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MEMBERS REPRESENT MSA IN CINCINNATI

As of press time for this issue, about 45 MSA members plan to represent their chapter at the National AIA Convention/Exhibition in Cincinnati. Attending from the Detroit Chapter so far are Bill Jarratt, FAIA, Charles Parise, FAIA, Gene DiLaura, FAIA, Sam Popkin, FAIA, Harry Vaporciyan, FAIA, Carl Pirscher, AIA, Virginia Pinnell, AIA, Dennis King, AIA, Harold Radin, AIA, Hideo Fujii, AIA, Jay Pettitt, FAIA, Barry Merenoff, AIA, Daniel Treacy, AIA, and AI Prevost, AIA.

From the Flint Chapter, Jeff Bennett, AIA, Dennis Haugen, Peter Danner, AIA, Dale Onger, AIA, Jerry Harburn, AIA, Jerry Yurk, AIA, and Jim Tomblinson, FAIA.

From the Huron Valley Chapter, Dick Reinholt, AIA, John Wacksmuth, AIA, Bob Metcalf, FAIA, and Dave Milling, AIA.

Mid-Michigan representatives include D. S. Wilson, AIA, Elizabeth Porter, AIA, Elmer Manson, AIA, Clarence Rosa, FAIA, and Paul Barbour, AIA.

Attendees from the Western Michigan Chapter include Evie Asken, AIA, Mike Marshburn, AIA, Dave Pyle, AIA, Mike Dunn, AIA, and Nelson Nave, AIA.

Saginaw Valley is sending to date Art Nelson, AIA, Jack Hallett, AIA, Red Warner, AIA, and Peter Frantz, AIA. Representing the Northern Michigan Chapter is George Moutsatson, AIA.

State component representatives include MSA President John Jickling, FAIA, and Executic Director Ann Stacy, Hon. State Preservation Officer Charles McCafferty, AIA, will be on the panel of exeprts in Seminar 206 on historic preservation. The MSA Celebration Exhibit, "The 50 Most Significant Structures in Michigan" will also be on display. Next month's issue of the Monthly Bulletin will carry a complete report on convention activities.

DODGE INDEX DECLINE CONTINUES; COSTS UP

Matching February's decline, the Dodge Index of construction contract value fell another 10 percent in March, the Dodge Division of McGraw-Hill Information Systems reported, while the Cost Information Systems Division reported an 8.7 percent increase in the cost of materials over a 12-month period which ended in March.

At the end of the first quarter of 1980, the cumulative value of all construction started in 1980 was \$32.6 billion, a decline of 20 percent from the comparable 1979 period.

Dodge vice president and chief economist, George Christie noted that the construction market's reaction to anti-inflationary restraint no longer is limited to housing, "As housing starts plunged toward the one million unit rate in March, minus signs began spreading to several types of nonresidential building and public works," he reported. The housing decline has

The housing decline has pushed some material prices down, such as lumber, but this has been offset by increases in other building materials, especially those which are petrolum-based, according to Hugh Sharp, general manager of the Cost Information Systems Division. "At present, the cost of building materials is climbing at an annual rate of 9 percent," he said.

The full cost report titled, "Dodge Building Cost Indexes for U.S. and Canadian Cities" may be purchased for \$10.00 from the Cost Information Systems Division, Department 1759, McGraw-Hill Information Systems Co., 1221 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10020.

DETROIT RECEIVING HOSPITAL RECEIVES AIA HONOR AWARD

The Detroit Receiving Hospital/Wayne State University Clinics Building is among the 13 AIA Honor Awards recipients for 1980. The awarding takes place at the AIA Convention in Cincinnati this month.

The \$125 million complex is the product of the joint venture of William Kessler and Associates, Giffels Associates and the Zeidler Partnership.

The jury for the award commented, "This is a very exciting solution to what is often a dull, massive building type. Color, sheen and lightness are used both inside and out to create many pleasant areas along the circulation of this dense, complicated facility. The materials used and the articulation of the simple, repetitive towers give the appearance of light and open space instead of the massive structure on a tight site indicated by the plan and program."

Included in the award is the underground concourse that links the system of buildings, which received a Detroit Chapter Honor Award last year. June, 1980 Volume 9 • Issue 6

MSA HEAQUARTERS PART OF NATIONAL PRESERVATION WEEK

As part of the festivities during National Preservation Week May 11-17, 21 downtown Detroit buildings were chosen to fly banners provided by the National Trust and the Department of Energy showing the amount of energy in terms of gallons of gasoline that would be spent in demolishing the building and constructing a new one.

MSA headquarters, the Beaubien House, was chosen along with the Book Building, Buhl Building, Detroit Artists Market, Detroit Cornice and Slate Building, Detroit Urban League, Dumouchelle Building, Farwell Building, Guardian Building, Griswold Building, Law Center Building, Moross House, Orchestra Hall, Palms Apartments, People's State Bank, St. Johns Episcopal Church, Second Baptist Church, Stearns Building, Tobin Building, Tuller Hotel and the Wayne County Courthouse.

The Beaubien House was also the scene of a lecture and slide presentation by architectural historian, Tom Holleman, titled "Built Like A Brick ----House" on May 12. The presentation was sponsored by the Association for Preservation Technology.

Detroit Chapter Director, Charlie Merz, AIA, hosted a walking tour of Harmonie Park on May 14 and as an extra, took his group for a conversation with Jack Hilberry, AIA.

All Preservation Week activities in Detroit were coordinated by the groups Cityscape Detroit and Preservation Wayne.



IT'S TIME TO SELECT YOUR ENTRIES FOR 1980 MASONRY AWARDS PROGRAM

It's "M Awards" time again!

For the sixth consecutive year, the Masonry Institute of Michigan, in cooperation with the Michigan Society of Architects, will honor MSA members for work of distinction in masonry.

To be eligible for entry, a building project must be located in Michigan and must have been completed after May 1, 1977. It must use masonry as the primary exterior material (or you must show that masonry was important in the solution of the design problem). All entries will be judged ...by a distinguished panel of architects from another state...on the basis of excellence in design as well as the appropriate and innovative use of unit masonry construction.

Deadlines are <u>August 11</u> for entry slips and registration fees (\$30 per project) and <u>October 20</u> for completed entries. Complete details and an entry form are contained in the awards announcement which is being sent to you by mail.

The cast-bronze "M Awards" will be presented at the annual Masonry Awards Banquet, which will be held January 24, 1981, at the Northfield Hilton Hotel in Troy. In the past five years, 22 building projects and their architects have earned these prestigious awards.

The 1979 winners were:

- -- Graheck, Bell, Kline & Brown, Inc., of Traverse City and Marquette, for the Branch County Library addition and renovation in Coldwater.
- -- Harley Ellington Pierce Yee Associates, of Southfield, for the central heating and cooling plant on the University of Michigan campus in Flint.
- -- Preservation/Urban Design/Inc., of Ann Arbor, for the restoration of the masonry water tower at Kalamazoo State Hospital.
- -- Rossen/Neumann Associates, of Southfield, for the Young Israel synagogue in Southfield. For Rossen/Neumann, it was the third straight "M Award" year.

We congratulate the 1979 winners, and hope we can welcome you in the winner's circle this year. But you can't win unless you enter.

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John A. Heslip Executive Director



ATTENTION! HOT DATES FOR JUNE

June really is bursting out all over where the MSA is concerned. The first four days this month belong to the Cincinnati Chapter where the AIA National Convention / Exhibition is happening. Watch next month's Bulletin for a complete report.

Sunday, June 8 kicks off the Architects' Sunday program for the Detroit Chapter, AIA. The subject of this month's tour will be the award-winning Detroit Receiving Hospital/Wayne State University Clinics Building. This is an opportunity to visit the complex before occupation which happens the following week. The tours will place between 2 and 5 and, as always, there is no-admission charge.

The following Thursday, June 12 marks the New Registrants Reception at the Cranbrook Academy of Art, 500 Lone Pine Road in Birmingham. Presentation ceremonies will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. with registration certificates presented by Harold Varner, AIA, of the Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors. Weather permitting, the champagne reception will immediately follow in the gardens, hosted by the Women's Architectural League. As of press time, new registrants have been contacted and an early response is requested.

June 19 is the date for a special Third Thursday event at headquarters, the historic Beaubien House. The occasion will be an Autograph Party for Louis Redstone, FAIA, on the publication of a new Architectural Record book, Institutional Buildings. If you haven't yet had the opportunity, this is vour chance to meet the combination of architect, artist and author whose other works, to name a few, include Art in Architecture and The New Downtowns.

Extra! Don't Miss This One! The Detroit Chapter, AIA, along with Detroit Edison, has arranged a one time only, last of its kind opportunity to tour the Fermi II Nuclear Plant in Monroe before nuclear fuel is brought on site and any tours of this kind will be impossible. The date is June 26 and the price is \$15.00 per person. The tour is limited to an absolute maximum of 60 people. The price includes transportation from the Detroit Edison Building to the plant, the tour itself, dinner at the Monroe Golf and Country Club and return. The timetable is as follows: 4:30 p.m. - Meet in the lobby of the Detroit Edison Building, 2000 2nd Avenue, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. - Fermi II Tour. 9:00 -Dinner at the Monroe Golf

and Country Club. 11:00 p.m. — Return to Edison Building.

Once again, the tour is limited to the first 60 respondents. The deadline for your response and payment is Friday, June 20. Direct your response to Fermi II Tour, Detroit Chapter, AIA, 553 E. Jefferson, Detroit, Michigan 48226 and be sure to include your address and phone number.

NOTICES

To All Chapters from Paul Bowers, AIA, Regional Director: The election to the office of Regional Director to the AIA representing the Michigan Region will be held at the MSA Mid-Summer Conference, August 7-9 at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. Chapters may nominate a member in good standing to serve in this office. Paul Bowers will be pleased to discuss the requirements for the office. He can be contacted at 616/363-9007.

To All Chapters from John lickling, FAIA, President: The present method of selecting architects for State of Michigan projects involves an Ad Hoc Evaluation Committee for each project, the primary purpose of which is to interview prospective architectural firms. Current policy is that one member of each Ad Hoc Selection Committee be an MSA member-a different member for each project. The member will be appointed by the MSA President from a list of those interested in serving and will be required to give about three or four days' time without compensation over a period of approximately a month. There is a further proviso: the appointee must understand that

his or her firm, subsidiary firm or parent firm is not eligible for new state professional service contracts during the period of appointment to a specific Ad Hoc Evaluation Committee. If you would be interested in serving on such a committee, please write to MSA or phone 313/965-4100 confirming your availability. MSA members in government, industry and education are obviously eligible, but any MSA member who is not actively pursuing new state work may serve. This is an opportunity to participate in an A/E selection process that is a model for the country.

From the AIA Memo, April 15 issue: With the approach of the 1981 International Year of the Handicapped, the AIA Committee on Architecture for the Arts and Recreation plans to highlight exemplary case studies of barrier-free design in arts and recreational facilities across the nation. If you know of any arts/recreational facilities that are well designed and accommodate the handicapped, send information to Arthur E. Nelson, AIA, 1241 N. Michigan Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan 48602, (517) 753-3401.

The Women's Architectural League announces their officers for the upcoming year. President: Florence Binder. Vice President: Aileen Pfaendtner. Recording Secretary: Pat Winebrenner. Corresponding Secretary: Marianne Albert. Treasurer: Pam Eland, Completing the Board of Directors are Historian: Pat Bentley; Parliamentarian: Aileen Pfaendtner; Advisor: Kathy Lesniak; Program: Marie Noth and Aileen Pfaendtner; Projects and Scholarship: Sandra Guthard;

DETROIT CHAPTER, AIA/DETROIT EDISON FERMI II TOUR

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Ways & Means: Myrna Liepens; Membership: Allene Galyon; Hospitality: Linda Tu-Galyon; Hospitality: Linda Tuomaala; Telephone: Mitzi Carter and Judy DiLaura; Public Relations: Betty Pesavento; Cookbooks: Marilyn Groth; Transportation: Pat Marino and Maxine Stempien; WAL Trip: Carol Titran.

Pam LaGrassa is the liaison for the new registrants' reception at Cranbrook on June 12. She can be contacted at 541-4815.

Earth Shelter Michigan is the name of a conference exploring earth sheltered housing design co-sponsored by the Michigan Energy Administration, the American Underground Space Association, Northwestern Michigan College and Paulson Builders. The dates for the conference are July 18 and 19 on the campus of Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City. Featured speakers include Malcolm Wells: Charles Lane and Brent Anderson from the University of Minnesota Underground Space Center and local professionals and suppliers. Preregistration fees are \$15 for the Friday evening session, \$55 for the Saturday session or \$65 for the entire package. After July 3, prices are \$20 for Friday, \$75 for Saturday or \$85 for both. Registration and further information may be obtained by contacting Earth Shelter Michigan, Continuing Education Department, Northwestern Michigan College, 1701 E. Front St., Traverse City, Michigan 49684, (616) 946-5650, ext. 532.

Effective June 1, the phone number at AIA Headquarters will be changed to 202/6267300. Subsequently, all office phones at National will change also, most by substituting the numbers 626 for the old 785.

The firm of Tower-Pinkster Associates, Inc. will now be known as Tower-Pinkster-Titus Associates, Inc. with hte appointment of John Titus, PE, as vice president/secretary of the firm. Bob Tower, AIA, also announces the appointments of Michael Dunn, AIA, and Roger Meintz, AIA, as associates of the firm.

Bocci Is A Ball! Those snazzy T-shirts that were the rage of Mackinac Island last year will be available on a first come — first served basis to Mid-Summer Conference bocci aspirants. The shirts may be pre-ordered at \$6.00 apiece. Watch for the order form included with the Mid-Summer Conference registration form in next month's Monthly Bulletin.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

HB 5685 revises provisions for local exemption from the construction code and the continued enforcement of the national model. The proposed bill, introduced by Representative Forbes (D-Oak Park), revises membership on the commission and increases the size of the commission from 10 to 16. The proposed legislation has been referred to the Committee on Urban Affairs.

Two new publications are available from AIA Component Affairs. The first, "Compendium: Architect Selection Laws," compiles A/E selection Jaws of the 18 states that currently have such statutes on their books. The booklet also includes a listing of the state administrative agencies responsibile for their implementation.

The second is "Compendium: State Statutes of Limitations," and it compiles the statutes in 41 states and the District of Columbia that have been enacted to help protect design professionals from unlimited liability on completed projects.

Both publications are free to members and are available from the MSA Bookstore.

The Construction Code Conflict Study Group is studying proposed amendments to HB 5685. The group is also studying discrepancies between the State Construction Code, the Health Code and the Fire Marshall Code. Any architect interested in contributing input to the Group should contact Bob Tower, AIA at 616/343-6133.

CLASSIFIED

POSITION WANTED — Designer/Project Architect position sought by professional with nine years professional experience. Contact Garret Kolman Krishan, 23429 Curie, Warren, Michigan 48091, (313) 754-1590.

MSA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

New AIA members include Walter F. Coponen, AIA, Lee J. Mamola, AIA, Russell C. Lewis, AIA, William J. Beitz, AIA, Mouwaffah N. Sitto, AIA, Warren K. Owen, AIA, Ronald Williams, AIA, Wayne Vert, AIA, and James L. Krupa, AIA, all from the Detroit Chapter.

Other AIA members include Herman L. Otto, AIA, and Darrell R. Herbruck, AIA, from Saginaw Valley; Jeff Grill, AIA and Michael Belt, AIA, from Grand Valley; Richard Evans, AIA, from Mid-Michigan and Paul R. Biggen, AIA, from the Upper Peninsula Chapter.

New associate members from across the state include Marina Haldeman, Guy Taylor and Steve Lomske from the Detroit Chapter; Park Smith and Keith F. Holt from the Flint Chapter; Roger Donaldson from Mid-Michigan and Robert J. O'Brien from the Western Michigan Chapter. Greg Kolodica is a new Western Michigan profession

WE'VE MOVED

David B. Reid, Architect, announces his relocation to expanded facilities at 2135 Brenner, Saginaw, Michigan 48602. Their telephone number remains unchanged, 517/ 793-6296.

OBITUARY

Emeritus member Jackson L. Bickford, AIA, died February 29 at his home in Clearwater, Florida. He was a Detroit Chapter member since 1967 when he transferred from the Boston Society of Architects.

GRAPEVINE

There is no description needed of the damage in the Kalamazoo area caused by last month's tornado. To assist the homeless, contributions may be sent to the American ed Cross, Kalamazoo Chapter 6

AUTOGRAPH PARTY

thursday · june 19, 1980 time : 4 : 30 - 7:30 pm.

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TO MARK THE PUBLICATION OF A NEW ARCHITECTURAL RECORD BOOK

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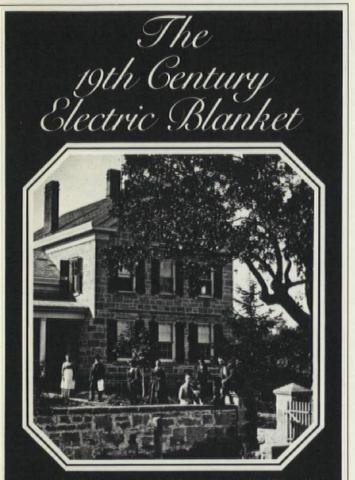
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- HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY

CHILD CARE CENTERS





hundred years ago, building a house with 12-inch thick stone walls wasn't energy conservation, just plain common sense. Along about sun-up, when temperatures dropped to five below, folks had little else to depend on save for a good warm guilt.

Unfortunately, such solid construction techniques have long since been abandoned. So too have the many fine structures which were built to withstand the elements.

Today, preservationists and business developers alike have come to appreciate the quality craftsmanship of the past. They're finding adaptive uses for abandoned homes, factories and warehouses-turning them into art centers, apartment complexes, shopping centers.

They're also finding that the durable construction of the past yields higher quality and less expensive space than could be obtained in a brand new building. And the skilled artisans of yesterday built structures with a unique character that simply isn't being created today.

Help promote new uses for yesterday's fine buildings. Join the National Trust. For membership information, write: National Trust for Historic Preservation, Department 0608, 740 Jackson Place, NW, Washington, DC 20006.



W. South Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49006, (616) 382-6382 . . . Philip J. Meathe, FAIA, has been appointed a Trustee of The Webber Foundation funded by the J. L. Hudson Co. . . . the NPSE is holding their annual convention in Detroit, July 20-26 at the Plaza Hotel. Interested members can contact Leonard Bell at (313) 843-7200 for additional information on program events . . . Anthony C. Gholz, Jr. and Kenneth J. Kemp have been appointed associates in the firm of Gunnar Birkerts and Associates ... an interview with John Meyer, AIA, was featured in the Bay City Times on the renovation of the historic Bay City Hall . . . Zack Gerganoff, AIA, has been elected to the Ypsilanti Savings Bank board of directors . . . Gordon Bugbee, AIA, received the Historian of the Year Award from the Marine Historical Society of Detroit ... the firm of Roger Margerum, Inc., Architects, will be the host firm for the annual meeting of the National Organization of Minority Arcitects in Detroit, September 25-29 . . . Tom Wheat, AIA, is currently instructing a class in the fundamentals of architecture for Oakland Community College's Enrichment Short Courses for K-12 and the Academically Gifted and Talented . . . Albert Kahn Associates received an Honorable Conceptor Award from the Consulting Engineers Council for the Romulus Engineering Complex . . . Charles Blessing, FAIA, recently lectured at Ohio State University on The Ten Most Beautiful Cities in the World. As of press time, he hasn't revealed to the editorial department which ones he picked . . . William Everhart, AIA, has

been appointed Chief Designer for the Architectural Department at Hoyem-Basso Associates . . . MSA presidentelect, Evie Asken, AIA, has been appointed president or the Portage Chamber of Commerce . . . Harold Varner, AIA has been elected chairman or the board of the Inner City **Business Improvement Forum** for the city of Detroit . . . Albert Kahn Associates has appointed Sam Popkin, FAIA Stewart C. Kissinger, AIA, and Mark Sebald as Senior Associates of the firm. John LaPorte AIA, was one of the eight employees named as Associates of the firm . . . TMP Associates recently participated in a Career Day sponsored by the American Association of University Women in Birmipsham . . . the AIA reporter f Detroit Chapter Chowder and

Marching Society noted member requesting Italian songs from the strolling violinist in a local German restaurant. Sorrento and Sauerbrauten! . . . A hearty cheer for the fine quality of Spec-Data eminating from the Saginaw Valley Chapter, CSI, in the centerfold of their May issue and currently adorning this editor's office . . . and, in what is becoming a tradition in this spot of the column, best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Stuar Pettitt on the birth of their daughter, Lindsey, April 19.



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CALENDAR

JUNE

- 1-4 AIA National Convention/Exhibition, Cincinnati.
- 3 Detroit Chapter, CSI, Annual International Meeting, Holiday Inn, Windsor. Contact 313/ 626-1117 for further information.
- 4 Michigan Board of Registration for Architects, regular session, Lansing.
- 7 Bronson Juried Art Fair — Visit the Western Michigan Chapter Exhibit.
- 8 Detroit Chapter, AIA, Architects Sunday, Detroit Receiving Hospital, Wayne State University Clinics Building tour, 2-5 p.m. Free.
- 9 Entry slip and fee deadline, Detroit Chapter Honor Awards program.
- 10 Western Michigan Chapter Beer & Pizza party, Kingscott office.
- 12 Masonry Institute of Michigan annual scholarship golf outing, Dunham Hills, Milford.
- 12 MSA New Registrants Reception, Cranbrook Academy of Art.

12 Michigan Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, regular session, Lansing.

15 Father's Day.

15-18 CSI National Convention/Exhibition, Anaheim, California.

16-18 National Fire Protection Association, Introduction to Industrial Fire Protection, Radisson-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit.

- Third Thursday Autograph Party. Guest Author: Louis Redstone, FAIA. Beaubien House.
- 20 Registration and fee deadline, Detroit Chapter, AIA Fermi II Plant tour.
- 23-28 "The Humanities and the Decision-Making Process," a Red Cedar Seminar in the Humanities, Michigan State University. Contact David Anderson, 517/ 353-4370 for further information.
- 26 Detroit Chapter, AIA/ Detroit Edison Fermi II Plant tour.

JULY

- 7 Portfolio deadline, MSA Honor Awards program.
- 10 Michigan Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, regular session, Lansing.

- 17 Third Thursday, Beaubien House.
- 19 Detroit Chapter, CSI, Family Picnic at the Detroit Zoo.
- 20-26 National Society of Professional Engineers 1980 Annual Convention, Plaza Hotel, Detroit.
- 21 Builders Exchange of Grand Rapids and Western Michigan Annual Summer Golf Outing, Elks Club, Grand Rapids.

AUGUST

- 6 Michigan Board of Registration for Architects, regular session, Lansing.
- 7-9 MSA 37th Annual Mid-Summer Conference, Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island.
- 19 Detroit Chapter, CSI, Annual Golf Outing, Rochester Golf Club.
- 22-24 Michigan Association of the Professions 21st Congress of the Professions, Boyne Highlands.

SEPTEMBER

- 9 Detroit Chapter, CSI meeting, "New Communications Arrival at the Detroit Free Press, Detroit Press Club.
- 18 Third Thursday, Beaubien House.

18-20 Society of Military Engineers, Regional Conference, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Dearborn.

OCTOBER

15-17 MSA 65th Annual Convention, Hyatt Regency, Dearborn.

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