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The State of AIA Colorado

by William B. Tracy, AIA



William B Tracy, AIA Colorado 2003 President



Congressman Udall with 2003 AIA Colorado President, William B Tracy, AIA

f you attended the AIA Colorado annual Business Meeting at last year's Design Conference in Beaver Creek you heard much of what I am writing about here - the high points of what AIA Colorado has been up to this year.

2003 has been a year of consolidation in the business affairs of the component. Since the departure for personal reasons in January of Joe Jackson, our former EVP, the executive functions of the component have been ably administered by our Interim Executive Directors Sherri Hughes-Smith and Sonia Riggs. They have reviewed every aspect of the operations of AIA Colorado and have streamlined and documented policies and procedures in a manner that has made component operations more efficient and effective. The local chapters are being invoiced for services on an accurate and timely basis, revenues and expenses are being accurately posted, and financial matters are being handled in a professional manner. Personnel procedures are greatly improved and documented. All these administrative improvements warm the cockles of this MBA's heart.

The current lease on the AIA Colorado office in the Park Central Building will expire in August of 2004 and a committee has been attempting to renegotiate it. The leasing climate in Denver is better for tenants that it has been in nearly 20 years, and I believe that we would be crazy not to take advantage of this. However to do so, we must be flexible. Many of us like the current location of the AIA Colorado office, but we will not be able to strike a good deal unless we seriously evaluate other alternatives. We are therefore prepared to move if we have to. There appear to be equally attractive alternatives for less rent than our current landlord is asking.

The Board passed the most compre-

hensive by-laws change in many years. Most of the changes were made to align them with the model by-laws published by the Institute. Last modified in 1997, the bylaws grew from 13 pages to 27 pages. Substantive changes included overhauling voting procedures to give more time for response from all members, and the addition of a new Director of Government Affairs, who is the Chair of the AIA Colorado Government Affairs Committee.

A common concern of many members not is that there is no way to easily find out what the National AIA is up to.

These concerns are being addressed by new WMR Directors like Randy Byers, AIA, who are initiating dialogue with local components and chapters about issues being addressed by National and by the posting of the agendas and minutes of National Board meetings on the web at www.aia.org. For those who take the time to look there is now no excuse for not knowing what is going on!

On the financial front, as I write this, we are still paying bills for the Design/WMR Conference in Beaver Creek, but every indication is that the conference exceeded our expectations. The Communications Symposium netted nearly \$17,000 and the Design Conference earned approximately \$50,000 for a total of \$67,000, about \$26,000 over our budget. Credit goes to our entire staff for their Herculean efforts and to conference chairs Chris Nims, FAIA and Phil Greou, FAIA as the brains behind the excellent program. This revenue, along with the \$10,000 earned by other AIA Colorado programs more than offsets the dues shortfall of \$12,000 experienced by the chapter and the \$10,000 shortfall in our Corporate Sponsorship Program this year. With the additional savings this year in overhead such as printing and telephone expenses, we

hope at this point in time to finish the year in the black. A final financial report will be published in January when we close our books for the year.

The Board has decided not to increase state AIA dues in 1994.

However, your dues will increase modestly because the National dues are indexed to inflation.

Membership is a concern. A recent analysis shows that while national member retention is around 91%, (not great) AIA Colorado has a retention rate of only 83%, which is poor. While much of this can be blamed on the 2003 economy and the dropping of members who do not meet Continuing Education requirements, this is a situation that will receive much of my attention in 2004 when, as Past President, I will be focusing on membership development for AIA Colorado. AIA Colorado only represents 43% of the RAs that reside in Colorado, and that portion must be substantially increased. A bright spot is the greatly increased membership among AIA/Students on the CU Boulder campus. These are professionally-oriented future architects whom we must attract into the ranks of the AIA.

Government Affairs is perhaps the most important function of AIA Colorado in terms of values realized by its members. I have signed up our lobbyist, Jerry Johnson, Hon. AIA Colorado, for another five year contract. Jerry has ably served AIA Colorado for 20 years and we would be ineffectual without his advice and presence in the Colorado Legislature.

The Government Affairs Committee has reviewed over 400 bills for issues that affect us both as architects and owners of businesses. The committee, under Mike Wisneski, AIA and with the help of

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AIA Colorado History Committee

by Maxwell L. Saul, AIA Past President Colorado Chapter AIA, 1966; Past President Colorado Society of Architects, AIA, 1972

aving volunteered to direct the monumental task of researching and documenting the history of AIA Colorado, I sat back and began to contemplate how to begin. I suppose we should first get in touch with all the oldest members immediately lest they vanish from our midst and before their memory banks are depleted. I wish there was a computer program that would electronically excerpt their AIA related experiences by merely wearing a head band maybe someday. To my amazement, when first learning of this committee. there are many of you who have said that you are willing to help. I look forward to getting in touch with all who volunteered to find a way to use your time and efforts.

The history of AIA Colorado began in 1892 and has continued without interruption, paralleling the State's growth until the present day. We are left with a rich legacy of interesting buildings, although too many of them evaporate yearly, done by even more interesting persons that we all should know more about. I can recall some activities of the AIA and individual architects from about 1947 while still a student here at the School of Architecture and Planning, University of Denver. That's almost half of the AIA Colorado's life. But I need my own memory to be refreshed through research.

To begin this task I feel a little "project management" is in order. A large committee of 15 or 20 volunteers can be un-manageable. Gathering such a large group for periodic meetings can be a task into itself. It may be fun to meet with a good deal of story telling but I doubt the productivity of such an event for our mission. Therefore I believe that another format is in order.

I am planning a small working group (3 or 4) who will meet regularly. Each will have several assignments to monitor.

The larger group of volunteers, both AIA member and others interested in our history, will be corresponding members. All members of the committee will be informed of the activities and progress of our mission. We will communicate by e-mail, fax, or snall mail and will no doubt need some assistance from our AIA offices with the logistics and to be the repository of all the gathered material

we develop. There have been some indications that we may receive assistance from others like the University of Colorado College of Architecture and Planning.

We are open to suggestions but for starters the history of AIA Colorado will cover people, places and events. We anticipate having interviews with those who have some knowledge of the architects of the past. There are many of us who have worked for some of the old timers. These interviews need to be written out, compiled and edited. We anticipate researching the libraries where material is recorded in their "morgue" collections of news and magazine articles. We need to use the present and past Architectural Guidebooks to identify buildings and their architects and much more.

There are numerous ideas floating around

about what form the History Project will take such as a book, video tape, etc. At this point it is too early to say what the end product will look like. We will need funds to produce what ever direction it takes. We have some ideas about that but it will have to wait.

I look forward to having all who are interested in becoming part of this endeavor to let us know by calling the AIA office or contacting me. My e-mail is: mlsaul@comcast.net. AIA

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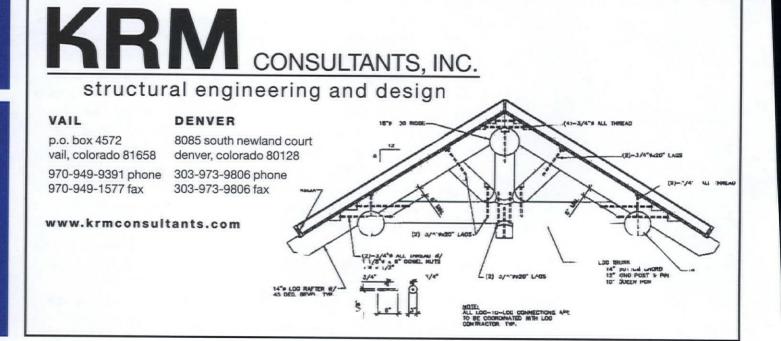
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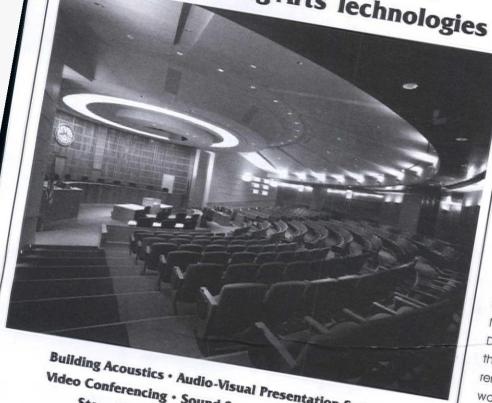
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A Gift From the Forgotten Chapter

by AIA Colorado Staff

abell Childress, FAIA was named AIA the Year at the Colorado Design Awards Colorado Architect of Gala in Beaver Creek on November 15, 2003. At that time, he made a gift to AIA Colorado of a valuable

original framed poster with the title "Colorado Architecture". This is his story of that poster: Colorado once had

a single AIA chapter with an office in Denver. The South Chapter, then the North Chapter, broke out, Denver and the west slope then became Cabell Childress, FAIA the Central Chapter. The State office remained in Denver. The Central Chapter was the office of the President.

In 1776, Don Roark accomplished "Environment 76" from his office, located in the derelict Tivoli Brewery, in the abandoned bee hive kilns built of Denver brick.

In 1977, Dayle Larson began an FAIA movement that has added 47 Colorado

1978 was Cab's year (with Rachel's help). Fascinated with the awesome character of each state in the Western Mountain Region, Cab focused the year on Colorado Architecture,

Twenty-five years have passed since

Cab called Jim Morter, Sam Caudill and Bob VanDusan to say "Gentlemen, it's time for a West Chapter". Jimmy Sudler and Anne Tate-Prosser organized the Denver Chapter. The Central Chapter was for-

The ghosts of the Central Chapter now present the original Tom Benton signed silk screen from which the 1978 Colorado Architecture poster was made,

Next time you are in the AIA Office, take a look at this poster and remember this history that lies behind it. Max Saul, AIA, is working on resurrecting and docu-



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Western Mountain Region 2003 Design Awards

ecognizing architectural and design excellence from throughout its six-state region, recipients of The American Institute of Architects (AIA) 2003 Western Mountain Region (WMR) Design Awards were honored at the Park Hyatt Beaver Creek Resort and Spa in Colorado and with more than 300 in attendance at the Gala, award-winning recipient projects competed in the categories of Built Architecture, Unbuilt Architecture, Interiors and Planning.

This year's jury chairman was Hugh Hardy, FAIA and founder of Hardy Holzman Piffer. Hardy, along with Laurie Hawkinson, of Smith-Miller + Hawkinson, Jonathan Marvel, AIA, of Rogers Marvel Architects, and Mildred Schmertz, FAIA an architecture writer and journalist and a former Editor-In-Chief of Architectural Record, juried more than 190 submittals from AIA architects from Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Nevada, Wyoming and Arizona.

"The AIA WMR Design Awards jury was impressed by both the breadth and quality of the submissions," said Dennis Reseutek, AIA, program chairman for the WMR Design Awards. "Not only was there a variety of good examples to choose from, but the submissions were also varied in type, size, and aesthetic premise. Uniformity is surely not the goal in a society as wealthy and diverse as ours, and it is a pleasure to see architects exploring the wide range of options contemporary professional practice stands for. It is clear that this region represents a vigorous search for quality in many different ways, and we found that commendable "he added.

The Honor Award (highest achievement)

PROJECT: ALFRED A. ARRAJ UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE (Built Architecture)

Architect: Anderson Mason Dale Architects in association with Hellmuth, Obata + Kassabaum



Jury Comments:

"This courthouse is a civilized addition to Denver's downtown. Using a sympathetic palette of materials and handsome patterns of fenestration set against sheer masonry walls, it graciously accepts its role as a major public building announced by a columned entry scaled to present an inviting entrance hall."

PROJECT: WELLINGTON E. WEBB MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING (Built Architecture)

Architect: David Owen Tryba Architects RNL Design



Jury Comments:

"It is difficult to relate a large civic structure to the context of downtown. At the same time, the civic center of Denver holds several iconic structures, which form the context for this new office building. The decision to orchestrate the design of this structure with differently sized volumes, materials, and geometries goes a long way toward resolving this double design challenge."

PROJECT: AURORA SPORTS PARK (Built Architecture)

Architect: Brendle APV Wenk Associates, Inc.



Jury Comments:

"The vigorous planning and execution of this sports facility offers a wide range of intelligently designed facilities respectful of the environment and fun to experience."

PROJECT: BENEDICT MUSIC TENT (Built Architecture)

Architect: Harry Teague Architects Harry Teague, AIA

Jury Comments:

"This ampitheater gathers its audience under a translucent tent that shelters and invites participation in the ceremony of performance. Its simple shape sits gently on the land of an uncommonly beautiful

place. A good example of celebrating public assembly with a long span tensile structure that reads with honesty and simplicity."



PROJECT: GERALD R. FORD AMPHITHEATER/VILAR PAVILION (Built Architecture)

Architect: Morter Architects, James R. Morter, FAIA Principal, James K. Buckner, AIA Project Architect



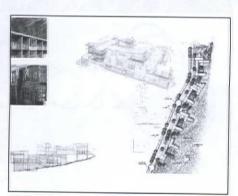
Jury Comments:

"A fine example of working with open spaces and organic forms and up-to-date technology that is not shrouded and clad with historic pastiche and contextual vocabulary. Don't need to use log/timber association to be regionally sensitive."

The Merit Award
(outstanding achievement)

PROJECT: BURLINGGAME
AFFORDABLE HOUSING
COMPETITION (Built Architecture)

Architect: Studio b architects



Jury Comments:

"Despite one's reluctance to champion development in the hills of Colorado, this project exhibits a sensitivity and intelligence in its grouping of buildings and suggests a community could result that is an enhancement, not a degradation. The variety of its forms and the recognition of existing contours is most compelling."

PROJECT: ADAMS COUNTY COMMUNICATION CENTER (Built Architecture)

Architect: Roth Sheppard Architects



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Jury Comments:

"This disarmingly simple addition to a commonplace existing building merits attention for its directness and self-assurance. How to build for this kind of low budget civic structure is hard and this deserves comment."

PROJECT: INCA STREET **TOWNHOMES (Built Architecture)**

Architect: Dan Dulaney, AIA, **Dulaney Architecture, Design Architect and Architect of** Record Peter Pappas, AIA, Pappas Friesen Architecture, LLC **Consulting Architect**



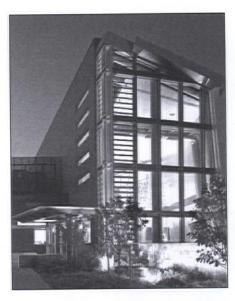
Jury Comments:

"The individuality of these modest houses suggests a personal identification with a place called home. Simple and direct, these porches and front lawns are certain to find caring owners. May there be many more built in centers across the land. The deeply saturated colors enliven it all."

The Citation Award (excellence in achievement)

PROJECT: DENVER POLICE **DEPARTMENT, DISTRICT STATION** NO. 1 (Built Architecture)

Architect: Reseutek Design Group, LLC, Phillip Swager Associates **Associate Architect**



Jury Comments:

"This police station proves contemporary design can give the department a welcoming presence in its community. More than anything, we wanted to applaud the District 1 Police Department and the architects to take a difficult underachieving kind of program and celebrate it."

PROJECT: GIRLS INCORPORATED of METRO DENVER (Built Architecture)

Architect: Root Rosenman Architects



Jury Comments:

"It is worth noting how a modest, direct structure can be enlivened with a few simple design ideas. The use of color and masonry detailing give this building an unusual character that will greatly enhance its use. A worthy program."

PROJECT: WAGNER PARK EDGE (Built Architecture)

Architect: Willis Pember and Associates, Inc., Suzannah Reid, AIA, Andrew Taylor

Jury Comments:

"Adding a building, however small, to the edge of a pretty little urban park at the



center of Aspen is a design challenge. Especially when the building is nothing more than a public restroom. Adding a clock tower, exhibition wall and ceremonial plaza, brings dignity to the project. So does the buildings sophisticated and technically elegant design. AIA

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Colorado 2003 Design Awards

ith more than 120 submitted projects competing in the categories of Built Architecture, Unbuilt Architecture, Interiors and Planning, the Colorado component of The American Institute of Architects (AIA/C) announced the recipients of the 2003 AIA Colorado Design Awards. The Awards program took place at the Park Hyatt Beaver Creek Resort and Spa.

This year's jury chair, Architectural Record's Editor-in-Chief Robert Ivy, FAIA, is currently a fellow of The American Institute of Architects, the Philippine Institute of Architects, the Institute for Urban Design, and former regent of the American Architectural Foundation. Under his editorial leadership, the publication has attracted strong reader acceptance and has emerged as the most widely read architectural journal worldwide. Ivy, along with Deborah Berke, AIA, Christian Bjone, Alexander Gorlin, AIA and James Cabell Childress, FAIA, juried submitted projects from AIA architects throughout the state.

*Please note there were no Jury Comments provided by the chair.

The Honor Award (highest achievement)

PROJECT: STAPLETON NEIGHBOR-HOOD PARK (BATHHOUSE) (Built Architecture)

Architect: Semple Brown Design, P.C.



Project: ADAMS COUNTY COMMU-NICATION CENTER (Built Architecture)

Architect: Roth Sheppard Architects



PROJECT: ALFRED A. ARRAJ UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE (Built Architecture)

Architect: Anderson Mason Dale Architects in association with Hellmuth, Obata + Kassabaum



The Merit Award (outstanding achievement)

PROJECT: SMITHBURG RESIDENCE (Built Architecture)

Architect: Cottle Graybeal Yaw Architects



PROJECT: WELLINGTON E.WEBB MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING (Built Architecture)

Architect: David Owen Tryba Architects, RNL Design



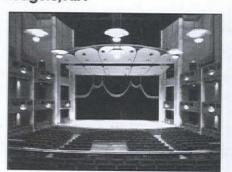
PROJECT: CROWDER HOUSE (Built Architecture)

Architect: Faleide Architects



PROJECT: NEWMAN CENTER for the PERFORMING ARTS (Interiors)

Architect: Anderson Mason Dale Architects in Association with the Office of the University Architect-Cab Childress, FAIA and Mark Rodgers, AIA



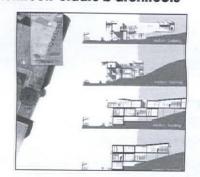
PROJECT: INTEGRATED LEARNING CENTER (Built Architecture)

Architect: CSNA Architects



PROJECT: BURLINGGAME
AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMPETITION
(Un-Built Architecture)

Architect: Studio b architects



The Citation Award (excellence in achievement)

PROJECT: ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL K-8 (Built Architecture)

Architect: Faleide Architects



PROJECT: WATER TOWER LOFTS (Built Architecture)

Architect: Buchanan Yonushewski Group, LLC



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PROJECT: BRIGHTON POLICE **DEPARTMENT and MUNICIPAL** COURT (Built Architecture)

Architect; Roth Sheppard **Architects**



PROJECT: BOULDER COUNTY RECYCLING CENTER (Built Architecture)

Architect: Richard Epstein Architects Inc. in association with David Swoboda, AIA, Todd Henderson and Laura Greenfield



PROJECT: AMERICAN SKANDIA (Built Interiors)

Architect: BURKETTDESIGN, INC.



PROJECT: NEWMAN CENTER for the PERFORMING ARTS (Built Architecture)

Architect: Anderson Mason Dale Architects in Association with the Office of the University Architect -Cab Childress, FAIA and Mark Rodgers, AIA



PROJECT: ARCHITECT'S STUDIO (Interiors)

Architect: Bennett Wagner & **Grody Architects PC**



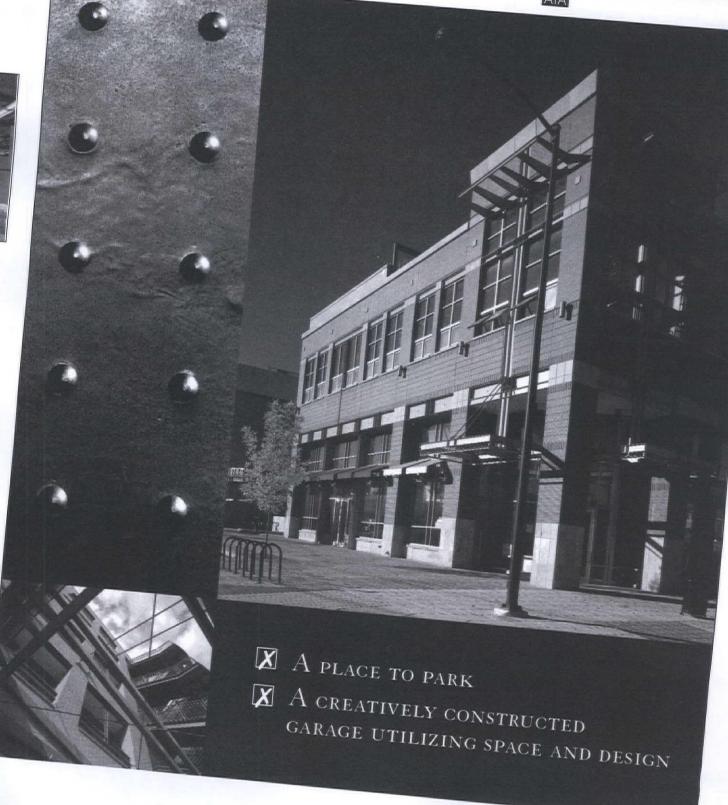
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Denver Chapter 2003 Design Awards Recipients

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Each year, local chapter AIA members submit projects and compete for Honor, Merit and Citation awards. This year, guest juror Peter Pfau, AIA of Pfau Architecture in San Francisco, California, along with his staff, reviewed more than 90 submissions from AIA Denver architects in categories, which included Built projects, Interiors and Urban Design and Unbuilt projects in Architecture, Interiors, and Urban Design.

Recognized as "Designer of the Year" by Contract Magazine, January 2003 and an adjunct professor at the California College of Arts and Crafts, Pfau and his firm were responsible for the design of the Swatch Olympic Pavilion for the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.

The Honor Award (highest achievement)

PROJECT: ADAMS COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER (Built Architecture)

Architect: Roth Sheppard



Jury Comments:

"The design features an elegant solution to a difficult renovation project; wrapping an existing drab facility in a new, crisply detailed shell. The simplicity of the design elements, the understated expression of the new structure, and completeness of the transformation were highly regarded."

PROJECT: Stapleton Neighborhood Park (Bathhouse) (Built Architecture)

Architect: Semple Brown Design,

Jury Comments:

"At its core, the design is a straightfor-

is a clear separation between the private and public sides of the facility, and the materials used take advantage of light and transparency. The project also experimented with cast resin to yield new effects that deepen the overall experience.



The Merit Award (outstanding achievement)

PROJECT: Wellington E. Webb **Municipal Office Building** (Built Architecture)

Architect: David Owen Tryba Architects and RNL Design

Jury Comments:

"The design is a strong example of Civic Modernism. The strong play between the existing building and the new structure creates a seamless composition. The building sports an elegant entry volume and an interesting upper curtain wall that

creates a nice dialogue with the solid base."



PROJECT: Architect's Studio/Office (Built Interiors)

Architect: Bennett Wagner & Grody, Architects, P.C.



Jury Comments:

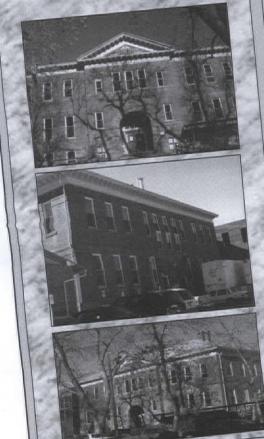
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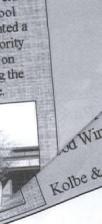




Retro Fit Heath Jr. High Greeley, CO



Originally constructed with aluminum windows, Weld County School District wanted a change! Priority was placed on maintaining the appearance.





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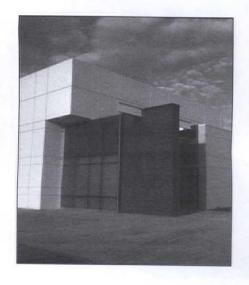
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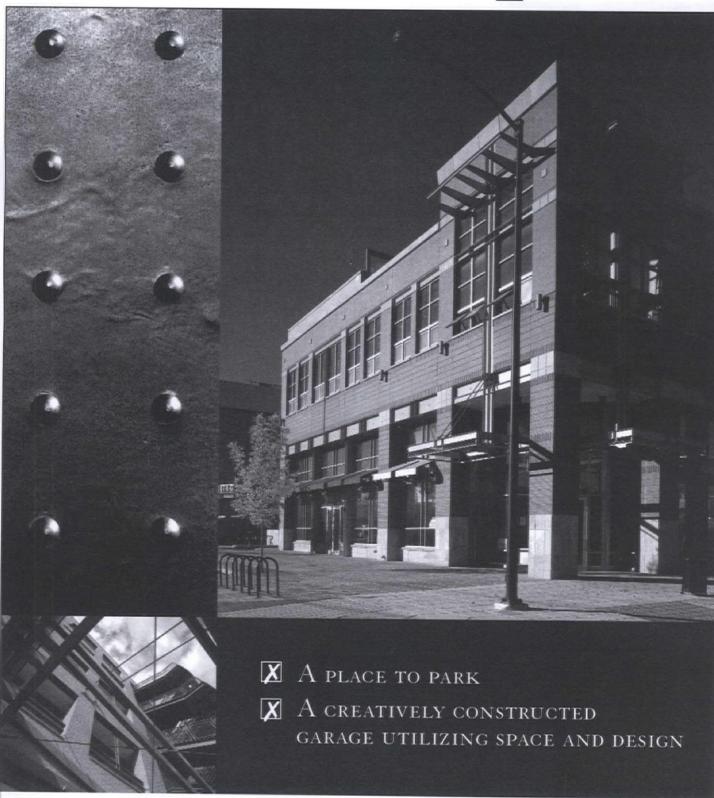
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PROJECT: JOHNSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY (Built Architecture)

Architect: Brendle APV Savage-Ver Ploeg and Associates





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(Built Architecture)

Architect: Semple Brown Design, P.C.

Jury Comments:

"At its core, the design is a straightforward solution to a simple program. There

is a clear separation between the private and public sides of the facility, and the materials used take advantage of light and transparency. The project also experimented with cast resin to yield new effects that deepen the overall experience."



The Merit Award (outstanding achievement)

PROJECT: Wellington E. Webb Municipal Office Building (Built Architecture)

Architect: David Owen Tryba
Architects and RNL Design

Jury Comments:

"The design is a strong example of Civic Modernism. The strong play between the existing building and the new structure creates a seamless composition. The building sports an elegant entry volume and an interesting upper curtain wall that

creates a nice dialogue with the solid base."



PROJECT: Architect's
Studio/Office (Built Interiors)

Architect: Bennett Wagner & Grody, Architects, P.C.



Jury Comments:

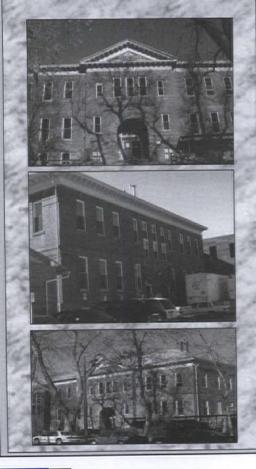
"The project was appreciated for the 'light hand' the designers had with the new construction, relative to the existing structure, and for the crisp detailing throughout. A thoughtful restraint is obvious in the design."

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PROJECT: District One Police Station (Built Architecture)

Architect: Reseutek Design Group, LLC, Associate Architect Phillips Swager Associates



Jury Comments:

"The project successfully tackles the task of merging a difficult program with a complex architectural solution. The end result is a 'good mess' that is dynamic without being chaotic. The energetic forms and plan are balanced by a sensitivity to materials."

PROJECT: South Valleys Library (Built Architecture)

Architect: Brendle APV, J. Michael Brendle, FAIA, Worth Group Architects



Jury Comments:

"The project's plastic massing is a strong response to its site as well as allowing the typical library program to express itself. The jury was also intrigued by the design's luminous ceiling which handles standard library lighting constraints in a unique fashion."

The Citation Award (excellence in achievement)

PROJECT: INVESCO Field at Mile High (Built Architecture)

Architect: HNTB Corporation with Fentress Bradburn Architects, Ltd., and Bertram A. Bruton and Assoc.



Jury Comments:

"The skin avoids the nostalgia present in many sports stadiums and is an adventurous new element."

PROJECT: Room & Board/ Retrospect Furniture Store (Built Architecture)

Architect: Roth Sheppard
Architects

Jury Comments:

"The design is a radical transformation to the existing building, primarily achieved through its interesting exterior skin. A strong project considering the retail constraints and the existing structure that was reused."



PROJECT: American Skandia (Built Interiors)

Architect: BURKETTDESIGN, INC.



Jury Comments:

"Recognized for its intense attention to detailing and highly refined sense of materiality, as best evidenced by the workspace divider walls."

PROJECT: Johnston Public Library (Built Architecture)

Architect: Brendle APV and Savage-Ver Ploeg and Associates



Jury Comments:

"The project contains a crisp compositional sensibility, accentuated by the elegant material juxtapositions. This also leads to a very interesting play of light on the different building surfaces."

PROJECT: Whitlock Recreation Center (Built Architecture)

Architect: Sink Combs Dethlefs
Jury Comments:

"This is a good exploration for the project type, particularly in the treatment of the big box of the gymnasium. A lot of care went into the detailing and execution, most obviously in the exposed structural system."



PROJECT: Alfred Arraj United States Courthouse (Built Architecture)

Architect: Anderson Mason Dale Architects in association with Hellmuth, Obata + Kassabaum



Jury Comments:

"There is an obviously high level of professionalism throughout the building as well as a thoughtful design for a civic facility. The design is strong despite the inherent logistical constraints of the project type."

PROJECT: Private Residence (Built Architecture)

Architect: Brendle APV, P.C., J. Michael Brendle, FAIA



Jury Comments:

"The design is spatially interesting, belying the fact that it is in fact a residence. There is great rigor in the material treatment and consistent detailing."

PROJECT: TeamMates Commercial (Interiors)

Architect: BURKETTDESIGN, INC



Jury Comments:

"Recognized largely for its interior where there are a number of nice 'moments' and materials, including the lobby stair. The exterior features a new façade treatment that significantly transforms the building."

The Special Recognition Award

PROJECT: Waterside Lofts.

Architect: OZ Architecture and Shears Adkins Architect

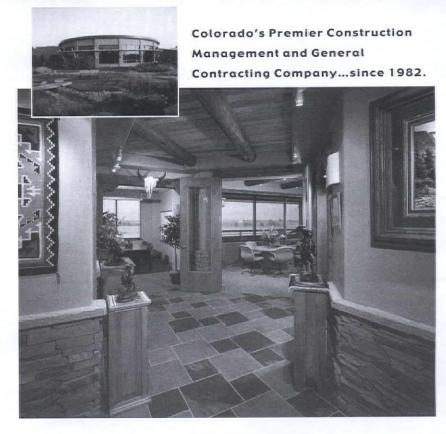


Jury Comments:

"The project was appreciated for its effort to grapple with the difficulties of making attractive dense urban housing in an aesthetic that complemented, not copied the surrounding historic context."

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South Chapter 2003 **Design Awards Recipients**

Key Architects Continue to Display Creative Projects in Urbane and Sophistication

ith more than 120 submitted projects competing in the categories the Colorado South of The American Institute of Architects (AIA/C) today announced the recipients of the 2003 AIA Colorado Design Awards.

The Honor Award (highest achievement)

PROJECT: AIR FORCE SPACE COMMAND

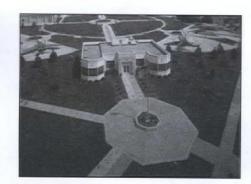
Lt. Col. Tom Laffey, Chief **Emergency Services Division Air Force Space Command**

Mariann P. Schofield, IIDA, **Command Interior Designer**

Air Force Space Command

Architect: Will S. Williams. **Command Architect Air Force Space Command**

James R. Fennell, AIA Fennell Group



Jury Comments:

"From the initial Installation Development Guidelines to the concluding Implementation Techniques, this well written and nicely illustrated document will surely have a most positive impact on the development of new facilities for the Air Force Space Command.

The guide is well organized, free of jargon, and addresses the critical elements necessary to help implement and carry forward the AFSPC Facilities

Excellence program. The architects/ writers/designers are to be congratulated for this outstanding work."

> **The Merit Award** (outstanding achievement)

PROJECT: CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Architect: RTA, Inc.



Jury Comments:

The success of a carefully constructed planning/design process is exhibited in this replacement "focus school". The architects have designed a facility that

works well within the existing site constraints. The resultant design responds well to the program requirements as it creates a series of nicely scaled spaces that contribute to the educational process. It is anticipated that this school will have a very positive impact of the lives of the students, teachers, parents and other community members who have an opportunity to experience this special learning environment.

The Citation Award (excellence in achievement)

PROJECT: SHARED INTEGRATED **LEARNING CENTER**

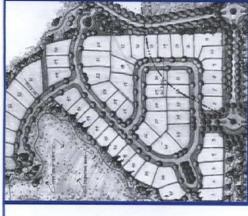
Architect: CSNA Architects

Jury Comments:

This building is a strong architectural response to a very interesting set of planning criteria. The special learning/ research environments are well organized in this three story building. The

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North Chapter 2003 Design Awards Recipients

he Colorado North chapter of The American Institute of Architects - Colorado (AIA/C) announced the 2003 recipients for design excellence at the Stanley Hotel in Estes Park.

AIA Colorado North covers nine counties in Northeastern Colorado and includes Boulder, Greeley, Fort Collins, Loveland and Longmont.

This year's guest juror, Garrett L. Smith, AIA of Garrett Smith, Ltd., Design, Architecture and Development in Albuquerque, New Mexico judged more than 30 submitted projects from AIA Colorado North members were judged in categories in Unbuilt Projects, Small Projects (construction costs less than \$300,000), Residential Architecture, Historic Renovation, and Commercial/Institutional.

The Honor Award (highest achievement)

PROJECT: Pearl Street Lofts (Built Architecture)

Architect: Harvey M. Hine Architects, P.C.



Jury Comments:

"Great contrast between new and existing. Appreciated the way the first and second levels were separated structurally. Beautiful interiors; combining the butterfly roof with lighting and mechanical systems."

The Merit Award (outstanding achievement)

PROJECT: St. Mary's Advanced Medicine Pavilion (Built Architecture)

Architect: Boulder Associates, Inc. and Nicholas J. Rehnberg, AIA



Jury Comments:

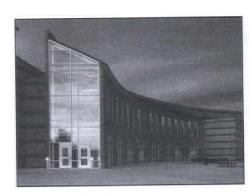
"Appreciated the presentation of the precedent for the design-water, redrock—sophisticated design for healthcare, Good Solid massing."

PROJECT: Silver Creek High School (Built Architecture)

Architect: H + L Architecture

Jury Comments:

"Wonderful first shot from elevated cafeteria well orchestrated use of standard materials –strong planning concept".

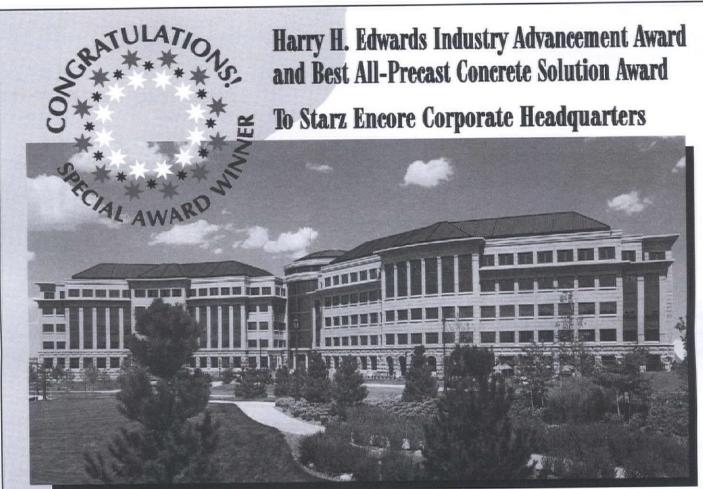


PROJECT: Waterside Lofts (Built Architecture)

Architect: OZ Architecture

Jury Comments:

"Jury was taken by the variety of unit plans (Continued on page 26)



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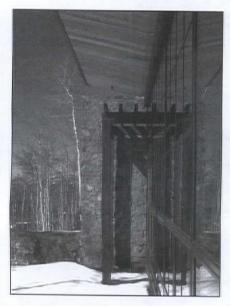
ecognizing architectural excellence along the Western Slope, the Colorado component of The American Institute of Architects (AIA/C) has announced the recipients of the 2003 Colorado West Chapter Design Awards. The AIA Colorado West Design Awards Gala was recently held at the Hotel Colorado in Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

Each year, local chapter members submit projects and compete for Honor, Merit and Citation awards. Guest juror, Lawrence Speck, FAIA, of Austin, Texas judged more than forty submitted projects from the AIA Colorado West Chapter in categories that included Commercial/Institutional, Residential over \$1 million, Residential Economy, Details-Interior or Exterior and Open Category.

The Honor Award (highest achievement)

PROJECT: Smithburg Residence (Built Architecture)

Architect: Cottle Graybeal Yaw Architects, Ltd.



Jury Comments:

"Wonderful plan-clear, great integrity, sophisticated, well-studied elevations, beautifully proportioned."

PROJECT: Burlinggame Affordable Housing Competition (UnBuilt Architecture)

Architect: Studio b Architects

Jury Comments:

"Very strong response to this rather unique building type. Excellent handling of slope, good use of modernarity without it being too constraining

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The Merit Award (outstanding achievement)

PROJECT: Community College (Built Architecture)

Architect: Harry Teague Architect, Harry Teague, AIA



Jury Comments:

"Good suggestion of place for students to gather, excellent indoor/outdoor relationships, very well-documented, strong, controlled, logical plan."

PROJECT: Aspen Mountain Residence (Built Architecture)

Architect: Poss Architecture and Planning, P.C.



Jury Comments:

"Good siting-sophisticated, nestled into hill. Very large house—broken down so it overpowering. Very well-detailed."

> The Citation Award (excellence in achievement)

PROJECT: Singer Residence (Built Architecture)

Architect: Cottle Graybeal Yaw, **Architects**



Jury Comments:

"Beautiful roof materials and detailing, complements horizonality. Careful material usage throughout — understands economy of materials."

PROJECT: Courtyard Residence (Built Architecture)

Architect: Studio b Architects



Jury Comments:

"Very interesting situation involving historic structure, elegant, retrained interiors."

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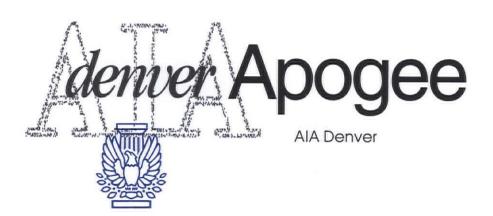
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What A Year It's Been!

by Ben Wilking AIA, 2003 President

hat a year it's been! AIA Denver has had an incredible year because of the dedicated people who have shown leadership and have put in the time and effort necessary to make 2003 one of the most successful years ever. These people include AIA Colorado staff, the 2003 AIA Denver Board of Directors, committee chairs, and valued members of the Denver chapter. Many were recognized at the AIA Denver Awards Gala, and many more were not. Thank you to all for your interest, your commitment, and your energy. AIA Denver is the largest local chapter in a six state region. In November the chapter boasted 1,171 members, and because of this number, AIA Denver is able to do things that other chapters simply are not. Let me highlight some of the events of AIA Denver for 2003.

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Alan Ford, AlA, Chris Nims, FAIA and City Council Woman Peggy Peggy Lehman



2003 AIA Denver President, Ben Wilking, AIA passes the gavel to 2004 AIA Denver President, Michael Hicks, AIA



Michael Hicks, AIA with Cheri Gerou, AIA and Charlie Brown, Denver City Councilman



Suzette Emerson, AIA with Denver Mayor Hinkelooper



Denver Mayor Hinkelooper and Susan Barnes-Gelt



2003 AIA Denver President with Denver Mayor Hinkelooper, CU Dean Dr. Mark Gelernter and 2004 AIA Denver President, Michael Hicks, AIA

Architecture - Who Cares?

by Michael Hicks, AIA, 2004 President-Elect

ake a minute and ask yourself,
"What impact have I made on
the world today?"

As architects, our profession, the creation of the built environment, affects the lives of many, yet, we must go beyond the practice of our craft to really participate in the "structure" of society.

The education of an architect is designed to prepare us for more. We are exposed to mathematics, physics, art, sociology, poetry, politics, language, music and much more as we go through our academic preparation. With our degrees in hand we are required to apprentice with practitioners who are charged with sharpening our knowledge of codes, client relations, the basics of running a business and increasing our technical and aesthetic skill sets.

This preparation to become licensed architects takes dedication, patience and perseverance and gives us a knowledge base that should not be squan-

dered on just the creation of buildings.

We each need to find a passion within us that transcends our profession which will make an impact in our communities. Our lives need a higher purpose, we need to "get in the game", be visible, and contribute to society in other ways.

Participation and leadership as volunteers is needed in our schools, neighborhood organizations, environmental issues, on boards of various institutions and charitable causes. The arts, education, politics, all are improved by dedicated community volunteers. Your creative knowledge will add another dimension to a committee decision or a neighborhood issue.

My vision for AIA Denver is to increase the participation our members have had in our community. The work that has been accomplished by the Denver Chapter's committees, the Board of Directors, and many individual and firm efforts has created a better city.

We need to continue with these initiatives and encourage others to get involved.

The AIA and all architects should be a source that people can rely on to get things done, to challenge the norm, to go beyond the limits of the current structure of our society, to make things better for everyone. We have been prepared to do this by the profession we have chosen. Let's not waste the gifts we have been given.

In closing I congratulate all of my predecessors for their hard work and dedication to AIA Denver. I thank each and every architect that has made a commitment to improving our community outside of their day to day practice. And, if you are not involved yet, I challenge you to find your passion, get up, get off the couch, and do something that will make a difference in another person's life. If you don't, when the game is over, you've got nothing to talk about in the locker room.





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2003 Year in Review

by John C. Hoelscher, AiA

t is hard to believe that we are approaching the end of 2003. A areat deal has happen to the AIA over the past year. On a national level the finances of our organization have been stabilized. Likewise at the State Level we are again living within our means. We had an extremely successful Design Conference/WMR Conference in Beaver Creek. The South Chapter hosted in March a "Candidates Forum" where the prospective Mayoral Candidates had a chance to answer questions that were of interest to our profession. The AIA had an impact on the new "Mixed Use" Zoning Ordnance. In addition we were very active in the ACCA, an organization that represents Architects in areas such as Corrective Action Team, Regional Building Department, Development Review Enterprise, and the ACCA Education Committee. Through the hard work of Dempsey Currie and others the Architects of this region have had a voice in shaping policy and changes at the City/County regulatory level. In following up on our theme to become more active in our local political process, the South Chapter Hosted in May the State Government Affairs Committee

Meeting at the Old City Hall. This was an opportunity to hear and discuss issues that affect architects at the state level. The programs committee provided a wide variety of programs such as Lectures by Chuck Benson on renaissance Architecture, Hardhat Tours of the Pueblo Library, Carnegie Library, BURSI Roofing Seminar, DLR Court House Presentation, Presentation on building failures, Portland Cement Plant Tour, and the Collaborative Sustainability Symposium. As you can see from the above sampling there was something for everyone in our program offerings for the past year.

This year has been a learning experience for me as President of the South Chapter. I began two years ago as President Elect with very little idea of what was required of your President.

Over the past two years I have developed a real appreciation for the dedication of your "Volunteer" leaders. The amount of time and energy that they extend to make this organization the best possible for you, the membership, is truly extraordinary. I have been blessed with an exceptionally hard working and dedicated Board. The measure of any leader is the quality of the people he surrounds

him/herself with. Based on that I must be a genius. Jim Ramsey has been a great help as President Elect this year. He has already planning the coming years activlities and focus.

The greatest challenge I see for our organization is raising member involvement. We experienced a drop in membership this year partly as a result of the slumping economy. However, I think that the AIA has to do a better job of meeting its members expectations. The AIA is the only professional organization that represents Architects and as such it is important that we represents our profession accurately and effectively. What is needed is honest feedback from all architects as to what types of activities and programs that they feel are important. It is then the responsibility of the AIA to try to provide these services. We have to somehow get past the issue of "Dues" and focus on value. With the incoming Board I am confident that we will continue to move in that direction.

It has been an honor to serve the past two years and feel that I have gained more than I have given. Thank you for placing your trust in me.

South Chapter 2004 Vision

by Jim Ramsey, AIA, 2004 President, AIA Colorado South

hat is "our" vision for AIA Colorado South?
Inclusiveness within the AIA is not just about vision. We will begin by listening.

The 2004 Colorado South Board has begun a dialog regarding AIA and AIA Colorado strategic initiatives. We will

adopt those that we believe can be advanced proactively. We will add initiatives that add value for our members.

Outreach to the public and our peers requires broader engagement.
Local government affairs must build on the momentum of recent years.
Partnerships with the AIA will strengthen

with shared goals. Our talents, professional growth, and contributions to our community need to flourish.

Our message will be measured by how well we communicate - and by how well we listen.



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2003 Year in Review

By Bob Herzog, AIA

s out-going President of the North Chapter, I am tasked with the responsibility of analyzing the past years achievements, and putting my thoughts into a summary. This is by no means an easy task as there were many distinct memories of the achievements that the North Chapter has made. From the initial success of our 10x10, to the final Design Awards Gala in Estes Park, each planned event was a huge success, due to the excellent efforts of dedicated Board members. Other notable events were the national conference, the trip to the

capitol to meet with our representatives, and the annual WMR conference, which proved to be fantastic opportunities to meet and network with fellow architects. So as I assume the role of Past President, I look back on 2003 and realize there is one overwhelming reason for the success of our chapter. In a word, that reason is service. Without the dedicated support of my fellow Board members and the State component staff, the North Chapter could not have achieved the goals we set for the year, which notably includes increased membership, and a

year-end budget surplus. This fact cannot be emphasized enough. Our Chapter, like many others, is staffed by volunteers. These are individuals who are willing to sacrifice their time and efforts to make the Chapter successful. I am also very aware that the firms both large and small that were very supportive in allowing the time necessary to achieve our goals. Without this continued support, the AIA could not exist. I am indeed thankful for that support. AIA



Past President Ken Field with 2004 President Charlotte Grojean, AIA



Mark Queripél, AIA was presented with an award of Distinguished Honor by the Chapter.



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2003 Year in Review

by Patrick E. Heise, AIA

out the West Slope this past year to facilitate West Chapter members in meeting their Continuing Education requirements. These seminars dealt with Roofing & Building Insulation, Wildfire Mitigation, Electronic Systems for Residential Spaces, and the IBCO. A total of 12.5 hours were provided with 72% of the Continuing Education Credits being offered under the HSW category.

he primary goal of the 2003

trated upon developing a

Growth Management Task Force that

foster Design Excellence, Professional

design is very important to West Slope

Development. The analysis, evaluation,

and condensation of this accumulated

Slope AIA Architects with what they need

information into a reliable knowledge

base which can provide other West

to know in order to better serve their

clients was accomplished. The specific

findings and recommendations are pre-

sented in their entirety in this issue under

the AIA Colorado West 109th Meridian

further upon each of the six principal

issues is planned for next year.

heading. A series of articles that expand

The Officers, Directors, and Area

Coordinators organized and scheduled

several seminars and workshops through-

Collaboration, and an Attitude that

would assemble information that could

West Chapter Board concen-

Several of our Board Members contributed to the AIA Colorado Architect Newsletter. Their articles addressed Architects as Political Activists, the Image of an Architect, and West Slope Growth Management. A very interesting commentary on "Antinomy" by Carolyn Hunter, AIA appears in this issue.

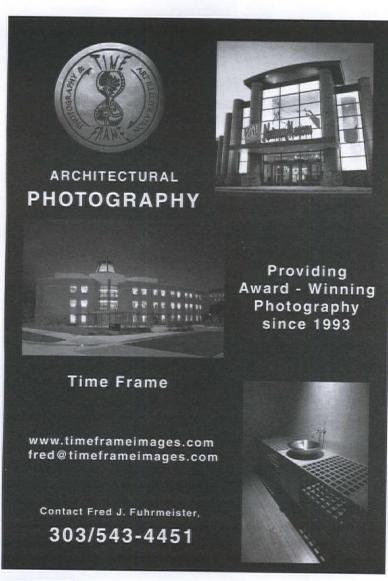
Ann Darby, AIA (President-Elect for 2004) of Cottle Graybeal Yaw Architects gave a presentation on Regionalism at the AIA breakfast in late May. Her thoughts and analogies were recognized by the audience comprised pre-

dominately of Denver Architects.

The West Chapter was proud to be given the opportunity to host the AIA Colorado Board Meeting on August 15th at the Vail Cascade Resort & Spa. The meeting was followed up with a wine and cheese party held outside on the deck overlooking the Gore Creek.

AIA membership in the West
Chapter increased this year despite the
lagging economy thru our membership
drive spearheaded by our Board
Members.

This has been a very exciting and inspirational year for me serving as the President of the West Chapter. I would like to thank all of the Officers, Directors, and Area Coordinators for their assistance and support. Without the camaraderie our accomplishments would not have been attainable. I wish all of you in the AIA Colorado West the very best in the years to come.





2004 President Jim Buckner, AIA



Current AIA Colorado West President Jim Buckner, AIA and Past President Patrick Heise, AIA



AIA/C West Past Presidents Chris Green, AIA, Patrick Heise, AIA and Rick Dominick, AIA

AIA West Slope Growth Management Task Force

by Patrick E. Heise, AIA

he intention of the West Slope Growth Management Task Force is to encourage West Chapter AIA Architects to utilize the information assembled by the Task Force Members to foster Design Excellence, Professional Collaboration, and an Attitude that design is very important to West Slope Development. Thereby, creating a better living environment on the West Slope for today and for the future.

Specific issues that the West Slope **Growth Management Task Force** addressed are:

- A) Growth: The increase in population coupled with the implementation of infill vs. urban sprawl and the consumption of land.
- B) City/Town Planning: Determine what distinct aspects of growth West Slope communities have in common. Identify what growth issues have already been addressed and successfully resolved by other West Slope cities or towns. Share these findings with developing communities in public meetings and through participation in the city/town and county planning processes.

- C) Water: Determination of which laws govern water rights, stream flows, restrictions, and regulations.
- D) Energy Consumption: Proposed Performance Goals, which will promote sustainable building, rather continued waste of non-renewable resources.
- E) Transportation: Integrated planning at the local level.
- F) Pollution: Creation of less air, soil, and water contamination.

The goal for the West Slope Growth Management Task Force was to analyze, evaluate, and condense this information into a reliable and inventive knowledge base which can provide other West Slope AIA Architects with what they need to know in order to better serve their clients. These guidelines hopefully will establish responsible growth policies, which will contain sprawl without eliminating productive and beneficial growth. Transformation of current growth patterns into creative neighborhood planning and enhancement of a stronger sense of community while living within our environmental constraints was the desired objective.

Overview

Buildings are deceptively complex. They consume an extraordinary share of America's energy (42%) and material resources (30%). In the past, architects, engineers, contractors, and consultants have addressed these issues by analyzing the individual components and subsystems of each building and optimizing the component or subsystem separately. An integrated design approach should look at the materials, systems, and assemblies from different perspectives. The design must be evaluated for cost, efficiency, overall environmental impact, productivity and creativity, affect on quality of life, future flexibility, and how the occupants will be enlivened.

Our goal as designers is to create architecture, which is both responsive and responsible. Buildings must be competently planned, cost effective, constructible, durable, functionally adequate, appropriate in form, contextual, and adaptable. Integrated design should not only look at how materials, systems and products of a building connect and overlap but also analyze how the building and its systems can be unified with supporting systems on the site and in the community. The fundamental challenge of integrated design is to understand that all building systems are interdependent. Through a systematic analysis of these interdependencies, a much more efficient and cost effective building can be created.

Building construction and operation has an enormous direct and indirect impact on the environment. As the economy and population continue to expand; architects, engineers, contractors, developers, and consultants face a unique challenge to meet demands for new and renovated facilities that are productive, healthy, secure and acc ble while minimizing their impact on the environment.

The answer to this challenge calls for a synergistic approach that considers all phases of the building life cycle. This sustainable approach supports an increased commitment to environmental stewardship and conservation, and can result in an optimal balance of cost, environmental, societal and human benefits while meeting the mission and function of the intended building.

The main objectives of sustainable design are to avoid resource depletion of energy, water, and raw materials; prevent environmental degradation caused by buildings and infrastructure throughout their life cycle; and create built envi-

ronments that are productive, livable, comfortable, and safe. There are six fundamental principles that constitute what sustainable building design should be.

Optimize Site Potential

Creating sustainable buildings starts with proper site selection, including consideration of the reuse or rehabilitation of existing buildings. The location, orientation, and landscaping of a building affect the local ecosystems, transportation methods, and energy

Minimize Energy Consumption

A building should rely on conservation and passive design measures rather than fossil fuels for its operation. The building should meet or exceed applicable energy performance standards. Local materials should be specified, when possible, to minimize transportation distances during the construction phase.

Protect and Conserve Water

Water is an increasingly scarce resource. A sustainable building should reduce, control or treat site runoff, use water efficiently, and reuse or recycle water for on-site use. Storm water retention ponds can become attractive onsite landscape features and/or become wetlands that encourage wildlife diversity. However, care should be taken to minimize evaporation from these ponds by increasing their depth (as opposed to surface area), avoiding tall fountains, and shading these ponds when possible.

Use Environmentally Preferable Products

A sustainable building should be constructed of materials that minimize lifecycle environmental impacts such as global warming, resource depletion, and human toxicity. In a materials context, lifecycle includes raw materials acquisition, product manufacturing, packaging, transportation, installation use, and reuse/recycling/disposal.

Enhance Indoor Environmental Quality

The indoor environmental quality of a building has a significant impact on occupant health, comfort, and productivity. Among other attributes, a sustainable building should maximize daylighting, have appropriate ventilation and moisture control, and avoid the use of materials with high emissions.

Optimize Operational and Maintenance Practices

Design to take into account the energy and environmental impacts of operating and maintaining the building. Specify materials and systems that

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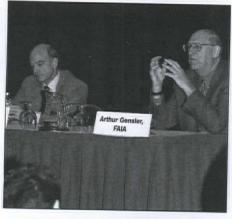
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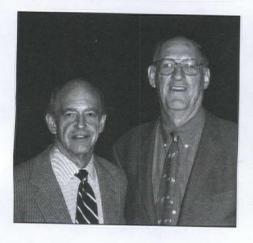
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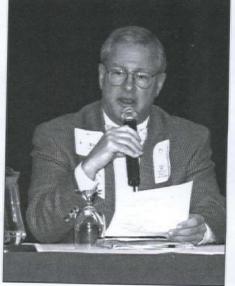


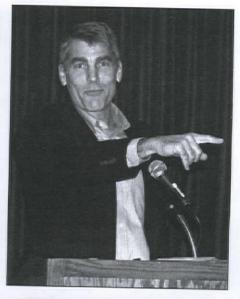


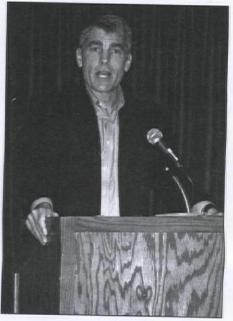












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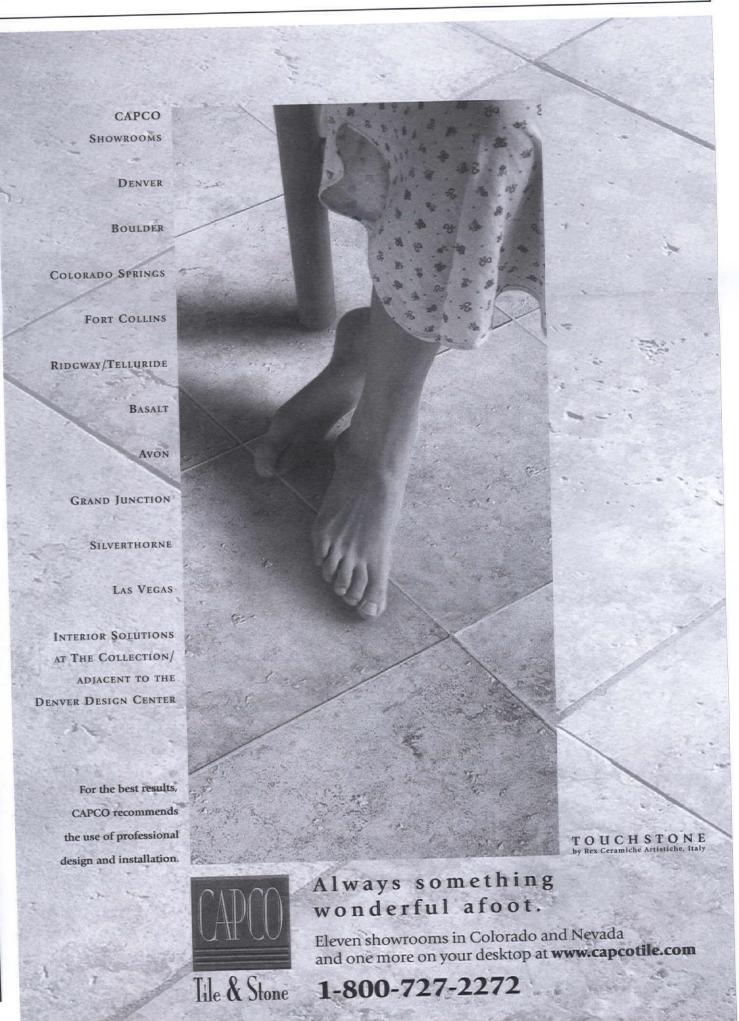
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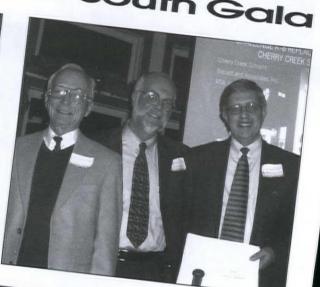
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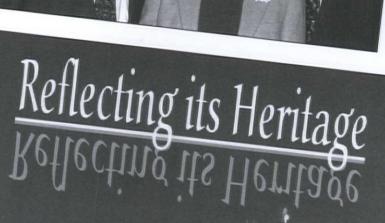


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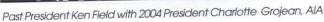


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Leading in 2004

So, this coming year is one I am looking forward to -I look forward to serving you. It is my hope that you will get newly involved in the just causes of AIA Colorado. AIA Colorado needs your volunteer effort.

As Mr. DePree stated earlier, we operate in a system of free choices, each one laden with consequences. When we freely choose to become involved in AIA, we become a significant part of the energies AIA needs and as such we are AIA – the positive conse-

quences of that free choice.

We are AIA as are; Dave Lingle and Stephanie Ridgway of the North Chapter who will lead government affairs and the associates respectively; Jim Buckner and Ann Darby who have volunteered to lead the West Chapter for the next two years; Jim Ramsey and Morey Bean who will lead and have served the state board from the South Chapter; and as are Suzette Emerson and Mary Morisette of the Denver chapter who will serve on the state board and who effectively develop political influence within Denver on behalf of Colorado Architects.

The consequences of the choice of involvement – the reward for volunteer

service - can include increased significance, knowledge, growth and friendship, and perhaps even more.

I urge you to consider growing with us this year. Won't you join us to serve the profession of architecture through AIA Colorado - to encounter the consequence of significance?

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The State of AIA Colorado

membership coordinator Nicole
Encinias, has researched and documented in our membership database

the state house and senate district numbers for all our members to give the AIA a way of reaching out to key legislators through their constituents, the most effective approach. Specific legislation addressed include acts to reform housing accessibility statutes, licensing for landscape architects, and limitations on suits against builders for excessive construction defects claims.

In an important legal case, AIA Colorado, along with ACEC, SEAC and CAGE, and with the help of a grant from National AIA, has filed an amicus curiae brief with the Colorado Supreme Court in Dufficy & Sons, Inc. v. BRW, Inc. et al. This case is important because it could change an important legal rule, called the Economic Loss Doctrine, which shields architects (and engineers) from suits by parties with whom they have no contract when losses are purely economic. Our counsel, Phil Cardi of Jackson Kelly PLLC, has made great efforts on our behalf and we will report to you on the success of these efforts when the Court makes its determination this

Kin DuBois, AIA, led an investigation into the concept of Mandatory

Continuing Education legislation for all

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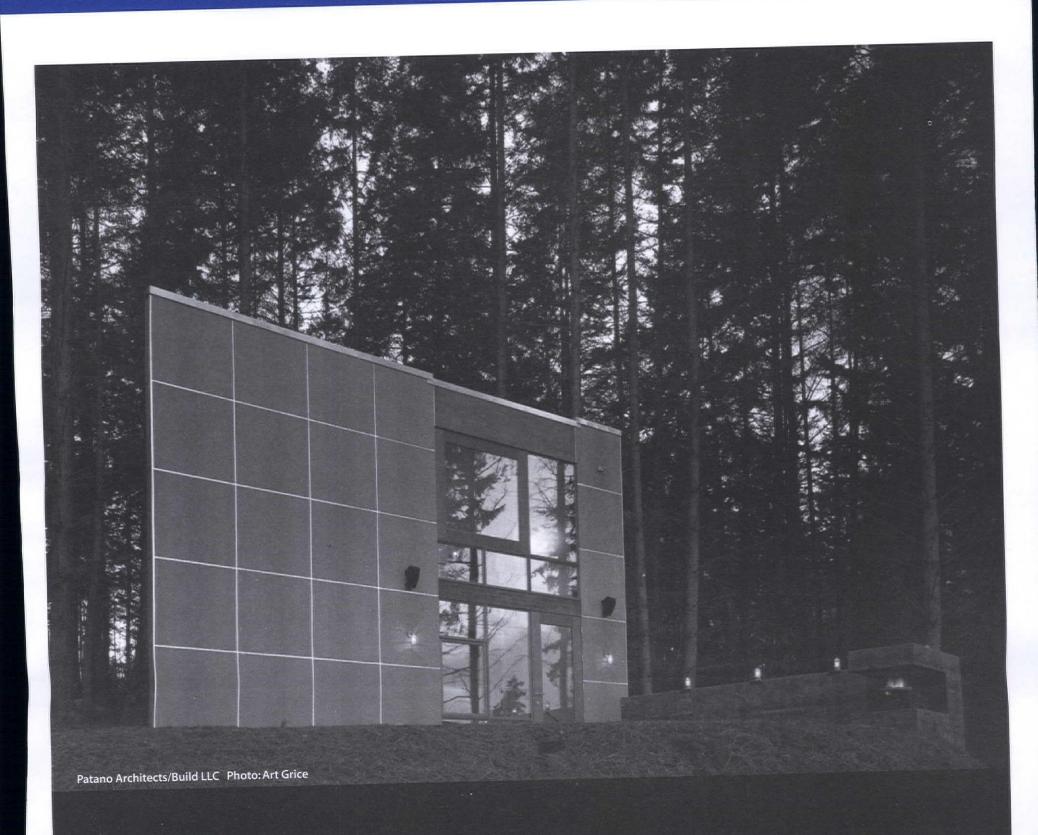


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the minority of states in the US that do not require continuing education, and this gives rise to reciprocity issues in other states that have such requirement.

Although research indicated that most AIA members favor mandatory continuing education, the issue was shelved (but not forgotten) because a legislative analysis indicated the current likelihood of an unfavorable outcome.

AIA Colorado is gearing up for the sunset/sunrise of our licensing law, which starts with a submittal to the Department of Regulatory Agencies in 2006. For those of you who may be unfamiliar with this process, we will loose our licenses to practice architecture unless we can pass legislation to re-institute our licensing. There are significant challenges in this process. Just ask your dentist, whose licensing act was vetoed by Governor Owens last summer. AIA Colorado will require all our resources and strong leadership to assure that architects will be able to keep their licenses and planning is underway to assure that this will happen.

Finally, Chris Green, AIA, our Presidentelect, has led the efforts to organize, separate from the AIA, a political action committee, ArchPAC, intended to help our voice be heard among our representatives in the Colorado legislature. This is a much-needed tool for all Colorado architects to make our influence fett, and I hope you will consider giving it your support.

On the Education front, representatives of AIA Colorado were actively involved in, and are very pleased with the appointment of, Dr. Mark Gelernter, Associate AIA, as Dean of the College of Architecture and Planning at the University of Colorado. The College, which encompasses both the Denver and Boulder campuses, is the only accredited architectural school within a 500 mile radius of Denver and is an important partner to the AIA in the development of future architects. Dr. Gelernter is enthusiastic about working with AIA Colorado in this matter and we expect great things from this collaboration in the future.

A strategic goal to form a Professional Development committee did not get off the ground due to a lack of individuals with time to provide overall leadership.

However, I am very happy with the efforts of several members, including Chris Nims, FAIA, Cedra Ginsburg, AIA (our new state IDP Coordinator), Adam Wright, AIAS (Student representative on the AIA Colorado Board), Jason Pettigrew, Associate AIA (AIA Colorado Associate Director), Ben Wilking, AIA, Kelly Tapia, Fred Lai and Ian Roth, in furthering the development of a mentoring system for AIA Colorado. This effort is picking up steam as the year draws to a close and will be

a major asset to the profession in the years ahead.

The Colorado Communications Advisory Board (CAB) is responsible for this news letter and all the communications that you received from the State AIA. A major part of our staff's efforts is devoted to the bi-weekly AIA Colorado e-mail, the quarterly Colorado Architect and keeping the Colorado web site up-to-date and pertinent to your needs. We have determined that this effort needs more staffing and resources and so have started a re-organization intended to bring about better communications in the future. There will be five new focus groups: Electronic Communications (E-newsletter and web site), the Quarterly Colorado Architect, the new AIA Colorado Design Magazine, Allied Industry Communications and the new AIA Colorado Annual Report. These are all opportunities for you to become involved in AIA Colorado, Please contact Sherri Hughes Smith.

In my last article in this magazine, I mentioned the Design and Constructor's Alliance of Colorado, or CDA/C as an umbrella organization for the Construction Industry with the goal of aligning the legislative agendas of the many separate associations that exist. In addition, CDA/C will look at economies of scale for educational programs and issues relating to our public image. McGraw-Hill (in the person of Mr. Mark Shaw) has graciously offered to host a web site to accomplish some of these ends. Look for the presence of this organization to be felt with increasing impact during 2004.

Finally, some of you may know that I have been involved for several years in another organization that spun off from the AIA many years ago, the Denver Architectural Foundation. This organization has made huge strides over the last four years under the able and energetic leadership of John B Rogers, FAIA. The DAF, with a grant from AIA Denver, successfully completed education programs in 6 elementary schools last spring and plans to expand their program to ten more schools in 2004 plus a major architecture program for the Denver School of the Arts. These programs are taught by practicing architects drawn from Denver area firms and may have an enormous impact on our future clients, if not future members of our profession. The DAF is now on the leading edge of a trend that is being picked up by architectural and arts organizations across the US. Those who have been involved with the program have found it very rewarding, and I hope you will find a little time in 2004 to support this worthy endeavor. You can contact the DAF at 303-446-2266 extension 19 or denarchfdn@aol.com.

It has been a pleasure serving you as President of AIA Colorado in 2003, and I wish you a happy and prosperous year in 2004. AIA (continued from page 13)

What a year it's been!

We built on and sought out qualities we need as Architects to insure our success in the future:

- With the help of Frank Staziowski, we formalized a strategic plan this year containing three goals: public outreach, promoting the quality of our built environment, and member services.
- AIA Denver continues to make wonderful strides regarding public relations
 thanks to Mary Morissette, AIA and Joe
 Poli, AIA. We sponsored a reception
 after the November Board meeting for
 City Council and the Mayor.
- AIA Denver again sent two representatives to Grassroots, an orientation and open house at AIA National in Washington D.C. This year, we were recognized for two component excellence awards: AIA Colorado was recognized for the Media Training Program put on before the Colorado Design Conference, and AIA Denver was recognized for the Host Chapter Convention Report for the 2001 National Convention. Last year AIA Denver was also recognized for Freedom by Design, an initiative involving architects and contractors who volunteer their time to design and construct solutions with those with disabilities in a residence that is not accessible.
- The STOPP Task Force responded to Mayor Hickenlooper's desire to streamline our permitting process with the City and County of Denver and it put together a white paper that has been well received by those at the city. We continue to meet with the Mayor and other departments to discuss this effort. AGC and ACEC are also supporting this cause.
- There were those like Curt Fentress, FAIA who spoke out about issues important to our profession. In Curt's case, he spoke at the National Trust for Historic Preservation's annual conference this year about the need to respect Denver's civic buildings. He was also recognized with an editorial in the Denver Post. Thanks to Curt and others who are getting the word out about AIA and the profession among the general public. This is becoming one of the most important missions we have.
- Our membership continues to grow, in part to the office visits made this year with Cheri Gerou, AIA and Nicole Encinias.
- AIA Denver was recognized with several awards during the AIA
 Colorado/Western Mountain Region
 Awards. Maria Cole, AIA was recognized as the WMR Young Architect of the Year, Susan Barnes-Gelt was recognized with an Award of Distinction,

David Owen Tryba Architects was recognized as the AIA Colorado Firm of the Year, and Cab Childress was recognized as the AIA Colorado Architect of the Year.

We helped to create opportunities and alliances that are mutually beneficial for the profession:

- A Dean Search Committee was formed with the help of representatives from ASLA and APA and met with each of the four candidates for a new Dean for the University of Colorado's College of Architecture and Planning. Dr. Mark Galernter was selected for this position and is already turning heads, especially regarding his ideas of linking academia with the profession.
- AIA Denver co-sponsored the Lights in the City Symposium with David DiLaura, which was held in March and was cosponsored by the Lighting Agency.
- Architecture Week this year included: Box City, a Mayoral Forum co-sponsored by AIA Denver, a resolution from City Council, and a press conference recognizing Mayor Webb.
- The American Institute of Steel
 Construction sponsored a seminar for architects in August. Architects and structural engineers were both in attendance.
- The Structural Engineer's and Architect's Committee of SEAC and the ACEC Vertical Design Committee are just two examples of how architects can assist in a cause when it comes to consultants.
- Another one-day conference, this year co-sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the Design-Build Institute of America, was held in September, which has been very successful for four years running.
- AIA Denver participated in a master plan charrette for Civic Center and the new justice center. More meetings should follow.
- The Housing Committee in partnership with the Rocky Mountain News has initiated the Architect's Choice Awards, a residential awards program recognizing quality residential architecture in the state of Colorado.

We supported the idea of mentoring students in schools of architecture and young Architects within the work place.

- AIA Denver volunteered for three Career Fairs with Colorado Uplift and Denver Public Schools.
- Another round of ARE Seminars with new reference material was again successful in 2003.
- A Fellow's Roundtable has been meeting to discuss possibilities for mentoring

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building form, materials, and window patterns may have been influenced greatly by the adjacent buildings. Unfortunately, no photography of this immediate context nor building interiors were including with the submission.



PROJECT: Hibbard Building -Renovation and Interior Remodel

Architect: RTA, Inc.

Interiors: Jean Sebben Associates

Jury Comments:

The jury felt that this renovation/remodeling was handled in a very sensitive manner, respecting the architecture and heritage of the existing building while carefully redesigning the interior spaces to accommodate a new mix of tenants. The owners and architects are to be congratulated for these efforts to breathe new life into this landmark building.



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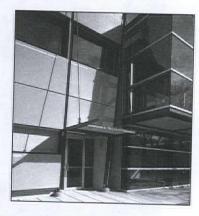
North Chapter 2003 Design Awards Recipients

and commend inclusion of affordable units. Relationship to views all positive."



PROJECT: The Screen House (Built Architecture)

Architect: Richard Epstein Architects, Richard Epstein, AIA; Brian Dale, and James Butler



Jury Comments:

"Has a dramatic change from the existing-created almost entirely manipulating the facades. Intuitive, simple, inexpensive solution to a common problem."

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AIA West Slope Growth Management **Task Force**

reduce the need for maintenance, and/or require less water, energy, and toxic chemicals and cleaners to main-

These principles must be considered together with other design objectives and within a total project context in order to achieve quality, high performance buildings.

An interactive approach to the design process is required to create a successful high performance building. It is mandatory that the team responsible for the building design interacts very closely throughout the design process. Everyone involved in the design, construction, operation and use of the building must fully understand the issues and concerns of all the other parties. This will encourage an exchange of ideas and information that will permit integrated solutions to take form. The result will be verified decisions, diminished adversity, the nuances of organizational issues will be learned, the design process will be expedited and a sustainable building will emerge. AIA

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What a year it's been!

interns and young architects. A program will be publicized later this year indicating the details of such a program.

- AIA Denver is supporting the planning for next year's Young Architect's Awards Gala, which promises to be yet another wonderful event. Architecture Week in 2004 may even include a visit by Daniel Libeskind!
- An Intern Committee has started thanks to Fred Lai and members are talking about ways to better publicize this group to be a resource for interns, including opportunities for mentoring, calendar of events, and working with AIAS.
- AIA Denver supported Future Leaders, a program sponsored by AGC of Colorado to publicize the construction and design professions among career councilors in high schools.
- The AIAS chapter at the University of Colorado is now probably more active than ever.

We sponsored very successful programs and events.

 The Lecture Series this year included discussions on Infill and Intervention.

- Speakers for the Breakfast Seminars discussed design alternatives within the residential marketplace.
- Member forums this year highlighted revisions to Denver's Zoning Ordinance, the Colorado Convention Center Hotel, and this year's bond for Denver Public Schools.
- Our golf tournament this year at Hiwan Country Club was a record breaker.
- The July membership meeting was at the Golden Gate Canyon State Park where we got the chance to meet families of the Board and members of the chapter.
- The Urban Design Committee sponsored a charrette with the Town of Castle Rock that attracted over 100 people, 30 of which were architects.

Quite a year, wouldn't you agree? A lot is happening within AIA Denver. We have already started planning for next year, and lurge you to become involved. dedication to AIA Denver. I thank each and every architect that has made a commitment to improving our community outside of their day to day practice. And, if you are not involved yet, I challenge you to find your passion, get up, get off the couch, and do something that will make a difference in another person's life. If you don't, when the game is over, you've got nothing to talk about in the locker room. AIA



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by Phil Gerou, FAIA, Chair, 2004 AIA Denver / College of Fellows Nominating Committee

On Becoming a Denver AIA Fellow...

eing elected to the AIA's College of Fellows is the highest individual honor that the Institute bestows short of the Institute's Gold Medal. We've been fortunate in Denver over the past 100+ years to have over 40 of our members designated Fellows, the most recent being Chris Nims, FAIA, in 2001. And here's our problem... No, not that Chris became a Fellow, but that no one has since! In Denver and

throughout the state there are a number of more-than-deserving members.

Starting in February, the sevenmember AIA Denver/College of Fellows Nominating Committee will be meeting to discuss strategies of assuring recognition for our members and assisting those who are nominated for Fellowship. We will be reviewing those who have submitted in the past and encouraging those who have not. Our task will be to ultimately bring to the AIA Denver Board those nominees who we feel have the best

likelihood of advancing to Fellowship for the Board's ratification.

For those of you who might be interested, keep in mind that elevation to Fellowship not only recognizes the achievements of the architect as an individual but also elevates before the public and the profession those architects who have made significant contributions to architecture and to society. Contributions can be made in design, preservation, planning, practice management, service to the profession

through the AIA or other organizations, service to society or humanity - or a combination of these categories. The impact of those efforts usually extends beyond local boundaries and has influence of a regional or national

Anyone interested in finding out more about the College of Fellows or our Committee's process or schedule, please feel free to e-mail me at www.phil@gerou.net or contact the AIA office at 303.446.2266. AIA



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3:00-5:00 p.m. **AIA Denver** Finance Committee Mtg.,

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12th AIA Denver

13th AIA West Fellows Roundtable - Promoting Colorado Architect's Work outside of CO

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3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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12th AIA Colorado 11th AIA Denver

Board of Directors Meeting

19th AIA Colorado

State Board Meeting – Denver

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20th AIA Colorado Steering Committee, 10:00 a.m. Communications Advisory Board 10 x 10 Seminars 5:30pm-8:30pm

19th AIA Colorado

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Finance Committee Mtg.,

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25th AIA Denver 19th AIA Colorado Executive Committee Meeting 2:00 p.m. 30ard of Director's Meeting,

31th AIA Denver

Call for Nominations to be mailed

Denver Honor Awards

20th AIA West 26th AIA Denver 2:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting

State Board Meeting – Denver

Contact Sonia or Sherri at AIA Colorado at 800-628-5598 for more Calendar* information.

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3-6th AIA National Grassroots Washington, D.C March

2nd AIA Colorado 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

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16th AIA Colorado Legislative Sub-Committee, 12:00 p.m.

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21-28 AIA Colorado State Board Meeting – Denver Architecture Week

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Government Affairs Committee,

16th AIA Colorado Steering Committee, 10:00 a.m.

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Young Architects Gala

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n his book *Leadership Jazz,* Max DePree describes democratic capitalism as "a system of free the way we exploit our freedom, make our choices and anticipate the consequences." choices, each one laden with consequences." ... "The way to succeeding in the system lies in by Christopher J. Green, AIA Colorado 2004 President

the consequences of the choice I made – It is the choice of volunteering to serve AIA Colorado. As I write this article I have the privilege, honor and opportunity to contemplate and anticipate

efforts, and AIA's financial stability. ent, involving CU's architecture and planning program with AIA, increasing our government affairs limited to; the sunset review of Colorado architect's licensure in 2006, emerging architectural talhas identified for action for next year and subsequent years. Important issues include but are not Bill Tracy,AIA, in his article, this issue enumerates a list AIA Colorado addressed this year and

to volunteer involvement in AIA? The most challenging element is how to do it. How do we motivate and inspire our members

Here are some of the rewards I have gotten from my year of service

significant strategic issues for AIA Colorado's future. Colorado. I have been stretched by engaging members with diverse opinions in dialogue on Significance: I have been able to serve in capacities that aid the growth of architecture in

I have learned of political strategies that will serve me well in my own practice. and within AIA Colorado. Knowledge: I have learned about issues of governance both at a state legislative level, I have learned about other professions and professional organizations.

been challenged to lead with credibility. I have gratefully received some solid coaching from Bill Tracy, this year's President. Personal Growth: I have been introduced to a higher level of political engagement. I have Thank you, Bill.

and even enjoy a sunny afternoon at Coors Field with them. can truly label as friends. I can call them, discuss items of strategic importance, laugh with them, Friendships: I have met fine people throughout the state in AIA and allied professions that I