Monumental Rebuilding in Puerto Rico: APS’ John Dufay Will Provide Eye-Witness Account

As Albuquerque Public Schools Maintenance and Operations Executive Director John Dufay assessed schools ravaged by hurricanes in Puerto Rico, he found himself both heartbroken and inspired.

In an interview first aired last November on KOBTC, Dufay commented: “The devastation was unbelievable. But the thing is, none of the people there that we met and talked to and ate with and everything else, ever took themselves as a victim. And none of them ever felt sorry for themselves. It was just like, ‘Hey, we’re moving on -- whatever it’s going to take.’”

Per the KOB interview, Dufay served on a team with the Council of Great City Schools to assess existing school structures and decide whether they were safe for students to return to after hurricane damage in Puerto Rico. Dufay said Puerto Rico Secretary of Education Julia Keleher knew staff and families were eager to get kids back into classrooms but wanted to balance that desire with safety and to make sure that the bar for acceptability wasn’t set too low. The team trekked across the island, analyzing the structures of buildings and making tough calls about what should happen next.

At the end of December 2017 over half of the residents on the island do not have electrical power. “We’d be asked the question, ‘Why do we need electricity?’ Well, that’s something we think is important. But to them, it’s ‘No it’s not. We have an open roof. We have walls. But as long as it’s not raining, what does it matter?’”

“It’s their ticket out of poverty,” Dufay said. “It’s not a ticket out of Puerto Rico. It’s this ticket to the next step. They’re so proud. They want to stay there, just a lot of people are trying to survive.”

In some cases, Dufay and the team had to make the assessment that schools just weren’t ready to reopen. But sometimes, they were. But the drive to make sure kids are able to keep up comes from an importance placed on education itself.

Join your friends and business associates with the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico at 7:00 am on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, at the Garduno’s Uptown Restaurant to hear a fascinating, personal accounting of Director Dufay’s journey to assess and assist with other facility managers in a monumental quest to evaluate and resurrect their critical infrastructure after a devastating natural disaster. Reservations are required but FIRST TIME FACILITY MANAGERS ARE ALWAYS FREE. You must rsvp online by Monday, February 19th at www.fmanm.com where you can pay with your credit card. Cost is $30.00 for members and $35.00 for non-members. Plan today to hear this distinctive eye-witness accounting of the aftermath of Hurricane Maria.
Executive Director - Carolee Griffin

It seems the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico has an exciting line-up for the 2018 agenda! If you missed the January program, we explored advantages and challenges of restoring and repurposing historical buildings. Miss the show? A link to the presentation is on the website. Next up, another giant home-run hitter is at bat: John Dufay, Executive Director for the Albuquerque Public Schools Maintenance and Operations department will talk about his humanitarian mission to help people still struggling with the devastation which wreaked havoc on Puerto Rico. Next, our March 21st program will explore the critical impact of the latest legislative session in Santa Fe and how the voting outcomes will impact our economy today and our economic development into the coming years.

But wait, there's more!

How do you prioritize your deferred maintenance? Get tips and tricks at our April 18th meeting. And our storied, infamous Scholarship Golf Tournament will be held again this year at the beautiful Isleta Eagle Championship Golf Tournament on Friday, July 27th, 2017. Start planning now to field a team, sponsor a hole, or sponsor the whole event!

Alive and thriving! See you this year at all of the FMANM programs.

FMANM Vision Statement: Establish and implement an organization to promote education, information, solutions and opportunities associated with the operations, maintenance, and sustainability of facilities.

Upcoming Events Calendar 2018

**Wednesday, February 21st**
7:00 am, Garduno’s Uptown
APS’ John Dufay and Puerto Rico Rebuilding

**Wednesday, March 21st**
7:00 am, Garduno’s Uptown
Legislative Update

**Wednesday, April 18th**
7:00 am, Garduno’s Uptown
How to Prioritize Deferred Maintenance

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- D&H Petroleum and Environmental Services
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- eKore
- EverGuard Roofing & Solar
- FacilityBUILD
- Gary Stevens LLC
- Greer Enterprises
- Hidden Treasure Hard Surface Restoration, Inc
- Honeywell DAS
- Hyatt Regency at Civic Plaza
- IEC Electronics
- Indian Health Service
- Industrial Water Engineering
- Innovative Moving Systems
- Institute of American Indian Art
- Intraworks, Inc.
- Integrated Control Systems
- ISHC Mechanical Contractor
- Jetson Cleaning Services
- Keenan Supply
- Kinetic Improvement
- Klinger Constructors
- Ladera Engineering
- La Vida Llena
- Route 66 Casino/Laguna Development Corporation
- Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute
- Maintenance Service Systems
- Matheson-TriGas Inc.
- Mike’s Quality Painting
- Morrison Supply Co
- Mountain Vector
- Moving Solutions
- National Dance Institute of NM
- National Roofing Network
- Communications Integrated
- State of NM/Building Services Division
- NUSENDA Credit Union
- New Mexico Gas Co.
- Overhead Door Co.
- PNM
- Prime Therapeutics Inc.
- Public School Facilities Authority
- QMI New Mexico
- Quail Run Association
- R. E. Michel Company, Inc.
- Relevant Solutions
- Roadrunner Food Bank
- RoofCARE
- Sandia Laboratory Federal Credit Union
- Sandia Resort & Casino
- Sandoval County Public Works
- Santa Fe Community College
- SDV Construction
- Sealmaster
- Select Staffing, a Company of EmployBridge
- ServiceMaster Performance
- Servicon Inc.
- Sherwin-Williams Paint Co.
- Siemens Building Technologies
- Simplex Grinnell
- SM/Albuquerque Convention Center
- SMI Facility Services
- Southwest Infrared Services Inc.
- State of NM/Building Services Division
- Steamatic of Albuquerque and Santa Fe
- Summit Painting
- Sunland Asphalt
- Surface Resources
- SW Asset Management
- The Johnston Company Inc.
- TLC Commercial Services
- Tremco
- Travers Mechanical Services
- TP Pump
- Tux Window Cleaning Ltd.
- University of New Mexico Facilities
- Voss Lighting
- Western States Fire Protection
- Windsor Door Sales
- Yearout Mechanical Service, LLC

- New Members
- Western Environmental Management
- Alpha Omega Electric
- Paul Davis Recover/Reconstruct/Restore

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Advantages, Challenges, and Rewards Of Historical Facility Preservation Explored at January Meeting

Members and associates of the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico gathered in January to get the details of the processes needed to preserve, rehabilitate, restore, and reconstruct historical sites. “I love history and I love to help folks get through the regulatory processes to sustain these treasures,” commented speaker Karen Van Citters, principal of Van Citters Historic Preservation.

She advised that the first step is to identify your potential funding sources: federal, state, or local resources may all be available. She then discussed how a building qualifies for the national historical register criteria. However, “One ill-advised change can destroy the historical significance of a building. Look for the least impactful method when implementing changes,” she continued.

“Preservation has the goal to protect and stabilize the facility. Then, about 95% of rehabilitation projects involve the Americans with Disabilities Act mandates for building access while striving to preserve the historical aspects of the structure. Next, restoration must preserve the building in a way that is true to the era in which it was constructed. And finally, reconstruction must be preceded by in-depth analysis of the facility infrastructure. What can be retrofitted? What has to be replaced?” she explained.

Need help with your project or just want to read more? A link to her presentation is on the FMANM website at www.fmanm.com
Historical Sites continued
Make reservations now to join the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico to hear John Dufay, Director for Maintenance and Operations for the Albuquerque Public Schools, detail his humanitarian mission to assess and assist Puerto Rico's devastated schools regain their footing. You must rsvp by 5:00 pm on Monday, February 19th, to be included. Please visit www.fmanm.com to register online. Credit cards encouraged.

**When:** Wednesday, February 21st, 2018, at 7:00 am  
(Arrive early for coffee and connections)

**Where:** Garduno’s Uptown  
2100 Louisiana Boulevard NE  
Albuquerque, NM (505) 880-0055

**Cost:**  
$30 to Members  
$35 to Non-Members

Join us for a Southwestern style breakfast buffet!