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Chicago Chapter American Institute of Architects

May 1981 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A number of issues will become prominent in the near future requiring participation and response from the Chicago Chapter, AIA. They are:

1. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Minimum Guidelines and Requirements for Accessible Design: Final Rule). The Handicapped subcommittee is now being reformed by Joseph Fitzgerald and should be prepared by the end of April to review the accessibility guidelines document and the ANSI Standards. This subcommittee is a part of the Mayor's Commission on Building Code Amendments, which served so well to review the State of Illinois Accessibility Standards. CCAIA members serving on this committee were Robert Kill, Robert Wesley, Norman DeHaan and John Anderson.

You may recall Gertrude Kerbis' report in the March 1980 Focus which indicated the concern of the CCAIA regarding the State of Illinois Accessibility Standards, and the fine work the committee did to bring revisions to this standard. In addition to reviewing the Transportation Board Guidelines to interface with the State Standards, the ANSI standards will be reviewed to see if it could be modified into code language. We look forward to the input this committee can bring to the CCAIA and Illinois Council.

2. Large Component Meeting. A large component meeting was held on Monday, March 23 with representatives from Minneapolis, St. Louis, Boston, Philadelphia, Columbus, New York City, Los Angeles and Chicago meeting with AIA Executive Vice President, David O. Meeker. The following agenda items were discussed during the five and one-half hour meeting: national and component coordination, membership brochures for large components, dues and national voting. Discussion on the A-1 Resolution was held with only the large component representatives present; ways in which to respond to the Resolution at the

component level, and subsequently at the convention, were considered.

3. AIA Convention. The National AIA Convention in Minneapolis has been planned to help architects "get a line on energy and design". Professional development seminars based on the convention theme are offered to accomplish the goal of giving every AIA member an opportunity to develop expertise necessary to meet the challenges of energy-conscious design.

The A-1 Resolution will be discussed further at the convention, promising to be controversial as components deliver their responses. To respond to an issue as large as the A-1 Resolution, and bringing it to the convention is essential to the direction the AIA will take in the '80's.

The CCAIA is entitled to 67 delegates to the National Convention. We urge you to attend and represent the Chapter as a delegate. Please telephone Vicki Behm at the Chapter office to express your desire to serve as a 1981 delegate.

CHAPTER TO MOVE TO LANDMARK BLDG.

The Chicago Chapter, AIA office is moving to the third floor (suites 341, 346 and 356) of the Monadnock Building by mid-June. The reasons for the move are economic; rent at 310 S. Michigan has gone from \$5.50 to at least \$12.00 a square foot. Our new rent, plus construction costs will reflect a savings.

Although the new space is smaller than our current office, we will still have a conference room, access to a mid-size auditorium and continue to sell documents.

The AIA Journal will be sharing office space with the Chapter. Jim Anderson will head area advertising sales for the Journal. Although Jim will be traveling much of the time, he looks forward to meeting many of our members.

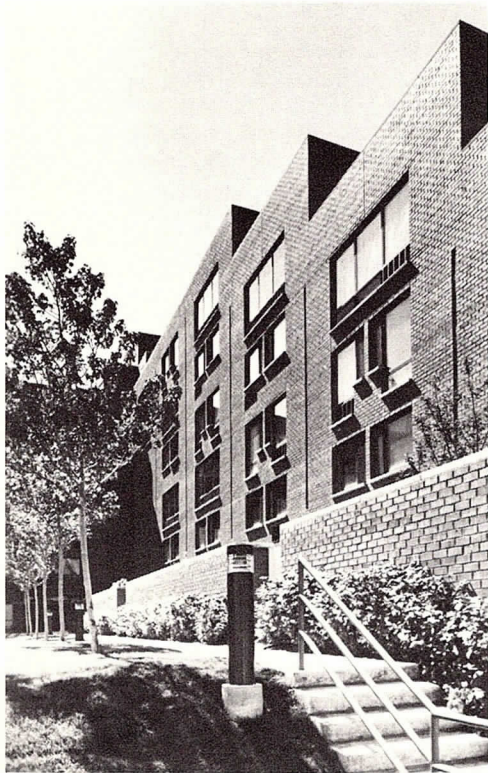
The owners of the Monadnock Building are very sympathetic to the integrity of this landmark structure, as well as our needs. The 12' high corridor wall of our office will be restored by the owner (chipped glass, oak, marble). The ArchiCenter, located on the first and second floors directly below us, has opened an expanded bookstore.

During the renovation and move period we have asked the committee chairmen to host their meetings in other offices. We appreciate your cooperation and hope the inconvenience to you is minimal.

Victoria Behm
Executive Director



MONADNOCK BUILDING
New Home of Chicago AIA



Dearborn Park Mid-Rise Apartments
EXCELLENCE IN MASONRY '80
Gold Medal Winner
Booth/Hansen Ltd.

GOLD & SILVER MEDALS AWARDED

Three Chicago Chapter firms were honored at the Seventh Annual Excellence in Masonry '80 Architectural Awards Program, sponsored by the Metropolitan Chicago Masonry Council. The following member firms received awards at a banquet honoring architects and members of the masonry industry:

Booth/Hansen Associates Ltd. captured the coveted Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Masonry in design for the Dearborn Park Mid-Rise Apartment units. Richard Cook, CCAIA President, made the presentation and accepted the award for Booth/Hansen.

Consoer/Morgan, architects for the O'Hare Water Reclamation Plant, were the recipients of a Silver Medal Award with Del Wilkes, AIA accepting for Consoer/Morgan.

O'Donnell, Wicklund, Pigozzi received a Silver Medal for their design of the Von Humboldt Child/Parent Center. Mr. Larry O'Donnell accepted the award for the firm.

THEY WERE THERE TO HELP

The Third Annual City House Exposition took place on the 27th, 28th and 29th of March at Donnelly Hall. The Chicago AIA booth was enhanced by a display of renovation project boards that were offered for exhibit by Gundaz Ast, Pomnitz & Nelson, Rick Phillips, Rosen & Horowitz, Ken Schroeder, Carl Schwebel, Roman Schlaeger, Wonderlick Associates, Marvin Ullman and Urban Six.

The popular ArchiClinic consultants from the Chapter were joined by members of Chicago Women in Architecture in fielding questions from City House attendees. All who participated agreed that the weekend experience was stimulating, educational and enjoyable.

Chicago Chapter volunteers included Richard Fencel, Dennis Probst, Vic Smith, Peter Schramm, Mike Kollman, Steve Moylan, Brian Robertson, Randall Damron, Jim Stefanski, Peter Pomnitz, Roman Schlaeger, Lisa Becker, Jay Muller, Tom Prairie, Wayne Worthington, Dennis Wonderlick, John Weber, Ed Uhlir, Michael Rosen, John Nelson, Lou Raia, Joe Putignano, Ken Zajac, Jerry Nelson and Harry Swihart.

Chicago Women in Architecture was represented by Christine Scholl, Gundaz Ast, Carrie Jeffers, Robin Stokes, Carol Barney, Kris Fallon, Lynn Myers, Monica Garceau, Celia Pew, Jeri Bucey, Mary Welsch, Cynthia Winters, Barbara Ralph, Lynda Searl, Saralou Goldenthal and Karen Redish.

To all our City House volunteers a very special thank you.

Gary W. Dawkins, AIA

James B. Thomas, AIA of Morris Aubry Associates

Sally Walsh, Interior Designer
Marcus R. Tucker, AIA of 3D/International

Robert H. Timml of Tart Associates

Winners of the 1981 Interior Architecture Awards will be announced on Tuesday, June 16 at a reception held in conjunction with Neocon. Chapter members are to be invited.

NEOCON 13

One of the features of this year's Neocon, held June 16 - 19, will be a seminar endorsed by the Chicago Chapter AIA, the National AIA Interiors Committee and the Chicago Chapter Interior Architecture Committee. The program (Seminar #9), scheduled for 8:30 AM, Friday, June 19, is titled "The Inside Out of Design - The Changing Role of the Architect".

The architect has a new set of building blocks with which to form tomorrow's cities. Economic restraints, energy guidelines, retrofit and decreasing space now shape the architect's approach to planning designs. The architect must envision the worn building as a totally new structure, and adapt small spaces into spacious environments. Chicago architects Helmut Jahn and Harry Weese discuss how they are using these building blocks to create new architecture; the Seminar Chairman will be Kenneth E. Johnson.

At the Chicago Architect's Day luncheon a panel of leading developers will express their confidence in the future of their industry and discuss their role in the American economy.

Among other highlights of Neocon XIII are R. Buckminster Fuller, the keynote speaker; Mayor Jane M. Byrne who will lead the panel of mayors to probe the issues of urban planning; Dr. William Ouchi, author "Theory Z" and U.C.L.A. management professor, will challenge American industry to take a hard look at the successful Japanese style of management.

Kenneth E. Johnson

67 ENTER INTERIORS AWARDS

Sixty-seven designs were entered in the Second Annual Interior Architecture Awards program, chaired by Kenneth van der Kolk. The purpose of the special awards program is to promote professional and public interest in recent outstanding interior architecture projects.

Jury members meeting May 11 at the Houston AIA office are:

Linda Pinto of Caudill Rowlett Scott, Architects

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1981 Calendar

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EVENTS

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

TUESDAY 12

Executive Committee, 8:00 AM

WEDNESDAY 13

Housing Committee, 12:30, at Booth/Hansen, 555 S. Dearborn

FRIDAY 15

Real Estate Development Committee, Speaker: Paul Lurie of Fohrman Lurie Sklar & Cottle Ltd. will discuss land acquisition. To be held at Lurie's office, 180 N. Michigan at 12:00.

WEDNESDAY 20

Office Practice Meeting, 12:00, place to be determined; mailing to be sent to committee member list.

Young Architects will not meet in May.

TUESDAY 26

Board of Directors Meeting, 12:00

WEDNESDAY 27

Government & Industry Committee, 6:00 PM, Capital Development Board, 180 N. LaSalle, Room 320.

TOURS/EXHIBITS

The February Xerox Center and SOM offices tour is being repeated on Tuesday, May 12, 5:30 PM. Chairman Lloyd Siegel promises an identical event - only the price has changed. There are a very few reservations still available which could be yours by calling the Chapter office at 663-4111. Members will be admitted for \$5 each (one guest is allowed at the \$5 price), non-members \$8, students \$3.

Wright Plus - The Frank Lloyd Wright Home and Studio Foundation's annual housewalk is May 16 in Oak Park. Five buildings designed by Wright will be open for guided tours from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The tour also includes the work of other Prairie School architects. Tickets (\$15.00) may be purchased by mail at 158 N. Forest, Oak Park; they are also on sale at the ArchiCenter, 330 S. Dearborn. For information call 848-1976.

Architectural Exhibition - A special exhibit designed by Michael Graves for the international art exposition at Navy Pier in Chicago to contain four works: one drawing by Thomas Beeby, one drawing by Mary Ann Crawford, one drawing by Helmut Jahn, and one photograph by Hedrich-Blessing. Frumkin & Struve Gallery, May 14 to 19.

SEMINARS

Architectural Photography Seminar conducted by Jack Hedrich. Sponsored by Northeast Illinois Chapter on May 8, 8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon, Triton College, College Center Building, Maple Room, 2nd floor. Cost \$15; reservations limited to 25.

"Change or Decay", Interfaith Forum on Religion, Architecture and the Arts - to include workshops and special exhibits May 11 - 13, Radisson Hotel. Speakers will include Lawrence B. Perkins, FAIA. The Chapter will host, along with the ArchiCenter, a coffee on May 12. Additional information may be obtained by calling Judith Miller, 202/387-8333.

Energy Use and Management in High Rise Buildings - The Chicago Committee on High Rise Buildings and the Chicago Chapter of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Airconditioning Engineers will co-sponsor the day-long seminar, June 4 at the Merchandise Mart. For re-

servations and information: Joseph Fitzgerald, Chicago Committee on High Rise Buildings, c/o Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, 33 W. Monroe or call 558-9372.

"Renewed Beginnings", Twelfth Annual Convention of the Architectural Secretaries Association will convene at the Raddison Plaza Hotel in St. Paul, Minnesota from May 16 through 21, in conjunction with the AIA Convention. Some of the seminars planned are "Public Relations in the Design Office" and "How to Conduct a More Effective Business Meeting." More information may be obtained by writing Nancy Miller, c/o Hendrix Associates, 670 Saxon Building, Minneapolis 55415.

How Is A Community Organized To Attract and Effectively Incorporate Economic Development? is the theme of a seminar sponsored by the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry, May 27, 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Palmer House, Red Lacquer Room. One of the speakers will be Roy Solfisburg, AIA. For reservations call 786-0111

The Architectural Woodwork Institute will be sponsoring weekly seminars on May 5, 12, 19, 26 and June 2 from 7:00 - 9:00 PM. A mailing is going out to CCAIA members.

JUNE FOCUS DUE DATE: FRI., MAY 8

MEET YOU AT

With the Chapter making its move to the Monadnock Building in just a few weeks we have requested that the committee chairmen hold May and June meetings in other offices. We have made arrangements to contact committee members by mail if alternate space has not been arranged by the time the Focus goes to print. For your convenience we are publishing a list of the Chapter committees and their regular meeting day, which you may want to keep in mind anyway.

Arts	12:00	2nd Tues.
Arch. Tours	5:30	2nd Tues.
Housing	12:30	2nd Wed.
Energy	12:00	2nd Thurs.
Planning	12:00	3rd Tues.
Ofc. Prac.	12:00	3rd Wed.
Young Arch.	5:30	3rd Wed.
Hist. Res.	12:00	3rd Thurs.
Real Estate	12:00	3rd Fri.
Gov't/Ind.	6:00	4th Wed.
Health	12:00	4th Thurs.

(As a rule the Health Committee meets at the Builders Club.)

MEMBERSHIP

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

Members

Philip Holden	Michael Stein
Stephen O'Malley	Robert Wilson
Robert N. Katz	John Zaluski

Associate

Peter Erdelyi	Lynn Petrie
Lynn Grzesiak	Donald Reszel
Phillip Neuberg	Michael Toolis

Transfers

James Offenhauer (From Northern MI)

Applications for Membership have been received from Leonard Kutyla-Booth/Hansen, Michael McCall-Draper & Kramer, James Li-Hsin Chan-James Ferris, George Pappageorge-Ken Schroeder. Applications for Associate have been received from Betty Duke-A. Epstein, David Haymes-Ken Schroeder, Laura Hochuli-Chicago Art & Architecture, Sidney Weinberg-Ken Schroeder, Anatol Zukerman-Melvin Grossman Architects. Professional Affiliate application was re-

ceived from John Craigie-Theodore Brickman Company.

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

CHICAGO CHAPTER FELLOWS

The formal 1981 investiture of Institute Fellows will take place at 5:30 PM on Monday, May 18 at Minneapolis' Westminster Presbyterian Church. The Chapter honored its newly advanced Fellows to the Institute on April 22 at the Cafe Bohemia. The annual dinner was arranged and hosted by John Holabird, FAIA.



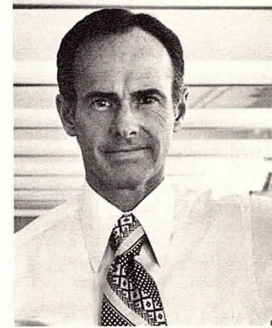
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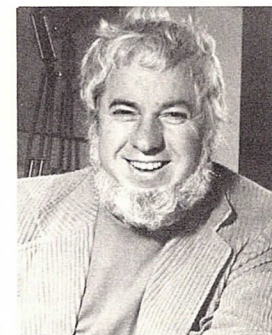
ANDREW L.
HEARD



CHARLES F.
MURPHY, JR.



DOUGLAS F.
SCHROEDER



RODNEY WRIGHT

NOTES

The Chicago Chapter extends its condolences to the family of Herbert H. Sobel who passed away on Saturday April 4. Mr. Sobel, age 78 was a thirty-four year member of the Institute. He had been an Emeritus member since February 1975.

Space Available: Designer/Space Planner wants compatible tenant to share furnished North Michigan Ave. office. Two desks available, files, conference area. Reasonable. Please call 266-0555.

CHICAGO HOSTS NATIONAL COMMITTEE

The National AIA Interiors Committee will hold its second meeting of the year in Chicago to coincide with Neocon XIII. The full committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 16. Besides general reports by the chairman, the commissioner and National's staff representative, subcommittee reports will be given on professional development, accessibility, liaison and communication, standards, education and local committees. The Chicago Chapter's Interior Architecture Awards Program presentation will follow the meeting.

AN EIFFEL TOWER IN MONROE HARBOR?

Well, maybe! The Student Affairs Committee is sponsoring its first student design competition this summer. The problem will be to design a "symbolic structure" in Monroe Harbor on axis with the Buckingham Fountain. Students from IIT and the University of Illinois at Champaign/Urbana and Circle will be invited to enter for a \$10.00 fee. The competition is also open to full time students attending other accredited schools of architecture who are permanent residents of the Chicago metropolitan area (Cook, DuPage, Lake, McHenry, Will and Kane counties). Registration forms will be available in May at the universities.

The AIA Foundation has granted \$1,000 for the three prizes. Martin Reinhardt, AIA and Mike Bordenaro, a student at Circle, are organizing the competition. At this date, John Holabird, FAIA and Helmut Jahm, AIA, are judges. Winners will be announced this fall.

WINDSOR CASTLE ON NORTH AVE. BEACH?

Get out your shovels, spritzers and zinc oxide. It's time for the Chicago Chapter, AIA annual Sandcastle Competition to be held Saturday, June 6. Again North Avenue Beach is prepared to be the site for your creations. Although we have a rain date (Sunday, June 7)

the competition promises no squall or seiche to squelch your sandcastle. Instead, Doubleday & Company, Inc. is sending the author of Sandcastles Joe Allan, who has dedicated his book to the "sandcastlers of the world", will be in Chicago to promote his book and our Sandcastle Competition. Look for us in the news. Should you and your crew want to do something classic with the sand on June 6, Joe Allen's book is a real inspiration.

ARCHITECTS TO EXPLAIN THEMSELVES

Let's see, first I put lead in my pencil..... Many of the Chapter's members (and friends) have volunteered to participate in a special project "City Scape" sponsored by the Women's Board of the Art Institute of Chicago. Cooperating groups are: Chicago Chapter, AIA, Chicago Council on Fine Arts, Chicago Library System, Urban Gateways, and Young Artists Studio of the School of the Art Institute.

James Grigsbie, director of the artists studio and faculty member of the Art Institute is organizing the month-long program which involves children from many of the City's neighborhoods. The goal is increased awareness in architecture and appreciation of neighborhoods. On July 21 the architects will work with groups of children and explain to them what an architect does.

Participants to date are: Garret Eakin, Stephen Wright, Ken Schroeder, Andrew Heard, Sally Naylor, James Stefanski, Jerry Geurts and Lon L. Frye.

TOWNHOUSE MODELS ON THE MOVE

The eight townhouse models were on exhibit at City House in March, and are now at the ArchiCenter. Frederick Phillips, AIA and Robert Bunda, AIA (the two finalists) have drafted floor plans for real estate brochures. Paul Levin, of the Logan Square Redevelopment Corporation, is actively looking for buyers. Call the Chapter office if you know of someone who is inter-

ested in building one of the houses.

Response to our P. R. has been very good. Officials and architectural and planning professors from Hartford, St. Louis, Boston and Chicago have contacted the Chapter office for information. The \$13,000 cost for the competition was funded by a \$10,000 grant from the City, with the remainder subsidized by the entry fees.

ON ITS WAY

The Mayor's Advisory Commission on Building Code Amendments has approved the final draft of the revisions to the Building Code concerning remodeling and additions to existing buildings. The Appeals Board procedure was also approved. The proposed amendments were sent to the Corporation Council for their review and to put into legal language. This review is predicted to be completed in about sixty days after which it will be forwarded to the Mayor. The Commission is optimistic that it will be approved intact. Members of the AIA Housing Committee were instrumental in helping to draft these revisions which are considered to be the most progressive rehabilitation standards of any major city. A copy of the proposed amendments is available at the Chapter Office for review. Contact Housing Committee Chairman, Steve Weiss at 427-0300 if you have any comments or would like to receive a copy of the draft.

Frank E. Heitzman, AIA

WRIGHT HOME ON THE MARKET

The Dana House, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright in 1902 and 1905 and located in Springfield, Illinois is for sale by the owner, Mr. Payne Thomas. It is the only Wright structure from his Prairie period totally intact: windows, furniture, lighting, lighting fixtures and architectural elements. Vicki Behm wrote a letter to the owner strongly supporting his decision to insure that the house remain in its original state. Richard Cook wrote a similar letter to Governor Thompson.

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