

# facilities digest

## facebook

### APPA Creates a Facebook Presence

APPA has a new presence and it's on Facebook.com! Facebook is a social network that connects individuals with others who study, work, and live around them. This online community fosters communication between friends and coworkers, posting of an unlimited number of photos, shared links and videos, and much more. Anyone with a valid e-mail address can join Facebook by going to <http://www.facebook.com/>. Once you are part of this online community, spread the word to fellow professionals and students, find and join the *APPA Group*, then experience communication in a new light! Through Facebook.com APPA will engage and build a bridge between seasoned and rising professionals, thus elevating the industry.

Our first Facebook activity was the *Show APPA Your Campus Colors* contest. Students were encouraged to present the positive aspects of their campus through pictures (the contest deadline was November 15, and voting on the winning entries is going on now!). These photos will be posted on the APPA Fan Page (see *APPA's Student Membership Page* for a link to the *APPA Fan Page*). The four categories were Rockin' Landscape, Student Hangout (student union), Characteristic Architecture, and Our House (stadium).

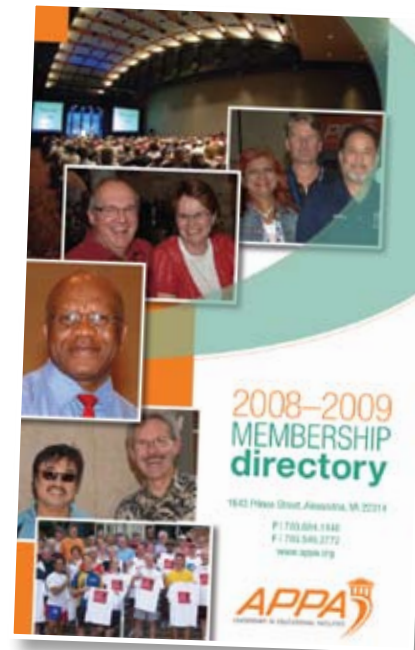
This contest was limited to full- or part-time students only. The facilities management department of the winning school in each category will receive \$2,000 from APPA, will be featured in the next issue of *APPA's Facilities Manager* magazine, and highlighted at APPA's 2009 annual conference. The winning student in each category will also receive a \$500 Visa Gift Card.

### APPA Publishes Virtual Membership Directory

APPA is pleased to announce that the 2008-2009 APPA Membership Directory has been produced in an entirely virtual format. The new APPA directory is Web-based and allows members to easily search for other members, to find and link to Business Partner members, and to print out pages as needed. The format allows users to read single pages or two-page spreads, and to turn pages as easily as if they were holding the directory in their hands.

Instead of a printed directory that is outdated the moment it is released, this directory will be updated with new membership additions, and reinforces APPA's commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship.

You can find the 2008-09 APPA Membership Directory at <http://www.appa.org/memdir.cfm>



### Free Access to FPI Report for APPA Members

APPA now offers free access to FPI Reports and Dashboard Indicators for all APPA member institutions participating in the FPI survey data collection process for 2007-08.



Participating in APPA's Facilities Performance Indicators (FPI) survey will help you:

- Track your institution's vital signs
- Make the business case for your facilities needs
- Create a balanced scorecard of data around your institutional vision and mission

Go to [www.appa.org/research/fpi](http://www.appa.org/research/fpi) for more information, or contact Christina Hills to arrange your data collection assistance. She can be reached at [christina@appa.org](mailto:christina@appa.org) or 703-684-1446 ext. 244.

**The deadline for survey completion is Monday, December 1, 2008.**

### In Memoriam

**Charles C. Braswell**, APPA President in 1983-84, died on August 26 at age 82. Braswell served as President of SRAPPA twice before serving as APPA President. He received APPA's Meritorious Service Award in 1981. During his year as President, he oversaw the purchase of APPA's first headquarters building in Alexandria, Virginia.

Braswell graduated as a mechanical engineer from Duke University. He worked as the director of physical plant at Appalachian State University before moving to the same position at North Carolina State University, where he retired in 1988. Memorial gifts may be directed to the Methodist Home for Children, 1041 Washington Street, Raleigh, NC 27605.



## APPA EVENTS – 2009

**APPA Accepting Candidates for the 2009 Election**

The APPA Nominations Committee is currently accepting candidates for the following elected officer positions:

- **President Elect** (Term 3 years)
- **Secretary-Treasurer & Chair, Membership Committee** (Term 2 years)
- **Vice President, Professional Affairs & Chair, Awards & Recognition Committee** (Term 2 years)

Please consider becoming a candidate, or nominating someone else, for an elected office in APPA.

Your future contributions will be an invaluable benefit for our members and ensure APPA is the “association of choice” for educational facilities professionals. And remember, that as an elected officer, not only will you give back to the association and the facilities profession it serves, but you will gain enormous leadership skills, and develop yourself professionally in very meaningful ways.

The candidate information packet and nomination application are available at <http://www.appa.org/board/electedofficers.cfm>.

The deadline for submitting nomination materials is **December 15, 2008**. Please submit them electronically to [nominations@appa.org](mailto:nominations@appa.org)

On behalf of the APPA Board, we thank you for your time and consideration of this important leadership opportunity. Your nomination is truly encouraged.

**2009 Award Nominations Open**

Nominations are now being taken for the following APPA 2009 institutional and individual awards:

- **Award for Excellence:** Recognizes and advances excellence in the field of educational facilities.
- **Effective and Innovative Practices Award:** Recognizes programs and processes that enhance service delivery, lower costs, increase productivity, improve customer service, generate revenue, or otherwise benefit the educational institution.
- **APPA Fellow:** Recognizes specific accomplishments to date and expectations for continued involvement in APPA's leadership program through research and mentoring.
- **Meritorious Service Award:** Recognizes significant, lifelong contributions to the profession of education facilities management.
- **Pacesetter Award:** Encourages further participation in APPA among those who have already made significant contributions at the regional or chapter level.

The deadline for consideration for the 2009 awards is **January 30, 2009**. However, award submissions are accepted year-round.

Awards submitted after January 30, 2009 will be held and considered in the 2010 award cycle. Visit <http://www.appa.org/recognition> for award details, and to submit for the awards.

**Jan 5-9 SRAPPA: APPA's Supervisor's Toolkit**  
*New Orleans, LA*

**Jan 18-22 Institute for Facilities Management**  
*Tampa, FL*

**Jan 18-22 Supervisor's Toolkit** *Tampa, FL*

**Jan 23 EFP Prep Course, EFP Examination and CEFP Examination** *Tampa, FL*

**Jan 24 EFP Examination** *Tampa, FL*

**Apr (dates TBD) Leadership Academy**  
*Fort Lauderdale, FL*

**Apr (dates TBD) Supervisor's Toolkit**  
*Fort Lauderdale, FL*

**Apr 5-7 Smart and Sustainable Campuses Conference** *College Park, MD*

**Apr 6-7 SFO Summit** *Asheville, NC*

**Jul 8-10 APPA 2009: Focusing on the Critical Few**  
*Vancouver, BC, Canada*

**Jul 11 EFP Prep Course, EFP Examination and CEFP Examination** *Vancouver, BC, Canada*

**Jul 12 EFP Examination** *Vancouver, BC, Canada*

**Sep 6-10 Institute for Facilities Management**  
*Hilton Head, SC*

**Sep 6-10 Supervisor's Toolkit** *Hilton Head, SC*

**Sep 11 EFP Prep Course, EFP Examination and CEFP Examination** *Hilton Head, SC*

**Sep 12 EFP Examination** *Hilton Head, SC*

**Sep 20-23 RMA Regional Meeting** *Tucson, AZ*

**Sep 26-30 CAPP Regional Meeting** *Grand Forks, ND*

**Sep 27-30 MAPP Regional Meeting** *Iowa City, IA*

## OTHER EVENTS – 2009

**Jan 7-9 Texas College and University Facilities Conference** *San Marcos, TX*. [www.vpfss.txstate.edu/tcuf/default.htm](http://www.vpfss.txstate.edu/tcuf/default.htm)

For more information or to submit your organization's event, visit [www.appa.org/applications/calendar/events.cfm](http://www.appa.org/applications/calendar/events.cfm).

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Registration now open for:

**Supervisor's Toolkit: Nuts and Bolts of Facilities Supervision**

**Institute for Facilities Management**

**Special Programming: Facilities Management Strategies for Campus Sustainability**

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