg Flyers outing August 5! Reggie Kerr and Peter Marsh each donated autographed Blackhawk jersey's which we raffled off to the group, donations going to Children's Memorial Hospital. Congratulations to our winners! Flyers won that night 6-5 against the KC T-Bones. Also thanks to our Programming Committee, Michael DeCaluwe and Kristen DeBlock for setting up the event!

Did you know about our upcoming **Associate Showcase**?! We are having an Associate Showcase in November to promote our active Associate member business. I think everyone on the board is really excited to see this in the works. Seaby and Kristen will keep you posted on the event! You can even earn IFMA Bucks.

Not hoping to sounds like a broken record, but I am, once again, encouraged by the interest from members wanting to volunteer and get involved on our Committees. This month, we recruited 3 new volunteers, Bill Karmell, Brian Lee and Robin Schaefer. Please introduce yourselves to these great members. Welcome! ...Think about who you know and how you can create enthusiasm for other facility managers and associate members to join our IFMA NI team!

Upcoming GOOD NEWS:

- New Name Badges are “in the works” – soon everyone will have badges, plus new members and changes to names/companies will be quicker and easier for our Hospitality Committee to keep up with
- New NI IFMA Website is “in the works” – Michele Stone is working with a firm to get us into the 21st Century on our website. We are super excited!
- KUDO's: Our chapter was mentioned in the Headquarters as having over 3% increase in membership in one month! Great job Membership Committee and all that our members do to talk up our chapter!
- WE NEED YOU: We really need a Newsletter Committee member to get monthly “associate and professional “spotlights” into the newsletter. If you have time to help out, please let me know.

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CFM Review

The Northern Illinois Chapter is very excited to announce that a CFM Review Workshop will be offered this fall on two consecutive Saturdays September 27 & October 4.

As you may be aware Recently IFMA improved its CFM Review Course and the Northern Illinois chapter has adopted the new material. Whereas our old session spent most of its time on the how of being an FM, the new session taught by an IFMA trained instructor focuses almost exclusively on the why or strategy of being an FM. So even if you have sat in the session before it is worth taking another look.

The session will be held over two consecutive Saturdays and is designed to give you the best chance to pass the exam. In past years our sessions have helped many members earn their CFM. This session aims to continue that success.

To sign up of for the CFM Review click the following link: <http://guest.cvent.com/i.aspx?4W.M3.0ad3467e-e08b-418b-af6b-ccc1811b9b71> The fee for the course is \$125.

Fast fact: Members who attend the CFM Review have a 10% higher pass rate than members who do not take this course. Additionally, records show those taking the exam right after these sessions have the highest pass rates.

Right after you sign up for the NI CFM Review its time to stop thinking about sitting for the CFM Exam and start doing, pull the trigger, take the plunge and (fill in the blank with your favorite inspirational cliché) _____. Sign up to take the CFM Exam at the IFMA.org website by clicking on the following link: https://www.ifma.org/secure/learning/certification_app.cfm . Quick tip- Open your resume or work history so you can copy and paste it into the on-line application.

Please note: In order to keep the Review cost down we need your reservation and payment by September 2, 2008. IFMA International needs a three-week lead time to print and ship the course books and material. Reservations made after the deadline will be subject to higher shipping fees (assuming the books can be ordered).

The CFM Review will be limited to 20 members. Please e-mail course instructor Mark Kischner, CFM at mkischner@comcast.net if you have any questions about the class or signing up for the exam.



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Please know that we welcome your suggestions and comments. This year the Board and Committee members really want to hear YOUR voice too!

WORLD WORKPLACE is coming up in October – be sure to get your reservations in early!

I look forward to seeing you at the September meeting at Kone Elevators and Escalators in Lisle. Enjoy the remaining dog days of summer! They are going quickly.....

Happy Birthday, InfoShare!—Cecilia Herdegen, CFM

Just a reminder that NI's INFOSHARE e-service is alive and well and available only to you - the Northern Illinois Chapter of IFMA member. This chapter service celebrated its 7th birthday on August 22 - and has relayed almost 100 member requests for information to NI membership!

Did you know that NI members also have access to archived INFOSHAREs? Just go to http://www.ifmani.com/contact_infoshare_archived.htm, review the list, and email INFOSHARE@ifmani.com with any previous requests that you might like to review.

Haven't been receiving INFOSHARE e-mails? Then be sure to forward your up-to-date e-mail address to INFOSHARE@ifmani.com today - you don't want to miss out!

INFOSHARE has received a lot of positive feedback. It's terrific to see members quickly and (hopefully!) easily relaying information to each other - in a timely fashion unheard of just a few years ago.

Here's a review of how INFOSHARE works:

If you have a question you'd like emailed to NI members as an INFOSHARE request, forward it to infoshare@ifmani.com. If several requests are received within a close timeframe, INFOSHARE will broadcast all of them in one email (to minimize the number of emails you receive from the Chapter).

Any and all responses will be forwarded to the NI member who asked the question, and will not be reviewed, revised, edited, endorsed/not endorsed by any IFMA/NI board members.

INFOSHARE inquiries in each email will be numbered for response. If more than one request is in the email, reference the inquiry number in your response so it can be forwarded promptly and correctly. Otherwise, simply click on REPLY in your email system and you're on your way!

The email address from which you responded will be forwarded to the member along with your response UNLESS you specifically state in the response that your contact information not be forwarded.

Two important bits of INFOSHARE feedback:

If possible, please try to email a reply to those responding to your INFOSHARE request. INFOSHARE has received input that folks love the service but often wonder if their input was useful because they never received feedback from the requester. Occasionally an INFOSHARE request results in an email from another member in search of the same information. Within reason, INFOSHARE will attempt to honor requests to forward the same responses AFTER THE ORIGINAL REQUESTOR HAS RECEIVED THEM.

As always, we want to hear from ANY of you about this service at INFOSHARE@ifmani.com to ensure it still is meeting the needs of Northern Illinois chapter members. Thanks for your input and all the terrific member responses to date.

August Baseball Photos



Welcome New NI IFMA Volunteers!

We are excited to announce that NI IFMA has some new Committee Volunteers. Please join me in welcoming our newest volunteers:

- Bill Karmell, Parvin Klauss to help out on our Membership Committee
- Brian Lee, Emcor Facilities Services to assist with Membership and Networking Committees
- Robin Pырchalla, Schaefer Greenhouses to assist Community Services and Hospitality Committees



Bill will assist Kim Murphy and her Committee team members with ramping up our Membership drives and programs, as well as assisting with the upcoming Auction in November! Welcome Bill!

Brian will assist Kim and Ted Kubek on their teams to enhance our networking and membership programs, including IFMA Bucks!

Robin will assist Ron Zingler and the hospitality committee to check all of our members and guests at our monthly meetings. She will also assist Rob Wold and Sue Wagoner with our Community Service events.

Get involved in IFMA! If you want to join the team, please contact Julie Bizer at bizerj@vankampen.com or 630-684-6247.

Upcoming Changes

In providing education as well as excellent meals at our monthly meetings, the Board has agreed to raise monthly fees by \$5. Yearly dues will remain the same at \$92 a year for Northern Illinois. Effective January 1, 2009, costs will be as follows:

Member monthly meeting costs = \$30

Guests and Non-member costs = \$35.

Punch Cards = \$180

We have been lucky enough to find great sites with the budget we have had in the past. However, with the recent economic conditions, and our last increase back in 2004, our monthly dollars are not going as far as they used to.

All current Punch cards will be honored, without any additional fee, when the change takes place. Therefore, **this is a terrific opportunity to purchase a punch card in advance of 2009 at the current meeting rate of \$150 (\$25 x 6)!**

What's a punch card? A punch card is a pre-paid card that can get you into our monthly meetings. The punch card is good for 6 meetings and you pre-pay \$150 (\$25 per meeting vs. \$30). If you require additional information or would like an invoice, contact Kathy Daloia, our chapter administrator at 847-821-8243 or e-mail to chapteradministrator@ifmani.com.

Also in January, please note that IFMA headquarters will be raising dues to belong to IFMA by \$10. IFMA dues will be \$179.

Upcoming Events

Illinois Council of Air conditioning and Refrigeration Educators (ICARE) is sponsoring an educational meeting on September 25, 2008 from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. There is no cost for the registration. See details below.

DCEO S Second Annual Energy Summit for Local Government & Education
Hosted by: ICARE at Oakton Community College
September 25, 2008

The Illinois Council of Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Educators is a not for profit group to keep education abreast of the newest technologies and promote education in the HVACR and related areas.

To register, please contact Chad Ganger, chad@oakton.edu

NRCA conducts educational programs for facility managers and building owners making roof buying and roof maintenance decisions. NRCA offers programs regarding roof system selection, repair and maintenance, roof asset management and energy-efficient roof system design.

Roof Repair and Maintenance **Sept. 8-10 Chicago**

Roof system maintenance is the single most important factor (after proper application) for determining a roof system's life span and cost. This three-day course gives you a solid foundation of roof system basics and an overview of the major low- and steep-slope roof systems. Also, during this course you will:

- Receive hands-on training to repair common low- and steep-slope roof systems
- Learn how to conduct visual inspections and discuss leak finding techniques
- Understand OSHA's roofing safety requirements



Roof Inspection, Diagnosis and Repair **Sept. 11-12 Chicago and Nov. 19-20 Orlando, Fla.**

This two-day course teaches you how to conduct roof system inspections and how to document and evaluate your findings to prioritize repair strategies and establish preventive maintenance plans. Emergency/temporary repair procedures for several common low-slope roof systems also are discussed. Topics include:

- Evaluating interior and exterior roof conditions
- Common causes of roof leaks and leak-finding methods
- New software technologies that document roof inspection findings
- Manufacturer warranties and maintenance requirements
- Life-cycle cost analysis for roof systems

NRCA's Online Learning Programs—available at nrca.net/nrcauniversity

Roofing 101

This online program provides the easiest, most cost-effective way to learn roofing industry basics. It addresses basic roofing terminology, roof assembly components and roof systems. You will learn about design issues, application methods, maintenance requirements and safety concerns for:

- Major low-slope roof systems, including built-up, polymer-modified bitumen, single-ply, spray polyurethane foam and structural metal
- Major steep-slope roof systems, including, asphalt shingles, wood shakes and shingles, clay and concrete tile, slate and architectural metal

Roofing 101 consists of five self-paced learning modules requiring about one hour each to complete. Animation, graphics, videos and interactive learning activities combine to create a fun, effective learning experience.

*SpecRight Program

Get up-to-date information about roof systems, energy and the environment from this new online program based on the SpecRight Program training conference. *Available in Fall 2008*

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Accreditation:

All programs qualify for International Association for Continuing Education and Training Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

All programs qualify for American Institute of Architects Continuing Education System Learning Units (LUs)

Several courses are approved for Florida Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB) credit hours.

About NRCA

Established in 1886, the National Roofing Contractors Association is one of the U.S. construction industry's oldest and most respected trade associations. Thousands of roofing professionals have benefited from NRCA's history as leader in the advancement of the U.S. roofing industry. Get the knowledge you need to protect and extend your roof system investments by attending NRCA programs designed specially for facility managers and building owners.

For more information about these programs, visit www.nrca.net/nrcauniversity or contact NRCA's Customer Service Department at (866) ASK-NRCA (275-6722).

From IFMA Headquarters

The International Facility Management Association is pleased to announce the formation of the Restaurant and Food Service Facility Managers Community, a new community of practice for those who manage facilities in the restaurant and food service industries. IFMA's communities of practice are organized special interest groups that unite members of specific industries not represented by IFMA councils. The new community will provide a network for restaurant and food service professionals to connect with one another, share resources and take advantage of continuing education opportunities.

"As more facility managers are being asked to manage outsourced food service, this community will provide them with a network to benchmark best practices and share experiences among their peers," said Matt Mundok of Innovative Hospitality Solutions. "The community will be a link between facility managers and food service industry leaders and will enhance the knowledge of those responsible for managing food service relationships and programs."

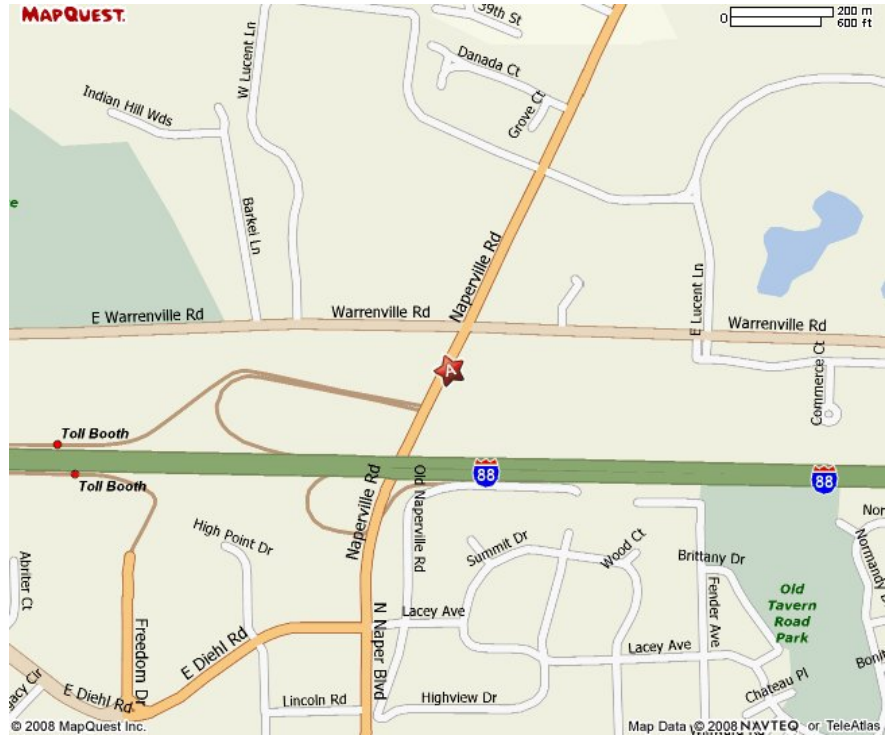
To learn more about joining the Restaurant and Food Service Facility Managers Community, contact Kari Stein, IFMA council development specialist, at 713-623-4362 or kari.stein@ifma.org.



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FROM CHICAGO:

Take I-290 (Eisenhower Expressway). Keep left to I-88. Take the Naperville Rd exit. Turn left onto Naperville Rd.



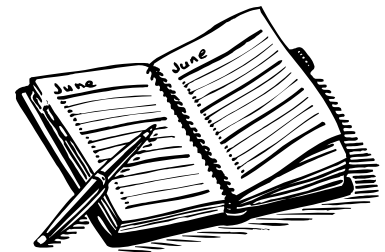
NI CALENDAR

September 8
 NOTE: 2nd Tuesday of the Month!
[Monthly General Meeting](#)
 KONE Inc.
 Lisle, IL
 Topic: Elevator Maintenance & Green Product Offerings

September 12
 Last day for 50% Refund of Cancelled Registration for World Workplace 2008

September 27 & October 4
[CFM Review Workshop](#)
 Email Mark Kischner, CFM at mkischner@comcast.net for more information or if you can be a local host site for up to 20 attendees

October 15-17, 2008
 World Workplace 2008
 Dallas Convention Center
 Dallas, TX
www.worldworkplace.org/2008/



2008-09 IFMA/NI Board Meetings
September 17
October 15
November 12

Mark your FM Calendar

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note: the following information is provided solely as a convenient listing for IFMA/NI members. Further details may be learned by contacting each group as listed below.

September 9

Green or Sustainable Construction in Illinois

Hilton Garden Inn
Hoffman Estates, IL
Lorman Education Services
(866) 352-9539
www.lorman.com

September 10

The Basics of Facilities Management

Holiday Inn
Rockford, IL
Keye Productivity Center/National Seminars Training
(800) 258-7246
www.nationalseminarstraining.com

September 11

The Basics of Facilities Management

Oak Lawn Hilton & Conference Center
Oak Lawn, IL
Keye Productivity Center/National Seminars Training
(800) 258-7246
www.nationalseminarstraining.com

September 12

The Basics of Facilities Management

Chicago City Centre Hotel
Chicago, IL
Keye Productivity Center/National Seminars Training
(800) 258-7246
www.nationalseminarstraining.com

September 15-16

The Green Building Process: Real-World Strategies and Tools

The University of Wisconsin-Madison
College of Engineering-Department of Engineering Professional Development
The Pyle Center
Madison, WI
(800) 462-0876
<http://epd.engr.wisc.edu/>

September 16-17

Facility Decisions Conference & Expo
Mandalay Bay Convention Center
Las Vegas, NV
(800) 727-7995 x344
www.facilitydecisions.com

September 18

What to Do When Construction Projects Go Bad in Illinois
Holiday Inn Itasca
Itasca, IL
Lorman Education Services
(866) 352-9539
www.lorman.com

September 18

Recent Developments, Trends and Best Practices in Electronic Discovery and Records Management in Illinois
Holiday Inn Itasca
Itasca, IL
Lorman Education Services
(866) 352-9539
www.lorman.com

September 18-19

Sustainable Facility Management
Chicago, IL
FM Collaborative
(540) 751-2023
www.fmcollaborative.com

September 19

Why Build Green in Illinois
DoubleTree Guest Suites
Downers Grove, IL
Lorman education Services
(866) 352-9539
www.lorman.com

September 22-25

Plant Engineering Show
Donald E Stephens Convention Center
Rosemont, IL
www.manufacturingweek.com

September 29

Workplace Safety & OSHA Compliance 2008
Residence Inn
Oak Brook, IL
(800) 258-7246
www.nationalseminarstraining.com

October 2-3

Green + Design Conference and Expo
Georgia World Congress Center
Atlanta, GA
www.greendesignexpo.com

October 14

Construction Lien Law in Illinois
DoubleTree Guest Suites
Downers Grove, IL
(866) 352-9539
www.lorman.com

October 15

The Schaumburg Conference on OSHA Compliance 2008
AmeriSuites Hotel
Schaumburg, IL
(800) 601-4636
www.skillpath.com

October 15-17

World Workplace 2008
Dallas Convention Center
Dallas, TX
www.worldworkplace.org/2008/

October 21

Workplace Safety & OSHA Compliance 2008
Holiday Inn
Rockford, IL
(800) 258-7246
www.nationalseminarstraining.com

October 22

Workplace Safety & OSHA Compliance 2008
European Crystal Banquet Center
Arlington Heights, IL
(800) 258-7246
www.nationalseminarstraining.com

October 23

Workplace Safety & OSHA Compliance 2008
Wingate Hotel
Tinley Park, IL
(800) 258-7246
www.nationalseminarstraining.com