



# Perspectives

**JUNE, 2008**

**IAHA “ROCKED IN THE 50’S” WITH AN  
OUTSTANDING  
MAINTENANCE/MANAGEMENT CLINIC**

**All Vendors and Housing Authority Staff were ushered back in time by  
James Dean and Marilyn Monroe**



**and  
the one, the only.  
“ELVIS PRESLEY”**



The Planning Committee put on a fantastic clinic. A gigantic “thank you” to all that served on the committee and sub-committees.

All attendees felt that the training sessions were informative and beneficial.

“Thank you” to the ECHO group for paying for “Gracie.” A great time was had by all.

An enormous thank you to all the vendors. We appreciate the support of our long established friends.



*MAINTENANCE USA*



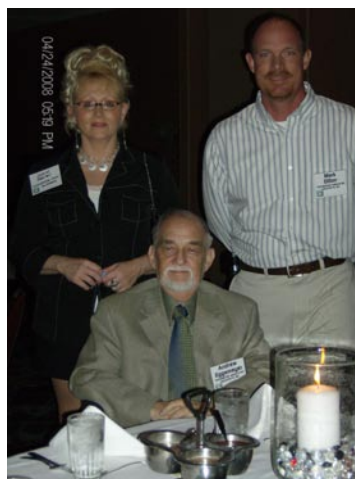
*THYSSENKRUPP ELEVATOR*



*PLUMBMASTER INC*



*SPARTAN TOOL*



It was especially great to see our “ole friend” and supporter Andy Eggemeyer, of Eggemeyer Associates Architects, Inc., along with his staff Jackie Partin and Mark Dillon.

**We also appreciate the new vendors who brought the latest products on the market for our membership to view.**



***FIREMAN 24/7***



***AMERICAN RAMP***



***EVANS RESTORATION SERVICE***



***MITAS***



***MORRISSEY CONSTRUCTION***

**50/50 WINNINGS  
NETTED THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND A WHOPPING  
\$1,248.00**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS**



**Winners:**

Jim Dwyer, Marion City  
Tina Belt, Wabash County

**Presenter:**

Aaron Schutt, Hardin County

. A “big” Thanks goes to Jim Dwyer who donated \$100.00 of his winnings back to the scholarship fund



**Winner:**

Tom Deters, Morrissey Construction Company

**Presenter:**

Aaron Schutt, Hardin County

**CONGRATULATION TO THE GRAND  
PRIZE WINNERS!**



**Donna Nickels  
Bloomington**



**Wendy McCoard  
Waukegan**



**Ed Littlefield  
Saline County**



**Debbie Pontenberg  
Winnebago County**



**Thanks so much to Randy McGill, Chairperson of the Maintenance/Management Clinic Committee and his assistant, Mark Leblang, of James Childs Architect for presenting the prizes.**

**WE APPRECIATE THE FOLLOWING VENDORS  
WHO SPONSORED A BREAK OR A COCKTAIL  
HOUR AT THE CLINIC**

Melotte, Morse, Leonatti, Ltd  
Coinmach  
Maintenance USA  
Canterbury Enterprises Inc.

Life Associates, Inc.  
Eggemeyer Associates Architects, Inc.  
Emphasys Software  
HAB, Inc.

**CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING VENDOR ADS  
ON OUR WEBSITE!**

Jetz Laundry  
D & E Distributing  
Life Associates, Inc.  
Maintenance USA  
Morrissey Construction Co.  
American Ramp Systems

Fireman 24/7  
Nan McKay & Associates  
Thompson Electronics Co.  
Canterbury Enterprises Inc.  
C Naber & Associates

**BEST WISHES TO THE RECENT  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS WHO HAVE RETIRED.**

CICHO RECENTLY HOSTED A RETIREMENT PARTY FOR GEORGE E. HARPER III WHO RETIRED FROM QUINCY.



Mrs. Harper, George, Tony Hasbargen,  
President



Back Row, Fred Clinton, Steve Allen  
Mrs. Harper, George, Vicky Moyer  
Mike McKeon  
Front Row: Tom Smith, Randall  
Hutchens,, Anne Smith, Peg Barkley  
Lynda Krulac, Tony Hasbargen

SOME ECHO FRIENDS HELD A DINNER FOR CAROLYN WILLS WHO RETIRED FROM MASSAC COUNTY AND DEBRA HELMAN, WHO RETIRED FROM PULASKI COUNTY



Seated: Carol Watkins, Carol, Judy Plummer, Pat West  
Standing: Janice Gibbons, who was a prior ED at Pope Co. and Debra  
Not in picture: Diana Etheridge

OTHER EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS RETIRING IN THE LAST YEAR ARE:  
(No pictures were available)

EARL BROWN, ALTON  
DONALD TOMLIN

ROGER JULIAN, FREEPORT  
GUY ALONGI

### **IAHA Executive Board Met at the Clinic**

The following is a synopsis of the Proposed Minutes of the meeting:

The President called for the Committee reports.

Personnel: Diana Etheridge no report

Resolution & By-Laws: Diane Fuller, no report.

Membership: Regina Wolf, no report.

Nominating: Peg Barkley, Chairperson asked the members whose terms expire, if they wished to continue? She stated that she is aware that she will need someone to fill in for the Treasurer's position. According to the By-Laws, Brent Newman cannot succeed himself for a third term.

Public Relations: No report.

Legislative: Chris Blechle forwarded a report to the President. He discussed the status of Illinois HB5170, Relocation Assistance Act. At the present, it appears that the bill is dead.

Education: Lynn Deter reported that there was a balance of \$ 3,595.94 in the Education Account. She asked if there were any training sessions that anyone would like to see the IAHA sponsor for yourself or your staff. If so, she requested that they contact Tom Smith, Tom Myers, or her.

Finance/ 2005 and 2006 Audit Reports: The financial audit was presented. A letter was submitted from the Auditor stating that he had completed a compilation report instead of a full audit for the years 2005 & 2006. The Board was then informed, that the IAHA had been previously advised that the organization is required by the state to do a full blown audit at the end of each term. It was pointed out that Section 7, Article V of the By-Laws, States – “The books and accounts maintained by the treasurer shall be audited by an independent CPA firm or individual after the end of term of office.” Tom Smith made a motion not to accept the report from the auditor. Steve Silverman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

It was suggested that we might want to pay a fee accountant. Peg Barkley made the motion to obtain proposals for a fee accountant. Brenda Coates seconded the motion. Motion carried. Peg Barkley will handle advertisement of the proposals.

#### Council Presidents' Reports:

NICHA: Regina Wolf reported that a meeting was held on February 8, 2008 in Kewanee. The next meeting is scheduled for today at 4:30 p.m.

CICHO: Tony Hasbargen reported that a meeting was held on April 11, 2008 in Springfield. They honored two Executive Directors who have retired George Harper from Quincy, Illinois and Earl Brown from Alton, Illinois.

ECHO: Mark Sosnowski reported that at their last meeting a representative made a presentation from Health Services that provides a One Stop Shop for job related injuries. A meeting will be held today to finalize scholarships.

AHRMA: Julie DePasse reported that her company hired an attorney that had done litigation for them for a number of years. AHRMA has moved into their new office and are enjoying the new space. Springfield HA is their newest member. They have also provided Peoria with a quote on insurance. AHRMA is having a lot of success, and generating interest in the state of Iowa. There are over \$ 1million dollars of losses due to hi-rise fires. We need to look for more ways to prevent fires. Health service groups in your area should be contacted. President Smith commented about the work that AHRMA does in the area of support and claims, being easy to work with and gave her appreciation.

Executive Coordinator/ Report on 2008 Maintenance/ Management Clinic:

Vicki Miles reported that there are 65 vendors, utilizing 67 vendor booths. The economy is tough due to various reasons. There are several new vendors.

There are 198 attendees registered for the full conference, 1 walk-in, 3 for Wednesday only, 32 for Thursday with 11 of the Thursday group returning on Friday and 6 new for Friday. The total number is 240.

President's Report: President Smith reported that there were seven housing authorities represented in Washington D.C. for the Legislative Conference. They met with Senator Obama's aide. They also met with Senator Durbin personally. He was very supportive of housing issues.

Annual Report- There was a discussion on who should be responsible for the report for the State of Illinois. It was agreed that it should be the Secretary's responsibility. Carol Watkins made the motion for the Secretary to begin completing the annual report to the State, seconded by Peg Barkley. Motion carried.

Other Business: Steve Silverman advised that he is the State Coordinator for the NARHO Housing America Campaign; he would like ideas of what housing authorities could do to promote the campaign.

.Mr. Silverman further indicated that Chicago Housing Authority wants to implement residency requirements. Resident requirement would put term limits on the number of years a resident can reside in Public Housing. . It was mentioned and discussed that if this requirement was implemented it could impact other housing authorities in the state. There was discussion regarding whether IAHA should formally send a letter to Chicago HA. No action was taken.

Meeting adjourned.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!  
IAHA ANNUAL MEETING  
WILL BE HELD  
SEPTEMBER 24-26, 2008  
AT THE  
HOLIDAY INN & SUITES  
BLOOMINGTON, IL**