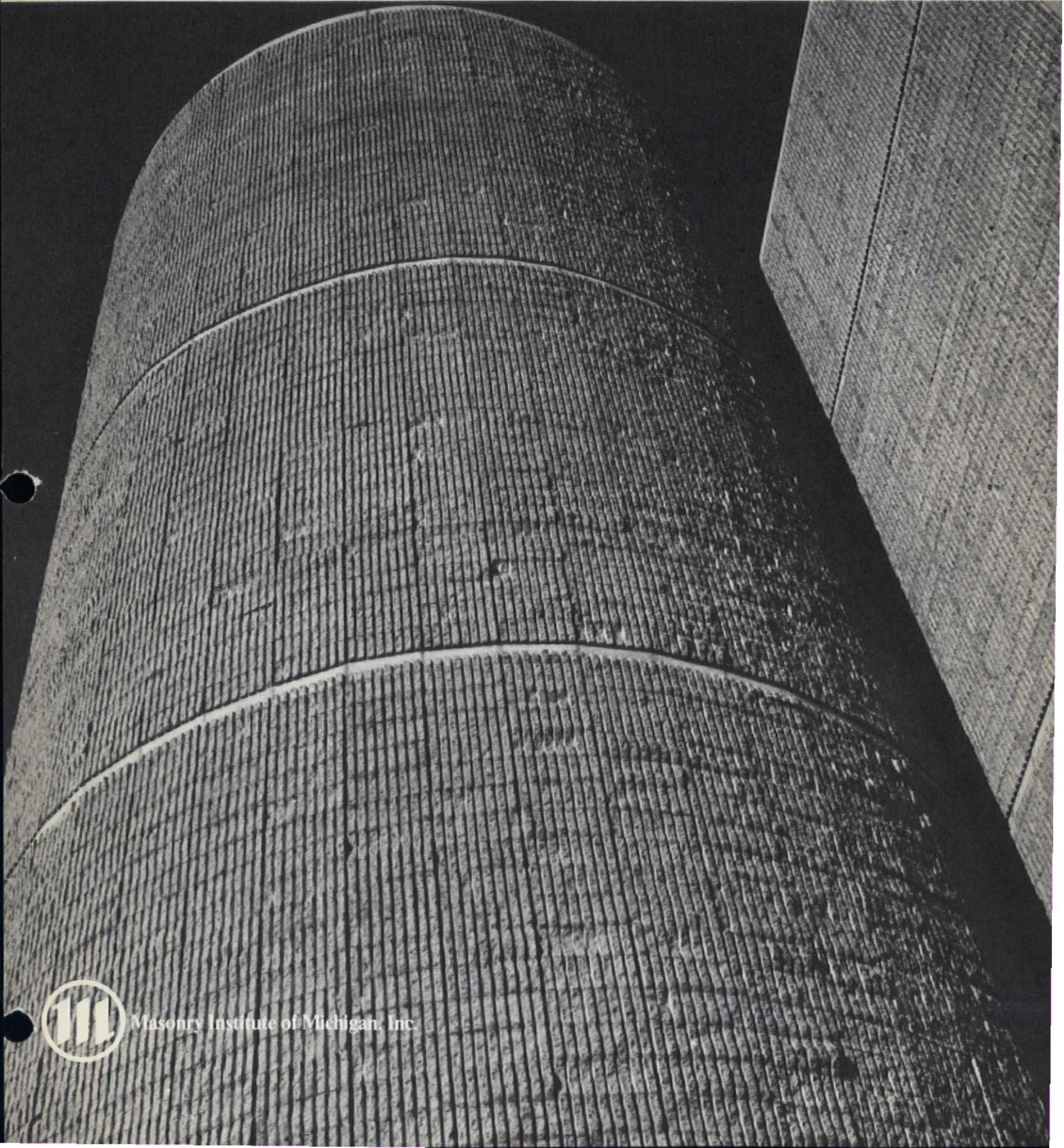


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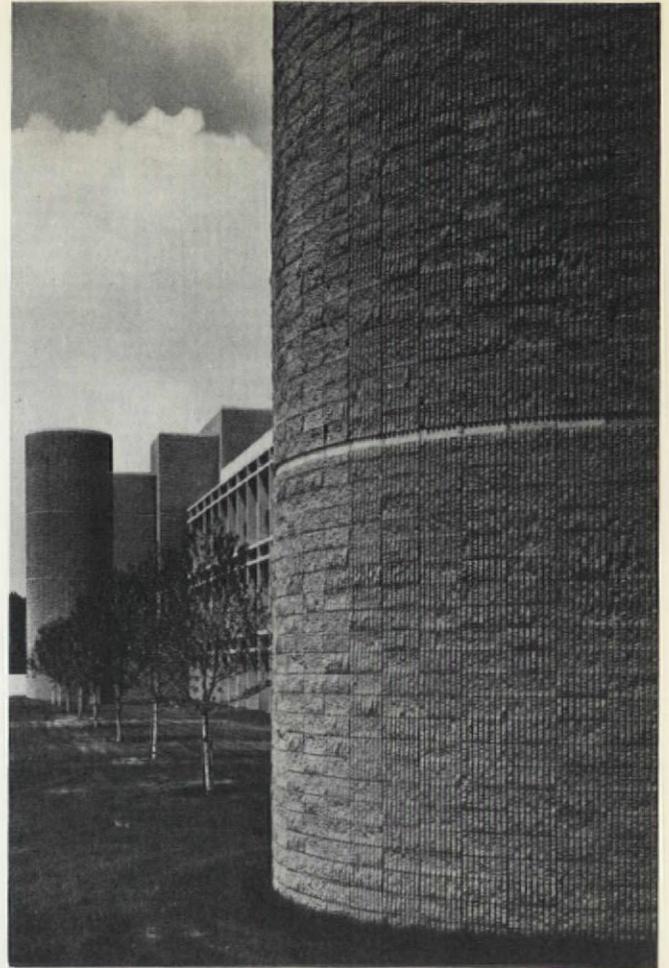
Masonry Institute of Michigan, Inc.

**GIFFELS WINS "M AWARD"
FOR AUTO CLUB BUILDING**

"The strong masonry towers help to define the building as a whole . . . there is a special feeling of force and texture."

--JPJN A. Holabird, FAIA
Chairman, Awards Jury

The striking uses of masonry in the new headquarters of the Automobile Club of Michigan in Dearborn earned for Giffels Associates, Inc., of Detroit, an "M 'award" in the first annual masonry design competition co-sponsored by the Masonry Institute of Michigan and the Michigan Society of Architects. In all, four architects and their projects were so honored by a distinguished panel of Chicago architects who judged the competition. 'the other three will be featured in following issues of this Bulletin-Newsletter.'



FROM THE PRESIDENT. . .

As a result of the February Grass-Roots, Board Meeting, and Workshop. . . I wish to extend my personal congratulations to the membership of MSA -- or at least to those members who found time to participate in the election of their Chapter Officers and Directors. The recent MSA Grass Roots attended by Officers and Directors from all Chapters was one of the better sessions and indicated to me that these people are a concerned -- action oriented -- result conscious group. I am certain that the year of '76 will be very active and professionally positive for MSA Members.

The Grass Roots session spanned an entire day with all present becoming involved and discussing many topics, i.e., Ethics and the Architect; the need for greater involvement in government affairs; the need for long range planning for MSA which might be best accomplished by a Task Force of Past Presidents; the possibility of a survey of the membership relating to questions that could concern their chapter, the MSA, and the relationship of these groups; and the need for an adequate continuing education program that could reflect necessary credits for recertification in that eventuality. The fact that MSA must take a position on many of the things that are happening around us, "Position Paper"; membership, including firm membership and dues structure. The possibility of MSA taking the lead in establishing a "Michigan House" in Washington, D.C. to service Michigan residents to be supported by industry-commerce-private citizens.

In addition, the MSA Board met and took positive action. The following Task Force/Committee assignments were accepted by the Board Members:

Government Affairs - Paul Bowers; Membership - Art Nelson; Firm Membership - Brooks Godfrey; Continuing Education - Gene Terrill; State Housing Development Authority - Bob Tower; Architect Sunday - Lyn Graziani; Professional Compensation - B. Mayotte; AIA Component Structure - Bill Graheck; Monthly Bulletin - Virginia Pinnell; Registration Act Rules & Regulations - D. Schmiedeke; Mid-Summer Conference - R. Boe; Lansing Convention - M. Stein.

Everyone was asked to be ready to submit a program and plan of action for the next Board Meeting.

D. Schmiedeke accepted the assignment of preparing four display panels for the National AIA Convention representing Michigan during the past 200 years. Subject matter discussed. . . Hudson Michigan -- The Big Mac Bridge -- The Model T Ford -- The Ore Docks on Lake Superior -- Cranbrook. The Board authorized Denis to make the selection.

After Bowers thought about his assignment, he presented the Board with a list of

things that required immediate attention. We agreed to prepare preliminary Position Papers on the following subjects; Construction Code; Professional Liability; Professional Compensation; Registration Act; Rules and Regulation; Energy; Architect Selection; Housing Act; and Land Use Act.

This action requires the cooperation and assistance of many people. You may be called on to become involved since no one person has all of the answers -- Your expertise is necessary and vital to any success we achieve.

The 1976 MSA Grass Roots Workshop was successful because of the contributions made by the following attendees, Detroit Chapter: Gene DiLaura, Jr., AIA; John Dziurman, AIA; Hideo Fujii, AIA; Lyn Graziani, AIA; Bill Jarratt, FAIA; John Jickling, AIA; Jim Kinville, AIA; Philip Nicholas, AIA; Virginia Pinnell, AIA; Tom Wikle, AIA; Robert Wine, AIA. Flint Area Chapter: Bill Anderson, AIA; Richard Canfield, AIA; Lee Jensen, AIA; Gene Terrill, AIA. Grand Valley Chapter: Paul Bowers, Jr., AIA; Fred Renaud, AIA; Albert Quittelier, AIA. Huron Valley Chapter: Richard Black, AIA; Stephen Janick, AIA; Denis Schmiedeke, AIA. Mid-Michigan Chapter: Ric Anselmo, AIA; Ted Dixon, AIA; Bill Kane, AIA; Bernie Mayotte, AIA; George Moutsatson, AIA; Clarence Rosa, FAIA; Robert Siefert, AIA; Robert Smith, AIA; Morris Stein, AIA. Northern Michigan Chapter: Bill Crossman, AIA; Jim Elkins, AIA; Bill Graheck, AIA; Tim Holt, AIA. Saginaw Valley Chapter: Art Nelson, AIA; Nik Schulwitz, AIA; Joseph Sobczak, AIA. Western Michigan Chapter: Evie ASken, AIA; David Fleming, AIA; Brooks Godfrey, AIA; Bob Tower, AIA.

LEGISLATIVE LOG

APPOINTMENTS

William Lukens has been appointed director of Licensing for the State of Michigan. He will be responsible for supervision of department personnel, administrative of licensing functions, and will serve as legislative liaison for the various boards and the department. Lukens was formerly executive assistant to the Director of the Department of Commerce. Governor Milliken's appointment of Thomas K. Eardley, Jr. has been appointed to the State Corrections Commission for a term expiring December 31, 1978.

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LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

A special house committee has been studying casino gambling and in their interim report

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they are generally impressed with casino gambling's potential for job creation, tourist stimulation and increased tax revenue. With statistics from New Jersey they learned that \$100-\$500 million in construction could be a result of gambling in Michigan.

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A Wayne County Circuit Court has ordered the Department of Social Services to consult the Michigan State Employees Association on design and construction of new offices in the county. The offices are to be built in the next 3 to 5 years. The new offices are planned under legislation signed December 1, requiring the state to provide suitable offices for county departments of social services.

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OF INTEREST?

Attorney General Kelley said on January 22 that the Upper Peninsula can legally secede from the State of Michigan. If the Legislature and U.P. residents approved secession, the area would become a territory of the U.S. To become a state, it would have to adopt a constitution and apply to Congress for admission, he said in a formal opinion (No. 4911).

MULTIPLE HOUSING UNITS NEED NOT BE CONTROLLED BY SUBDIVISION ACT: KELLEY

Attorney General Kelley Monday ruled multi-building multiple housing developments can in some instances fall outside the purview of the Subdivision Control Act. He said (in Opinion No. 4912) the act controls developments only if the residential units and the land itself is leased for periods of at least a year. If the land is not leased, or if leased for less than one year, the act does not come into play, Kelley said. The act also applies, he said, if the land is subdivided for a building development, even for periods of less than a year.

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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

For the present, the Department of Corrections estimates roughly \$50 million for two buildings housing 1,000 inmates total will be needed to hold prisoners convicted under a bill that mandates an extra two-year sentence for those convicted of carrying a gun during a crime, according to Perry Johnson, head of the Corrections Department. Johnson further noted before the legislature that it takes about three years from authorization to build a prison to completion. As a result of the increase in the general fund budget the Department of Corrections should receive a 22.4% increase because of burgeoning prison populations.

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OSHA

The Construction Safety Standards Committee recommended on January 28 to the Legislature empower one department for sole enforce-

ment of OSHA. The act is currently being enforced by the Departments of Labor and Public Health. A bill before the House (HB 5098) would give the jurisdiction to the Departments of Labor.

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1976-77 BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS STATE OF MICHIGAN

Implementation of Single Business Tax according to the Budget will be \$327,00 for administration of the Single Business Tax.

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LICENSING AND REGULATION

Of the \$5.6 million general fund proposed appropriation, \$91,800 is recommended for examination and licensing to all boards by establishing a Testing Services Center.

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CAPITAL OUTLAY

Governor Milliken's General Fund-General Purpose Capital Outlay budget recommendations were set at \$22.3 million to continue construction of previously started projects. However, an additional recommendation of \$370 million for new construction is being recommended to be financed from bond revenues with the program being operated by the State Building Authority. The general fund projection of \$22.3 million for capital improvement is the lowest preliminary recommendation over the past 13 years.

Of the general fund moneys, the Department of Management and Budget would receive \$3.5 million for site development, open space conversion, special maintenance and fire protection. The University of Michigan-Flint is designated to receive some \$2.9 million for heating and cooling plant, \$2.2 million for utility facilities and \$3.2 million for a classroom office building. Michigan Technological University is slated to receive \$1.3 million for an electrical engineering building and \$550,000 for fuel tanks; Northern Michigan University will receive \$840,00 for a physical education facility; Lake Superior State College some \$889,000 for a physical education facility and Western Michigan \$300,000 for campus utilities. The Department of Corrections will receive \$3.4 million for a reception guidance Center and a medium security facility.

Of the \$370 million in proposed bonds for capital improvement projects, some \$140 million will be used to remodel or replace portions of the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor while the remainder will fund 21 other projects at institutions of higher education and within the Departments of Management and Budget and Corrections.

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BONDING FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY GIVEN BETTER CHANCE THIS YEAR

Governor Milliken's recommendation that the State borrow money for major new buildings

will probably be approved in some form this year. It is the second year in a row that governor has made the recommendation, but the proposal never got out of committee last year.

The legislators made no effort to conceal their distaste for moving away from a policy of applying for buildings as they are built, but expect pressure will build up to a point that will force approval of the bonding plan. Milliken recommended the State Building Authority be authorized to sell \$370 million in bonds for 22 projects for departments and colleges. The authority is a dormant fixture of state government that has not been used since creation in 1963. Huffman (D-Madison Heights) vice chairman of the Appropriations Committee and a member of the Joint Committee on Capital Outlay predicted the building authority concept will pass. Richard Young (D-Dearborn Heights), another member of the committee, said he will eventually vote for it. Colleges will exert primary pressure to get this passed. Zollar (R-Benton Harbor) also on the capital outlay said the authority would open the door to excessive building beyond the needs of the state. But, he like Young, expects that there will probably be enough votes to pass the proposal this year.

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CONTINUING EDUCATION

Doctors - Architects to Come? The Michigan Medical Practice Board has prepared for each member the procedures to implement the new law that will require each physician to earn 50 hours of continuing medical education during 1976. A physician must report his continuing education activities to the Board as a prerequisite for renewal of his license in 1977.

SUPERMARKET BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

In the February issue of Changing Times Construction of thousands of new supermarkets (25,000 to 50,000 square feet) in the next five years is predicted.

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THE NATIONAL SCENE

Remember the Highway Beautification Program well - AIA National is recommending that members oppose the House-passed amendments, which would weaken the beautification program but support the Trust Fund financing of the highway beautification program. Unfortunately there are no Michigan members on the committee.

HOUSING AUTHORITY SELLS \$71 MILLION IN BONDS

Governor Milliken said last week he was encouraged with investors; renewed confidence in tax-exempt bonds shown by a state Housing Development Authority sale of \$71 million in securities. The sale included \$40 million of 42-year bonds at 8 per cent interest and \$31 million of 13-month anticipation notes, he said.

The proceeds will finance \$21 million of low and moderate income housing and \$50 million retirement of short-term anticipation notes due in March, Milliken said. In the competitive bid sale, National Bank of Detroit bought \$30 million of the bonds and Michigan National Bank \$1 million, he said.

The governor blamed the recent soft securities market for severely curtailing authority housing development and said he anticipates agreement soon on a type of federal and state co-insurance of housing development loans backed by the Council of State Housing Agencies and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

WARREN TO FIGHT STATE BUILDING CODE

Warren officials have determined unambiguously to fight a Michigan Court of Appeals ruling that would force the city to drop its building code in favor of a state approved code.

The appeal will be made to the Michigan Supreme Court. The city council indicated a willingness to appeal in the Federal court system to the U.S. Supreme Court as well.

Warren officials contend the city building code is much stricter than any of four state-approved codes, particularly in the areas of prefabricated and modular housing.

Macomb Circuit Judge Howard R. Carroll has issued a temporary restraining order allowing Warren to refrain from complying with the State construction Code Act of 1974.

In what Warren attorneys call a precedent-setting move, the Appeals court took the case from Carroll before he had a chance to conduct a trial.

Warren officials see the court case as essential to maintaining home rule. Council members feel the city's integrity and autonomy are on the line against what they regard as an effort by the Legislature to control Michigan's suburbs.

The appeal of the appellate decision will be based on provisions of the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, according to Attorney Robert J. Lord. Lord, special counsel to the city, said the appeals court had denied the city due process of law.

NEW FIRM

William Carl Smude, AIA announces the founding of a new firm entitled, American Architectural Associates, 40251 Hamilton Drive, Sterling Heights, Michigan 48078.

Joseph Wolf and Howard Nudell have joined to create a new firm called Wolf & Nudell Architects, located at 18800 West

10 Mile Road, Suite 200, Southfield,
Michigan 48075. Telephone (313) 559-9575

Thomas Martone, AIA announces the
new firm of Martone/Architect, 1925 Austin,
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104. Telephone (313)
663-2856.

UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT - WORKSHOP ON SOLAR ENERGY IN COLD CLIMATES

Workshop purpose: It is without a
doubt that most of the solar energy appli-
cation research efforts and seminar activi-
ties, today, have been involved with environ-
mental possibilities that allow for an easy
integration of existing systems, planning
methods and hardware alternatives of our
solar technologies as they relate to warm
sunny climates. The problems of cold
climates seems to us to have totally escaped
serious scientific and technological research.
It is our belief that cold or extremely cold
climates require specific attention to their
heating demands, and that very appropriate
environmental technologies, devices, and
hardware possibilities can be discovered
that respond to these climates. The purpose
of this workshop is to develop a theoretical
as well as a practical framework for the
development of such technologies. More
particularly, it aims to facilitate the
development and exchange of information and
ideas on solar energy devices and on planning
and design concerns related to the conser-
vation of energy in building by:

Bringing together solar researchers, archi-
tects, engineers, manufacturers, builders
and other interested persons.

Examining the possibilities for utilization
of solar and aeolian energy possibilities
and their economic ramifications for cold
climates.

Exploring the compatibility and integration
of storage subsystems within the total build-
ing system and its environment.

TOPICAL OUTLINE

First Day: Reception
Second Day: Morning Session - The Vernacular
Past.
Afternoon Session - Issues and Problem Defini-
tion.
Third Day: Morning Session - Existing Tech-
nologies, Methods and Possibilities.
Afternoon Session - Implementation.

Location, Calendar (tentative). For further
information contact: Nickolas Rombos, Asso-
ciate Professor, School of Architecture,
University of Detroit, 4001 West McNichols
Road, Detroit, MI 48221. Telephone (313)
927-1532

NEW ORGANIZATION FOR PRESERVATIONISTS

Formation of a local chapter of APT,
the Association for Preservation Technology

has been announced. The APT is an organi-
zation of professionals active in the pre-
servation of historic resources. From its
inception in 1968, the APT has been a
Canadian/American forum for the development
of architectural preservation techniques in
North American. Individuals are invited to
become members. The establishment of the
southern Michigan chapter represents the
first local chapter in existence in both
Canada and the United States. This chapter
meets monthly at the Lawrence Institute of
Technology at which time a business meeting
is conducted, along with a program of
interest to persons in preservation techno-
logy, i.e., the January meeting consisted of
a presentation from Mr. Carl Johnson, Presi-
dent of Johnson and Sons, Inc., Building
Movers. Mr. Johnson discussed practical
problems associated with relocation of his-
toric structures. Local membership: \$10,
Students \$2.50. International membership:
\$15, Students \$7.50.

Call or write Edward D. Francis, AIA at
William Kessler & Associates, 733 St. Antoine,
Detroit, Michigan 48226. Telephone: (313)
963-5906.

SPEAKER TO ADDRESS BUILDING PRESERVATION

William Thrall, vice president and
secretary of Steenwyck-Thrall, Archi-
tects, Inc., in Grand Rapids, will speak
on the "Preservation and Restoration of
Prominent Buildings" at Ferris State
College Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Edu-
cation and Learning Resources Building
auditorium.

The Ferris Library will also display
illustrations of this topic. Thrall is
coming to Ferris as a part of the
Festival of the Arts.

The program is open to the public with-
out admission charge.

VALUES '76

Tradition - Transition is the program
theme of the National Interfaith Conference
on Religion and Architecture in Boston July
1976. Designed to serve both student and
professional, both architect and clergy,
the program will include lectures (historians
Walter Muir Whitehill, George Hunston
Williams, pastor Ralph Peterson, architect
Hugh Stubbins), practical workshops, tours
of new and old churches and synagogues in
historic Boston and suburban Concord and
Lexington.

Included also in the program will be exhibits
and awards in art and architecture. Inter-
faith services during the week will be held
in Trinity Church and in the First and
Second Church of Boston.

The Conference is convened by the Interfaith
Research Council representing the Commission

on Church Planning and Architecture of N. C.-C. C., the Guild for Religious Architecture, the Liturgical Conference, and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and is co-sponsored by the American Society for Church Architecture, the Boston Society of Architects AIA, the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions and the North American Academy of Liturgy.

For further information contact Dorothy Adler, Guild for Religious Architecture, 177 Church Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20036. (Telephone: (202) 296-2997)

The following resolutions have been submitted by the Detroit Chapter to the AIA Committee on Resolutions for action at the National Convention in Philadelphia, May 1976.

Resolution

CONCERNING STANDARDS OF ETHICAL PRACTICE FOR FIRMS

Whereas: The Standards of Ethical Practice (AIA Document J 330) have applicability to corporate members only; and Whereas: The practice of architecture increasingly involves partnerships, corporations, and other forms of joint professional practice by which corporate members offer their services together with non members and members of other professions; and Whereas: The conduct of such practice frequently raises questions with regard to professional obligations to the public, to the client and to the profession; and Whereas: The rules and regulations provided by the various state licensing and registration acts, loosely and inconsistently guide the practice of architecture by firms; and Whereas: The AIA already recognizes the role of firms in the practice of architecture through its supplemental dues program.

BE IT NOW RESOLVED THAT: The American Institute of Architects establish Standards of Ethical Practice for Firms one or more principals of which are corporate members.

Resolution

CONCERNING A FIRM MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

Whereas: The practice of architecture increasingly involves partnerships, corporations, and other forms of joint professional practice by which corporate members offer services together with non members and members of other professions; and Whereas: The AIA already recognizes the role of firms in the practice of architecture through its supplemental dues program.

BE IT NOW RESOLVED THAT: The American Institute of Architects establish a membership category and dues structure for Firms one or more principals of which are corporate members.

Editors Note: The following letter from Al Durkee, AIA, Director of Facilities describes the current method by which the State selects its architects.

Dear Rae:

Earlier this week you called my office to inquire as to the rules or guidelines for the selection of architects for state work. I think the easiest manner to respond to your request is to merely describe the process to you in this letter.

The initial interviewing of architects and engineers is handled by the agency that has a proposed building project. For example, if the Department of Corrections anticipates the construction of a new prison, the Department of Corrections initiates the review process. Often these agencies request from the Bureau of Facilities an appropriate listing of architects who might be considered for interviews. In addition, there is often discussions and consultation between various members of the Bureau of Facilities and the Department handling the interview process inquiring as to the capabilities of firms, work loads, distribution and dispersement of work around the State, etc. The Bureau of Facilities maintains a file of the credentials of all architects and engineers who have expressed an interest in working with the State; information which is available to all agencies throughout the State as well. Unfortunately, it is a dual obligation but a process which we feel is valid.

Once the agency has made their selection, the name of the preferred firm or firms (generally three names are submitted in order of preference) is submitted to the Department of Management and Budget for consideration. Upon a review of these recommendations from the agency, the Bureau of Facilities and the Department of Management and Budget submits the preferred name to the Joint Capital Outlay Subcommittee, requests the release of planning funds and expresses the intent to place the firm under a State contract for that specific project. This process permits a rational consideration by the agency, the department and the bureau, and allows the Joint Capital Outlay

Subcommittee, requests the release of planning funds and expresses the intent to place the firm under a State contract for that specific project. This process permits a rational consideration by the agency, the department and the bureau, and allows the Joint Capital Outlay Subcommittee an opportunity prior to the release of any planning funds. It also might be of interest to the various architects and engineers throughout the State to be informed of proposed bills which involve planning and construction:

(1) A "planning bill is usually passed each year, generally at the beginning of the fiscal year, which identifies certain projects which are anticipated by various agencies throughout the State. It also

identifies a certain lump sum of money from which planning funds are released to proceed with the planning process.

(2) A "capital outlay" bill is passed at the beginning of each fiscal year which identifies the actual state building program expressed in terms of buildings and line item appropriations applicable thereto. Naturally, the capital outlay bill identifies projects which have received prior selection of architects and generally are well into planning and ready for construction.

(3) A "community college" bill is the third that is considered and passed each fiscal year. This bill describes the building program involving State funds of the community colleges throughout the State.

I think this information is a proper response to your request and should acquaint architects throughout the State with the current process of selecting architects for State work. As you probably are aware, state government revenues are insufficient at the present time to support a viable building program. It is hoped that this Spring state government will find some source of funding to support an active building program which will construct many buildings which are desperately needed throughout the State. The Governor, as well as many legislative leaders, have announced their support of a construction bonding proposal, currently anticipated at \$370 million, which I am sure will receive serious consideration by both the executive and legislative sides of government during the next two - three months.

Sincerely,

Almon J. Durkee, AIA
State Architect
Director, Bureau of Facilities

GRAPEVINE

Louis A. Rossetti, FAIA, president of Rossetti/Associates, Inc., has been elected

to the board of directors of First Citizens Bank of Troy. . . Commonwealth Associates has announced the appointments of John L. Wacksmuth as Manager of Architecture and Arthur T. Nelson as Manager of Structural Engineering in the company's Facilities Division. . . G. John Stevens, AIA, addressed the Detroit Board of Realtors at their first program of the new year "Putting New Life Into Old Buildings". . . New Director joining CBDA's Board.

DETROIT CHAPTER CSI ANNOUNCES ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL MEETING:

The Candian CSC Chapters of Windsor and London, Ontario will join the Detroit CSI Chapter in their annual joint chapter international meeting, to be held Tuesday evening, March 9, 1976, at the newly opened "Fairlane Town Center", Dearborn, Michigan.

CALENDAR

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| MARCH 12-13 | Chicago High Rise Code Seminar at the Lake Lawn Lodge in Delavan, Wisconsin. For further information write to the Chicago Comm. on High Rise Buildings, 10 South Riverside Plaza #644, Chicago, Illinois 60606. |
| MARCH 16-17 | Architect-Engineers Public Affairs Conference. For further information contact Nicole Gara or David Caney at AIA Headquarters in Washington, D.C. (202) 785-7379 and 785-7381. |
| MARCH 19 | Violinist Issac Stern at the Ford Auditorium. Call in and send your check for \$2.50 to Allene Galyon, 1700 Ashton, Walled Lake, 48088, phone 624-5707. WALD. |
| MARCH 20 | MSA/CEP: Mechanical Engineering. |