January 2011 marked another successful APPA professional development offering of professional development offerings. Recently, the Supervisor’s Toolkit, Institute for Facilities Management, and Tracks 2 & 4 of the Leadership Academy were offered in Orlando, Florida allowing facilities professions from around the global to network at all levels of the institutional hierarchy.

Our ever-popular Toolkit was presented by Shawna Rowley – Qualified Trainer from Weber State University, while the Institute, the cornerstone of APPA’s professional development offerings, delivered content in the core areas of general administration, maintenance & operations, energy & utilities, and planning, design, and construction at both the basic and advanced levels. The dedication of our Institute Deans – Mary Vosevich, University of New Mexico; Jay Klingel, University of Virginia; Lynne Finn, South Dakota State University; and Don Guckert, University of Iowa, ensured that experts in each of these topical areas was delivering top-notch programming.

And once again we co-located Tracks 2 & 4 of the Leadership Academy under the direction of Ann Jenkins, Jack Hug, and Doug Christensen.

The central location of these three programs allowed participants to see what their next steps on APPA’s professional development continuum will be and how to take the necessary steps to get there through “APPA U.” APPA U will be the twice annually offered programming that will provide every level of the facilities organization their opportunities to develop and enhance their skills under the support, and direction, of our dedicated faculty and Professional Development Committee.

As the week drew to a close we celebrated with ceremonies for the Class of January 2011. Students had the opportunity of interactions with experts who brought not only their knowledge but their experiences from vast backgrounds that provided a rich environment. Sharing the achievement with old friends and new colleagues made for a great evening.

Kudos to all those institutions that supported the professional development of your staffers! Now, like at no other time, we must take the leap of faith and spend on behalf of the institution. This is no time to pinch pennies! The professional development of any individual must be as customizable as the individuals themselves—and APPA is here to help you achieve your departmental goals. Please visit www.appa.org/training for more information on all of our programming offerings.

We look forward to seeing you and your staff at the next APPA event.

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Ronnie Gammage, Phoenix College
Paul Hawley, Georgia Tech Research Institute
Dave Nalley, University of Northern Colorado
DeeAnn Reese, Georgia Tech Research Institute
John Shenette, Smith College
Thomas Shewan, Florida State University
Tony Yamada, East Carolina University
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Brandon Baswell, Michigan State University
Samantha Brandt, University of Michigan/Ann Arbor
Darcy Bryant, University of Wyoming
Erick Ceballos, Ransom Everglades School
Thomas Clark, West Chester University
Randy Coleman, Whitman College
Fred Colón, Lehigh University
Steven Davidson, Virginia Commonwealth University
Candi DelBardelaben, University of Alabama Huntsville
Christine Douglas, University of Iowa
Terence Durkin, Old Dominion University
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Tom Ertsgaard, Pennsylvania State University
Doug Fairley, American University
Humberto Florez, Florida International University
Vicki Fowlkes, University of Alabama/Huntsville
John Grimstad, Montana State University/Billings
Brian Hadley, Weber State University
Jason Hartley, University of North Texas Health Science Center
Kirk Hemphill, Rollins College
Doug Henderson, University of Rochester
Chad Henning, Pennsylvania State University
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Michael Howell, George Washington University
Amy Jones, South Dakota University
Theresa Kahlke, The University of Texas at Austin
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