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From the Editor

by Steve Glazner

Roger Rowe Receives 2006 Rex Dillow Award

e are pleased to announce that the 2006 recipient for APPA's Rex Dillow Award for Outstanding Article in Facilities Manager is Roger Rowe, recently retired from the University of West Florida.

Roger served as special projects manager for architectural and engineering services for UWF during his first "retirement" after years of service as the assistant vice president for facilities at Miami University in Ohio. At MU, Roger developed a dynamic staff and introduced many innovative processes devoted to improving customer service and providing a quality work environment.

His award-winning article, "After-Action Reviews: A Process for Continuous Improvement," was published in the January/February 2006 issue of *Facilities Manager*. According to the article, an after-action review is a structured review process that allows participants in a project, event, or incident to discover for themselves any lessons that could be learned from what happened, why it happened, and how it can be improved in a positive, action-oriented manner.

Since 1987, APPA has presented the annual Rex Dillow Award to articles of the highest quality of those published in the magazine each year. The difficult selection process is managed by APPA's Information and Research Committee, led by Michael J. Sofield of the Smithsonian Institution.

The award is named for APPA member emeritus Rex O. Dillow, formerly of the University of Missouri-Columbia, who contributed much to the development and improvement of APPA's publication and education pro-

grams during his active membership in the association. Congratulations again to Roger Rowe for his award and his contribution to the body of knowledge.



2004-05 Facilities Performance Indicators Now Available

The Facilities Performance Indicators report of 2004-05 data is now available on the APPA website at www.appa.org/research/fcds.cfm. The reports are now Web-based only and are not being produced in book or CD formats. Your price for access to the reports will depend upon your participation in the Facilities Core Data Survey and whether you are from an APPA-member institution or not. More information can be found at the website.

We're also announcing that the Facilities Core Data Survey for fiscal year 2005-06 will open by the end of August 2006 and will collect your data through October. The resulting Facilities Performance Indicators reports will be posted by the end of January 2007 following our data scrubbing and analysis process.