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A LOOK BACK...

It was a great MSA Convention, and we were happy to be a part of it, both in the formal program and on the exhibit floor. We were delighted that so many of you stopped to see us at the Michigan Masonry Council booth, and gratified that your convention committee voted us runner-up in the "best display" competition.

For those of you who entered our contest and tried to figure out how much energy the masonry wall displayed would save vs. a lightweight wall of the same U-value, the answer was 5,818 Btu's per hour (savings in maximum heat loss).

Three MSA members got close enough to win Texas Instruments SR 51-II calculators. They were John W. Jickling of Jickling, Lyman & Powell Associates; Victor M. Zampa of Harley Ellington Pierce Yee Associates; and Frank Ignich of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates. Congratulations, gentlemen.

...AND A LOOD AHEAD

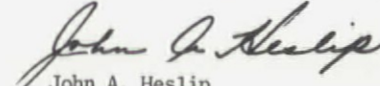
As previously reported, we had a record number of 58 entries in our third annual Honor Awards Program for Excellence in Masonry Design. Now, we're pleased to add that our jury of Atlanta architects has selected a record number of winners: six (vs. four in each of the program's first two years). The winning projects will be announced... and their architects, owners, and mason contractors honored...at a Masonry Awards Banquet on Saturday, January 28, 1978, at the Detroit Plaza Hotel.

A formal invitation will follow. But please mark your calendar now and plan to be with us for this important event. That night, we'll also be honoring the winners of the Masonry Institute's biennial design competition for architectural students at Lawrence Institute of Technology. And we'll have the premiere Michigan showing of a new film, "Architects/Architecture," that has already won critical acclaim in the national architectural press.

We look forward to seeing you on January 28. Happy holidays.

Sincerely,

MASONRY INSTITUTE OF MICHIGAN, INC.

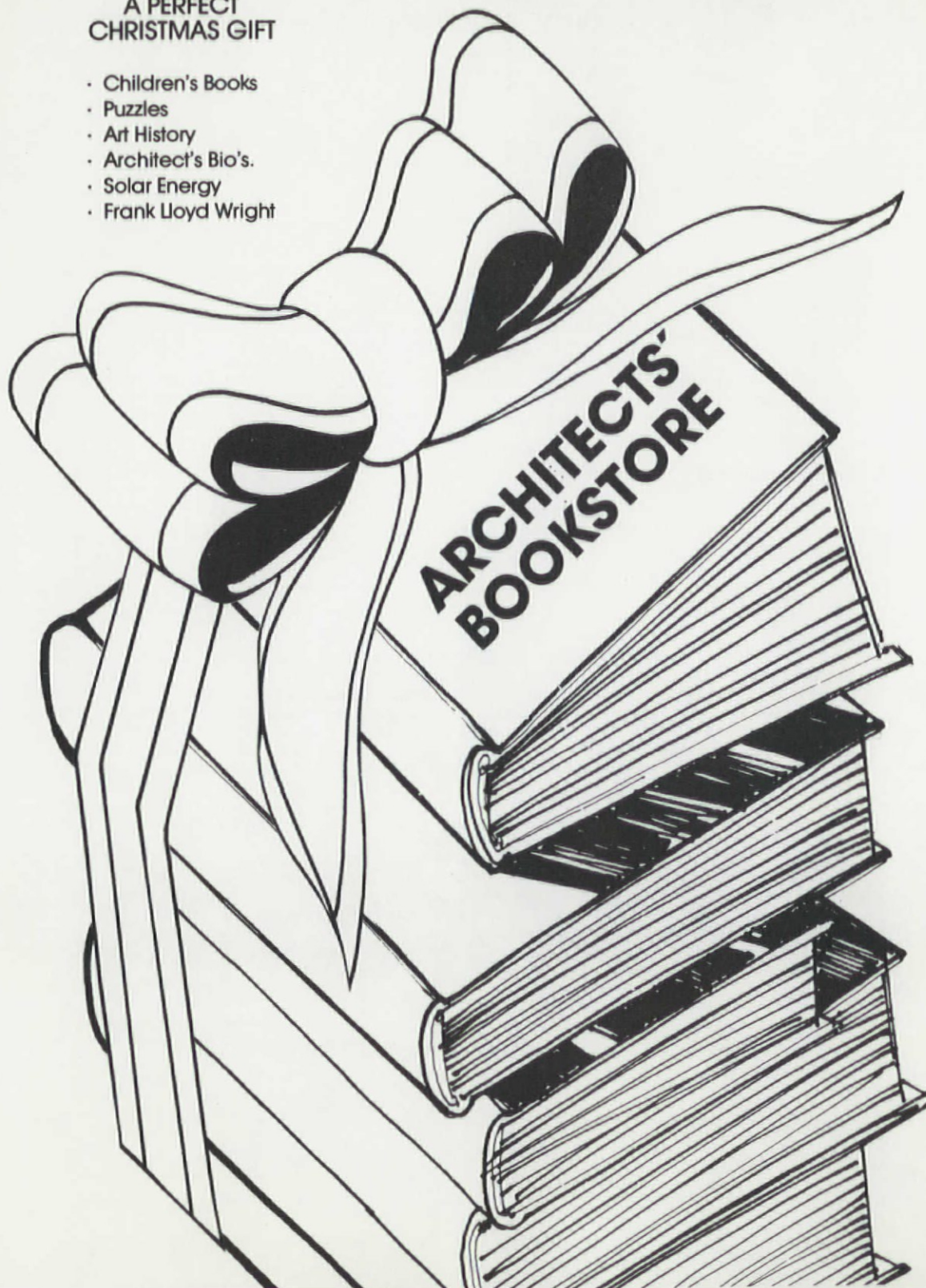

John A. Heslip
Executive Director

Having trouble finding that certain textbook? Or need a document in a hurry?
Then make a trip to the Architects' Bookstore, located at the Beaubien House for the most complete and up-to-date selection of architectural publications. We stock all of the AIA books, documents and forms and give discounts to AIA MEMBERS.
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- Solar Energy
- Frank Lloyd Wright



MSA CONVENTION

This year's 62nd Annual MSA Convention was a huge success. We had a record attendance and the number of exhibitors was fantastic. The enthusiasm and support of the convention was statewide and especially intense in the Detroit Chapter.

We owe a special thanks to all the people who donated their time and efforts to making this convention the success that it was: all of the exhibitors and the contractors who helped support the Groundbreaker Party; Detroit Edison Company for their support of the Continuing Education Program; the many seminar speakers; Rossetti Associates and University of Detroit Law School Library for the use of their facilities for the Host Chapter Party; Jimmy at New Hellas for the delicious Greek food; Craig Farley of American Center Studios for the preparation, production and provision of the MSA Convention Programs and Gloria Wahn from the Convention Bureau who helped us out behind the registration desk.

The following Chairmen and their committees did a super job: Program - Ted Kurz, AIA; Groundbreaker - Tom Wickle, AIA (who also handled the Road Rally); Host Chapter Party - Mary Fears of Rossetti's; Graphics - Virginia Pinnell, AIA; Exhibit Liaison - Rae Dumke; Ladies Program - Aileen Pfaendtner. The committee members included Paul Brown, FAIA; Carl Pirscher, AIA; Colt Weatherston, AIA; Eugene DiLaura, AIA; Bob D'Alessandro, AIA; Donna Rossetti and Joanne Graham. The Prize Committee, as usual, consisted of Vic Specht, Adam DeMartino and Jim Mason.

Hideo Fujii, AIA, Detroit Chapter President, headed a new committee to promote the convention. This committee's efforts resulted in record attendance by the architects. Included on Hideo's committee were Phil Meathe, FAIA; Gino Rossetti, FAIA; John Sheorls, FAIA; Phil Nicholas, AIA; Dale Grainger, AIA; Joe Daverman, AIA; Dick Black, Jr., AIA; Bob Smith, AIA; Norm Kline, AIA; David Oeming, AIA and Yvonne Asken, AIA.

Thanks also the MSA President Paul Bowers, AIA; MSA Treasurer, James Kinville, AIA; Executive Director, Ann Stacy, Hon. AIA; Gino Rossetti, FAIA; Elaine Moon with Rossetti Assoc.; and our old friends, Mike Minoff, Os Wagner, Jim Hostnik, Mark McPherson, Jon Weiss, Tom Lyons, Tim Mason, Rick Smith and June and Jim Markie.

Selected as the best designed exhibit booths were Contract Interiors, Michigan Masonry Council, Dunn Blue Print Company and Planterra.

It was the efforts of these and many others that made the 1977 MSA Convention a worthwhile experience.

Jim Hackenberger, AIA
MSA Convention Chairman

NEWS

MSA GOLD MEDAL AND HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

The Michigan Society of Architects awarded the Gold Medal to Eugene DiLaura, AIA, for outstanding achievement and leadership in the profession on Friday, November 4, 1977 at the Annual Awards Banquet. President Paul Bowers, AIA from Grand Rapids presented DiLaura with the medal.

DiLaura is past president of the MSA and instrumental in accomplishing the Society's recent move to the Historic Beaubien House.

Honorary membership was presented to Dolores D. Wharton, a writer and advocate of the arts of East Lansing, Michigan. Mrs. Wharton is married to Dr. Clifton R. Wharton, Jr., President, Michigan State University and recently appointed to the position of Director of New York State Universities.

MSA AWARDS THREE ARCHITECTURAL FIRMS

Three Detroit Architectural Firms were honored at the Annual Honor Awards banquet of the MSA, held November 4, 1977.

The architects and projects were Gunnar Birkerts & Associates, Birmingham for Municipality Fire Headquarters Building, City of Corning, New York and Dance Instructional Facility, State University of New York, Purchase, New York; Rossetti Associates/Architects Planners of Detroit for Bon Secours Hospital, Grosse Pointe, Michigan and Straub, Van Dine, Dziurman/Architects of Troy for the Sterling Heights Public Works Facility, City of Sterling Heights, Michigan. These projects were juried by three architects from Washington D.C. - Randy Vosbeck, FAIA, Arthur Cotton Moore, AIA and Hugh Newell Jacobson, FAIA.

ARCHITECTS' SUNDAY

The last Architects' Sunday tour was held at the new Calvary Baptist Church in Detroit, designed by Gunnar Birkerts & Associates, Architects.

Members of the architectural firm and the congregation acted as hosts, as did Mark McPherson, Charles McCrary and Tom Marchesano of SH&G. We would like to put in a special thanks to Paul Linn of Gunnar Birkerts office for his efforts.

The September issue of the MSA Newsletter erroneously identified Richard Rochon, a speaker at the MSA Convention, as being employed by Smith, Hinchman & Grylls. Please note Richard Rochon is not employed by SH&G and has his own firm of:

Rochon Associates, Inc.
21906 Garrison Avenue
Dearborn, Michigan 48124
(313) 565-2680

NEWS (Cont.)

There is no Architects' Sunday tour for December planned at this time, however we are busy setting up the program for 1978. Any one interested in participating in the program can call Renee at the Detroit Chapter/AIA, (313) 965-4100.

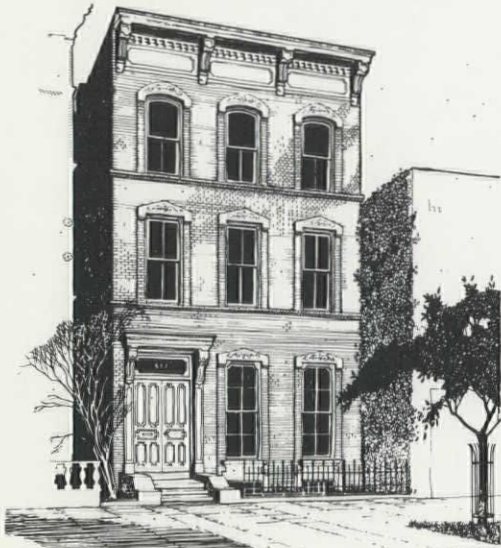
MSA BYLAW REVISIONS AND ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Business Meeting of the MSA held November 2, 1977 at the Detroit Plaza Hotel, Renaissance Center, Detroit passed the following Dues Structure:

The Annual Dues for new Corporate members of the Society, joining on or after January 1, 1978, shall be as follows:

First Year	\$20.00	(Subject to By-law Art. 3, Sect. 1, Par. c.)
Second Year	\$40.00	
Third and All Subsequent Years	\$70.00	

The Detroit Chapter has also incorporated the above Dues Structure for new Corporate members beginning in 1978. Example: first year dues for a new Detroit Chapter member will be \$20 for MSA and \$20 for the Detroit Chapter totaling \$40 for 1978.



HOUSE ACCOUNT

The Visitors to the Beaubien House last month included Lou Rossetti from the sunny south by way of Florence; Dave Pyle and Jim Bentley from Kalamazoo and Bill Kane of Lansing stopped by, they were in town for the School Administrators Convention at the Detroit Plaza.

The Detroit Chapter Committee on Honors met twice in November for luncheon at the house. We now have a standard charge for luncheon meetings of \$3 per person. This helps to defray the cost of materials, not the cooks.

The Beaubien House Committee meets once a month and guides the progress of the repairs and plans for restoration with Chairman Ed Francis. Jickling Lyman & Powell, per the request of John Jickling lent us Mike Tomasik who spent a few days here making a photo documentation of the house before we begin restoration, and Ken Killian was sent by Straub, Van Dine & Dziurman at the request of John Dziurman to document the condition of the windows, doors and interior finishings for evaluation.

We would like to thank Virginia Pinnell, Ed Francis and Fred Sargent for preparing the Beaubien House exhibit at the MSA Convention last week, and Bob Denlinger of Owens-Corning for loaning us the panels to display the exhibit on.

Ron Wright of Kroll International responded beautifully to Virginia Pinnell's request for a coffee table to match our new chairs, and with the efforts of Mark McPherson (who helps us so much we have made him a member of the Beaubien House "Family") we have arranged our meager belongings into a charming reception area.

Mark also helped us prepare the house for the Open House held during the convention, as did Roger Snyder from William Kessler & Assoc., and we also got tons of help from our old friends Oz Wagner, Jim Hostnik, Jon Weiss, Tom Lyons and Mike Minoff. Spalding Electric blessed us with Stan, the electrician who has, up to this point, taken care of our most immediate wiring needs.

Gary Lowell of Worthington Wood Works has provides the house with a free-standing hand-carved sign for the front of the house that reads "Architects' Bookstore", and we offer our most sincere thanks to Mr. Lowell, who's father, incidentally, is Maurice Lowell, AIA, of Albert Kahn Assoc.

The MSA is proud to add Brian Adams to the staff. Brian is a senior at Cass Tech in Detroit, and works for us after school.

William Paxton and Associates, Inc., Consulting Engineers now have an office on the third floor of the Beaubien House. They enjoy the old house as much as we do.

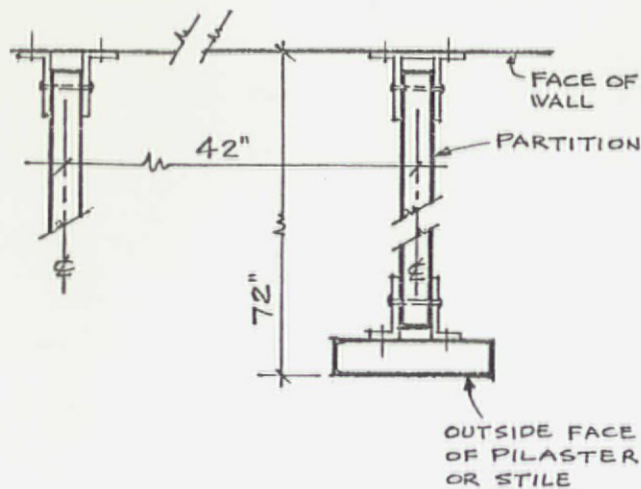
MISCELLANEOUS

BARRIER FREE DESIGN TOILET PARTITIONS

The General Rules of the Construction Code Commission, Section 316.71, Barrier Free Design Provisions, requires water closet stalls to be 42" wide by 72" deep. The Rules do not require these dimensions to be clear inside. Historically, the design professions and the manufacturers of toilet partitions have dimensioned the width from center to center of partitions and the length from the face-of-wall to the front face of the stile or pilaster. Therefore, all toilet partitions in connection with these rules may be 42" o.c. in width and 72" from face-of-wall to front face of stile or pilaster in length.

MISCELLANEOUS (Cont.)

All building inspectors and plan review personnel shall not accept dimensions less than these in connection with the Barrier Free Design Provisions of the General Rules.



WATER CLOSET STALL

3" = 1'-0"

Hospitals, Clinics & Health Centers/Architectural Record
Office Building Design/Architectural Record
Specifications: An Introduction for Architecture and Engineering/C. Ayers
Noise & Vibration Control/L. Beranek
In the Cause of Architecture Frank Lloyd Wright for the Record/F. Gutheim
Planning Academic & Research Library Buildings/K. Metcalf
Ten/Warren Platner
Legal Pitfalls in Architecture, Engineering & Building Construction/Walker, Walker & Rohdenburg
Better Buildings for the Aged/J. Weiss
Hospital Design & Function/E. Wheeler
Hospital Expansion & Modernization/E. Wheeler
Man-Made Philadelphia/Wurman
The Architecture Machine/Negroponte
Forty Years of Landscape Architecture/Olmsted
Beyond Habitat/Safdie
The Classical Language of Architecture/Summerson
Ludwig Mies van der Rohe/Glaeser
The New Architecture and The Bauhaus/Gropius
Cities/Halprin
Designing for Industry: Albert Kahn/Kildebrand
Architecture of H.H. Richardson/Hitchcock
Site Planning/Lynch
Planning for Play/Allen
The Responsive House/Allen
Space Grid Structures/Borrego
City Signs and Lights/Carr

To order copies of these publications, call Renee at the MSA office, (313) 965-4100.

ARCHITECTS' BOOKSTORE

The MSA Architects' Bookstore has expanded its shelves to make room for:

Eric Mendelsohn/Wolf von Eckardt
Pier Luigi Nervi/Ada Louise Huxtable
Richard Neutra/Esther McCoy
Oscar Niemeyer/Stamatis Papadakis
Louis Sullivan/Albert Bush-Brown
Ludwig Mies van der Rohe/Arthur Drexler
Frank Lloyd Wright/Vincent Scully, Jr.
New Directions in American Architecture/Robert A. M. Stern
Le Corbusier: The Machine & The Grand Design/Norma Evanson
New Towns/Ervin Y. Galantay
Frederick Law Olmsted & the American Environmental Tradition/Albert Fein
Architecture of Choice/Walter C. Kidney
Etienne-Louis Boulees/Jean-Marie Perouse de Montclos
Conscience of the City/Marin Meyerson
Future Metropolis/Lloyd Rodwin
Gothic vs. Classic
Modern Architecture/Vincent Scully
RSVP Cycles/Lawrence Halprin
Shingle Style Today/Vincent Scully
From Tipi To Skyscraper/Doris Cole
Playing Urban Games/Martin Kuenzlen
Eero Saarinen/Alan Temko
Alvar Aalto/Frederick Gutheim
Antonio Gaudi/George Collins
Walter Gropius/James Marston Fitch
Functional Planning of General Hospitals/American Assoc. of Hospital Consultants
Apartments, Townhouses & Condominiums/Architectural Record
Campus Planning & Design/Architectural Record

SOLAR ENERGY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Fourth cycle of the Residential Solar Demonstration Program has been announced by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and several key changes have been made in the integrated projects' submission criteria to be published next month. As with previous cycles, applicants will have about eight weeks to submit applications, which will be due in mid-January. Awards of about \$8 million total probably will be announced in mid-March.

Solar grants will: (1) be made only for systems in compliance with HUD Minimum Property Standards Supplement; Solar Heating and Domestic Hot Water Systems (SEIR, Sept. 26, 1977, p. 218); (2) be made only for residential units representative of the major portion of the market; (3) be limited to \$250,000 for any individual project; (4) be evaluated according to their achievement of significant reductions in cost per million Btu used in first year of system operation over the \$300/million-Btu level used as cutoff in Cycle Three; (5) be limited in private rental housing applications to 60% of the solar package cost in projects not individually metered; (6) be made to public housing projects only if they have been presold so that participants shall have been pre-identified and a firm fixed price shall have been established; (7) be made for single-family retrofit projects only if these are part of a larger redevelopment or rehabilitation plan; and (8) continue to pay the difference in cost between a residential unit with solar and an equivalent unit with a conventional system.

MISCELLANEOUS (Cont.)

Grants will not: (a) be made for single-family domestic hot water systems; (b) be encouraged from previous cycle grantees; (c) be made to individuals for their private homes; (d) be made to builders or developers of for-sale projects that have been pre-sold; or (d) permit changes unless requested by HUD.

For information, contact: HUD Solar, Room 8158, HUD, Washington, D.C. 20410.

FIRMS HAVE MOVED

Gretchen Minnhaar, AIA, Architect - Planner has moved to 700 Trust Building, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. The phone number is (616) 774-8527.

The new address for Robert Grau, Architectural Models was listed incorrectly in the previous issue of the Newsletter. The correct address is Lake Isabella, Route 2A, Wiedman, MI 48893. The number is (517) 644-3420.

Frank Martin, AIA has moved his office to 17348 West Twelve Mile Road, Suite 102, Southfield, MI 48076 (313) 557-1062.

HEALTH ARCHITECTURE

The AIA National Committee on Architecture for Health is trying to initiate two-way communication with all AIA members involved with or interested in the programming, planning and design of health facilities.

Any Michigan AIA member wishing to receive the AIA/CAH Newsletter, special reports and publications, and the CAH meeting minutes is urged to please forward his or her name and mailing address to K.M. Mitchell, AIA, 455 West Fort Street, Detroit, MI 48226, or telephone Ms. Sally Wright at (313) 964-3000, ext. 574, before December 20, 1977.

OBITUARIES

It is with the deepest regret that we announce the November 3, 1977 death of Carl C.F. Kressbach, AIA, founder of the firm Kressbach & Dabbert, Architects, Inc. of Jackson, MI.

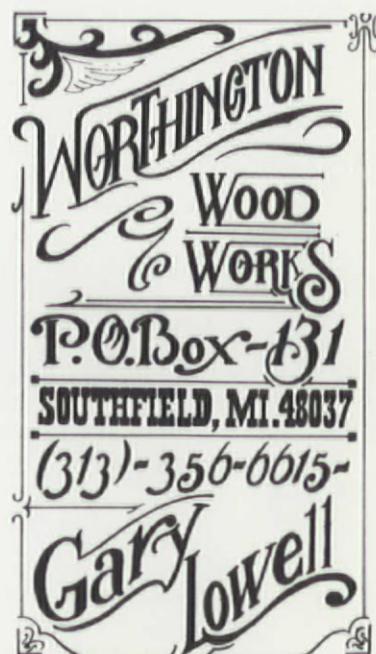
While maintaining an office continuously since 1935, Mr. Kressbach was deeply involved in national, state and local AIA functions. In addition, he served for many years as member and chairman of the joint AIA/AGC Committee.

His main practice consisted of educational buildings and he assisted in authoring the 1950 edition of the State Department of Public Instruction booklet "Planning Together For Better School Buildings".

Mr. Kressbach was in good health and enjoying his retirement prior to his sudden and untimely death.

GRAPEVINE

Jan Popiel, graduate and masters degree candidate at University of Detroit School of Architecture is among five area students selected for a new City of Southfield Fellowship Program...Thomas Sedgewick, FAIA is now both a member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of the Planning Committee of the Flint Downtown Development Authority and has been appointed a member of the Board of Directors of the Flint/Genesee Economic Development Corporation of which he is Vice Chairman...This year LIT has 110 women in its School of Architecture (the largest undergraduate architectural school in the country) and 56 women in its School of Engineering, (in disciplines offered, one of the ten largest engineering schools in the United States)...Prof. Willard A. Oberdick of the U of M College of Architecture and Urban Planning has been appointed to the College's new Emil Lorch Professorship...Gino Rossetti, FAIA, announced the appointment of five new associates in the firm. Brian Baldwin, AIA, is Project Administrator for Oakwood Hospital which is now under construction; Lawrence Baranski, CPA, is the firm's Controller and Financial Manager; James Cardoza, AIA, is Design Leader for the Henry Ford Hospital West Clinics Addition; Robert Mautz is Head of the Medical Programming Teams and Albert Wu, AIA, is Design Leader for Pontiac General Hospital...Elmer J. Manson, AIA, has announced his retirement from the firm of Manson-Jackson & Kane, Inc., Lansing, but has opened a new firm called Elmer Manson, Architect in downtown Lansing...Carl D. Johnson, of the environmental planning firm of Johnson, Johnson & Roy, of Ann Arbor was honored at the White House for his firm's landscaping design of the K mart International Headquarters complex in Troy and for a downtown pedestrian mall in Louisville, Kentucky...Robert J. Pesta, P.E. has been appointed to the position of Vice President and Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering of Hoyem-Basso Associates, Inc., Consulting Engineers.



CLASSIFIED

SHASHI M. VARIA desires a position that can offer a broad exposure and responsibilities in the areas of Architecture and Construction. M.S. in Architecture, 1977, Pratt Institute in Brooklyn. Contact Mr. Varia at J-4, 180 Franklin Corner Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648 or call (609) 896-1170.

HEALTH FACILITIES PLANNER: A diversified architectural firm with an emphasis on design of health care facilities is seeking a qualified architect/planner. The organization serves clients on a national and international level, with projects for corporations, institutions and government. Applicants should have a minimum of five years experience in this area and be qualified to assume full responsibility for projects. Please respond with resume and

letter introduction to Rossetti Associates/Architects Planners, 601 Washington Blvd., Detroit, MI 48226.

PROFESSOR OF ARCHITECTURE position open at Iowa State University. Position requires teaching advanced Architecture students in the studio and teaching and conducting research in one of the following areas: Urban, Social and Environmental Studies; History Theory and Criticism; Building Sciences. Candidates must have M. Architecture degree or equivalent, with significant experience in teaching, practice and/or research.

Application and detailed resume must be submitted to Sanford R. Greenfield, FAIA, Professor and Chairman, Department of Architecture, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa 50011 before January 15, 1978.

REGISTERED CIVIL and structural engineer available for consultation. Contact A. S. Simman, 6018 St. James, West Bloomfield MI 48033.



WHY I BELONG

Occasionally someone asks me why I belong to the American Institute of Architects

I tell them I belong because I do not know all that I should know about the profession of architecture.

I belong because I want to keep up with the fast-moving developments in our profession.

I belong because I want to attend meetings where I can learn and exchange ideas with others.

I tell them I belong because I want to learn how to better merchandise the services I have to offer.

I belong because the public regards a member of the American Institute of Architects as an established and progressive professional.⁴

I belong because the Institute is on the firing line every day on a twenty-four hour basis, watching over the interests of the architectural profession.

I believe, as Theodore Roosevelt said, "Every man owes a part of his time and money to the profession or business in which he is engaged. No man has a moral right to withhold his support from an organization that is striving to improve conditions within his sphere."

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The Kansas Society of Architects, AIA

CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- 2 Detroit Chapter Honor Awards Banquet at the Pontchartrain Hotel. Call the Detroit Chapter office at (313) 965-4100 for details.

Engineering Society of Detroit one day seminar of Product Liability. For information, call the ESD at 832-5400.

- 5-9 MRMCA-PCA Personnel Certification Course. For details call the MRMCA at (517) 372-8932.

- 7 Flint Chapter Executive Meeting at THY & Assoc., 3:45 p.m.

- 9 U of D Student Chapter Architects' Party - Beer, Food, Band - Open to University, \$2 admission.

ESD dinner program on "The Concord SST". Call for reservations at (313) 832-5400.

- 13 Western Michigan Chapter: 1978, What Kind of Year Will It Be? - Economic Projection of Architectural Business Installation of officers.

Producers' Council Executive and Operations Planning Meeting

- 14 Detroit Chapter Board Meeting

Flint Chapter Meeting at 11:50 a.m. University Club

- 17 ESD Children's Holiday Party - for reservations call (313) 832-5400.

JANUARY

- 4 WALD Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m. Call Jan Mayotte at 649-6666

- 12-14 Grassroots National AIA - Washington D. C. / Chapter Presidents

- 17 WALD - Turner Watercolors, Art Institute Marie Noth, Chairwoman.

- 28 Masonry Institute Awards Banquet

FEBRUARY

- 11 WALD - Gourmet Couples Night, Mitzi Phillips' Home - Charlotte Van Neck, Chairwoman.

- 14 IES "Essential Roadway Lighting Calculations & Their Interpretations"

- 21 WALD - Moross and Beuablen Houses Martha Ellis and Margaret Scheuffler, Chairwomen.

MARCH

- 14 IES "Economics of School Lighting" Dinner at Northland Inn.

- 21 WALD - Downtown Churchs Tour

APRIL

- 11 IES "Office Landscape & Task Lighting" Afternoon and dinner at Northland Inn

- 18 WALD - Mt. Clemens Rose Garden, Betty Caringi, Chairwoman.

- 28 WALD - Toronto Weekend, Carol Titran, WAL Chairwoman, 1977-78.

MAY

- 10 IES 1978 Regional Conference in Columbus, Ohio

- 16 WALD - Spring Luncheon

- 26-30 Fourth International Congress on Religion, the Arts, Architecture and the Environment - San Antonio, Texas. For information and reservations write The Religious Communities for the Arts, 287 Park Avenue South, New York, N.Y. 10010.

JUNE

- 15 - July 31 WALD - Chinese Paintings, Art Institute, Marie Noth, Chairwoman.

AUGUST

- 3,4,5 MSA Mid-Summer Conference on Mackinac Island, the Grand Hotel

OCTOBER

- 18-20 MSA 63rd Annual Convention - Kalamazoo

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