resolve this year to write an article for Facilities Manager or conduct a research project through APPA’s Center for Facilities Research (CFaR). In 2006, there were 37 first-time authors published in the magazine. That averages more than six new writers per issue.

We welcome new ideas and perspectives, as we know there is so much more going on in educational facilities management than even we have been able to promote or highlight.

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If you have an article idea for Facilities Manager, please send an abstract or outline to me at steve@appa.org. CFaR is APPA’s premier research initiative, and we are seeking research projects on any topic affecting educational facilities. For more information, visit our website at www.appa.org/cfar.

There are many opportunities for you to share your knowledge and experience with fellow facilities professionals. Consider writing an article or conducting a research project. We look forward to working with you in 2007.

Correction

Due to a formatting error, a Total Cost of Ownership formula in the November/December 2006 issue of Facilities Manager was rendered unintelligible. On page 29, in the article “Designing for Stewardship: Aligning Project Decisions with the Total Cost of Ownership” by Don Guckert and Jeri King, the formula should read as follows:

Total Cost of Ownership = Total Project Cost + Operating Costs + Capital Renewal or Deferred Maintenance + Decommissioning

The article has been corrected on the APPA website at www.appa.org/facilitiesmanager. Our apologies to the authors for this error.