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building is slated for completion in 2001.

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Cape Hatteras Lighthouse on the Move



EDUCAT,

Thursday, June 8, 5:30 p.m. AIA Chicago Sponsor: Historic Preservation PIA

Jerry Stockbridge, PE explains how Wiss Janney Elstner moved the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse 1400 feet inland without causing one new crack. 1.5 LU

When Worlds Collide: Unrealistic Demands, Realistic Advice

Monday, June 12, 8:30 a.m. Merchandise Mart Conference Center 350 N. Orleans St. Sponsor: AIA Chicago

Learn to appreciate the risk inherent in client contracts and learn about reasonable, insurable alternatives to often-proposed "contracts from hell." Special emphasis is given to setting appropriate client expectations throughout the pre-contract, contract, design, and construction phases of projects. The fee is \$50 for AIA members/\$80 for nonmembers. Make reservations on form to the right. *You do not need a NeoCon badge to attend this program.* 2 LU

Two Seminars for Interns: Introduction to the IDP and Introduction to the ARE



Tuesday, June 13, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza 350 N. Orleans St., 14th Floor Sponsors: AIA Chicago's Young Architects PIA and AIA Illinois

Attend one of two concurrent seminars that explain the steps to become a licensed architect in Illinois. Representatives from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and the Illinois Architecture Licensing Board will be on hand to answer questions. \$5, AIA members; \$7, non-members. 1 LU each

Meet the Planners III

Wednesday, June 14, 12:00 noon AIA Chicago

Sponsor: Planning and Urban Affairs PIA

Architect Ronald Thomas, AICP, director of the Northeastern Illinois Planning Council, discusses the impact of design on the regional plan. 1 LU/HSW

Tour: GE Capital Auto Financial Services



SEDUCAT,

Wednesday, June 14, 5:30 p.m. 540 Northwest Hwy., Barrington Sponsor: Corporate Architects PIA

A brief tour of the facility, designed by Gordon Wigodner Chin Associates and OWP&P Architects, is followed by a discussion of how the players forged a team to solve the project's complex problems. Meet at main entrance. 1.5 LU/HSW

Specifying Fire-Rated Glazing

Thursday, June 15, 12:00 noon Chicago Bar Association 321 S. Plymouth Court Sponsor: Technical Issues PIA

Jerry Razwick of Technical Glass Products identifies which types of glazing to use where, when and how. 1 LU/HSW

Evaluating New Software



Monday, June 19, 5:30 p.m. $\overline{\xi}_{\mu_0}$ OWP&P, 111 W. Washington, #2100 Sponsor: Information Technology PIA

When a new class of IT products is announced, how does your firm decide whether, when and what to buy? Join an open discussion focusing on two new product categories: object-based CAD and project Web sites. 1.5 LU

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ARE MOCK review and graphic exam division

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| an interactive lecture on the building planning and building technology divisions. participants should eat before the session. |
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| <pre>saturday, august 19 8:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. building technology mock exam. participants must bring pencils, tracing paper, tape, a calcu- lator, an architect's and engineer's scale, a portable drawing board, triangle, and a watch.</pre> |
| 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. a light lunch will be served to all full day participants. |
| 2:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. building planning mock exam. participants must bring pencils, tracing paper, tape, a calcu- lator, an architect's and engineer's scale, a portable drawing board, triangle, and a watch. fee for each exam: members \$60 nonmembers \$75 |
| sunday, august 20 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. mock exam review session. |
| 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. individual questions will be answered during a light lunch to all full day participants. fee: members \$60 nonmembers \$75 |
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site planning division lecture, including problem-solving techniques and grading standards for typical problems. fee: members \$60 nonmembers \$75

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Daylighting Opportunities

Tuesday, June 20, 5:30 p.m. AIA Chicago Sponsor: Environment PIA

Gregg Ander, AIA, a national authority on daylighting design, uses case studies to review daylighting issues. 1.5 LU/HSW

SEDUCAT, **Marketing Strategies from Other Industries**

Wednesday, June 21, 5:30 p.m. Frankel Brand Environments 111 E. Wacker Drive. 23rd Floor Sponsor: Office Practice PIA

J.D. McKibben, AIA and Gwen Morrison of Frankel Brand Environments reveal how the company markets itself and what architects can learn from the process. 1.5 LU

Tour: W.W. Grainger Inc.

Thursday, June 22, 5:30 p.m. 100 Grainger Pkwy., Lake Forest Sponsor: Interiors PIA

W.W. Grainger Inc. brings 2100 employees together under one roof. The building was designed by Perkins & Will, with interiors by The Environments Group. Tour is limited to 50 AIA members only. Meet at main reception area. 1.5 LU/HSW

Optima Inc.

Tuesday, June 27, 6:00 p.m. 630 Vernon Ave., Glencoe Sponsor: Design and Housing PIAs

Tod Desmarais, AIA, vice president of Optima Inc., discusses the firm's work. Limited to 20 participants. 1.5 LU/HSW



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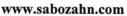
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Show and Tell in Oak Park

Tuesday, July 11, 6:00 p.m. Pleasant Home, 217 Home Ave., Oak Park Sponsor: AIA Chicago

AIA Chicago continues its "show and tell" series with projects by firms in the western suburbs. To share your work at this moderated session, contact Joan Pomaranc at 312/670-7770. 1 LU/HSW

Integrated Photovoltaics

Tuesday, July 18, 5:30 p.m. OWP&P, 111 W. Washington St., #2100 Sponsor: Environment PIA

Steven Song, president of Solar Design Associates, presents his experiences integrating solar electricity into buildings. Representatives from BP Solarey, Viracon, and Kawneer discuss how architects can specify solar right now. 1.5 LU/HSW

Workplaces of the Future



Wednesday, July 19, 5:30 p.m. Steelcase, #1032 The Merchandise Mart Sponsor: Corporate Architects PIA

Milica Vidovich, market manager for Steelcase's Worldwide Alliance, presents an update to Workplaces of the Future. She'll discuss how people work, what corporate real estate does to support work processes, and how workplaces are planned in the context of continuous change. New solutions are offered, including workplace mapping. 1.5 LU

Extranets in the Air

Wednesday, July 26, 6:00 p.m. AIA Chicago Sponsor: Design/Build and Information Technology PIAs



John Jurewicz, AIA, project manager for Power Construction, presents a case study on the project management system Constructware, used during the remodeling of radio station Q101. A station tour follows the presentation 1.5 LU



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Trish VanderBeke, AIA (left) and Ellen Bailey Dickson, AIA prepare to present a "Working With an Architect" seminar at the Chicago Architecture Foundation in March.



Over 200 Potential Clients Attend Popular Residential Seminars

The annual "Working With an Architect" workshop series proved popular again this year, with 217 participants in seven locations throughout the Chicago area.

The free seminars were created to help homeowners understand the design and construction process. This year's series ran in March and April in Winnetka, Oak Park, Chicago, Crystal Lake, and Park Ridge.

The following AIA Chicago members lead the workshops: Ellen Bailey Dickson, AIA; Scott Fortman, AIA: Jim Fraerman, AIA: Alan Madison, AIA; Steve Moylan, AIA; Tom Prairie, AIA; Scott Rappe, AIA; David Seglin, AIA; Rob Sierzega, AIA: Dan Sih, AIA: Chris Turley, AIA: Trish VanderBeke, AIA; and Victor Wolbrink, AIA.

Friends of Downtown Announces Annual Awards

Several member firms of AIA Chicago recently received awards from Friends of Downtown.

- Best New Development or Building: VOA Associates Inc., Northwestern Hospital
- Best Renovation: Booth Hansen & Associates, Old Saint Patrick's Church
- Best Restoration: McClier and Antunovich Associates, Reliance Building
- Best Continued Use: Eckenhoff Saunders Associates Allerton-Crowne Plaza
- Best Plan: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP, Chicago's Historic Downtown Core
- Best Ephemera: Lohan Associates, London Guarantee Sidewalk Barricade

- Welcome to Downtown Ms. O'Leary: Aria • Group, Chicago Firehouse Restaurant
- Mary Ward Wolkonsky Award: Edward Uhlir, FAIA

Will County Sets Record for Build-to-Suit Development

Build-to-suit activity during 1999 finished at 10,140,996 square feet of space, according to the Alter Build-to-Suit Report, a biannual review of build-to-suit development activity in the sixcounty northeastern Illinois region.

At 4,551,154 square feet, Will County's yearend build-to-suit volume easily bested DuPage County's 1997-level of 3,721,618 square feet to set a record for the highest annual total of any county for the decade.

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"The migration to the collar counties reflects the trend towards consolidation and larger facilities," said Thomas Boyle, vice president of The Alter Group. "Will County's large inventory of sites with tollway access combined with land prices which are as much as 15 percent lower than in Cook, DuPage and Lake Counties, provided an enormous boost to corporate development."

Members' Designs Benefit Epilepsy Foundation

AlA Chicago member firms participated in the fifth annual Golf Around Chicago benefit for the Epilepsy Foundation. The firms include: Archideas, Eckenhoff Saunders Architects, Lohan Associates, Morris Architects/Planners, Otis Koglin Wilson, OWP&P, Space, Solomon Cordwell Buenz, and VOA.

Professional Development Conference 2000

September 22 and 23 Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza 350 N. Orleans St. Sponsor: AIA Chicago

AIA Chicago's Professional Development Conference 2000 focuses on areas members have identified as most challenging — technical and management issues. These topics share the agenda with design workshops, as over 300 architects from Illinois and surrounding states gather for this learning experience.

Participants earn at least 5 CES learning units each day. Conference brochures will be mailed in July. Register by September 1 for a discount!

Selected Programs

- Beyond Recruitment: Getting and Keeping Staff through Professional Development and Mentoring
- Causes and Effects of Moisture Problems in Buildings
- Building Relationships with Residential Contractors and Tradespeople
- What's New in Framing Systems?
- Before the Permit: Working With Your Client to Pass Community Review
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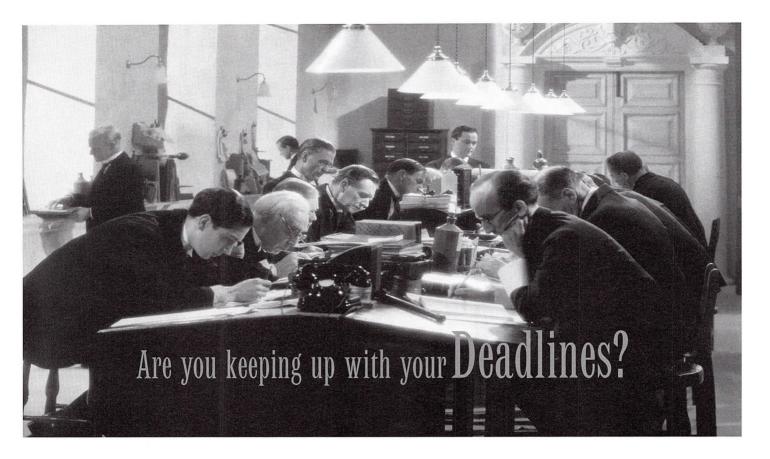
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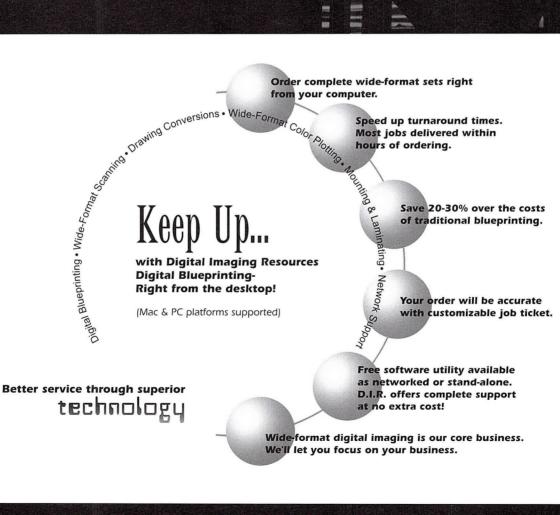
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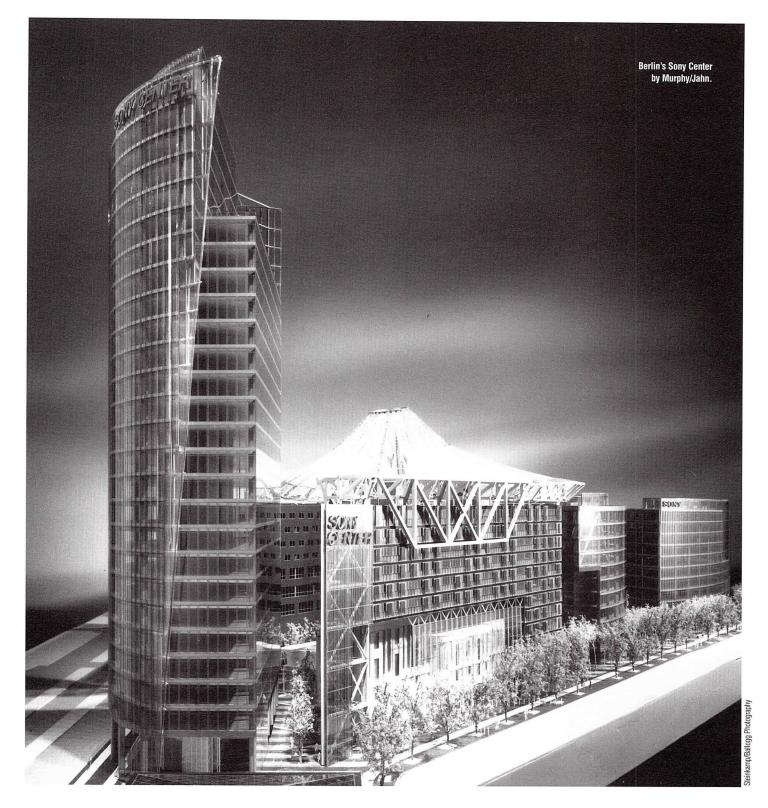




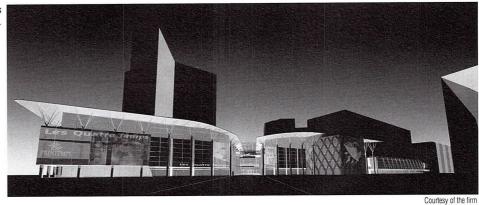
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Berlin Walls and French Façades European Design Innovations



Les Quatre Temps Shopping Center in Paris by Belluschi/OWP&P Architects.



Architects practicing in Europe are leading the world in the design of sustainable buildings and the innovative use of materials. Raised floors, green roofs and integrated A/E design — all much more common on the other side of the Atlantic — were highlighted in the January issue of Focus. This article takes a look at new types of building enclosures, such as double-wall façades and highly transparent glass walls, gaining favor in Germany, France and England.

by Laurie McGovern Petersen

hat can we learn from sustainable practices in European building, and how much of it can we expect to apply here? What cutting-edge materials and technologies will appear on

our buildings in the next decade? There is a wealth of knowledge available from AIA Chicago's own members. Patrick Loughran, AIA, PE of Lohan Associates, recently spent four months in Europe on a Francis J. Plym Fellowship to research building enclosures. (See sidebar, page 12) His firm currently is designing the first cabletensioned glass façade in the United States for an office building in the Loop. Murphy/Jahn has designed many highprofile buildings in Germany and now is applying their expertise to Ha-Lo's suburban headquarters in Niles. And Anthony Belluschi/OWP&P Architects recently was named one of two finalists in a paid international design competition for a 1 million-square-foot commercial complex in Paris.

The Greening of Glass Walls

One of the most visually dramatic developments — the double-wall façade — is also one of the most thermally efficient. Also called a double-skin or twin-shell façade, it generally consists of an inner wall of operable windows and an outer wall with a grille or filter that admits fresh air either passively or actively. Sunshades often are located between the inner and outer glass walls.

In addition to saving energy, these façades improve employee comfort by providing natural ventilation and increased natural light. Double-wall construction allows occupants to open their windows, even on very high floors, while maintaining physical and acoustical separation from the exterior. These types of walls reduce the cooling load and required air exchange rates, and their low u-value allows for larger areas of glass. They also permit nighttime cooling of a building without compromising security.

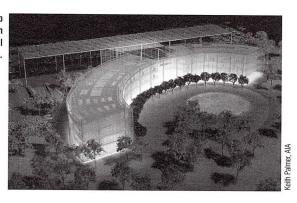
Since Germany is the leader in encouraging sustainable buildings, this façade treatment is most common there. According to Loughran, about 20 of these buildings have been constructed recently in Berlin alone. They include designs by architects Richard Rogers, Norman Foster, Renzo Piano, and Josef Kleihues, Hon. AIA.

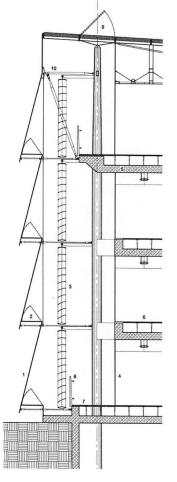
Murphy/Jahn has designed many twin-shell buildings, including the Deutsche Post AG tower in Bonn and the Bayer AG headquarters in the company town of Leverkusen. Both feature sunshades between the pair of glass walls. Bayer is "the ultimate double-wall building," according to John Durbrow of Murphy/Jahn. Its outer wall, suspended from cables, is a shingle wall of structural glass flaps that exhaust hot air.

In the spring and fall, natural ventilation supplements the mechanical system (an integral heating and cooling pipe system that is more efficient than forced air and takes advantage of the thermal storage capacity of concrete). In periods of temperature extremes, the HVAC is supplemented by a displacement system fed by a convector, which cools or heats the supply air along the façade. Exhaust air from the offices is used to condition the large public spaces, which in the Deutsche Post tower are multi-story wintergardens. Murphy/Jahn estimates that the total cost of HVAC and twin-shell facade is equal to conventional construction, while operating costs are reduced by 60 percent.

As Loughran puts it, "design of energy-efficient buildings can take money out of the mechanical system and put it into the enclosure elements. You can have very elegant façades because you no longer need huge heating and cooling systems to support them."

Murphy/Jahn's new group headquarters building for Bayer AG in Leverkusen, Germany. In detail below: Bayer's double-wall.





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Another energy-efficient façade treatment that offers exciting design opportunities is the use of sunshades and movable louvers. Loughran notes that 15 years ago, the concept of a building enclosure changing in response to the amount of sunlight was in the prototype stage, the most dramatic example being the Arab Institute in Paris. Secondgeneration buildings are refining the concept and making it more workable.

The German contractor Gartner has developed a sun shading system in which glass louvers move to keep out solar heat on a sunny day and admit diffused daylight during overcast periods. Low-e coatings and frit patterns can increase reflectivity without solar heat gain. A more low-tech (and lower-maintenance) version of sun shading is to vary a building's façade treatments according to their orientation. Loughran observes that it is not uncommon to turn a corner in a European city and find that a building looks completely different on the adjacent façade.

Making Walls More Transparent

The 20th century quest for a "skinand-bones" architecture has evolved into a 21st century striving for transparent skin and barely visible bones. The two major developments that allow architects to minimize the structure and maximize the amount of glass are the point-supported light system and the cable net glass façade.

The birthplace of the point-supported light system (also known as a filigree façade) is Paris, specifically the park of La Villette. Here, for the first time, the plane of glass became separate from the plane of the supporting structure, allowing the glass to move in relation to the structure and still maintain a perfectly smooth surface appearance. The system was extremely costly because the fittings were all custom designed, but with the subsequent standardization of parts, such filigree façades have become less expensive and more widely used.

Plym-inary Findings



Patrick Loughran, AIA, PE of Lohan Associates was the 1999 recipient of the prestigious Francis J. Plym Fellowship, a traveling grant awarded to alumni

of the University of Illinois School of Architecture. His studies provided the foundation for "Berlin Walls and French Façades."

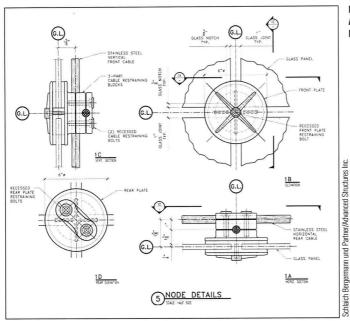
In addition to investigating sustainable architecture and advances in glass enclosures during his travels, Loughran made note of many innovative uses of traditional materials. In each case, a classic building material is transformed by a technological process to become a key element of a very modern design.

Thin stone facades

An extremely thin film of marble (as thin as 1 mm) can be laminated to glass to achieve a luminous surface. The glass frit industry can provide a simulated version of this with silk screens by Gold Ray or colored laminates by Cesar Color.

Patinated bronze façade elements

The natural patina of weathered bronze can be accomplished with a two-step process of an acid wash followed by the



One of the most spectacular current examples of this type of glass struc-ture is the atrium of the Sony Center in Berlin by Murphy/Jahn, where raised walking surfaces offer breathtaking views

of the Reichstag, the Tiergarten and downtown. Smaller scale applications are an increasingly common sight in Chicago, including 430 N. Michigan Ave. and the south and east entrances to Sears Tower.

A well-known example of a cable net glass façade, or net wall, is the atrium of Murphy/Jahn's Kempinski Hotel in Munich. This type of façade is the last word in minimalist structure, with prestressed cables replacing the large trusses needed for a point-supported wall. The glass is supported by clamps at the corners, not penetrated by the fasteners. The entire wall deflects, in contrast to the stiff nature of a filigree façade. This wall system has been used on other buildings in Europe, but its American debut will be in Chicago at One North Wacker Drive. Developed by the John Buck Company and designed by Lohan Associates, the office tower will have a large lobby of cable net glass walls. To enhance the effect of transparency, the glass will be water white (a low-iron-content glass with very little green tint) with a non-reflective coating. Slated for completion by the fall of next year, the lobby's walls will provide a dramatic experience of a totally clear enclosure.

use of a blow-torch and stipple brush. The largest expanse of this material to date is on a speculative office building in London for which the city planners wanted a traditional feeling in keeping with neighboring structures.

Copper spandrel panels

Copper panels covered with a protective coating do not oxidize but retain the richness and depth of a natural material.

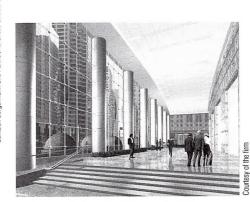
Stainless steel chains used as facade covering

At the Bibliotheque de France, the glass curtain wall enclosing the stairs of the four towers is draped with a woven metal curtain.

Terra cotta cladding systems

Unglazed terra cotta, made of carefully selected clay of greater density and strength than that used for glazed applications, can be extruded like aluminum or cast into shapes. It can be installed as individual units or as part of unitized panels. This material is used in various colors and shapes on all the new buildings on Berlin's Potsdamer Platz. Renzo Piano's building for this site features terra cotta sunshades as the primary façade material.

In detail: The cable net wall system Lohan Associates is using in the lobby (below) of One North Wacker Drive.



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Other Glassy Innovations

Total transparency is not the only hot new trend in the use of glass; opacity, translucency, and patterning are also exciting new design elements. For the renovation and addition to Les Quatre Temps Shopping Center in Paris, Anthony Belluschi/OWP&P Architects is using a variety of glazing types to give the commercial component a distinct identity from the surrounding office buildings. The glass curtain walls will be opaque (on the upper levels, to conceal back-of-house operations), transparent (to lure shoppers in), and everything in between, with a variety of translucencies and colorful frit patterns. At night the whole building will give off an enticing glow, with the fritted

graphics appearing more subtle than during the day. Belluschi's design was produced for a paid international design competition in which they made a shortlist of two firms (final competition results were unavailable at press time).

An intriguing showroom of the many new types of glass occupies a corner of the Chicago offices of Murphy/Jahn. Durbrow points out that there are many ways to make glass a more thermally efficient building skin. A low-e coating, for instance, admits 73 percent of daylight but only 32 percent of solar heat. The firm was a leader in the use of fritted glass for solar control; the United Airlines Terminal at O'Hare was the first large-scale use of this application. For optimum performance, up to 75 percent of the glass can be opaque, especially if a reflective frit is used on the exterior while a black frit on the inside enhances one's perception of the view (just as with a Trinitron television screen, a black background makes the images sharper). A particularly high-tech system developed by the German manufacturer Inglas features two parallel panes of glass, each with fritted stripes, that can be moved in relation to each other so the stripes are aligned for 50 percent coverage or totally offset for complete coverage.

Even with these improvements, don't large glassy spaces require a lot of energy? The key to a negative answer is displacement ventilation, which establishes a comfort zone near the floor, where people are, and does not condition the air in the hot upper reaches of the space.



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Local Impact

Which of these many innovations will have an impact on Chicago architecture? The United States will continue to lag behind Europe in the development of "green" buildings due to our lower energy costs, lack of political imperative to reduce energy use, less-regulated building industry, and shorter-term payback on real estate investments. There will be continued improvement in thermal efficiency of glass walls, but the doublewall façade probably will appear only if a deep-pocketed corporate client wants to make a strong environmental statement.

Ironically, many energy-saving features now gaining favor in Europe were first developed in the United States in the aftermath of the 1970s oil embargo. One of the very first double-wall façades was on an office building in Niagara Falls, N.Y., designed by Cannon Design Group. Also, many of the concepts applied to a "green" corporate headquarters in Cambridge, England, came from *Sun*, *Wind and Light*, a book written 25 years ago by American G.Z. Brown. As sustainable architecture continues to develop in Europe, it will be our turn to build upon their experience.

The Internet and globalization of the marketplace already are allowing architects to choose from a much broader range of materials. Durbrow points out that the technology and products used in Europe are readily available in this country; several manufacturers are even based here but sell more of their product overseas. (See sidebar, page 13) These products will be more widely used as American architects educate themselves — and their clients — about these advances. John Howard, AIA of Doughty Hanson & Co. in London points out that large international firms like Skidmore, Owings & Merrill are making an art of mixing and matching glass, coaters, glazers and curtainwall suppliers. As more Chicago firms gain an international perspective, it will be reflected in their work here.

Laurie McGovern Petersen is contributing editor of Focus.

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Message from Berlin



Expatriate John DeSalvo, AIA shares his experiences working abroad.

moved to Berlin as a result of a job offer from Josef P. Kleihues, Hon. AIA for whom I had worked on the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago. I bought a round-trip ticket and had every intention of working in Europe for a summer and then returning to Chicago.

That was seven years ago and I am still here.

In the early '90s, the Chicago real estate market was in a slump, while Berlin was abuzz with construction activity of a scale that was hard to comprehend. The wall between East and West had come down four years earlier, but the first wave of buildings was just beginning to go up. Even as a latecomer to Berlin's renaissance. I can remember the first architectural competition winner to be completed: an office building by German architect Jurgen Sawade in "Mitte," the virtual middle of former East Berlin. It marked the beginning of the biggest building boom Central Europe had seen since the end of the Second World War.

Since that time, and continuing to the present day, the city has gained international fame, or infamy, as the world's biggest construction site. Construction cranes by the hundreds have been silhouetted against the Berlin skies for over 10 years. Some of the most influential architects of the late 20th century have made this a spectacular testing ground for new ideas and expression.

As an architect, one could not help but be caught up in the energy and excitement of such an ensemble cast. The potential seemed limitless. In Berlin you could meet people from around the world, all of different backgrounds and interests with hopes and ideals to design and build. Every office had an international flair. The economic downturn that had hit the United States had also affected other parts of the world, and I realized for the first time that in order for architects to flourish, we had to broaden our horizons. Major American architecture firms started satellite offices in Berlin to take advantage of the emerging global architecture market. Many built and left, while others are still here, pushing further and further east.

While not all buildings have completely met expectations, I am proud to have been witness to Berlin's fantastic transformation from a depressed Eastern Bloc city-state to a leading world city at the beginning of the 21st century. Visit www.cityscope.de for a view of Berlin and see for yourself!

John DeSalvo, AIA is an architect in the Berlin office of Murphy/Jahn Inc.



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In news from Legat Architects, **Tom Behles, AIA** recently led a presentation on construction documents and specifications related to school design to the Illinois Association of School Business Officials. **Bill Steed, AIA** has authored an article on emerging design concepts in assisted living in the year 2000 issue of *Design: An Annual Publication of Nursing Homes Long Term Care Management.* **Paul Pessetti, AIA** and **Jay Johnson, AIA** presented "Design Evolution and Solution" at the National Coalition of Campus Child Care Centers' two-day conference in Chicago. And, **Tom Hutchinson, AIA** recently led a seminar on environmentally responsive roof systems at Facility Forum 2000 in Atlanta.

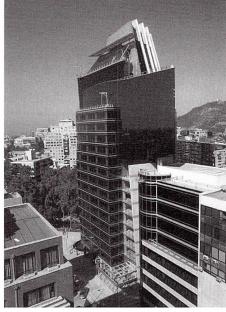
Joseph Chronister, AIA has joined Knight Advanced Technology as principal. He will be in charge of science and research facilities for academic and corporate clients. In Naperville, Phillips Swager Associates has named James Cross, AIA senior associate and Terry Adams, AIA and Marty Leibrock, AIA associates.

PROJECTS

David Woodhouse Architects has been selected to renovate the main east gate entrance to the Lincoln Park Zoo. The project includes landscape architecture and sculptural components to strengthen the Zoo's accessibility and visibility from Lake Shore Drive.

Hancock + Hancock Inc. has been awarded the design contract for nine restaurant/concession spaces at Detroit Metro Airport's new midfield passenger terminal. The firm plans to create a broad range of dining environments around a "Motor City" theme. The terminal is expected to open in December 2001.

Legat Architects recently completed a \$3-million renovation project of the Electrical Joint Apprenticeship Training Facility in Alsip. The renovation included



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replacing all windows, the roof, and the heating and ventilation systems. In addition, a photovoltaic array was added to the top of the two-story building, generating five kilowatts of its own power and making the facility electrically self-sufficient. To support the 6,000-pound array, Legat developed a support structure and new roof system that were integrated in the existing building.

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Loebl Schlossman & Hackl (LSH) has completed Torre Paris, a 22-story corporate headquarters tower for the Galmez retail family in Santiago, Chile. LSH teamed with local architect Jaime Bendersky Arquitectos to create the winning scheme in an international design competition. The result is a 200,000-square-foot tower that includes offices, commercial spaces and five levels of below-grade parking. According to the firm, the design not only achieves the Galmez family's goal of an inspiring landmark, but addresses functional challenges as well by maximizing the usable area of a small triangular site with a restrictive setback envelope, providing

West Aurora High School by Perkins & Will

office floors with column-free spaces, and incorporating energy-efficient materials.

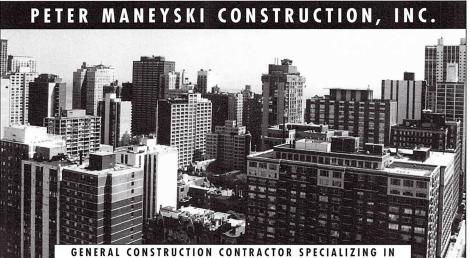
The Chicago office of **RTKL Associates** has been awarded the design contract for a 170,000-square-foot, six-story outpatient clinic building on the main campus of Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center, a 286-bed hospital in LaCrosse, Wis.

RADA Architects, together with Harza Engineering, has been chosen as one of three prime design consultant teams for a multi-year contract with the Chicago Housing Authority. The contract includes numerous projects with a total construction budget of \$1.2 billion.

Solomon Cordwell Buenz Interiors has been selected to design the 200,000-square-foot offices of Chicago law firm Gardner Carton & Douglas at 191 N. Wacker Drive. The project is scheduled for completion in fall 2002. William Worn Architects currently is working on Madison Manor I and II, a 10-story high-rise in two phases. Combined, the projects at 910 and 920 W. Madison St. span 199,000 square feet, offer 92 residences, a 123-car parking garage, and seven retail spaces. Phase one is expected to be completed by September, with phase two finished a year later. The combined construction cost is nearly \$19 million.

AWARDS

Church of the Epiphany, which is being restored by **Vinci|Hamp Architects**, with engineer-of-record Wiss, Janney, Elstner & Associates, has won a 2000 Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Faith in Community Award. The Best Restoration, Design Solution or Revival award is sponsored by Inspired Partnerships, a local nonprofit organization that helps religious congregations care for houses of worship. Church of the Epiphany, 201 S. Ashland Ave., was nearing collapse when the congregation decided it would not give up the



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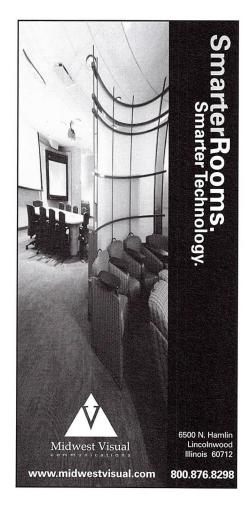


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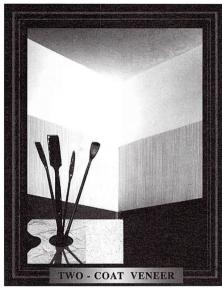
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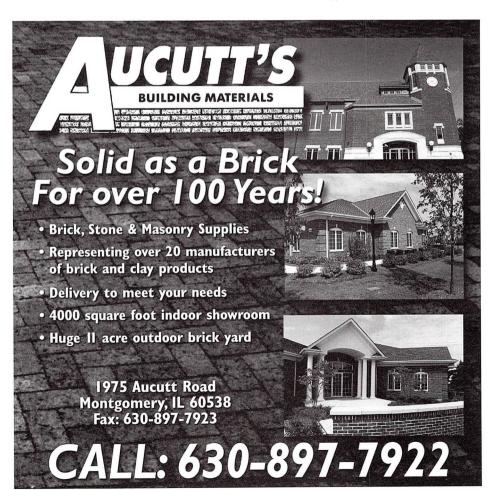
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The following AIA Chicago member firms received 2000 Excellence in Masonry Awards from the Illinois/Indiana Masonry Council. Gold Medals were awarded to **Perkins & Will** for West Aurora High School and **Ross Barney + Jankowski** for Maywood Public Library. Silver Medals were given to **Valerio Dewalt Train Associates** for Wild Things Store and Café, **Harding Associates** for St. Irene Church, and **Ross Barney + Jankowski** for Oakton Community College. Honorable Mentions were awarded **Schroeder Murchie Laya** for Hale Park Gymnasium, **Grund & Riesterer Architects** for Lake Forest Bank and Trust, and **Harding Associates** for Copernicus Fitness Center. And, **McClier** was given a Special Mention for the Reliance Building renovation.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

On June 6 at 6:00 p.m. in Rubloff Auditorium, The Art Institute of Chicago is sponsoring **Guggenheim**, **Bilbao and the Changing Role of the Museum in the City**, a forum exploring how the architecture of museums is impacting modern city centers. Donna Robertson, dean of IIT's School of Architecture and Design, moderates a panel discussion between Celeste Adams, director of the Grand Rapids Museum; Steven Bradley, director of the Davenport Museum of Art; David Chipperfield, architect of the new Davenport Museum of Art; Thomas Krens, director of New York City's Guggenheim Museum; and Yvonne Szeto, architect of the new Illinois History Museum.

Interaction by **Design: Bringing People and Plants Together for Health and Well-Being**, the American Horticultural Therapy Association's annual conference,



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is being hosted by the Chicago Botanic Garden July 20 through 22 in Glencoe. The symposium addresses design and the use of outdoor spaces. To register or for more information, call 847/835-8261 ext. 4. Or e-mail continuingeducation@chicagobotanic.org.

The AIA's Diversity Conference 2000 will be held in Chicago, August 4 through 6. On Friday, participants choose between two community service activities: a design charrette for a 20,000-square-foot community center in Little Village or a mentorship program at Future Commons, a design-focused public high school. There are over 24 workshops to choose from throughout the weekend, and Chicago Sun-Times architecture critic Lee Bey will speak. AIA members earn up to 10 LUs. For complete details, visit www.e-architect.com.

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Performances of The Architect — David Greig's drama about an architect who is faced with the consequences of his own design, a crumbling 20-year-old

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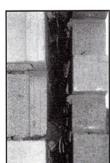
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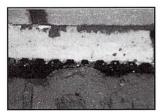


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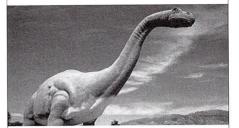
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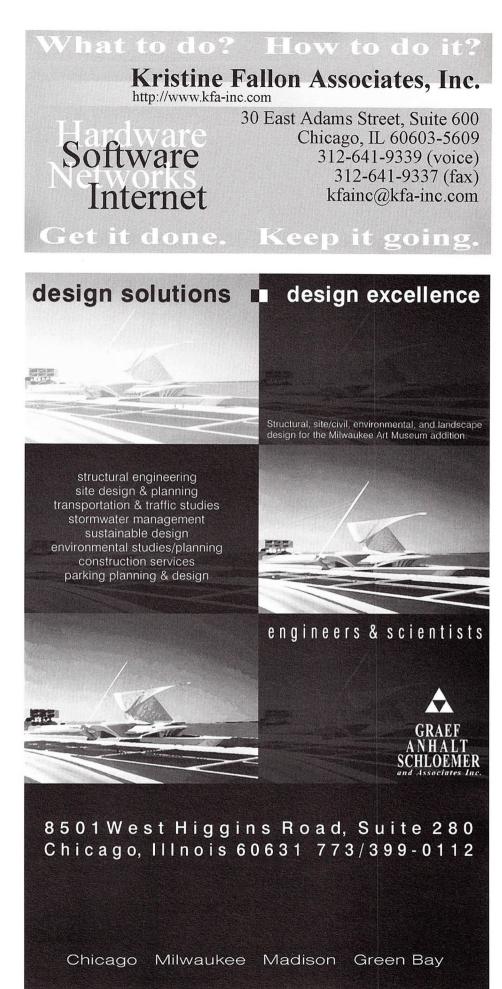
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Evaluating New Software. Information Technology
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20 Daylighting Opportunities. Environment PIA. 5:30 p.m.; AIA Chicago. 1.5 LU/HSW

21 Marketing Strategies from Other Industries. Office Practice PIA. 5:30 p.m.; Frankel Brand Environments, 111 E. Wacker Drive, 23rd Floor. 1.5 LU

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- 11 Show and Tell in Oak Park. AIA Chicago. 6:00 p.m.; Pleasant Home, 217 Home Ave., Oak Park. 1.5 LU
- 18 Integrated Photovoltaics. Environment PIA. 5:30 p.m.; OWP&P, 111 W. Washington, #2100. 1.5 LU/HSW

19 Workplaces of the Future. Corporate Architects PIA. 5:30 p.m.; Steelcase, #1032 The Merchandise Mart. 1.5 LU

20 Structured Wiring Systems. Technical Issues PIA. 12:00 noon; Chicago Bar Association, 321 S. Plymouth Court. 1 LU/HSW

26 **Extranets in the Air**. Design/Build and Information Technology PIAs. 6:00 p.m.; AIA Chicago. 1.5 LU

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