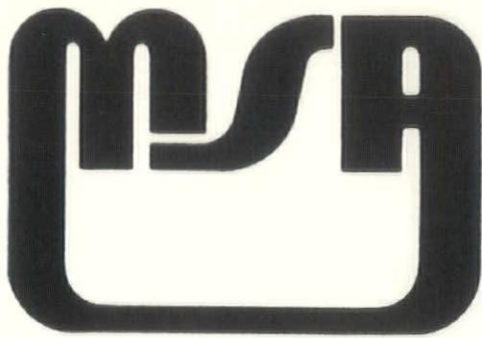


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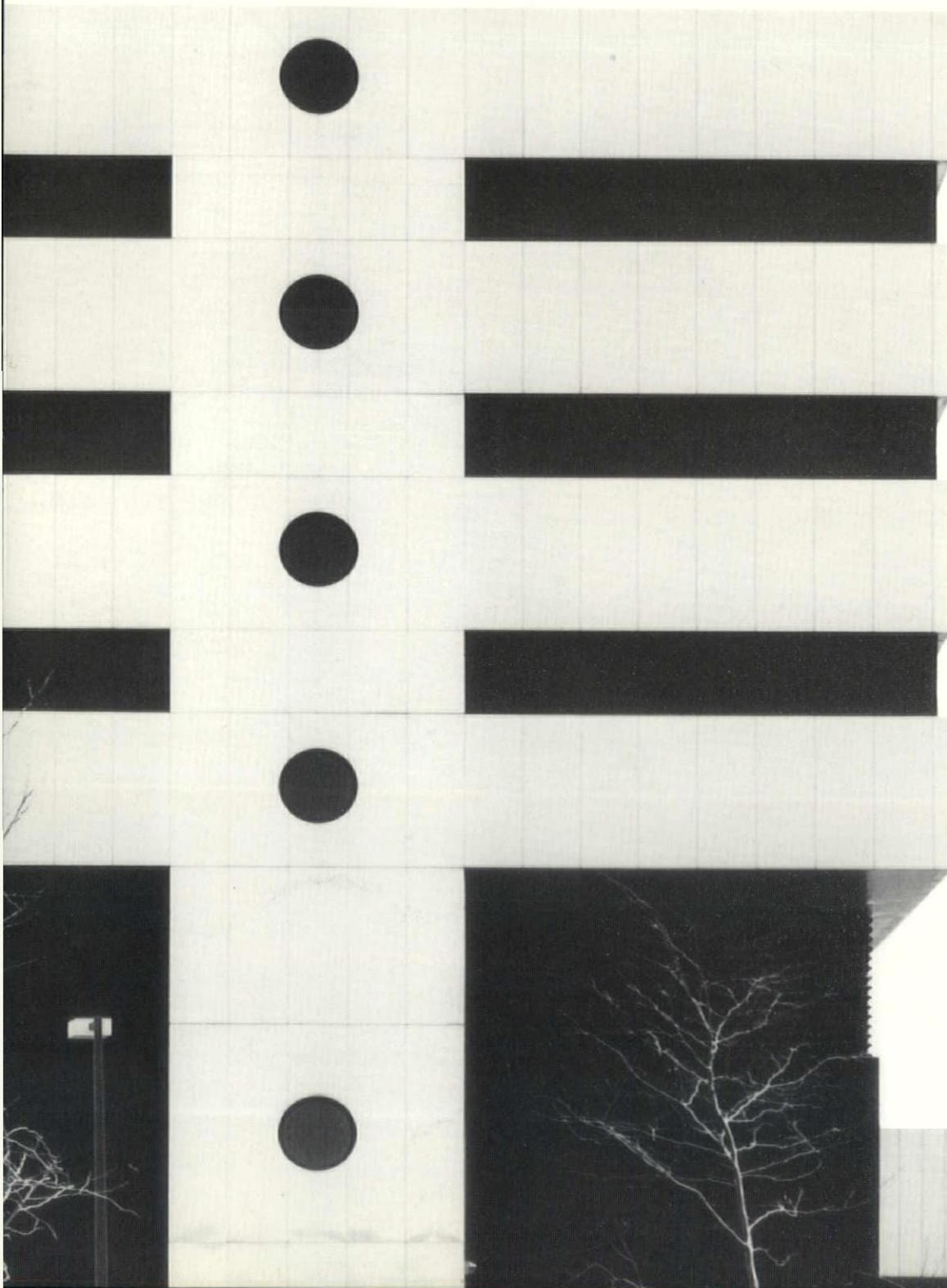
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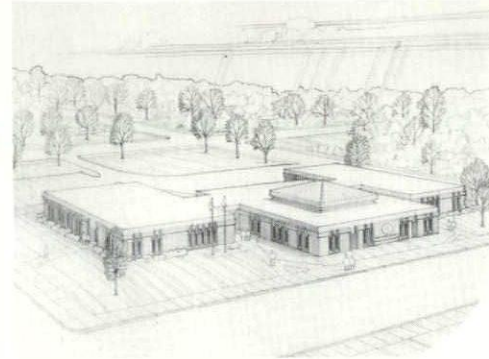
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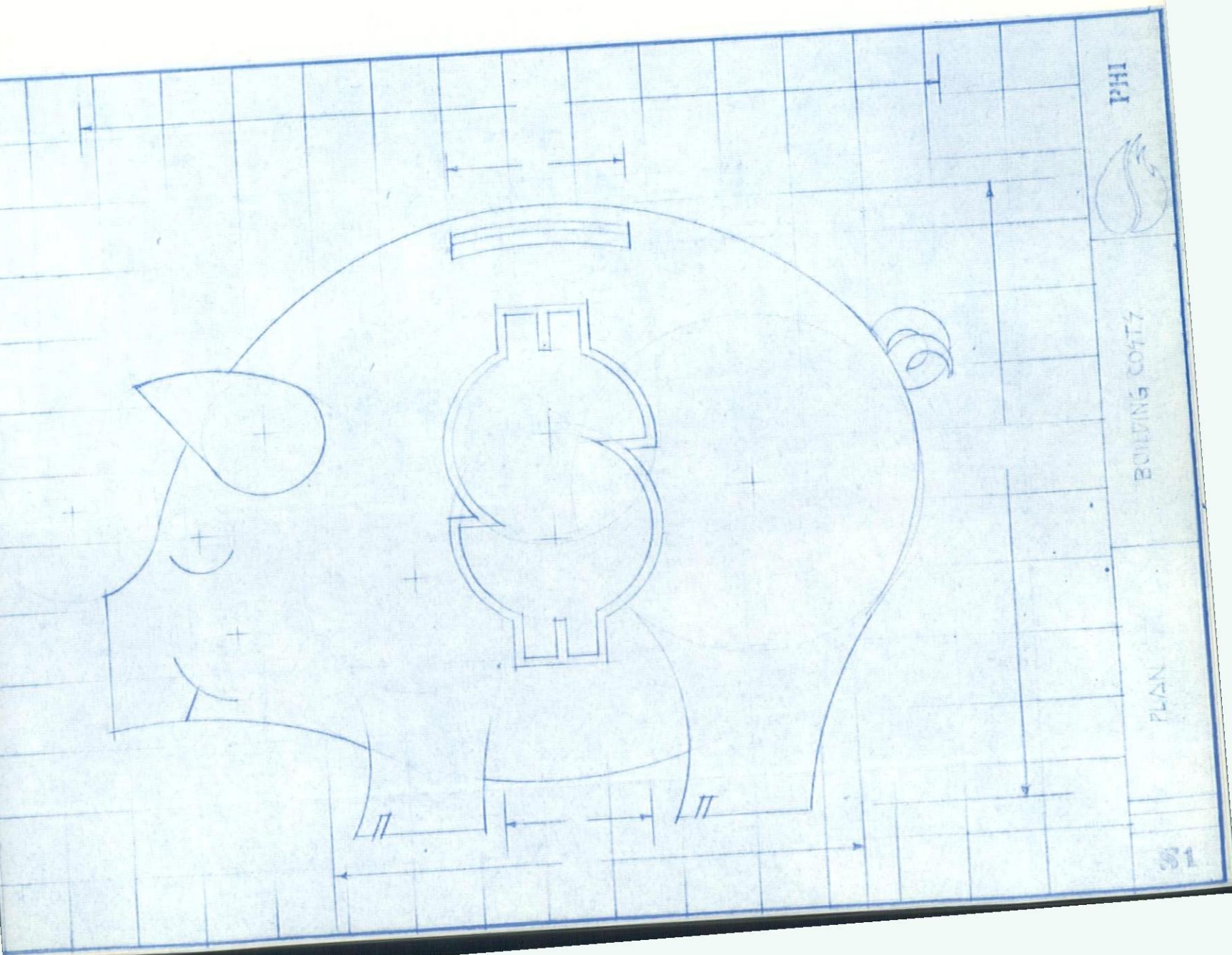
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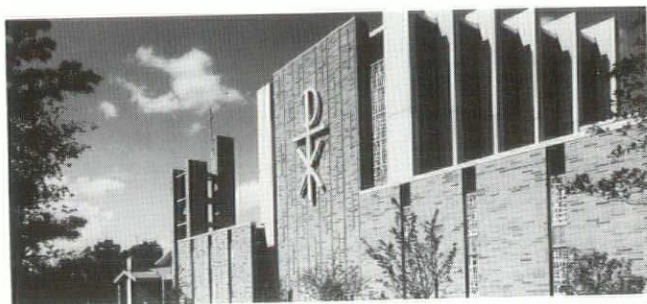


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# Health Environment Facilities

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## Webber Memorial Building of Harper Hospital - United Hospitals of Detroit Detroit Medical Center

Historically, Harper Hospital has played a major role in providing Detroit with primary medical care. Since its modest beginning in 1863 as a center for Civil War casualties, Harper Hospital has continuously responded to the health needs of this area, and is now the major adult clinical teaching and research affiliate of the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

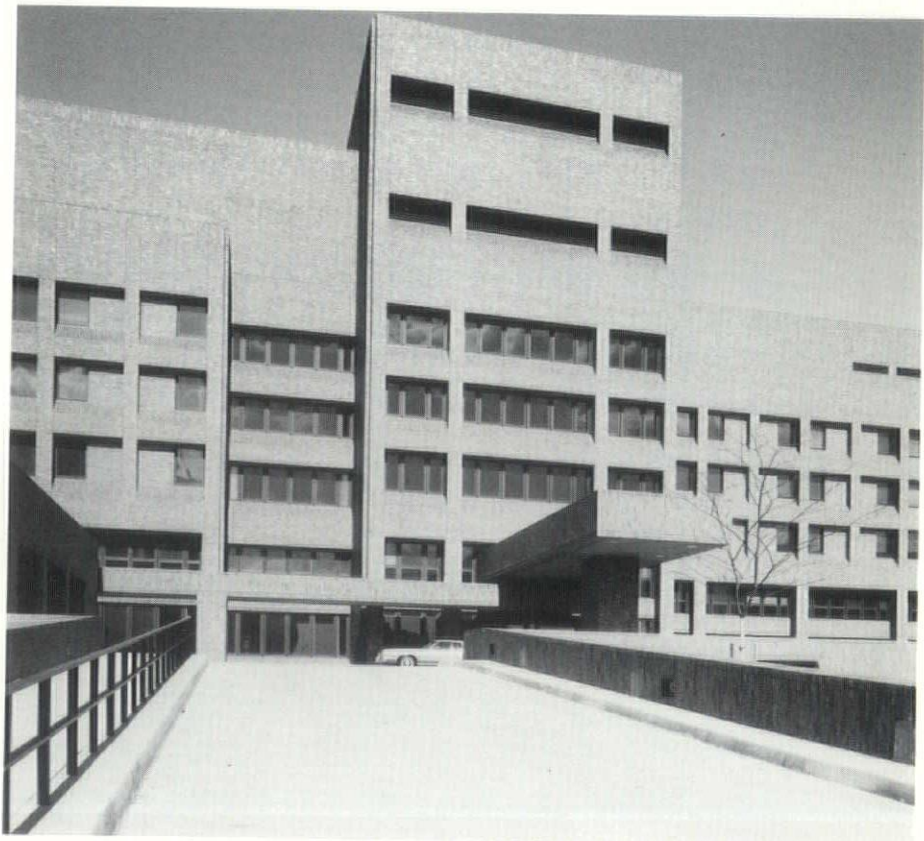
The most recent evidence of Harper Hospital's dedication and growth is the new Webber Memorial Building. Completed in 1974, this 354 bed, 450,000 square foot facility is a major addition to the existing hospital complex. The handsome, earthtoned brick clad building combines, under one roof, the three ingredients essential to the major teaching hospital; patient care, professional education, and medical research.

Planning within the tight urban site dictated by the Detroit Medical Center Master Plan, the hospital's architect, Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates, Inc., made the

large new building compatible and visually proportional to the other buildings at the medical center. This was achieved by designing the hospital so that its external massing appears as a composition of six distinct elements which express its internal functions.

Working with the client's program prepared by Anthony J. J.

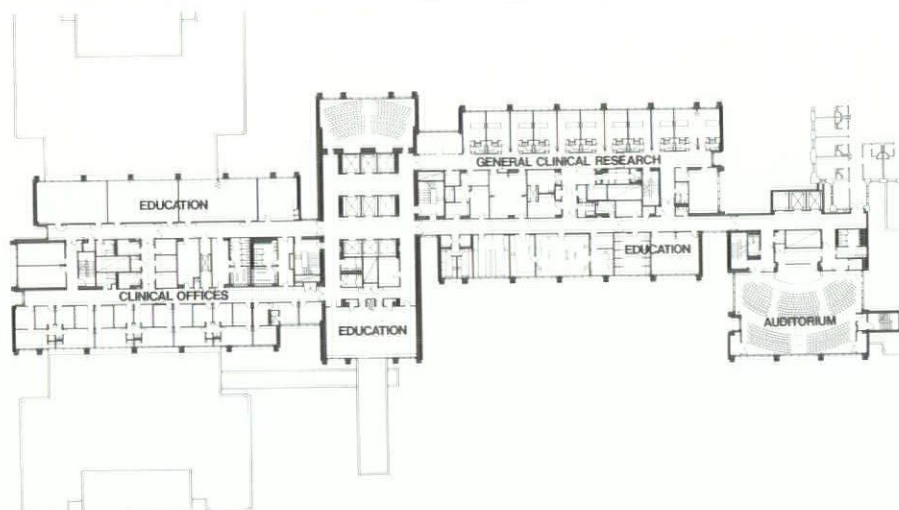
Rourke, Inc., SH&G carefully planned the building, each element of which clearly defines its use. A vertical core at the visual center houses education spaces, offices, vertical circulation, and floor storage. This is flanked on both sides by nursing wings which house inpatient facilities on the upper floors. Lower floors are devoted to







Typical floor plan

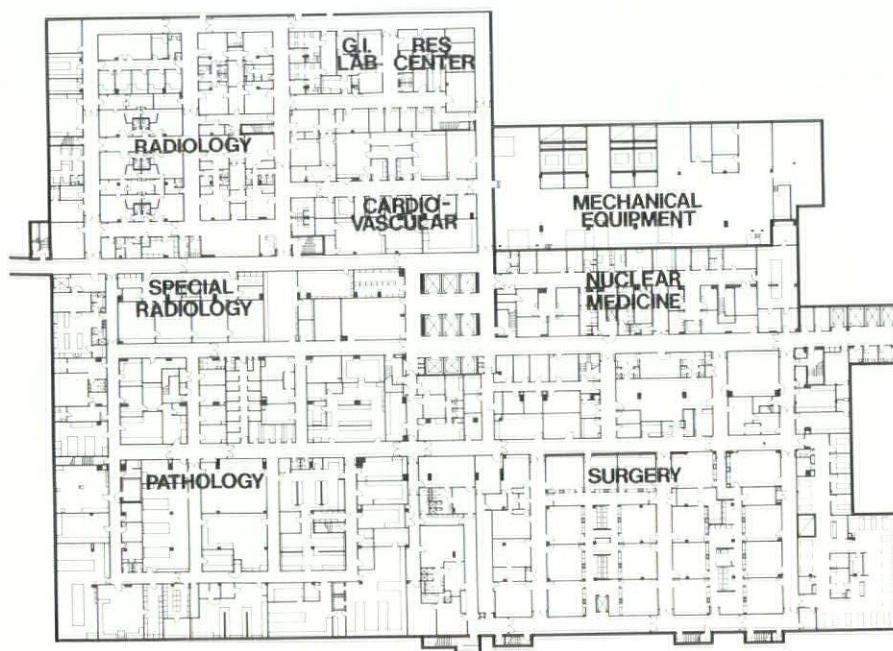


Second floor plan

student and administrative functions. A second less accentuated tower, serving as a link with the existing hospital, contains four floors of intensive care units with one ten bed unit per floor. A low wing projecting from the intensive care tower, houses a medical library. The Kresge Eye Institute, a research facility, is housed in a second low

wing at the opposite end of the building. This wing can be expanded to the west and provision is also made for the addition of another floor.

The podium, which is partially recessed below grade, forms a large, slightly raised plaza around the entire building. It provides the roof for the large areas necessary for the



Ground floor plan

new diagnostic and therapeutic facilities serving the entire hospital. The principal D & T services include a surgical suite featuring 22 operating rooms and a 25 bed post-anesthesia recovery room, a radiology department containing 21 diagnostic x-ray rooms, and a pathology section made up of 28 specialized laboratories. These departments were designed to handle planned expansion.

The new building, together with renovation of existing facilities, brings many new innovative service systems to Harper Hospital. These include convenience foods, decentralized laundry, automated diagnostic procedures, unit dose drug system, and provision for both computerized record systems and closed circuit T. V. systems.

One of the unique features is a completely automated material handling system, which will carry food, linen, supplies, drugs and instruments from central preparation/dispatching areas to nursing units and D & T departments. It uses self-propelled battery powered cart-type vehicles which travel automatically through a network of horizontal tunnels and vertical shafts to reach their various pre-programmed destinations.

Keeping in mind that modern medicine tries to consider the whole being, including people's reaction to their immediate environment, SH&G interior designers and Ford & Earl Design Associates paid





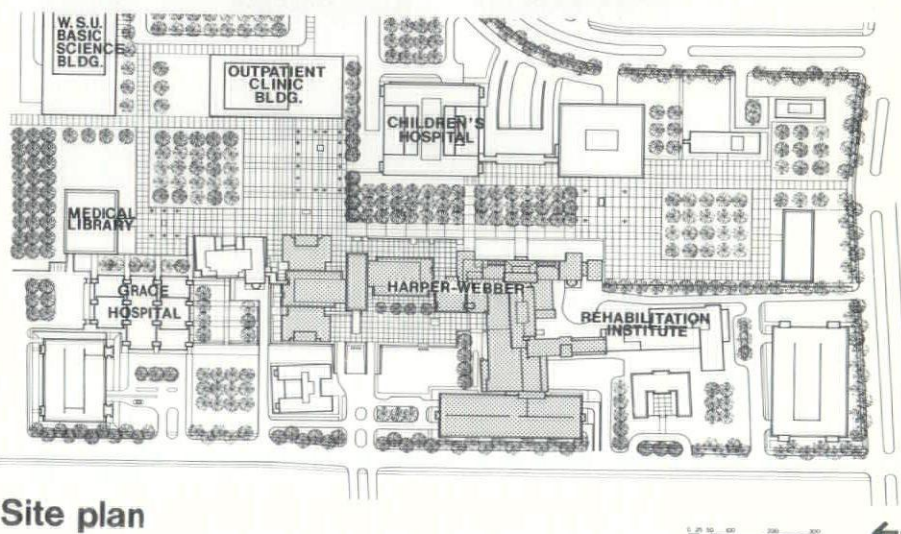
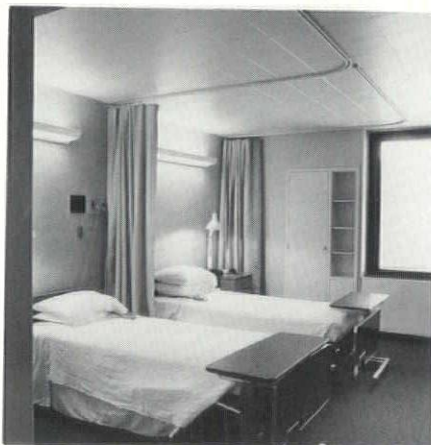
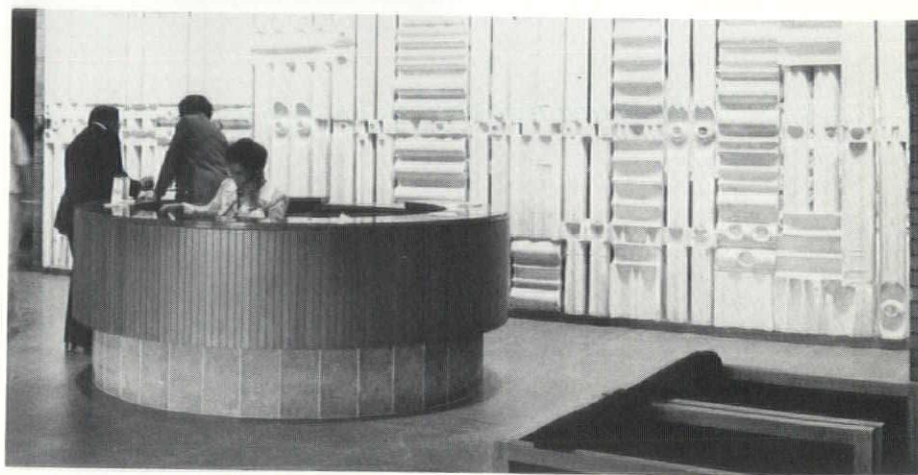


special attention to the people-oriented spaces. Arriving at the building, a patient or visitor is greeted by a warmly appointed lobby marked by a circular information desk in front of a 40-ton tilt slab sculpture that dominates one wall. The sculpture was created by Robert Youngman. The colors of furnishings and architectural finishes were carefully selected to provide warmth and interest throughout the hospital.

Anticipating the long range needs of Harper Hospital, SH&G included future expansion as one of its original planning criteria. Recognizing the density of the site and potential views from the patient rooms, the design team provided for vertical expansion. The building was studied and designed with the three additional nursing and intensive care floors in place. This insured preservation of design intent and inclusion of extra capacity for structural, mechanical, electrical, transportation and material handling systems.

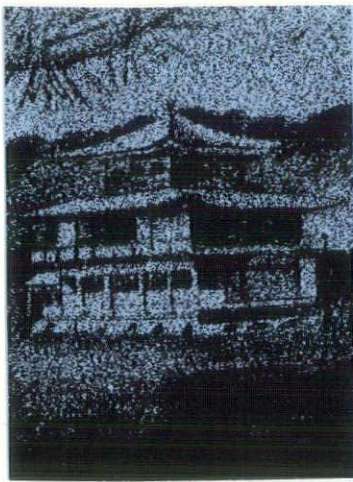
This foresight paid off sooner than most expected. The recent merger between Grace Hospital, located directly north of Harper, and Harper Hospital into United Hospitals of Detroit has created a need for additional inpatient nursing capacity. Shortly after completion of the Webber Memorial Building, SH&G was asked to prepare documents for providing the planned three story vertical addition. It is now under construction and, when complete, will raise the Harper Hospital building complex capacity to more than 1100 beds.

Kenneth M. Mitchell, AIA  
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Health Facilities Division



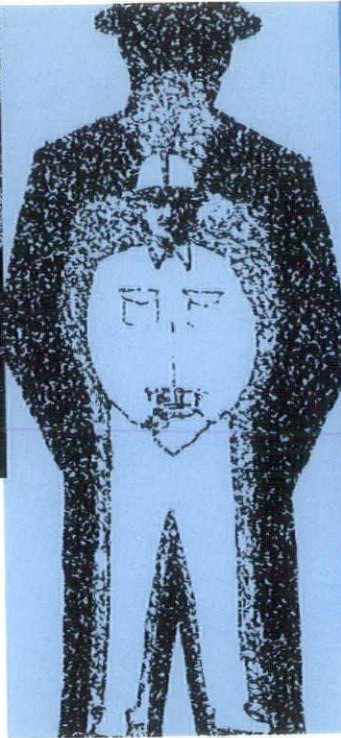
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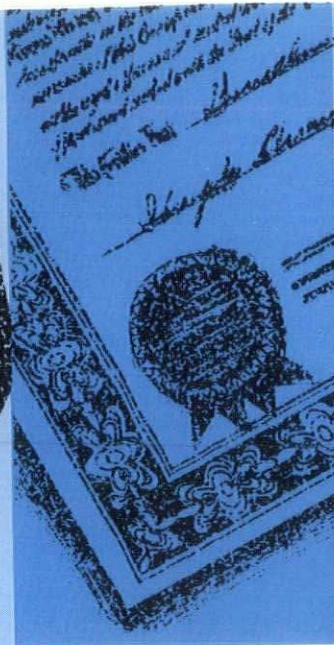
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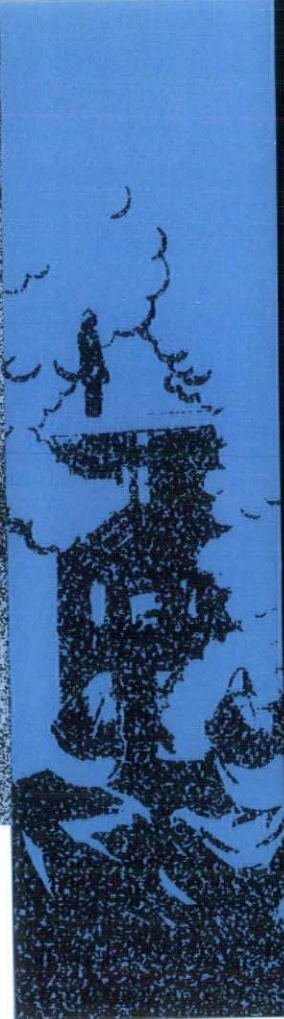
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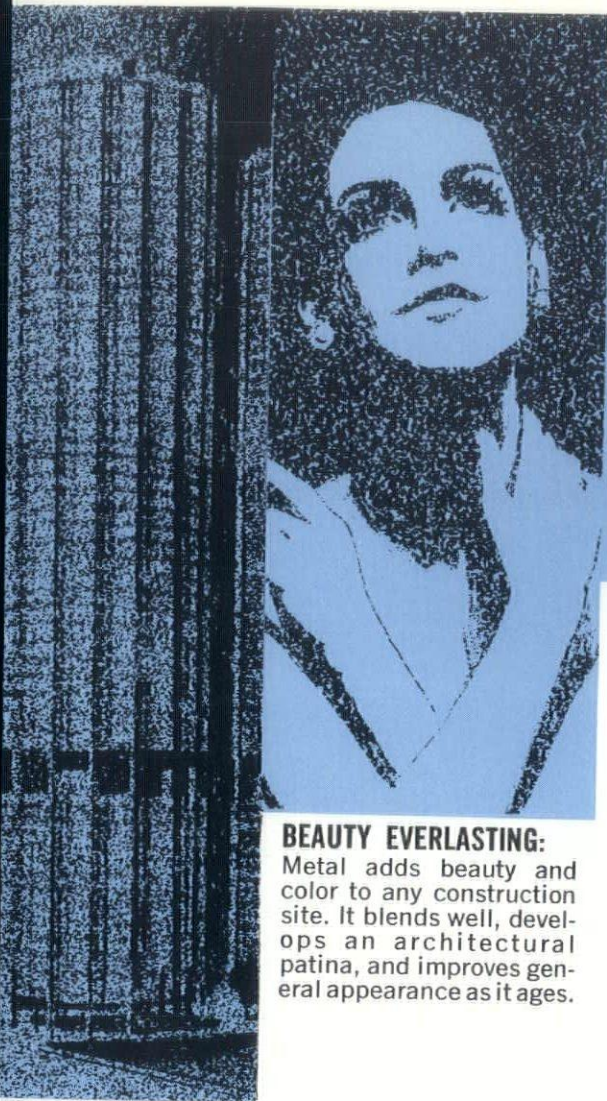


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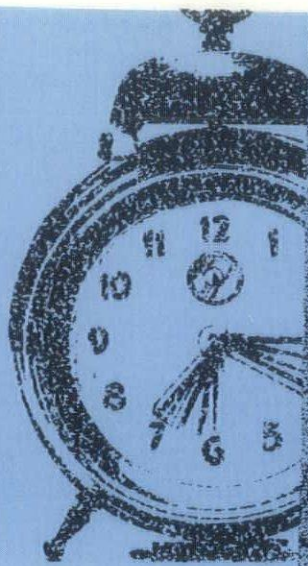
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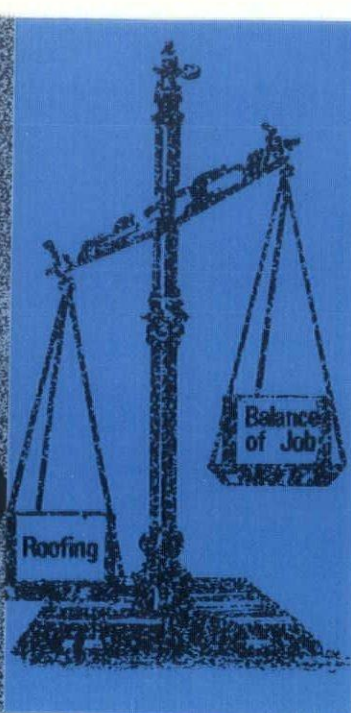
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## Southwest Detroit General Hospital

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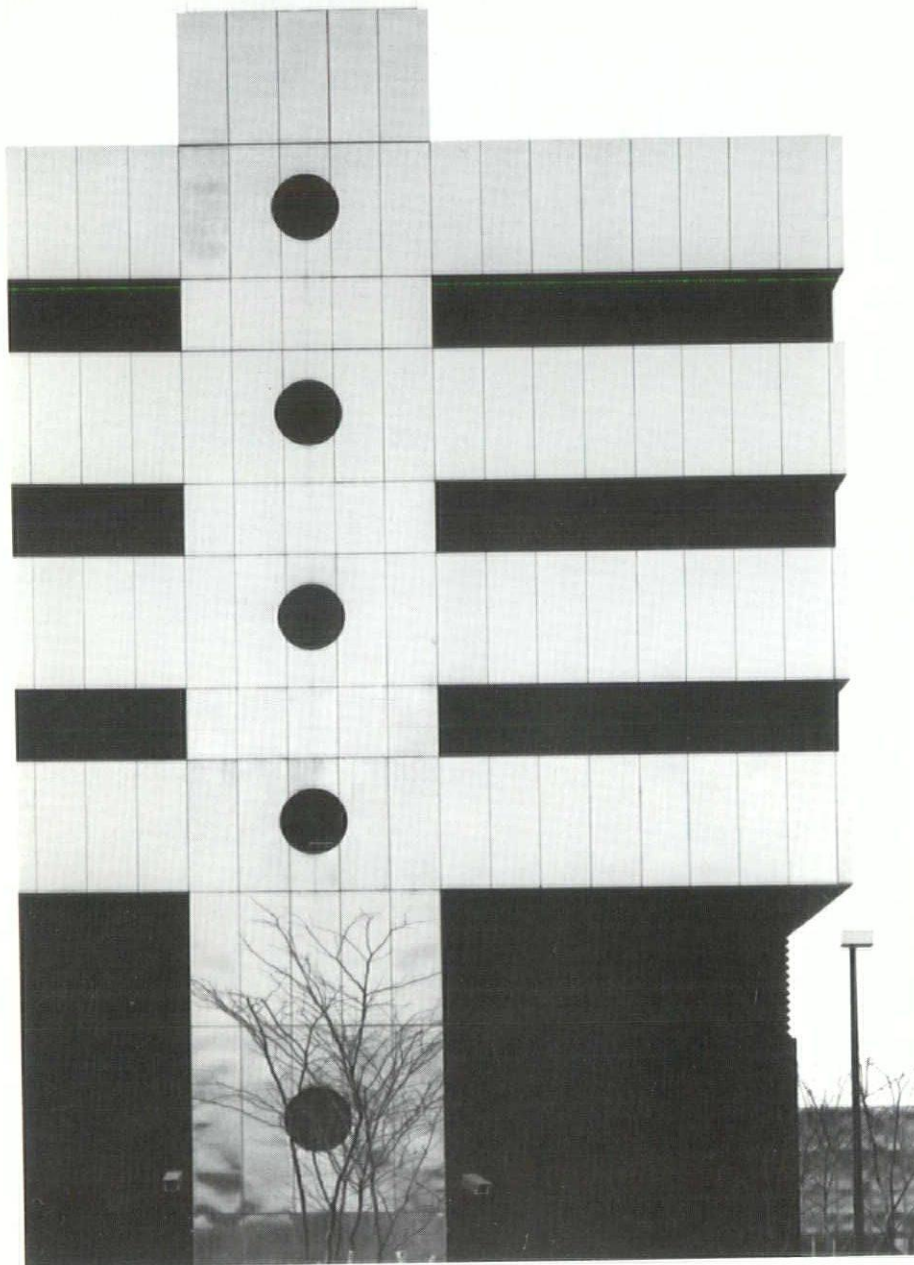
Located at Michigan Avenue and 20th Street, Southwest Detroit Hospital is the result of a merger of four existing small hospitals in the

Southwestern section of the City of Detroit. Together with the support of the Detroit Area Hospital Council, the United Foundation, and the Michigan Department of Public Health, they have combined resources to form a new non-profit hospital corporation which will provide continuous and comprehensive health care services to those people previously cared for by the existing members of the new corporation.

The design of the Southwest

Detroit Hospital consists of two units, a multi-story "tower" unit containing essentially the nursing floors and a single story unit containing the bulk of the medical-surgical, diagnostic and treatment facilities. A basement extending under both units houses the bulk of the service facilities. The nursing tower can be expanded vertically and is designed to receive four additional floors. The diagnostic and treatment facilities will be expanded horizontally, the service facilities in the basement growing as the first floor is expanded. This unitized concept permits the different services to be housed in structures designed to accommodate their specific functions with a minimum of compromise.

Due to the requirement for future expansion, the design called for a structural steel frame, selected for its comparatively light weight and easy expansibility. Because of the low bearing capacity of the soil, lightweight materials have also been selected for the exterior of the building. These materials will be essentially insulated stainless steel panels and glass. In addition to their light weight, these materials should offer maximum resistance to the industrial fumes in the service area. The hospital will have a crisp elegant appearance that will be in marked contrast to the usual heavy, institutional-looking hospital building and should be particularly appropriate to the high level of sophisticated medical care that the Southwest Detroit Hospital plans to provide for the community.





## Student Housing Facility - Henry Ford Hospital

Construction began on May 6, for a new multi-million-dollar Student Housing Facility, the latest unit in a long-term expansion program planned by the Henry Ford Hospital of Detroit for its West Grand Blvd. complex.

Designed by Albert Kahn Associates, Inc., in close collaboration with representatives of the hospital, the new structure will be located on the hospital site bounded by Bethune, Byron, and Pallister Avenues.

When completed, this twenty-story, 190 unit facility will provide one- and two-bedroom apartments for the hospital's graduate physicians in special programs, undergraduate medical students and students in other hospital-based education programs.

The various elements in the structure are each given a strong identity of their own. Exposed concrete slabs, individual balconies and a beautiful variety of red brick distinguish typical apartment floors. Sandblasted concrete walls modulate the first floor giving definition to the main lobby, activity rooms and spaces for service and managerial functions.

Vertical circulation areas, deeply recessed into the sides of the building, are of sandblasted concrete. The expansive glass areas associated with the elevator lobbies

offer increasingly spectacular views as they rise through the building as well as a vertical ribbon of light which will dramatically punctuate the skyline at night.

A positive sense of arrival and departure is achieved by planning walkways and driveways that pass through the building before giving access to visitor and tenant parking areas for 233 cars. The resultant opportunity for a covered entrance to the main lobby offers an appropriate transition from open space to enclosed space as well as protection during inclement weather.

All of the apartments in the new building are similar in concept except that 114 of the units have a

second bedroom with a walk-in closet. Each apartment features an all-electric kitchen, separate pantry, separate entrance foyer, individually controlled heating and air conditioning units, and a sliding glass door to a private recessed terrace.

This new housing facility is one of the first high-rise structures designed under the newly adopted Michigan Construction Code, and as a result, its design incorporates the latest and finest in life safety equipment. Also incorporated in the design of the building are progressive engineering features which include the use of a system of post-tensioned reinforcing steel. Completion of the building is scheduled for the Fall of 1976.



## Health Environment Program

In a move to establish positive liaison with universities and colleges having schools of architecture interested in the special field of health care, the Health Environment Committee of the Detroit Chapter of the American Institute of Architects has just completed the first steps of a stimulating program to encourage students to enter the field of health care architecture.

The architect involved in the design and construction of health

care facilities of today requires very special talent within his organization to successfully design the buildings involved in this field. The degree of intellect, technical and artistic capability demanded by this field are in extreme demand and of short supply. Therefore, the architectural profession must reach out to influence the curriculum of students to encourage the development of those characteristics and vitality so necessary to enter this rewarding field of endeavor.

Under the direction of its Chairman, George Galayda, the Health Environment Committee (HEC) instituted a seminar/worksession program with Dean Bruno Leon of

the University of Detroit's School of Architecture and with Dean Robert Metcalf of the University of Michigan's College of Architecture and Urban Planning to develop such a forum between the educators, student and the professional architect.

The program at the University of Detroit began in February, consisting of five seminars, sponsored by the Student Chapter of AIA, Tim Desmond, President. The seminars were enthusiastically attended by approximately 125 graduate and undergraduate students.

### 1. THE ARCHITECT SELECTION PROCESS - February 19, 1975



The experience of small, medium and large firms regarding the search for new work, marketing of services, development of expertise and profit centers, development of client interest, interview presentations and anything else relative toward "Getting the Job."

Lecturers:

Carl Pirscher - Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates - Detroit

Gerry Shea - Louis Redstone & Associates - Detroit

Sam Havis - Havis-Glovinsky Associates - Detroit

2. ENGINEERING DESIGN - February 27, 1975

The experience and practice of specialized engineers in the mechanical and electrical fields relative to systems types, environment, energy conservation and codes.

Lecturers:

Ralph Steele - Hoyem Associates

Jack Meek - Giffels Associates, Inc.

3. CONSTRUCTION - March 6, 1975

The experience and methods of construction managers relative to cost control including value engineering, schedules, contract packages, construction methods, management, communication and teamwork.

Lecturers:

Eugene DiLaura - Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates - Detroit

Ben Maibach III - Barton-Malow Company - Detroit

4. ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES March 13, 1975

The experience and practice of Architectural, A/E, Design/Build and Joint Venture Consultants relative to the programming, design, construction of projects, and professional careers.

Lecturers:

Henry Ruifrok - Harley Ellington Pierce Yee Associates - Southfield

Don Richards - Austin Engineers - Southfield

Joe Paramucha - American Health Facilities, Inc. Medical Planning Associates Division - Malibu, CA

5. PLANNING SPECIAL AREAS - March 20, 1975

The experience and methods of programming, design and details of laboratories, surgeries, dietary areas, etc., by specialized architects and consultants. Demonstration of how operational characteristics affect physical design, and how the experts approach the questions of size, equipment, configuration and location.

Lecturers:

Paul Hysen - Hysen & Associates - Farmington Hills, Mich.

Jeanne Stickles, R.N. - American Health Facilities - Winnetka, Ill.

Bill Maloney - Specialized Area Consultants - Deerfield, Ill.

Ken Mitchell - Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates - Detroit

The program at the University of Michigan took place in April, consisting of two seminars and two worksessions assisted by Professor Joseph Wehrer. The seminars and worksessions were attended by approximately 50 students, including some from the College of Architecture & Urban Planning, the School of Public Health and the School of Medicine.

SEMINAR - April 8, 1975

"Detroit Area Opportunities in Health Care Related Work"

A. Types of practices, specialists, institutional opportunities and roles within offices.

Panelists:

Sam Popkin, Architect - Rossetti Associates - Detroit

Henry Ruifrok, Architect - Harley Ellington Pierce Yee Associates - Southfield

Don Richards, Architect - Austin Engineers - Southfield

SEMINAR - April 10, 1975

"Detroit Area Opportunities in Health Care Related Work"

B. Market potential and approaches toward securing health care facility commissions.

Panelists:

Carl Pirscher, Architect - Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates - Detroit

Leo G. Shea, Architect - Louis Redstone & Associates - Detroit

Sam Havis, Architect - Havis-Glovinsky Associates - Detroit

WORK SESSION NO. 1 - April 15, 1975

"Hospital Organization"

A. Basic operational structure, modalities, and problems of size and specialties.

Faculty:

David Ladd, Assistant Director - William Beaumont Hospital - Royal Oak

Jeanne Stickles, Nursing Consultant - American Health Facilities - Winnetka Ill.

Dick Haggerty, Director of Planning - Pontiac General Hospital - Pontiac

Robbin Chapman, Physician & Architect - Kessler & Associates - Grosse Pte.

WORK SESSION NO. 2 -

April 17, 1975

"Hospital Planning"

A. Basic organizational structure, hospital types, special problems of function of size, programming process, major design issues and new trends.

Faculty:

Paul Hysen, Dietary Consultant - Hysen & Associates, Inc. - Farmington Hills

Ken Mitchell, Architect - Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates - Detroit

Jack Meek, Engineer - Giffels Associates, Inc. - Detroit

Sam Popkin, Architect - Rossetti Associates - Detroit

Henry Ruifrok, Architect - Harley Ellington Pierce Yee Associates

The HEC is now in the planning stages of its program for 1976 which will include the Colleges and Universities program plus a new liaison with the Health Care Community for the exchange of professional information.

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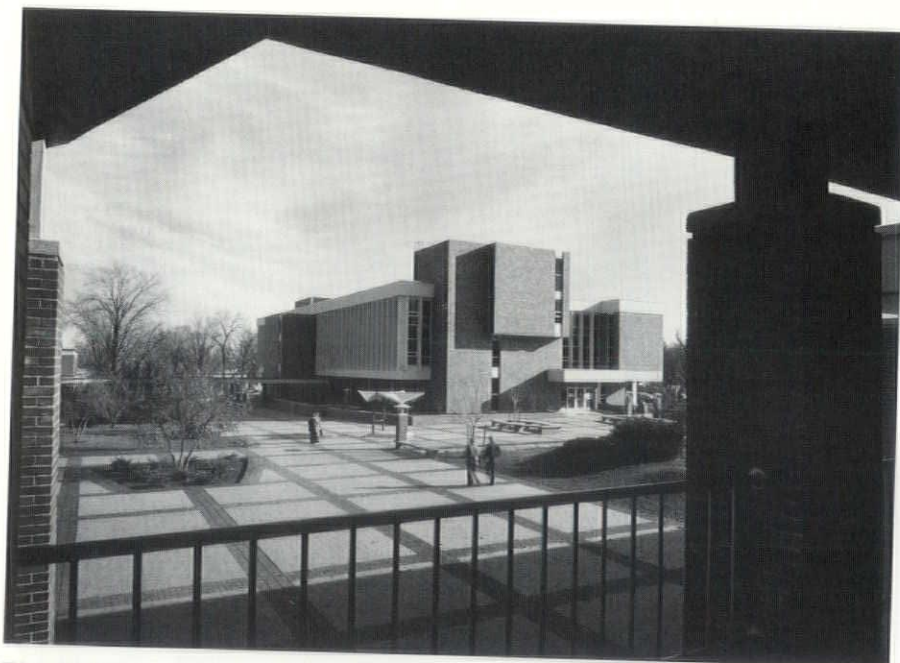


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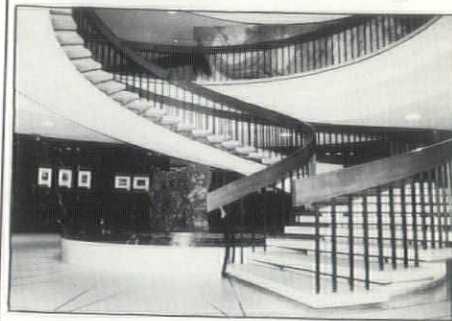


Ellis/Naeyaert Associates, Inc. an architectural-engineering firm headquartered in Warren, Michigan, is the architect for the \$300,000 Beverly Hills Municipal Building. Groundbreaking ceremonies were held on Tuesday, June 11, for the one-story building located on a three-acre site on West Thirteen Mile Road in Southfield Township. The new 6,000 square-foot structure will include administrative offices for Beverly Hills and Southfield Township. A public meeting area will also be provided. The existing public safety offices will be renovated to provide better facilities for Fire and Police Departments. Construction is expected to be completed by December, 1974.



The Academic Center at Alma College was designed by Sarvis Associates, Inc., Architects & Engineers of Battle Creek. The project architect was Ruard Vanderploeg, AIA. Facilities included in the 85,800 square foot Center consist of the Psychology Department, 28 classrooms of various sizes and configuration, 57 faculty offices, a lecture room, Computer Center and Administrative offices. Other project participants were: General Contractor — Granger Brothers; Mechanical Contractor — Mid-State Plumbing & Heating; Electrical Contractor — Union Electric, Inc.

## Henry Ford Centennial Library



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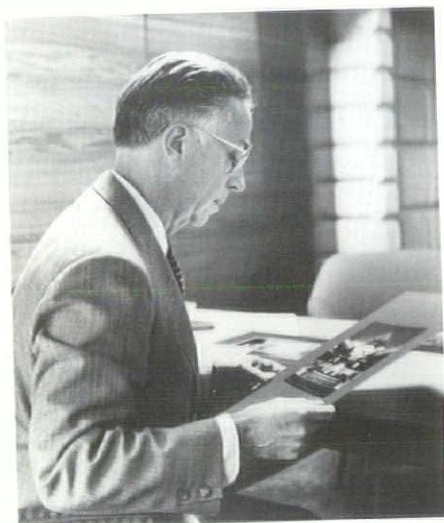






## Alden Dow - A Way of Life

The Midland Art Council, Northwood Institute and the friends and associates of Alden B. Dow take pleasure in announcing an exhibition of Mr. Dow's architecture and philosophies . . . A Way of Life . . . Alden B. Dow.



Alden B. Dow

The exhibition will open June 1st in the Galleries and Great Hall of the Midland Center for the Arts and be open to the public throughout the summer months, until September 1.

Emphasis within the show will be threefold: the impact of Mr. Dow's architecture and philosophies on the American architectural heritage; the impact of Mr. Dow's concern for the landscape, environment and people's individual needs has had upon the groups and municipalities with whom he has worked (and particularly upon the Midland area in which he was born and has chosen to live) and finally, the development from Mr. Dow's own personal interests and enthusiasms, of the personal philosophies which have achieved a life of "composed order;" architectural projects of "honesty, humility and enthusiasm" and the creative spirit which has inspired countless numbers of young people and architectural associates.

Displayed by photographic panel, slides and audio devices special features in the exhibition will include Dow's early block construction residences, including his own office and home and the Whitman residence, for which Mr. Dow was awarded the Diplome de Grand Prix for Residential Architecture at the Paris Exposition in 1939.

The Midland Center for the Arts is located at 1801 West St. Andrews, Midland, and the hours are weekdays 9:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. weekends 1:00 P.M. until 5:00 P.M. For additional information contact the Midland Center for the Arts (517) 631-5930.

## Harmonie Park Art Fair Weaver to Demonstrate the Art of Spinning

The Second Annual Art Fair will be held in Harmonie Park on

Sunday, June 22, 1975. The day long event is jointly sponsored by the Detroit Chapter, AIA and Harmonie Park Association including Adler Schnee, and the Detroit Artists Market.

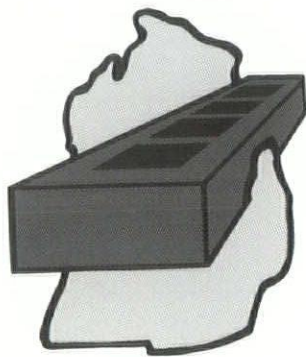
This Sunday event will feature tours of the buildings and shops on the park as well as the art fair in the park proper.

Jennifer Rae Figgins will demonstrate the art of spinning in the new lower level gallery at Adler/Schnee.



Miss Figgins, a graduate of Oakland Community College, has studied weaving at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association and the Penland School of Crafts in North Carolina. Her work has been shown at Adler/Schnee, Habitat and the Craftsmans Galleries in the Detroit Area.

The Architect's Sunday portion of the event will show the office building renovation by John Hilberry and Associates, AIA.



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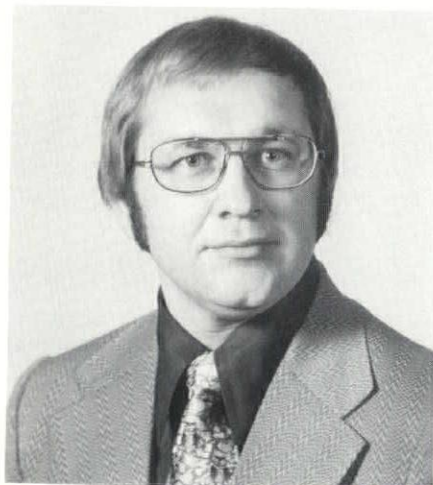


### Firm Change

Jack W. Yops has marked his twentieth year of practice with the naming of John S. Wilkie as a partner in the firm. They will



Jack W. Yops



John S. Wilkie

continue as the office of Yops and Wilkie, at 3005 Biddle Avenue Wyandotte Michigan.

### Great Lakes Ceramic Tile Council New Officers

Victor Barbieri, owner of the Spearhead Tile Co., East Detroit, Michigan, has been elected chairman of the Great Lakes Ceramic Tile Council. He succeeds Jack DiGiovanni of El Dorado Tile Company, St. Clair Shores. The Council is a non-profit industry association supported by ceramic tile contractors doing business in southeastern Michigan.

Other officers of the four-man Board of Trustees are Robert Michielutti, Michielutti Bros., Vice

Chairman; David Harvey, Southeastern Tile Co., Secretary; and a new appointee, Richard DiMonte of International Tile Co., Treasurer.

### Victor Specht Salesman of the Year For ASG Industries, Inc.

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Specht has been active in Producer's Council, Detroit Chapter, for many years and editor of the DeCSIpher, a CSI newsletter.

Prior to his ten years' experience with ASG Industries as Architectural Consultant and Manager of Architectural Promotion, his experience included thirty years' in the Engineering and design field with such firms as Chrysler Corp., Windsor, Canada, Chevrolet Gear and Axle Division, Detroit; and E. F. Hauserman Co., Detroit.

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
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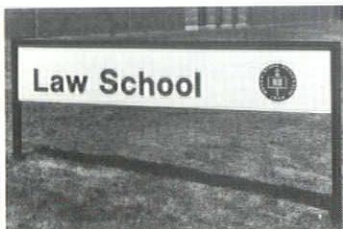
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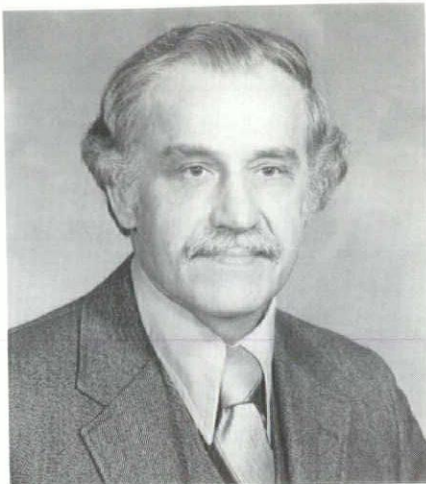
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### Fortunski Named 1975 Engineer of the Year



Anthony C. Fortunski

Anthony Fortunski, PE, selected as the 1975 Engineer of the Year by the Detroit Chapter of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers. He has been active in Detroit Chapter MSPE activities since 1955, and served as Chapter President in 1965. In 1972, Fortunski was the President of the state-wide MSPE.

### Name & Address Corrections January Roster

Detroit Chapter members David Gorman, AIA of 27700 Stanford Court, Lathrup Village 48076 and Wesley LaRoy, AIA of 4397 Dorian, Birmingham 48010 addresses should

be corrected in your January Roster.

Grand Valley Corporate member Jon P. Tilburt, AIA had his name misspelled - please correct.

### Mrs. Youtz, Widow of Dean, Dies At Age 78

Mrs. Frances Youtz, the widow of former U-M Architecture Dean Philip N. Youtz, died April 8, at the Huron View Lodge nursing home following a brief illness. She was 78.

She was a member of the board of the U-M Faculty Women's Club and was active in the local League of Women Voters. She was also an active supporter of U-M museums and libraries.

Mrs. Youtz was a member of the Women's Architectural League of Detroit and played a major role in supplying furnishings for the restoration of historic Biddle House on Mackinac Island.

Mrs. Youtz, whose maiden name was Frances May Luffler, was born on Nov. 2, 1897, in LaGrange, Ill. She was graduated from Oberlin College in 1919, and in the same year married Prof. Youtz.

She and her husband had traveled throughout the world and lived for three years in mainland China where she developed an interest in the Chinese educational system. Her late husband served as dean of the U-M College of Architecture and Design from 1957 to 1964. He died in 1972.

Cremation has taken place. No memorial services are planned. There are no immediate survivors.

Ann Arbor News  
April 8, 1975

## Letters

Gentlemen:

Mr. Thrall inaccurately described Michigan State Housing Development Authority policy in his article "The Architect as Community Advocate" in the February issue of the MSA Monthly Bulletin. He stated that the Authority, threatened by marketing problems, was opting for the one- and two-bedroom middle income market and leaving the problem of large low income families for others to solve. This

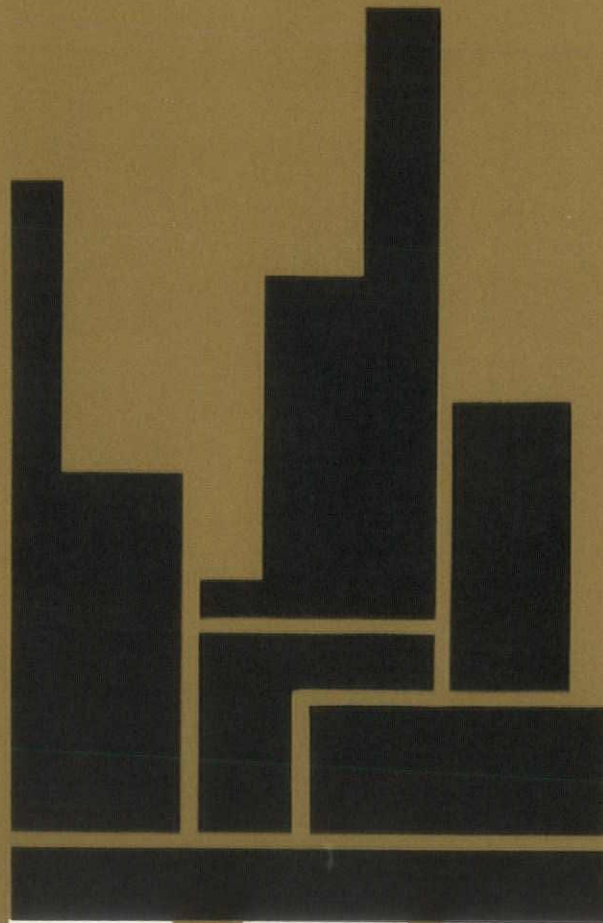


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statement is not true as should have been obvious to Mr. Thrall who has been the architect on a number of Authority-financed developments and had his own experience to draw on even if he was unable to do any further research.

The facts are that well over 85% of presently scheduled Authority production is for subsidized families and not the middle income market. Further, the Authority has until recently met the needs of large low income families by means of the federally subsidized 235 program. In fact, the Authority was the first state finance agency in the country to have such a program. In the absence of these federal subsidies, the Authority has not been able to continue this program but not for reasons of market as Mr. Thrall alleged.

The Authority has been allocated over 60% of all federal subsidies flowing into Michigan under Section 8 of the new Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The federal government is, for one, confident of the ability of the Authority and the other state housing agencies to help house people who have been priced out of the private market.

Sincerely,

Isaac Green, AIA  
Deputy Executive Director

## Calendar

### May 27

The Detroit Architectural Golf League (D.A.G.L.) will have its first outing at the Essex Golf & Country Club in Windsor on May 27, 1975. Please contact Membership Chairman, Fred DiConti at 353-4040.

### May 29

Detroit Chapter AIA, Program will be held at the Center for Creative Studies (formerly Arts & Crafts) from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

A tour of the building by William Kessler & Assoc. and refreshments will be part of the program. Watch for a special mailing describing the event.

### June 1-4

Housing Conference sponsored by WSU & Detroit Chapter, AIA Detroit Heritage Hotel.

### June 11-12

"Quality Assurance and Use of the 1975 Nuclear Code" Cincinnati, Ohio

### June 22

Harmonie Park will be the location of Architects Sunday, John Hilberry's office, Alder/Schee & Art Fair, Downtown Detroit.

### July 13-18

Illuminating Engineering Society holds Annual Conference in San Francisco, Calif. Hilton Hotel & Tower

### July 15-16

International Lighting Exposition held during the Conference week at the San Francisco Hilton & Tower

### August 7, 8, 9

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At the direction of the MSA Board of Directors, the MSA Task Force on Pension Portability is working toward the selection of a potential carrier for the establishment of the Pension/Retirement Program in 1976.

Your assistance is requested in completing and returning this questionnaire as this information will be necessary to establish the market potential for the program.

The program as outlined in previous Newsletter editions; will be offered as a qualified Pension/Retirement Program allowing the contribution of "pre-tax-dollars" and available to corporations, partnerships, sole proprietorships and the employees of all MSA firms.

Information and questions should be directed to Roger Boe, AIA, Chairman, MSA Pension & Portability Task Force, Ellis/Naeyaert Assoc., 30400 Van Dyke, Warren, Michigan 48093, Phone: (313) 575-9000

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### MSA IN LANSING

**LEGISLATION:** The Legislature continued its record breaking pace during March with the introduction of another 440 bills during the month. This month's bills include more than a dozen that are intended to ease the much publicized crisis in medical malpractice insurance (note further comments on this subject below). There is also legislation that would create a contractors' recovery fund for paying a judgment to a subcontractor, require solar heating and cooling systems on certain state projects, regulate the use and development of wet lands, replace the old housing law and extend the scope of the Housing Development Authority to permit

grants and loans for the rehabilitation of substandard dwelling units. In addition, there is the Business Privilege Tax that is discussed below.

**HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:** The Michigan State Housing Development Authority has been allocated \$19 million in additional HUD funds for federal housing assistance. This will enable the Authority to use the bonding authority authorized by the legislature last year in the construction of 5,000 or more housing units for low and moderate income families who come under the federal subsidy program. The coupling of the two actions (state bonding authority assuring construction funds, HUD subsidy assuring sale or rental of units), will permit the



housing program to be expanded and will also make a higher percentage of the housing available to lower income families. additional information is available from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority, Commerce Center, 300 S. Capitol, Lansing, 48926. Incidentally, although it still falls short of a really good contract, the agreement for A/E services that is currently being used by the Authority is a big improvement over the previous one that many architects struggled under.

**CREATIVE ARTS:** The special committee for the advancement of the creative arts that was set up last year the chairmanship of Senator Jack Faxon has been reactivated with new membership. This year's members are Senators Faxon (Chairman), Plawecki (V. Chair.), Nelson and Pursell and Representatives Markes, Rosebaum and Bryant. The resolution continuing the committee recognizes the financial straits that some of our cultural institutions are in the severe loss to our quality of life if they are severely curtailed or closed and authorizes the committee may take appropriate action to associate the arts in the bicentennial observance.

**BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAX:** This tax is a part of the Governor's tax reform program and is proposed through identical bills in the Senate (SB 493) and in the House (HB 4640). The House Taxation Committee will be holding hearings on its bill with the aim of having a committee vote by May 7. Action on the Senate version hasn't started yet but committee hearings will probably be scheduled soon. These bills would abolish eight existing business taxes and in their place impose a 2% tax on the profit and payroll of every business including those providing professional services (that's us!). MSA has a task force of comptrollers from A/E offices analyzing the bills to determine the extent to which the proposed tax would affect architects. The result of the analysis will be presented to the MSA Board at its meeting on April 15 at which time the Board will determine the position that the Society should take at the hearings.

**MUNICIPAL FINANCE COMMISSION - CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT:** Progress is being made by the MSA Committee that is working to have the Michigan Municipal Finance Commission revise its policy concerning the A/E as CM for a project (April Newsletter gives details). Specific proposals have been drafted for submission to the Commission.

**PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE:** An MSA task force has been formed to determine what the premium rates for professional liability insurance. More than a dozen bills have been introduced in the legislature to address the much publicized crisis in medical malpractice insurance. Among other things, the task force will probably determine the relief that the bills or amendments to the bills would give to architects as well as what additional legislation might be introduced to help us. A

strategy for getting the legislation passed will probably also be developed.

*Clarence H. Rosa, FAIA*  
*Executive Vice-President*

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3. Because of the wide diversity of problems offered to architects and engineers, no "first-place" award will be made. Rather, all awards will represent equivalent recognition of excellence.
4. Winning architects and engineers will be honored at a special luncheon during the annual PCI convention, September 21 thru 25, 1975, at Caesars Place in Las Vegas.
5. Deadline for receipt of entries at PCI Chicago headquarters is July 21, 1975.
6. The simple entry rules and additional information are available from the Prestressed Concrete Institute, 20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

#### WAL AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP

WAL has awarded a scholarship of \$360. (a semesters tuition) to Celeste Ozimek, a senior student at L.I.T., Celeste will be graduating this June. Celeste has been the recipient of four scholarships awarded by WAL.

#### ALL MSA FIRMS

In order for us to properly evaluate the economic condition of the architectural profession in Michigan and so that this

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#### LETTERS

Dear Miss Stacy: I am writing you on behalf of LINC, a non-profit organization founded by the Junior League, designed to help other non-profit organizations locate needed materials to set up offices, nursery schools, homes for the elderly or runaways, etc.

We are now working with a small publishing and printing group which is in great need of drafting materials to aid in the production of its community publication, Art Beat. When I recently spoke to Mr. Jim Gallagher, of SH&G, he very kindly recommended I write you to inquire if you might include our request in your next newsletter. Perhaps if one of your architect readers is moving out of town, changing offices, or whatever, he might consider giving LINC materials and equipment he will no longer be using.

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#### GRAPEVINE

Jackson, Michigan---Commonwealth Associates Incorporated has been honored by the American Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) for its design of a large land utilization plan at Detroit Edison's Company's proposed Belle River Power Plant...Dennis Kloko, an Architect, Mid Michigan Chapter, East Lansing, spoke at the Albion Rotary Club luncheon at the Holiday concerning his impressions and experiences gained through a Group Study Exchange in Australia, in which he participated...Jickling & Lyman, Architects Incorporated, of Birmingham have announced the appointment of Terry-J. Straka, AIA, to the position of chief draftsman, Straka has also been named an associate of the firm...Richard J. Knopf, AIA, has been appointed as Construction Administrator of Dow Associates, Inc. - the Midland based architectural, engineering and planning firm...Dick Prince chaired the Western Michigan and Grand Valley Design Awards Competition.

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| May 8      | AIA/CEP Seminar<br>How to Improve Interviewing Percentages<br>Instructor Weld Cox<br>Detroit Metropolitan Hilton Hotel  |
| May 11-14  | The Society of American Value Engineers hold conference at Hilton Hotel, downtown Baltimore, Md.  |
| May 18     | Architects Sunday<br>Remeo House Tour, AIA will Co sponsor  |
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| June 11-12 | "Quality Assurance and Use of the 1975 Nuclear Code"<br>Cincinnati, Ohio  |



able in mid-February. The basic Building Code, most likely of highest interest to your readers, should be available in early March, along with the Basic Industrialized Dwelling Code.

1970 editions of all except the Fire and industrialized Dwelling Code are Available, along with supplements through 1973, though you may prefer to wait for a brief period and purchase the 1975 editions. 1975 prices will apply to 1970 editions of February 1, 1975.

Prices: "Basic Housing-Property Maintenance Code", \$3.75, available; "Basic Fire Prevention Code", \$9.50, available now; "Basic Mechanical and Basic Plumbing Code, \$9.50, mail orders will be accepted Feb. 15, 1975; "Basic Building Code, \$12.50, available in early March, 1975; "Basic Dwelling Code, \$5.00, mail orders will be accepted in early March, 1975. These prices do include postage and handling charges.

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#### EXHIBITION OF ARCHITECTURE FOR HEALTH

The Mid-West Health Congress will hold its 1975 meeting in Kansas City, Missouri, June 9, 10, and 11. Hospital administrators, hospital boards of trustees, planning agency officials and other hospital personnel will be in attendance from Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri; Nebraska, Oklahoma and Wyoming. Attendance is estimated at 8,000 persons.

Registered architects interested in exhibiting projects including hospitals, long-term care facilities, health centers, diagnostic and treatment centers, medical laboratories, staff housing and medical research facilities should contact Charles L. Terry, AIA, 2208 Commerce Tower, Kansas City, Missouri 64105 (816-471-0370). Models of projects are encouraged.

The Central States Region /AIA/ Architecture for Health Committee is pleased to announce a two day seminar on Health Care Facilities at a Convention this year. The seminar will be an update on planning with presentations of "Case Studies" on six health care projects by administrators, owners and architects.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Several members of the Detroit Chapter have been doing volunteer work in the inner city for the Professional Skills Alliance. Anyone interested in becoming involved in this program which utilizes the talents of a wide range of

professionals, all the way from accountants to sociologists, should get in touch with Bill Lyman. Telephone: 647-1777.

#### NEW MEMBERS

DETROIT CHAPTER	Ronald G. Myers, (Associate) Donald Paul Young, AIA (Readmitted to Chapter) Lewis Dickens, AIA (Transferred to Detroit Chapter from Mid-Michigan Chapter)
WESTERN MICHIGAN	Edward Duffield, AIA (Emeritus Member) Raymond Stapert, AIA (Emeritus Member)

#### NAME CHANGED

Austin Engineers Architects Inc., have changed their name from Austin Engineers Inc. to Austin Engineers Architects Inc.. They are located at 26001 Telegraph, Southfield, Michigan 48076.

#### CORRECTION IN NEW MEMBERS NAME

In the last edition of the Newsletter, Daniel Christensen, AIA and Robert Jason, AIA, had their names misspelled; please make note of this correction.

#### NEW LOCATIONS

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Ralph Calder and Associates, Inc. Architects, are pleased to announce the relocation of their offices to, 436 West Columbia, Detroit, Michigan 48201, Telephone (313) 963-6333.

CATO Architects, AIA wish to announce the new location of its office to, Milwood Office Center, 4000 Portage, Suite 206, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001, Telephone (616) 349-6755.

William Kessler and Associates, Inc., Architects announce a change of address and telephone number to: 733 St. Antoine Street, Detroit, Michigan 48226, Phone (313) 963-5906. They were formerly located at Mack Ave. in Grosse Pointe.

Steele & Bos Inc., AIA, announce a change in address and telephone number to: 954 North Hunter, Birmingham, Michigan 48011, Phone 642-2773. They were formerly



information may be presented to both Federal and State Governmental Representatives for the purpose of initiating additional public programs in which the architect can participate, you are earnestly requested to provide the MSA office with answers to the following questions.

This information can be furnished anonymously so that there will be no possibility of your revealing any information which would be against your business policies. Accordingly, you are not asked to authenticate your reply.

Please respond by June 1, 1975 so the MSA Board of Directors may discuss the results at their next Board meeting.

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1. What is your normal staff strength?  
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  2. What is your present staff strength?  
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  3. What is your estimated backlog of architectural work as of April 15, 1975 computed in manweeks of work?  
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  4. Being realistic and conservative, what is your estimate of new work which you can expect to have under contract during the next four months computed in man-weeks? \_\_\_\_\_

#### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON URBAN HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

The International Conference on Urban Housing and Transportation will be held on June 1-4, 1975 at the Detroit Heritage Hotel, Downtown Detroit. The AIA is the co-sponsor.

Topics for the sessions are:

1. Session A: The Urban Physical Environment Development, Patterns and Forms.
2. The IAHS Luncheon  
"The Role of IAHS in Urban Housing and Transportation"
3. Session B-1: The Socioeconomic Environment-Economics & Finance.
4. Session B-2: The Socioeconomic Environment-Social and Economic Behavior.
5. Session C-1: Policy and Planning-Sociometrics for Policy Making.
6. Session C-2: Design of Housing and Transportation Information and Systems.
7. Session D-1: Policy and Planning-Sociometrics and Planning Applications.
8. Session D-2: Design of Housing and

Transportation Systems and Methodologies.

9. Session E: Urban Housing and Transportation-Case Studies of Urban Developments.

For further information please contact, Prof. Vasily Kouskoulas, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan 48202, Phone (313) 577-3789.

#### SPEAKERS BUREAU - HELP NEEDED!

The Architectural Education Committee has begun work to organize a Speakers Bureau to address itself to requests for architectural speakers. Presently, this need is met on an ad-hoc basis, relying heavily on a few members of the AIA Chapter. Requests come from schools, social and business clubs, public and quasi public agencies.

It is our feeling that if a larger segment of the Chapter could be involved, the demand would be spread so that a speaker would only be needed on a once-a-year basis.

This is a plea for help. Will members who have interest in speaking about architecture, architects or related subjects, please return the following coupon to: Ken Neumann, Rossen/Neumann Associates, 19675 West, Ten Mile Road, Suite 301, Southfield, Michigan, 48075.

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Area Code \_\_\_\_\_

Special Areas of Interest (Architectural or Allied)  
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#### BOCA

Availability: The entire Basic Code is being completely revised and typeset in 1975 editions, which will reflect all code changes approved by the BOCA membership since 1970. 1975 editions of the Basic Fire Prevention Code and Basic Housing-Property Maintenance Code are now available while the 1975 Basic Plumbing Code and Basic Mechanical Code should be avail-



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June 22 Harmonie Park will be the location of Architects Sunday John Hilberry's office, Alder Schee & Art Fair, Downtown Detroit.

July 13-18 Illuminating Engineering Society holds Annual Conference in San Francisco, Calif. Hilton Hotel & Tower

July 15-16 International Lighting Exposition held during the Conference week at the San Francisco Hilton & Tower

August 7,8,9 MSA Mid-Summer Conference Mackinac Island

October 8-10 MSA 60th Annual Convention Kalamazoo, Michigan