

n March 7 and 8 the Chicago Chapter, AIA, along with the Illinois Chapter, ASID, and the Chicago Regional Chapter, Institute of Business Designers, will host a second conference on design solutions for enhanced efficiency in the electronic office.

In addition to discussing the changing workplace, human response to these changes, and the role of design, the conference will also highlight the growing importance of communications technology. This second phenomenon is not only affecting design decisions, but it is also expanding the range of professional services that clients require.

Meeting New Requirements

You'll need to be informed on:

- the integration of communications systems into building programming, design, and construction;
- the impact of automation equipment on employee health and productivity;
- the furniture systems that best meet human and equipment needs;
- the design solutions that will satisfy both people and machines:
- the computer-based tools available to help handle these new challenges.

"Designing for the Electronic Office II" will give you the information you'll need to meet the requirements of the technology-era client.

Nationally Renowned Experts Share Insights

Keynote speaker Michael Brill, president of the Buffalo Organization for Social and

President DeHaan Announces 1985 Committees

standing committees in the Chapter represent the special interests of our members. Within any committee a task force may be assembled to deal with a specific issue within a set time frame.

Following is an introduction to each of our committee leaders, the Board liaisons, and a brief description of the committee's purpose and activities. Each of you is urged to participate in as many committee activities as you would like. We want to know of your interest and ask that you take the time to tell us about it through the form found on page 8. There is also space on the committee interest form for telling us of your participation in related organizations, and whether you are serving on other organization committees and/or boards.

ARCHITECTS IN GOVERNMENT, INDUSTRY, AND EDUCATION

Dennis Dills, Co-chairs James Gimpel, Harold Hellman, Board Liaison

Serving the interests of architects working in government, industry, and education, its programs promote an exchange of ideas in areas of common concern. Meeting subjects have covered liability, contracts, architectural selection processes, and public relations. It's monthly meeting schedule appears in the calendar.

DESIGN

Peter Landon, Committee Chain
Margaret McCurry, Board Liaison
Sponsors workshops, lectures, and other programs
which focus on the art of architecture. Encourages excellence in architectural dedesign and promotes public awareness of its importance.
The committee also oversees

an annual awards program. The Design sub-committes are:
Distinguished Building Awards Carter Manny, Chain
Young Architects Awards
Mel Hamilton, Chain
Student Award
Howard Decker, Chain
Graphics and Publications
Ralph Johnson, Chain

COMPUTER

Paul Lutton, Committee Chair Kristine Fallon, Board Liaison

Plans to organize and produce programs to educate members in the evaluation and use of computers and software in the architectural practice. This sharing of information is accomplished through special programs, user groups and monthly meetings. The second "Designing for the Electronic Office" (with continuing education credits), to be held March 7-8, is an example of the committee's membership service. The Computer subcommittee is the Computer User's Group Jeanne Breslin, Committee Chair

MEMBERSHIP

Jeffrey Kutsche, Co-chairs Howard Birnberg, Jeffrey Kutsche, Board Liaison

The committee works with the Chapter office in planning approaches to increase membership and retention, identifying prospects, and initiating contact. Methods can take the form of mailings, personal visits, presentations to firms, invitations to Chapter programs/events, and followup activities.

HISTORIC RESOURCES

Nancy Hubbard, Committee Chain
Serves as liaison to preservation, conservation, and
similar architecturally supportive organizations in
greater Chicago, i.e., The
Chicago Architecture Founda-

tion, Landmarks Preservatior Council, Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation, National Trust, and others. Encourages part cipation in related fields a organizations. Plans a seri of bouquet and brickbat articles for FOCUS in '85.

INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE

Vicki Behm, Committee Chair Neil Frankel, Board Liaison

Represents the interests of those within the architec tural and interior design field who specialize in programming, space planning, in terior and graphic design se vices. Programs emphasize professional practice, contract documents, as well as general problem areas unique to interiors. To increase public awareness and recogni design excellence, the committee will oversee its sixt Interior Architecture Awards program.

HOUSING

Gary Berkovich, Committee Chai John Macsai, Board Liaison

The committee with the widest appeal to members pla to concentrate on problems c neighborhood housing. A tas force, in cooperation with t CHA, will examine specific public housing subjects. A workshop on the Chicago housing issue, tours, intra-committee contests, a judged ex hibition and reviews of completed housing are being programmed.

OFFICE PRACTICE

Craig Smith,
Michael Toolis, Co-Chairs
Susan Greenwald, Board Liaison

The advancement and survi al of architecture may well depend on the architect's ability to conduct his or he practice as sound business. To that end, with the input and exchange of knowledge be tween members and their firm the committee will address i sues of importance to all me bers: professional organization, management principles,

derstanding client's finanal state, personnel managent, project management, and nagement and production ols.

AL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

ward Zweig, Committee Chair ne Sisco, Board Liaison The committee will continue explore creative financing d discuss the roles an aritect can take as developer owner. "The Architect as veloper" seminar is scheded for Saturday, April 20. e committee will continue meet with lenders, attorys, and architects in delopment.

ANNING/URBAN AFFAIRS

hn Alschuler, Committee Chair ane Legge Lohan, Board Liaison The committee is an umbrelorganization established to ordinate chapter initiatives responses to urban design tivities in greater Chicago. present it is anticipated at task force programs may established to address sues pertaining to Theatre w, North Loop, World's Fair d specific neighborhood proams. Said task force efrts are in cooperation with icago agencies and/or ograms.

UDENT AFFAIRS

hn Syvertsen, Comm. Chair even Weiss, Board Liaison The committee provides inlvement for architectural udents in activities that oaden their educational exriences beyond the campus promoting interaction be-'een the students and members the architectural profes-This includes meeting ractitioners and discussing eir design philosophy, exrience, and practice; tours, d sponsoring an annual degn competition.

UNG ARCHITECTS

il Johnson, Committee Chair .m Clawson, Board Liaison

Directed at AIA Associate members and covering the perennial concern of the licensing exam. In addition to speakers who can give pointers on preparing for the exam, the committee attempts to broaden ones exposure to the profession through various programs geared to the Associate member. A particular goal is to establish guidelines for wellrounded professional development.

Norman DeHaan, AIA

Is It Asbestos?

On February 15 the Committee for Architects in Government, Industry, and Education will be focusing on the liability of the architect, owner, contractor, and others when involved in the removal of asbestos from existing buildings. Dennis Garde, president of Asbestos Control, Inc. will discuss all aspects of an asbestos abatement program including surveys, recognition budget alternatives, insurance, specifications, regulations, lab results, prequalification of contractors, inspections, and how clean is clean.

There is no charge for this program which begins at noon in the CCAIA Board Room.

DeHaan Associates Anniversary



DeHaan

Congratulations to CCAIA President, Norman DeHaan, AIA, whose firm, Norman DeHaan Associates, Inc. is celebrating its 20th year.

The firm's recent projects include the restoration of the South Shore Country Club Park clubhouse, and the remodeling of the Shilla Restaurant, The Standard Club, Union League Club, and Northmoor Country Club.

In Brief Form

- The Bright New City Committee is hosting a city planning conference, "Fair City/After the Fair: Toward a More Viable City." Be sure to set aside March 28 & 29 and \$150 for this blockbuster gathering of stellar national panelists. All the details on the conference and the Monday noon lecture series will be covered in the March FOCUS.
- In the January FOCUS article on the Architects in Government, Industry, and Education program concerning the Art Institute Campaign projects, the firm of Jack Train Associates should have been credited as the architect on the Africa, Oceania, and Americas galleries. The FOCUS apologizes for the omission.
- Our congratulations to KRISTINE FALLON, AIA, who has been named vice president of computer graphics at A. E. Epstein & Sons International, Inc., the Chicago-based international E/A firm.

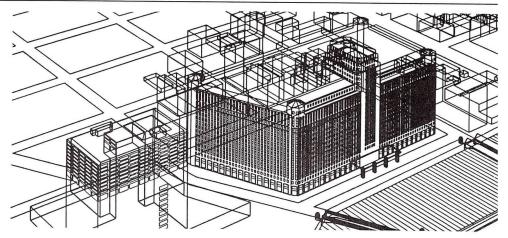
Electronic Office

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Technological Innovation, Inc. (BOSTI) leads the list of distinguished speakers. Mr. Brill will open the conference on Thursday with "Using Office Design to Increase Productivity." Mr. Brill is the author of the BOSTI Report, the result of research documenting the beneficial economic relationship between the well-designed office environment and organizational work behavior, job satisfaction and overall performance. His participation is made possible by Westinghouse Furniture Systems.

James O'Reilly, OIS Consultant Relations Manager, Digital Equipment Corporation, Merrimack, N.H., will focus on all levels of office automation technology from word processing through executive decision support systems. He will address the future of office automation and the areas in which planning for new office systems affects the space planning process. Also on Thursday, Ronald Goodrich, director of Research & Analysis at Cushman & Wakefield in New York City, will look at "Human Logic in the Electronic Office," challenging assumptions regarding appropriate images and interaction/proximity relationships. Brill, O'Reilly, and Goodrich will form the afternoon panel discussing "The Toughest Problems in Designing an Electronic Office."

Dinner at the M & M Club on Thursday evening will feature Michaelene Doyle, manager of Office Development & Engineering at Atlantic Richfield Co., Los Angeles, as the evening's speaker. She will discuss "The Role of the Facility Manager" and what is the manager looking for in a design team? You do not have to be a conference registrant to attend this dinner which is priced at \$25 for conference



participants as well as those who wish to attend the dinner only.

Communications, Computers, & Design

Friday's sessions will concentrate on communications. Wilfried Taubert, manager of Architecture & Construction at First National Bank of Chicago, will share his insights into how the new communications technology has affected design decisions, the relationship between client and architect, and the need for additional consultants.

As vice president of TRW's New Headquarters Project, Jack Gearhart will discuss his experiences in putting together the project's design team. He will focus on strategic planning considerations that went into the concept for the new headquarters and how those considerations influenced his design and communications decisions, divulging what he was looking for when considering consultants for the design of the headquarters and its various support and communications systems.

"Mastering Communications Technology: Challenges and Opportunities for the Design Firm" and discovering how the computer can be used as a tool in all of the complex projects discussed during the conference will balance out Friday's program.

Brian Ferguson, vice president of CEPA Corporation, will

share his experiences as an architect confronting the de mands of a technologically s phisticated client with a coplex project.

Douglas Stoker, general partner at Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Chicago, will dem onstrate how the computer ca be an aid to the designer in effective client presentatio in controling and coordinati the placement of communications, clean power, etc. wit other building systems, and h it can provide the client wit database that describes the location, capacity, and serv icing requirements of all th confusing infrastructure. M Stoker will summarize the ne problems, opportunities, and techniques that electronic equipment has introduced int our design careers.

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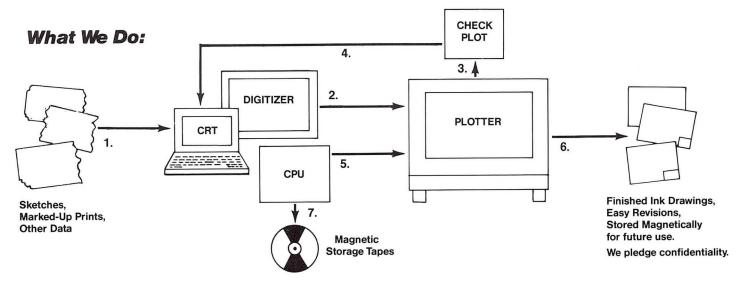
Nearly 300 architects and designers throughout the mid west are expected to attend the Chapter's second conference on the electronic offic at the Holiday Inn Mart Plaz AIA, IBD, and ASID members m register at \$95 (includes Fr day lunch); others may regis ter at \$125. Thursday's din ner is priced separately at \$25. CEU's are offered by each sponsoring organization for an additional \$5. A bro chure and registration form is being mailed to AIA, IBD, and ASID members.

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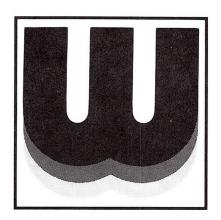
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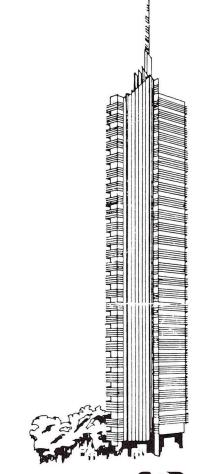
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Aalto's Industrial Designs Exhibited

Alvar, Aalto's innovative contributions to 20th century design is the subject of a major exhibitition at Northwester University's Mary and Leigh Block Gallery in Evanston. "Alvar Aalto: Furniture and Glass" will cover the Finnish architect/designer's industrial design work in depth, and will be the first exhibition ever to present the full range of Aalto's furniture - from his short-lived experiments with tubular steel in the 1920s and his subsequent groundbreaking exploration of bent wood techniques through his mature furniture pieces of the 1950s.

The exhibit includes approximately 35 examples of furniture, some 35 pieces of glass, and a number of furniture parts and sculptural reliefs. Also on display will be more than 50 sketches and finished drawings for the above work as well as photographic panels showing the furniture as it originally appeared in a variety of interior settings and international expositions.

The Block Gallery will be sponsoring Sunday afternoon discussions in conjunction with the exhibit. "Introduction to the Exhibition" will be held on February 3; on February 10, Christian Laine will discuss Aalto's Furniture and Processes"; "Scandinavian Music by Northwestern University School of Music, February 17, and "Aalto's Furniture and the International Style" on February 24. All Sunday Gallery Talks begin at 2 p.m.

Other programs considering aspects of Aalto's design work have also been planned. On March 20 Stuart Wrede, Finnish architect, author, and critc, will discuss Aalto's architecture in the context of Finnish design and European modernism. J. Stewart Johnson, Curator of Design at The Museum of Modern Art, and organizer of

ommittee form

I would like to participate actively in the following committees:

Membership Computer Ofc. Prac. Design Real Estate Hist. Res. Housing Stud. Affrs. Young Arch. Int. Arc. Govt/Ind/Ed. Planning/Urban Aff.

I am currently a member of the following organizations, serving on the committees and/or boards listed under them:

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the Aalto exhibition will le ture on Aprill and conduct a discussion of Aalto with New York architect Harmon Goldstone. Both lectures will b held at 7 p.m. in McCormick Auditorium, Norris Universit Center, located at the southern end of the Evanston lakefront campus.
"Alvar Aalto: Furniture a

Glass" may be seen through April 7.

erformance Standards Certification rought to Task

"What can the AIA do for ?" is a frequently asked estion. "As much as the mber puts into the organiza-on" is among the most comnly offered answers - a rey acted upon by a small perntage of the total memberip. Chapter member John V. ega is one of the doers.

In November of last year, ega wrote to our executive rector, Alice Sinkevitch, erting the Chapter that der the new city of Chica-'s "Certification of Per-rmance Standards," an archict, when obtaining a permit, st certify that all materis used in the process must nform to various sections

the code. Frega attached copy of the Performance andards Certification and pressed his concern about e "considerable liability ing imposed on architects o many times are doing redeling work and cannot cerfy as to the existing condions or for the use of the emises."

At the November 13 Execuve Committee meeting, Mr. ega's letter was discussed d several suggestions were de for changing the form's rding.

On December 3, 1984 Presint DeHaan directed a letter

to Maurice Parrish, acting zoning administrator, explaining that while "plans must comply with codes, the owner or leasing agent may alter that occupancy after completion of the building without the architect or engineer's knowledge," and that "the present required statement exceeds the architect's contractual responsibilities with the owner." DeHaan's letter then set forth suggested wording for two covering letters and for a preamble for partial remodeling within an existing structure.

A reply to this letter has not yet been received, but

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Competitions

Terra Cotta

Architects, designers, artists, students, and all interested in terra cotta are invited to participate in "The Contemporary Terra Cotta Competition," a contest and exhibition organized by the National Building Museum in Washington.

Entrants are asked to design a modular terra cotta panel for decorative purposes or for entire cladding, for interior or exterior use.

Stanley Tigerman is one of six jurors who will each select one winning entry. The winning pieces will be produced in terra cotta by the Ludowici Celadon Co. Jurors will create a drawing illustrating how each conceives us-

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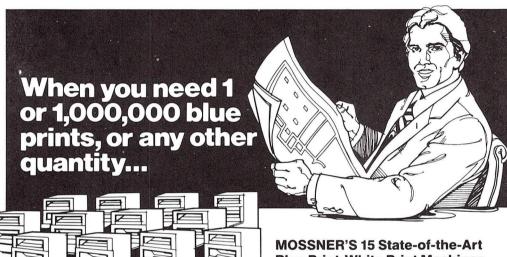
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HABS Drawing

The Landmarks Preservatio Council of Illinois and the Historic American Buildings Survey of The National Park Service announce the LPCI Prizes for Habs Measured Dra ings. Four prizes (\$600 \$400, \$200, and \$100) will b awarded for the four best se of measured drawings of any previously unrecorded histor building or site in Illinois

The drawings will be dona ted to the Historic American Buildings Survey and deposit in the Library of Congress. Certificates will be awarded to those entrants whose draw ings are accepted for the HA collection.

All entries must be submitted to LPCI by August 31, 1985. Interested persons should contact Therese Kelly 922-1742, for guidelines and an application.

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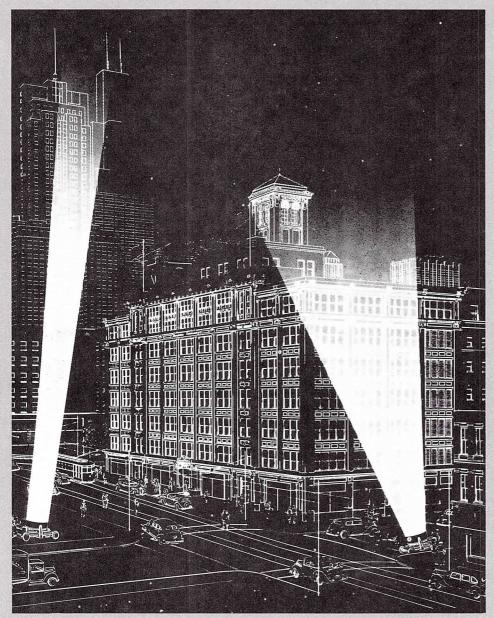
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