



PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

We’re one week into fall and the temperatures have dropped almost on queue – which is unusual but most welcomed in North Texas! So happy fall y’all!



It’s now over two months past our scheduled “International Facility Management Excellence (IFME)” celebration at Dickies Arena. COVID hit and we had to postpone that plan and we were not allowed the opportunity of an alternative tribute. This month, we decided we could wait no longer to announce our winners....SO, I am now pleased to congratulate this year’s recipients!! Separately, but formally presented by members of the board, the following members were presented with their awards in the past few days:

- Austin Sanders**, NETSCOUT - Facility Manager of the Year
- Didi Wykes**, CFM, Facebook - Professional of the Year
- Belva Lowry**, Strategic Development Alliance - Rookie of the Year
- Dewayne Holley**, GBS Group - Associate & Committee Member of the Year
- Zoe Freeman** - President’s Award

Please congratulate these hard-working, spectacular people next time you see them!

If you missed the deadline for the **online SFP course** we’ve been offering, I’ve got good news for you! The course date has been pushed back to the first half of 2021 and we extended the registration period until then. Please see more details on page 3 under Committee Updates.

Our **Nov. 2nd golf tournament at The Tribute** is really coming together in a big way! We currently have 91 players signed up, and sponsorships have been taken by 15 companies (see page 6). We have additional player and sponsor spots available, but please decide by Friday, Oct. 16th as the committee will need the last couple weeks of the month to prepare for the tournament. I hope you will consider the opportunity, if possible. It will be great fun! And remember every cart will have business partners and facility managers combined for great conversation and networking! You can view what’s available by going to the golf website [HERE](#).

As I’m sure you’ve heard, the **40th Anniversary of World Workplace will be delivered virtually only on Dec. 9th and 10th**...For more information about the revised event, click [HERE](#).

Another reminder – be sure to reserve **Thursday, Dec. 17th for our holiday party at House of Blues**. The planning, recruiting of sponsors and registration opportunities for this event will get underway in the next few weeks. Stay tuned for more details!

On behalf of the Board of Directors, please, stay safe and healthy!

Sincerely,

Lisa Wells, FMP
IFMA DFW Chapter President

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FM SPOTLIGHT



Name: Yvette Rubio

Title: Senior Facilities Manager

Company: Alkami Technology

Joined IFMA: 2019

How did you get into the FM field?

I was a Sr. Project Manager overseeing multiple construction projects for 20 years. This past year, in June 2019, I was given the opportunity to join Alkami Technology as a contractor to assist with its daily facilities operations and an expansion project. That participation lead into a career opportunity as a Facilities Manager. I have since then been promoted to Senior Facilities Manager and continue to gain valuable experience in this field daily. I look forward to the opportunity to manage and lead Alkami's corporate facilities and real estate portfolio as Alkami experiences its own corporate growth.

Of what accomplishment are you most proud?

Being a first generation Hispanic to obtain a college degree has been a huge accomplishment for me personally and for my family. One of the best parts of my professional career is that I have had the opportunity to travel both domestically and internationally which was a "little girl's" dream that I had. But most importantly I have been blessed with great managers that have allowed me to grow professionally.

What has been your biggest challenge or obstacle?

My biggest challenge this year has been switching hats between a Project Manager role and a Facilities Manager. As a Facility Manager, you have to look at the daily and long-term effects of your decisions and responsibilities versus as a Project Manager you accomplish a set number of tasks to reach your goal and then you move forward to the next project. However, the years as a Sr. Project Manager has been beneficial in preparing me, both strategically and tactically, in my role as a Facilities Manager.

Have your relationships with other IFMA members been beneficial? How?

I had the chance to attend IFMA's World Workplace conference in Phoenix this past year and begin networking. I met some fabulous ladies at the conference while I was there! I love receiving the IFMA Engage emails which have been a good resource for me along with IFMA's Knowledge Library -- especially during the pandemic.

What advice would you give to those just beginning their FM career?

It's a career worth pursuing. It does take a willingness to learn through education, experience, mentors and networking. Always remain flexible and adaptable as there are no two days alike in facilities management. Have a passion for customer service and never be afraid to ask questions.

What do you enjoy doing when you're not at work?

I enjoy family time, hanging out with friends, movies, volunteering at my church and, of course, traveling.



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COMMITTEE UPDATES

AWARDS

Please go [HERE](#) to view the 2020 International Facility Management Excellence (IFME) Award recipients.

EDUCATION - SFP ONLINE COURSE

Dallas/Fort Worth and several other IFMA Chapters have collaborated to create an **online webcast of the SFP program which will be held during the first half of 2021 (dates to be determined)**.

The first three (3) DFW Chapter Members who register will pay only \$500 for this \$1,800 three-module course, thanks to \$1,000 scholarships made possible by Preferred Business Partners **AHI Facility Services** and **Corporate Care** and \$300 in underwriting approved by the Board of Directors.

The complete course will be presented in 14 half-day sessions over the course of four months. The courses will be offered in hub locations to create connections with other participating members.

2021 COURSE DATES & TIMES

Module 1: Strategy & Alignment of Sustainable Facility Management

Dates TBD (9 AM - 1 PM CST over 4 days)

Module 2: Managing Sustainable Facilities

Dates TBD (9 AM - 1 PM CST over 4 days)

Module 3: Operating Sustainable Facilities

Dates TBD (9 AM - 1 PM CST over 6 days)

You can click [HERE](#) to register.

HOLIDAY

The **Holiday Committee needs a Co-Chair and several committee members** to help organize the details of this year's Thursday, December 17th event at the House of Blues.

Please contact Board Liaison **Bill Parker** at bparker@afvusa.com if you have an interest in actively participating.

GOLF

Be sure to register your foursome or player spot to take advantage of early-bird rates.

Member foursomes are currently \$1,000 and Member single players are \$250. Sponsor opportunities range from \$500 to \$4,500.

NOVEMBER 2ND, THE TRIBUTE GOLF CLUB 1000 Lebanon Rd., The Colony, TX

7 AM: Check-in/Breakfast

8 AM: Shotgun Start

1 PM: Cocktails (Cash Bar)

1:30 PM: Lunch & Awards

For more information, click [HERE](#).

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome those who joined the Chapter in August and September!

ASSOCIATES

Josh Davidson - Direct Compactors

Roger Ginnett - Sodexo

William Humphrey - BSA Design Group

Frank Ragland - HOK

Pat Rucker - Entech Sales & Service

Collin Simons - AGG Restoration & Construction

Melanie Thompson - Diversified Maintenance

PROFESSIONALS

Ronald Bordelon - Procedeo

Susi Garcia - nThrive

Stephanie Howard - Federal Home Loan Bank Dallas

Marc Owens - Senior Director

Damian Smeragliuolo - Cushman & Wakefield

Charles Wesley - Oracle

Interested in joining a committee?

Numerous opportunities are available and we would love for you to be a part of the chapter's exciting work. Please email info@dfwifma.org for more information.

2020 IFME AWARD WINNERS

**ASSOCIATE & COMMITTEE
MEMBER OF THE YEAR**



Dewayne Holley

**PROFESSIONAL
OF THE YEAR**



Didi Wykes, CFM

**FACILITY MANAGER
OF THE YEAR**



Austin Sanders

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR



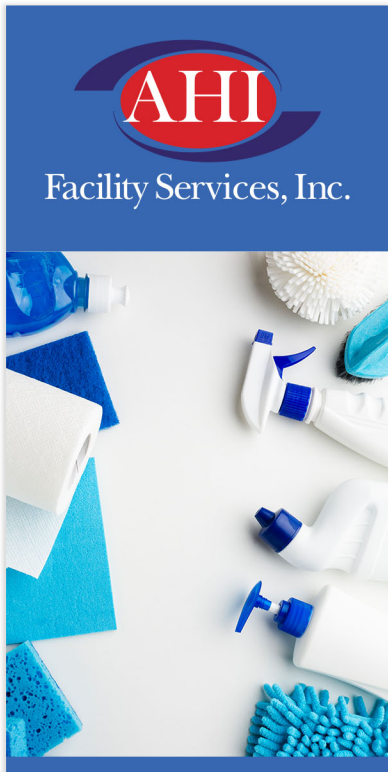
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PRESIDENT'S AWARD



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OCT 21

RETHINKING THE NEW WORK ENVIRONMENT

*The Beck Group at Santander Tower
4 - 5:15 PM Virtual*

REGISTRATION

NOV 2

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

8 AM - 2 PM

*The Tribute at The Colony
1000 Lebanon Rd., The Colony, TX 75056*

MORE INFORMATION

NOV 9-12

CRE TECHNOLOGY SYMPOSIUM

*Different TBA Virtual Presentation Daily
12 - 1:30 PM (Monday - Thursday)*

DEC 9-10

WORLD WORKPLACE

Virtual Presentation

MORE INFORMATION

DEC 17

HOLIDAY PARTY

7 - 11 PM

*House of Blues
2200 N. Lamar St., Dallas, TX 75202*

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