



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

After over a year apart, the IFMA DFW Chapter began taking steps in recent months to get back to in-person events and networking. It was good to see so many at the IFME Awards in July at Dickies Arena, a venue we had planned for the previous year's IFME Awards before the pandemic shut everything down. Special thanks to the Chapter's **Past President Lee Harris, CFM**, for hosting us and giving us an incredible tour of the facility.



This month, we are meeting in-person the evening of **Wednesday, Sept. 15th**, at a new venue for the chapter -- Venue Forty50 in Addison -- to hear **Dr. Stevie Dawn** talk about "**Resilience and Success**" in our professional and personal lives. Learn some new skills in this area from her presentation. Venue Forty50 is a standalone facility with a wonderful outdoor shaded patio where we will have drinks and network, and the interior provides a very spacious seating arrangement for our group. I hope to see you there! If you haven't registered yet, there is still time to do so (see page 3).

**World Workplace 2021** also will be in-person this year in Kissimmee, Florida, **Oct. 26 - 28**. At last count, there were nearly 35 DFW Chapter members signed up to attend and this is encouraging. We are working very hard to make arrangements for our traditional **DFW Hospitality Suite** and we will have more information to share with you on this in the next couple of weeks.

We will have our **Holiday Party** on **December 9th** at **House of Blues!** We need volunteers to help plan and organize this event and those who are interested in playing an active role should contact Holiday Committee Board Liaison **Bill Parker** at 817-542-1691.

We're already looking at events for next year and the FMexpo Committee has begun meeting and planning **FMexpo 2022**, which will be **Feb. 24th** at the **Plano Event Center**, 2000 East Spring Creek Parkway in Plano.

Before I close, I want to thank our returning **Preferred Business Partners** and welcome several new ones this year. Be sure to turn to page 4 to see the incredible list of companies that have sponsored the chapter!

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

Sincerely,

**Lisa Wells, FMP**  
IFMA DFW Chapter President

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# CHAPTER NEWS

## Excellence Shines at IFME Awards

The chapter took a step toward normalcy with the return of our annual tradition of recognizing standout members at the 2021 IFME Awards, July 22nd, at Dickies Arena in Fort Worth. Presented by Chapter President **Lisa Wells**, FMP, Awards Committee Chair **Sara Rivera** and committee member **Joshua Keele**, the awards honored members and business partners for their contributions during a challenging year.

We congratulate our roster of outstanding nominees and recipients...

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## Nearly 90 Members, Guests, Toured Dickies Arena

Before and after the IFME Awards dinner and ceremony on July 22nd, Past President **Lee Harris**, CFM, led group tours of Dickies Arena—one of the Metroplex's newest, grandest and most versatile venues.

As chief engineer for arena-owner Trail Drive Management Corporation, Harris is a Dickies insider. He was involved in the final phases of construction and now oversees operations. His tour included the Reliant and Avion Clubs, meeting rooms, the Simmons Bank Pavilion and Plaza, and back-of-house spots, including the Home Locker Room and Performer's Lounge...

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## Drive Helps Area Kids Gear Up for School

The July **Back-to-School Drive**, organized by the Community Affairs Committee, donated \$400 worth of supplies and clothing for students in need in Collin, Dallas and Tarrant counties.

Committee Chairman **Luke Hollingsworth** and member **Tot Chintharasy** coordinated the drive with three non-profit organizations...

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## Making FM a Career of Choice

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### Interested in joining a committee?

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# UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Sep 15

## Emotional Resilience and Success

5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Venue Forty|50,  
4050 Belt Line Rd, Addison, TX 75001

Join us for this in-person event with Stevie Dawn, Ph.D., who helps people overcome challenges in life, whether professional or personal, and move toward their best lives. With humor and real-life stories, and examples from her experience as a business owner and work in the private and public sector, we think you will leave feeling inspired and energized by her presentation.

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Oct 26-28

## World Workplace

Gaylord Palms Resort,  
6000 W Osceola Pkwy, Kissimmee, FL 34746

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Dec 9

## Holiday Party

6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

House of Blues,  
220 N Lamar St, Dallas, TX 75202  
Save the Date

Feb 24

## FMexpo 2022

11:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Plano Event Center,  
2000 E Spring Creek Pkwy, Plano, TX 75074  
Save the Date

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