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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

QUALITY ASSURANCE TASK FORCE

A Quality Assurance Task Force was recently established at the Chicago Chapter. The objectives are to:

1. Increase understanding of the causes of design and building failure.
2. Improve communication among architects and to other members of the construction process as to the causes and prevention of building failures.
3. Elevate the quality of architectural practice.
4. Enhance the image of the architect as a professional able to meet the expectations of the client.
5. Reduce the amount of claims against architects.
6. Reduce the insurance cost for professional liability insurance.
7. Reduce the number and severity of building failures and client dissatisfaction.
8. Attract more architects into AIA membership.

The task force is co-chaired by Bob Wesley, AIA and Jack Hartray, FAIR; it also includes David Sauer, Jerry Quebe, AIA, Robert Katz, Gene Montgomery, AIA, John Schlossman, FAIA, Paul Lurie and Richard Cook, AIA.

Plans have been approved by the National AIA Commission on Professional Practice (chaired by John Rogers, AIA) to make the task force a separate foundation within the CCAIA. This would enable the Chicago Chapter to solicit funds for research and programs. To participate AIA membership would be a prerequisite in the Foundation; a separate dues structure would also be established.

Plans include: collecting and distributing information on design failures; establishing a program (confidential) where qualified personnel would review and comment on quality control procedures in participating firms; publishing a list of qualified consultants; research-

ing "asylum legislation" similar to the form of legislation which exists for doctors in Illinois; and developing a "hot line" system similar to that of Professional Services Management Association (PSMA), with the Structural Engineers Association of Illinois, Associated General Contractors, the Construction Specification Institute and the Producer's Council.

Insurance companies have been very responsive to the program. Shand, Morahan & Co. will sponsor a seminar on Wind & Water Penetration of Vertical Surfaces, March 27. We are looking forward to this exciting program of reducing costs through quality control.

As the program develops I will write further on the Quality Assurance Foundation. At this time we are at the threshold of a move towards trying to control cost through quality control.

Richard B. Cook, AIA

ICAI A WORKING FOR YOU

The time is close at hand when the Illinois Council will need your personal input on legislation affecting the profession during the 1981 Legislative Session in Springfield. We need volunteers in the following areas of interest.

Repeal of the Illinois Structural Work Act (Scaffolding Act) - Contractors are spearheading this effort with a strong coalition of many groups, including architects and engineers being hit with third-party suits under this act.

Amendment to the Civil Practice Act (Frivolous Suits) - The Architects and Engineers are supporting the Illinois Medical Society in this effort.

Statute of Limitations - The AIA is formulating a bill to include buildings built prior to 1979 which were excluded under previous legislation. This will be a collective effort with groups in construction.

Designated Fund/Department of Registration and Education - Rather than A/E registration fees going to the General Revenue Fund of the State, we are requesting a special fund be created for the design disciplines (architects, engineers, land surveyors), hopefully to provide funds for a more sophisticated staff to be responsible for investigation of complaints regarding abuses of the registration acts.

Monitoring of House Resolution 18 - this Bill would require that a Statewide Building Code Committee be established, consisting of legislative members.

Illinois Capital Development Board Accessibility Standards - Consideration of implementing recently enacted National Standards.

Through the Illinois Architect/Engineer Council and the Capital Development Board Construction Industry Advisory Committee, continue to improve CDB contracts. Recent results are promising.

Continue to work with the Illinois Institute of Natural Resources regarding Energy legislation. Among others, IINR has formulated a bill to require energy analysis on licensing exams.

The ICAIA is also preparing to combat legislation which may be considered to provide for competitive bidding.

We hope, also, at the appropriate time, to have you contact your Legislators regarding these issues as they are formulated into specific legislation.

Please indicate your interest by calling Shirley Norvell at 217/522-2309 or sending her a note at Illinois Council AIA, 802 Lincoln Tower, 520 S. Second Street, Springfield, IL 62701. We really need your help!

Ronald L. Moline, AIA
President, ICAIA

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MINNEAPOLIS HOSTS CONVENTION

Nationally known architects, educators, news analysts, historians and public officials who have fostered or inspired energy conscious design will share their views during four theme programs at the 1981 AIA National Convention in Minneapolis/St. Paul, May 17-21.

The convention's theme, "A Line on Design and Energy", reflects the AIA's 1981 initiatives and programs to let the nation know that architects can make a significant contribution in freeing Americans from their dependence on fossil fuels and imported oil.

Kicking off the convention will be a keynote presentation by Ralph L. Knowles, energy researcher, designer, author and educator. His address on energy dynamics and design will set the stage for a series of programs focusing on ways that energy affects the architectural profession.

Other energy/design leaders featured during the convention's four theme programs will include: architectural educator, historian and critic James Marston Fitch, social scientist/historian Dr. Roberta Balstad Miller, news analyst Robert MacNeil, William Caudill, Harrison Fraker, Jr., Sim Van der Ryn, Robert A. M. Stern, Josep Lluis Sert, I. M. Pei, and David Brinkley, who will address the convocation dinner of the AIA College of Fellows.

The convention will feature 14 professional development seminars focusing on energy consciousness at every stage of the design process. An array of new architectural products and services directed to design and allied industries will be exhibited in the Minneapolis Convention Center. The AIA 1981 Exhibit will be the largest ever presented at an AIA Convention.

The 1981 AIA Convention has "A Line on Design and Energy" and the Minnesota Society has arranged a toll free telephone line so that

One Call Does All

1. Minnesota Society, AIA has reserved group space on several flights. The earlier that Chicago Chapter delegates act, the lower the airfare and the better the flight choice. To qualify, reservations must be made on the special convention toll free number

1-800-328-7484

2. An array of Host Chapter events has been planned. The opening event, "The Host Chapter Party" that begins with a performance at Orchestra Hall ending with a night-cap and dancing in the spectacular IDS Crystal Court. Other exciting and memorable activities and tours include Frank Lloyd Wright Prairie School in Wisconsin, Guthrie/Walker Art Center, an old-fashioned paddle boat ride up the Mississippi, plus 19 other events. To register for Host Chapter Events call toll free

1-800-328-7484

3. To register on the centralized computer system for immediate confirmation of all your arrangements and up-to-date, last minute information

4. For weather and tourist information and all convention details, call the Minnesota Convention Services and Information Central toll free number

1-800-328-7484.

For special reduced group air fares and some Host Chapter Events, space is limited.

CONVENTION DELEGATE CALL

To assure the Chicago Chapter full strength of voting delegates (67) at the Minneapolis Convention May 17-21, you are encouraged to submit your name as delegate. Please call the Chapter office if you wish to serve so that a delegate credential card may be processed.

If you haven't received the convention packet call 202/626-7465.

FELLOWS JURY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Chicago Chapter is pleased to announce that the following Chapter members are newly advanced Fellows of the Institute:

STANLEY NANCE ALLAN
ROBERT DIAMANT
ANDREW L. HEARD
CHARLES F. MURPHY, JR.
DOUGLAS F. SCHROEDER
RODNEY H. WRIGHT

Congratulations to these six Chicago area architects for this lifetime honor bestowed for notable contribution to the profession. Investiture of the 91 elected Fellows will take place on May 18 at the AIA National Convention.

MEMBERSHIP

The Chicago Chapter welcomes the following new members into the Institute and the Chapter.

Members

Joseph Kvapil Scott Zanardo
Douglas Madel

Associate

Mark Dembkowski
John Hanna

Upgrades

Kristine K. Fallon

Transfers

W. Dean Walker (From Central Ariz.)
Lauren Rottet (From Houston)

Applications for Membership have been received from Philip Holden-Stanley Tigerman, Stephen O'Malley Charles Kober, Robert Katz-Brim/Braun, Marc K. Segel-Brim/Braun, Michael Stein-O'Donnell, Wicklund, Pigozzi, Robert M. Wilson-SOM, Clifford A. Bender-F.A. Briks & Assoc. For Associate Member, applications have been received from Phillip Neuberg-Jenkins & Thomason Donald Reszel-SOM, Michael Toolis-VOA, Lynn Grzesiak-City of Chicago Bureau of Architecture.

Please direct confidential communication regarding applications to any member of the Board

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PRACTICE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The first 1981 meeting of the AIA National Practice Management Committee was held in February at AIA Headquarters. The meeting was devoted to a discussion of the recently published "Managing Architectural Projects: The Process" (AIA catalog #2M272), first of three volumes on project management.

The next meeting of the Practice Management Committee will be held in Los Angeles on April 15 and 16; a national conference on project management will be held in Chicago at the Drake Hotel on October 7 and 8. For more information on both the April meeting and the October conference, contact William Hooper, Practice Division Director at AIA Headquarters (202/626-7449).

Howard Birnberg

SPECIAL CHAPTER EVENTS

TROMBE WALL SEMINAR

April 7 3:00 - 7:00 PM
Chapter Office

This seminar, co-sponsored by the CCAIA Energy Committee and the Illinois Masonry Institute, is intended for the professional who has a basic knowledge of passive solar techniques, but wants the working knowledge to apply these techniques to a real project. Following the design portion of the seminar there will be a slide presentation and lecture on construction and detailing. Several completed trombe wall projects will be discussed.

Registration fee for AIA members is \$35.00. Your check should be mailed to the Chapter office.

TRANSPORTATION SEMINAR

April 9 5:30 PM Arts Club

Second program to be offered by the CCAIA Design Committee, and committed to "A Review of the Status of Architecture in Chicago".

Where are we going and how do we get there at a time when the problems of energy would seem to

reinforce urban transportation systems? Why are funds being withdrawn and the organization structure itself threatened? The CCAIA will face the issues of transportation options at The Arts Club on Thursday, April 9, 5:30 PM.

Milton Pikarsky, Director of Transportation Research, IIT Research Institute will review the Catch-22 of economic disciplines and possible alternatives. Kirk W. Foley, President of Urban Transportation Development Corporation Ltd., Toronto will relate the successful experience in Ontario and the potential of design and systems planning.

After the presentation Dr. Richard M. Michaels, Director of Urban Transportation Center, UICC and Mr. Jack Meltzer, University of Chicago will join Mr. Pikarsky and Mr. Foley in a panel to assess the Chicago alternatives.

For reservations please call the Chapter office, 663-4111.

George Schipporeit, AIA
Seminar Coordinator

ARCHITECTURAL TOUR

April 14 5:30 PM

A tour of Harry Weese's Cold Storage Building converted to condominiums has been arranged by the Architectural Tours Committee. The tour will "kick off" by meeting at George's restaurant, (230 W. Kinzie) designed by architect Garrett Eakin, and participating in a cash bar that offers very special discounts. After viewing the Harry Weese building, the tour group will move on to the new headquarters of the Chicago Architectural Assistance Center for a wine-tasting party.

Reservations are limited to 100 persons, and may be confirmed by remitting a check (non-refundable), payable to Chicago AIA Foundation: AIA and WAL members \$5 each, (one guest is allowed at the \$5 price), non-members \$8, students \$3. The tour will benefit the Chapter Foundation and the WAL Foundation. Call 663-4111 for reservations; send your check to Chapter office.

SEMINARS

Spring 1981 Program for Architectural Licensing Candidates: Crash seminars through Architectural License Seminars, Inc. will discuss and analyze the announced subject of the June 1981 exam. The seminar program for the Site Planning and Design Test has been expanded to a full day. Registration fee includes admission to the entire day's sessions, lunch, coffee breaks, seminar hand-out material. There is a reduced fee for payment received at least one week in advance of seminar date. The Chicago seminar will be held Friday, May 22, 1981, Chicago O'Hare Marriott. Contact: Architectural License Seminars, Inc. Box 64188, Los Angeles 90064.

"Industrialization in the Design and Construction Industry": Pre-Cast/Pre-Engineered Buildings: A thorough, up-to-date consideration of this increasingly prevalent approach to design and construction. April 22, Holiday Inn-City Centre.

"Building Lighting for the 80's": An in-depth look at changing concepts, study of lighting selection, control and application techniques for effective illumination and energy conservation. May 13, Conrad Hilton, Chicago.

Above two seminars part of State of Illinois Capital Development Board 1981 Public Construction Colloquium Series. To make reservations contact Sharon Porter, CDB, Third Floor, William G. Stratton Building, Springfield 62706, 217/782-8729.

Value Engineering/Analysis Workshop: A VE/VA workshop sponsored by the Society of American Value Engineers, Metro Chicago Chapter offers an overview of VE/VA techniques and philosophy by working on short projects in a fast paced one-day session. Agenda will include the VE/VA job plan, function analysis, FAST diagraming, function costing, creative techniques, idea selection and project implementa-

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	<p>Planning Committee Walker Johnson, Robt. Berkoff, David Roston 5:00/Chapter Office</p> <p>"Crystal Palace" Lecture: Crombie Taylor Noon/1st Nat'l Bank Auditorium</p>	<p>Planning Committee Noon/Chapter Office</p> <p>Trombe Wall Seminar: B. Robertson/J. Yohanan 3:00-7:00/Chapter Ofc.</p>	<p>AIA Staff on the Riviera for the month of April</p> <p>Housing Committee 12:30/Chapter Ofc.</p> <p>Student Affairs Comm. "Mechanics of Being Employed" 6:30/Chapter Office</p>	<p>Energy Planning Comm. Noon/Chapter Office</p> <p>Transportation Seminar 5:30/ The Arts Club</p>	<p>MAY FOCUS DEADLINE</p>	4
12	<p>Bright New City "Navy Pier Potential" Noon/1st Nat'l Bank Auditorium</p>	<p>Executive Committee 8:00 AM/Chapter Ofc.</p> <p>Tour: Cold Storage Bldg. (Fulton House) Meet at George's, 2.30 W. Kinzie, 5:30 PM</p>	<p>Office Practice Comm. Noon/Chapter Office</p> <p>Young Architects Comm. Panel on Phase I of Exam 5:30/Chapter Office</p>	<p>Historic Resources Noon/Chapter Office</p>	17	18
HAPPY EASTER! 19	<p>Planning Committee 5:00/Chapter Office</p> <p>Bright New City "Neighborhoods on the Move" / Noon/ 1st Nat'l Bank Auditorium</p>			<p>"Metal Curtain Walls" Call 449-2700</p> <p>HEALTH Comm. Speaker: Ralph Gerdes "Fire Safety Evaluation System"/Builders Club/Noon</p>	24	25
26	<p>INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE Submitters Due in the Chapter Office</p> <p>Bright New City "Are and Architecture: A Failed Marriage" Noon/1st Nat'l Bank Auditorium</p>	<p>Board Meeting Noon/Chapter Ofc.</p>				<p>Plan to Attend the NATIONAL AIA CONVENTION May 17-21/Minneapolis</p>

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tion. April 11, Holiday Inn, Oak Brook Terrace. Contact Fred Shum, 353-4763.

The 42nd National Interfaith Conference on Religion, Art and Architecture will be held May 11 - 14 at the Radisson Hotel. Activities at IFRAA conferences deal with current issues concerning the design and construction of church buildings, synagogues and related facilities. Further information may be obtained from the IFRAA National office, Judith Miller, 1777 Church St., N.W., Washington 20036.

First Statewide Conference on Architectural Preservation to be held May 8 and 9 at Mt. Carroll, Illinois. A series of workshops will provide a forum for discussion on three major topics of concern in Illinois: rural preservation, revitalization of main streets and neighborhood commercial areas, and comprehensive municipal preservation planning. Information and registration: Landmarks Preservation Council of Illinois, 407 South Dearborn, Suite 1705, Chicago 60605, 922-1742.

"Metal Curtain Walls": Sponsored by Construction Products Manufacturers Council; a dinner/program on the evening of April 23. The speakers will be Ken Hoffman of Tremco Engineering Services Division, Inc., and Robert Mack of Kawneer Company. For additional information on time and location contact Richard Degitis at 449-2700.

EXHIBITS

The Architecture and the Law Committee of the Chicago Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section has announced an exhibition of the work of young Chicago architects. Submissions meeting the committee's requirements and "final aesthetic decision of an architectural jury" will be displayed privately at the Bar Association's headquarters (29 S. LaSalle, 12th floor) on April

14 from 4:00 - 7:00 PM; they will be displayed publicly during the month of June at the ArchiCenter, 330 S. Dearborn.

Visionary Projects: The Art of Architectural Draughtsmanship: An exhibition of architectural drawings, both historical and contemporary, which concentrates on fine technique and accomplished draughtsmanship. Frumkin & Struve Gallery, 620 N. Michigan, April 3 - 29.

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June Terp has been elected to honorary membership in the Eastern Illinois Chapter. Mrs. Terp was selected for the 1980 honor in acknowledgement of her long history of dedication toward the advancement of architecture in the Chapter's territory and the metropolitan Chicago area.

World Cities III: Berlin: The Institute for Urban Design will sponsor a World Cities Study Tour to Berlin, June 22 - 26, 1981. The five-day program is open to non-members; registration is requested by April 22. For more information contact: Judith Verdino, Institute for Urban Design, Main P.O. Box 105, Purchase, N.Y. 10577 or telephone 914/253-5527.

The Chicago Architectural Assistance Center needs drafting tables, file cabinets (drawing and lateral), stools and general office furniture (reception room). If your firm has extras, or if you know of another resource, please contact John Tomassi, Executive Director of CAAC at 661-1920. The Chapter continues to collect donations; \$1,692 has thus far been collected for 1981. CAAC appreciates your support.

For fast access to leading architectural publications - "The Architectural Index". Back issues to 1950 are available. Write the Index at P. O. Box 1168, Boulder, Colorado 80306.

Preservation Ball: Save Saturday May 9 and make plans to attend this gala event at the Hotel Florence in Historic Pullman. The Ball is presented by the 1981 Greater Chicago Historic Preservation Week Committee. Prepare for dancing and hot hors d'oeuvres (cash bar); \$12.50 per person. Invitations are being mailed, but if you do not receive one, which AIA members are, then please contact co-chairperson Joslyn Kirkegaard at 629-5622.

PLANNING COMMITTEE & NORTH LOOP

The CCAIA Urban Affairs Committee will be preparing a statement concerning the North Loop Redevelopment Project. On March 30 and 31, April 6, 7, 14 and 20, the committee will hold a series of information gathering meetings with organizations who have been involved in the project. Participants will include the Landmarks Preservation Council, Skidmore Owings & Merrill, Harry Weese Associates, Louis Manilow and Dennis Harter of the City of Chicago Planning Department. The sessions will be open to CCAIA members and held at the Chapter office, 310 S. Michigan. The committee is receiving the comments of as many members as possible. A tentative schedule is:

Monday, March 30, 5:00 PM
Tuesday, March 31, Noon
Monday, April 6, 5:00 PM
(Speakers: Walker Johnson of Holabird & Root, Robert Berkoff and David Roston of Landmarks Preservation Council)
Tuesday, April 7, Noon
Tuesday, April 14, 5:00 PM
Monday, April 20, 5:00 PM

MAY FOCUS DEADLINE - April 10

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