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IT'S TIME TO SELECT
YOUR BEST MASONRY PROJECTS
FOR 'M AWARDS' PROGRAM

That's right...it's 'M Awards' time again!

The entry box is now open for the fifth annual Honor Awards Program for Excellence in Masonry Design. As you know, this program is sponsored by the Masonry Institute of Michigan in cooperation with the Michigan Society of Architects, and is open to MSA members only.

Building projects completed by May 1, 1976, are eligible. They will be judged (by a jury of outstanding architects from another state) on the basis of excellence in design as well as appropriate and innovative use of unit masonry construction.

Initial deadline for receipt of entry slips and registration fees (\$30 per project) is August 13. Completed entries must be received by October 22. Judging will be in November, and winners will be honored at a banquet in January of next year.

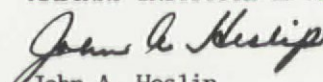
Complete rules and an entry form are now in the mail to all MSA members. All that remains is for you to select and enter your best work in masonry.

DESIGNING MASONRY AND METAL STUDS?
WAIT -- REVIEW NEW RECOMMENDATIONS!

We in the masonry industry are concerned about the way some buildings are being designed with masonry and metal studs. What concerns us most is the prospect of building failure due to differential movement. Back in May, we sponsored two seminars to acquaint designers with new industry recommendations on this type of design. If you missed those meetings, we can provide you with the literature that was presented. We can urge you to read a thorough review of the subject in the June issue of our newsletter, *The Story Pole*. Better still, give us a call and let us review the new recommendations as they apply to a particular project in your office. We think you'll regard it as a worthwhile investment -- in time and peace of mind.

Cordially,

MASONRY INSTITUTE OF MICHIGAN, INC.


John A. Heslip
Executive Director

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MSA . . . NEWS BEAT

REPORT ON: "CELEBRATION OF ARCHITECTURE" AT THE GREAT AIA CONVENTION IN KANSAS CITY

by Art and Lois Nelson

The Celebration began underground at the always terrific Dodge/Sweets Party - this time in a vast limestone cave with flaming torches, lots of jazz from all ages - including Bach to Rock, and fine food and refreshments. The sessions began with a Preservation Breakfast at the Convention Center Little Theater. The first business session followed with a call to order by President "Mitch" Mitchell, FAIA. The Exhibit of New Products and Technology opened with beautiful exhibits, jazz, and the daily delicious lunch. After awhile every architect thinks he has seen it all, but the producers always have some new, helpful and exciting things to see.

The Continuing Education session, "Architectural Principles in the Age of Uncertainty," was very good. It was presented by 15 members of the AIA Firm Award Winner - Geddes, Brecher, Quells, Cunningham/Architects of Philadelphia. The Associate Member Breakfast recognized two distinct types of Associate Members: the Intern going for registration - and the career draftsman. It was acknowledged that the present National AIA definition of an Associate is too restrictive and must be worked on to avoid cutting out "architecture" people who work with other disciplines. The Solar Designing Seminar was well done covering both passive and active systems. This was one of eight seminars presented each day of the Convention.

California wanted the AIA to "develop a policy on nuclear energy." In a 3 to 2 vote, AIA stuck their heads in the sand once again and defeated it. They passed a "mousy" resolution that AIA "work to help coordinate an industry-wide effort to bring about changes in governmental and public attitudes." Displaying unusual courage - the Convention passed a resolution supporting the Anderson-Udall Bill HR-39 to preserve our national public lands now existing in Alaska from private exploitation. Our AIA delegation from Alaska opposed this.

Before a packed house, President Mitchell presented the AIA Gold Medal to I.M. Pei, FAIA. Pei is a dedicated architect who believes we must endow our architecture with an ennobling quality if we are to be great. Then there was the interesting seminar with Julius Schulman on "Architectural Photography". Schulman is a very talented man who enjoys his work, doesn't like to be burdened with a lot of equipment, and takes great pictures.

We liked this convention and wished all of you could have joined genial MSA President Gene Terrill and Jeanie and the great Michigan delegation as we represented you at the 111th AIA Convention in Kansas City.

NAME NEW WESTERN MICHIGAN IDP CHAIRMAN

New IDP Western Michigan Chapter Chairman is James R. Drebelbis, 901 Southern, Kalamazoo, MI 49001, 616/381-4388.

WE GET LETTERS

There are many persons in MSA who are anxious to read what you have to say. What ARE your opinions? Right here - in this spot - your Letter to the Editor can be published. Mail your letter with your opinions and comments to: Don Topolsky, Editor, MSA, 553 E. Jefferson, Detroit, Michigan 48226 by July 10 for publication in the August BULLETIN.

YOUR NEWS COUNTS IF IT'S IN THE BULLETIN

Those readers who wish to contribute newsworthy items for the August issue of the MSA BULLETIN should forward them to Don Topolsky, Editor, Beaubien House, 553 East Jefferson, Detroit, Michigan 48226, or call 313/965-4100. August deadline for copy is July 10.

LICENSING/REGULATION HAS NEW NEWSLETTER

The Department of Licensing and Regulation, Office of Consumer Information, has begun publishing a quarterly newsletter which is free of charge and available to anyone on request. The publication is designed to communicate news of changes in the licensing field, changes in board operations and personnel, disciplinary actions taken by the licensing boards, and upcoming meeting announcements. To obtain a copy write the Department, P.O. Box 30018, Lansing, MI 48909 or call 517/373-1866.

NCARB REVISES "IDP" FEE SCHEDULE

Samuel T. Balen, NCARB Director of Professional Development, has announced the following revised fee schedule for the Intern-Architect Development Program: For application forms, instructions, etc. - \$10; for compilation of the NCARB/IDP Record (to be paid upon submission of the application forms to NCARB) - \$20; annual maintenance fee - \$20; upon completion of IDP criteria and transmittal of the NCARB/IDP Record to a Member Board for admission of examination - \$45; NCARB Certification upon registration by a Member Board - \$45; for annual renewal of the NCARB Certification - \$20. For additional information about IDP in Michigan contact MSA IDP Chairman Art Nelson, 517/753-3400.

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MSA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

New MSA members from the Detroit Chapter are: Felix C. Clark (Associate), Theodore D. Dziurman (Professional Affiliate), Pamela Y. DuBols (Associate), Angelo A. Tolcolaccl (Associate), Keith D. Japowicz (Associate), Robert Charles Wakely, Jr. (AIA), Randall Hebestreit (AIA), Thomas Vincent Kowalski (AIA), Kenneth Divito (AIA), Larry John Bongort (AIA), Vitas Bagdonas (AIA), and Dominic Abbate (AIA). From Grand Valley Chapter: George T. Ganger (AIA), Charles N. Dickerson (Associate), Denis G. Monclon (Associate), and Charles E. Jylha (AIA). From Huron Valley Chapter: Kent L. Hubbell (AIA), David J. Wiarda (AIA), and Kenneth A. Tyburski (Associate). From Saginaw Valley Chapter: Timothy R. Evans (AIA), and Dennis R. Polak (AIA).

WESTERN MICHIGAN REQUESTS BENTON HARBOR R/UDAT; OBJECTIVE IS REVITALIZATION OF DOWNTOWN AREA

A major step in the process of securing a visit by a Regional/Urban Design Assistance Team was taken by the Western Michigan Chapter recently with the filing of a formal request for a fall visit to Benton Harbor. The visit will probably occur in October. The area to be studied encompasses mainly the downtown district and surrounding area.

According to R/UDAT Chairman Jerome Klingele, AIA R/UDAT Committee members met with community leaders, planning officials, the Chapter and others who are helping to organize the visit. The purpose of this meeting was to become more familiar with the issues involved and determine the kinds of expertise needed on the R/UDAT team.

"During the past several years," Klingele explained, "Benton Harbor has been losing its businesses and the downtown district is in dire need of revitalization. The housing situation is also in need of review - since approximately ten per cent of the housing is in poor shape and there exists many abandoned neighborhoods."

The R/UDAT team will look at these problems. Team members are appointed by the national AIA Urban Planning and Design Committee and possess expertise in urban and regional planning and design. If approved, the team will spend five days in Benton Harbor gathering details for a "Plan for Planning" report that will be turned over to city officials. The report fixes a starting point for a planning effort by the community and includes long-range and short-term recommendations.

Chapter R/UDAT Committee members include: Evie Asken, Jim Bentley, Earl Frazier, Mike Marshburn and Stanley Bell.

ALEX POLLOCK SPEAKS TO DETROIT ARCHITECTS

Alex Pollock was the featured speaker at the Detroit Chapter May meeting held in Greek-town's New Hellas Restaurant. Approximately 55 members and spouses turned out to hear the Principal City Planner for Detroit's Community and Economic Development Department and to sample the great Greek food at New Hellas.

Among the topics covered in his presentation - Pollock discussed various projects the city is working on with local architects including the Washington Boulevard Mall, Capitol Park, the People Mover Project, and the Riverfront Development Plan. Pollock pointed with pride to the city's Neighborhood Revitalization Program where eleven neighborhoods are undergoing extensive improvements.

Pollock explained that a good part of the Department's efforts involve showing merchants how they can improve buildings. "We try to show them the do's and don't of good urban design," he said.



MICHIGAN WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE RESPOND

Evie Asken, Michigan member of the National AIA Task Force for Women in Architecture, has been seeking to determine how many women architects there are in the state - and who they are. The following architects responded to a request for this information published in the May BULLETIN:

Kathleen Bergun, Margit Beutel, Lynne Byrne, Genevieve Hafner, Lorraine King, Thelma Lesslen, Margaret E. Matta, Gretchen Minnhaer, Mary-Margaret Munski, Virginia Pinnell, Elizabeth Porter, Janice Stiles and Marlon Yuhn.

"We will be planning a meeting with this group sometime in August," stated Asken, "it will be an excellent opportunity to explain the objectives of the AIA Task Force and to get to know the people in the profession."

Women architects who have not yet responded are being asked to fill out the accompanying form and mail it to Women in Architecture, 553 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48226.

MICHIGAN WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE

NAME _____
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CITY/ZIP _____ PHONE _____
REGISTERED _____ STATE _____
FIRM _____

"PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE/SMALL OFFICES" SEEKS VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON COMMITTEE

Chairman Thomas H. Schmidt extends thanks to those members who volunteered to serve on the MSA Small Office Practice Committee earlier this year. Interested members are still being asked to fill out the accompanying form and mail to Thomas H. Schmidt, 2135 Brenner St., Saginaw, MI 48602 - or phone 517/792-6671.

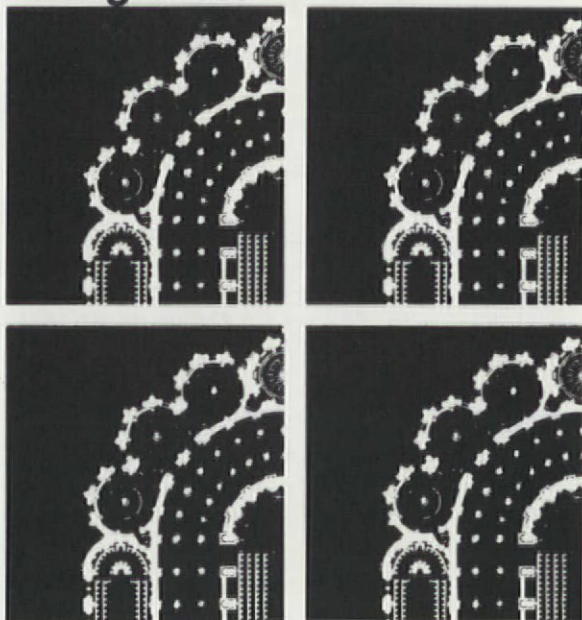
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A Celebration of Architecture Michigan 1979



CELEBRATION UPDATE:

DETROIT CHAPTER GETS SET FOR "CELEBRATION 79"

During July Detroit Chapter and MSA members will receive direct mailings and invitations to the Detroit Chapter "Celebration 79" activities, including the Beaux Arts Ball. The Celebration 79 activities will start on Sunday, September 9, with a kick-off event. Architects Office Open Houses are tentatively planned for several locations throughout the Detroit Chapter area.

Tuesday, September 11, Lawrence Institute of Technology will open their Noon Lecture to the public in Celebration of Architecture; the speaker will be Aleksis Lahti. The LIT September 13 Thursday Evening Lecture by Herman Spiegel on Gaudi will also be open to the public.

Saturday, September 15, a major event open to the public is the "Beaux Arts Ball" to be held in the McKim, Mead, White-designed Manufacturers Bank Building on Fort Street at Shelby. Theme for the Ball is "Creativity - therefore, there are no restrictions or limitations placed upon your costume - except it cannot be ordinary. Black tie may be substituted for a creative costume.

Sunday, September 16, the Architects Sunday Tour will help Celebrate Architecture. Plans are being finalized to tour the IBM Building in Southfield. The following Sunday, September 23, the Second Annual Architects House Tour will be staged in Grosse Pointe as the final event of the Detroit Chapter Celebration 79 activities.

Throughout September - the Detroit Chapter Honor Awards from previous years will be displayed in prominent Detroit locations. These will be changed each week. Also, the newly updated Detroit "Tour Book" will be available for the first time during the Celebration period.

Other events are also being planned. Your thoughts on how to make the public more aware of architecture are invited. Contact Bob Greager, Chairman/Celebration 79 Committee, c/o Rossen/Neumann Associates, 19675 West Ten Mile, Southfield, MI 48075, 352-2520.

CALENDAR: DETROIT CHAPTER "CELEBRATION 79"

SEPTEMBER

9-15	Architect's Week In Detroit
9-23	Detroit Chapter "Celebration 79"
9	"Celebration 79" Kick-Off Event
11	Noon Lecture/LIT
13	Evening Lecture/LIT
15	Beaux Arts Ball - Fort Street Manufacturers National Bank Building.
16	Architects Sunday Tour
20	Third Thursday - Open House at Beaubien House.
23	Second Annual House Tour/Grosse Pointe.

DETROIT ARCHITECTURAL GOLF LEAGUE SCHEDULE

If you would like to join the Detroit Architectural Golf League there are several membership plans available. Call Ernie Hickson for information - 237-9225.

1979 SCHEDULE: July 17 - Grosse Ile, August 28 - Great Oaks, September 17 - Bay Pointe, and October 2 - Pine Lake.

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12TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

WHEN: TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1979

WHERE: BEAUTIFUL ROCHESTER GOLF CLUB

TEE OFF TIMES UNTIL 1 P.M.

DAY INCLUDES: 18 HOLES OF CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF,
1/2 ELECTRIC CART, LOCKER ROOM, SHOWERS
AND DINNER. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Neil Casaceli, 843-7200
Alan Herskovitz, 342-3403
Kurt Weber, 398-1715
Buz Thorpe, 893-8272

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW