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PAST PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At the November board meeting the 1981 Board with its newly elected officers accepted the challenge of the coming year. MSA will be in good hands. Evie Asken, our first woman president, has the enthusiasm and leadership qualities needed to initiate and carry out her priorities. Mike Callahan, from the Northern Michigan Chapter, a seasoned veteran of past MSA boards, was elected Vice President, President Elect for 1982. Roger Margerum, Detroit Chapter, a long time articulate spokesman for Detroit and MSA affairs, will be our new secretary. Keith Weiland from the Huron Valley Chapter assumes the responsibilities of treasurer and financial officer of the Society. Keith has already become involved through his participation on the financial advisory task force. And, we welcome to the Board Carl Pirscher, immediate Past President of the Detroit Chapter; Tom Wheat and John Malak from Detroit; Dick Slocum from the Western Michigan Chapter and Duncan Black from Mid Michigan.

Directors leaving the Board this year have given generously of their time during their term of office. Gene Terrill, immediate Past President, successfully guided the MSA during 1979. His years of service have been appreciated by past boards and by me in particular since my term followed his. Bernie Mayotte, 1980 Treasurer, and Bob Fearon, Secretary, were both key members of the Executive Committee and vital to the decision making process that kept the 1980 Board running smoothly. Harry Van Dine, Detroit Chapter Director,

almost singlehandedly, shepherded the publications committee and produced the handsome "50 Most Significant Structures in Michigan" catalog of Gene Terrill's 1979 Celebration Exhibit that has been traveling around the state. Each MSA member will soon receive a copy of the catalog. Gretchen Minnhaar, Grand Valley Chapter Director, has long been active in Chapter and MSA affairs and has ably represented Michigan architects and the MSA on the Construction Code Commission.

In December Paul Bowers completes his term as Director from the Michigan Region representing us on the National Board. Paul has served us with distinction. During his three years in office he has kept the MSA Board informed, sought our counsel and actively spoken out at the national level in our behalf. Each new Regional Director has taken on the job with some trepidation in the light of his predecessor's performance. And so it is with me. Paul Bowers has given new definition to the Regional Director's office. It will not be easy for me to follow in his footsteps.

Looking back at 1980 one accomplishment stands out making the whole effort worthwhile. The Beaubien House now belongs to the MSA. It is no small success, in my view, due not only to the support and generosity of a great many MSA members, but to the vigorous efforts of our staff, especially Ann Stacy, our Executive Director. Beaubien House is more than our headquarters. It is a major MSA project and its restoration will have a high priority in the future. The first steps will be taken in 1981 to make the Beaubien House a tangible example of creative

adaptive reuse of this historic structure.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

The Legislative Subcommittee for revising the State Professional Services Contract met in January and in March, and jointly with the Bureau of Facilities Committee on the same dates. Many items were discussed and tentative agreement was reached on most of the problem areas, particularly in the Insurance Provisions.

Your Chairman also attended several meetings with our Legislative Consultant in an attempt to formulate strategies for dealing with proposed Legislation affecting our profession.

Among the bills so addressed are the following: H.B. 4114 (recodification has passed both houses of the Legislature and has been signed by the Governor. By working closely with committees in both houses, we were able to have adopted all the amendments which were requested by MSA. One amendment, detrimental to MSA, was added narrowly in the closing moments of Senate debate. That amendment increases from \$5,000 to \$50,000 the exemption for a public works project not requiring the seal of an architect, engineer or land surveyor. We have discussed this problem with Representative Gary Owen, sponsor of H.B. 4114, and he has agreed to help us get a correction in the new legislative session beginning in January.

H.B. 4053, the construction lien bill, is now being reviewed by your legislative committee

in the interim between passage of the bill by the House and consideration by the Senate. If any problems are discovered, we will be prepared to work them out in the Senate committee.

H.B. 5541, on retainage, has passed the House in accordance with guidelines submitted to us by MSA and is now awaiting action in the Senate Committee on State and Veterans Affairs. We are continuing to monitor its progress in that committee.

H.B. 5978, the licensure fee bill, is aimed at fulfilling a legislative mandate that boards of all licensed professions be self-supporting. For architects, this meant increasing the original examination application fee from \$60 to \$105 and raising the annual renewal fee from \$25 to \$50.

We were inclined to fight such steep increases, but we were dissuaded by implications of the Tisch amendment to the constitution. If Tisch were to have passed, we were told that the Department of Licensing and Regulation would be abolished, so there would be no licensing of Architects and consequently no fees. We believe that in those professions where fees pay the cost of regulation such regulation would continue. It seemed safer in such event to make sure that our board would be self-supporting. The Chairman of your Legislative Committee concurred.

H.B. 602, which would require competitive bids for the design and renovation of existing school buildings, has been referred to the House Education Committee. We are opposing this bill on your behalf.

Bernard Mayotte, Chairman

IDP/MSA

Rob Rosenfeld has been named to the position of Director of NCARB Internship Programs. Rob was with the AIA in Washington as Assistant Director of Professional Development Programs (the old Continuing Education Department) and has been involved in the IDP since the beginning.

Rob will fill a long recognized need at NCARB and will be a big asset to all of us involved in the IDP at the state and local level.

DETROIT CHAPTER LEADERS FOR 1981

The Detroit Chapter has elected Sam Popkin, FAIA, President; Charles T. McCafferty, AIA, Vice President/President Designate; Tom Wickle, AIA, Secretary, and Dennis King, AIA, Treasurer. New Board member is Tom Lucas, AIA, with Carl Pirscher, AIA; Charles Merz, AIA; and Sanford Rossen, AIA, also continuing their terms of office.

The new chapter representatives to the MSA Board are John Malak, AIA; Tom Wheat, AIA; and Carl Pirscher, AIA, with John Jickling, FAIA, serving as MSA Regional Director; and Bob D'Alessandro, AIA, and Roger Margerum, AIA, continuing their terms of office.

The Annual Meeting and Election were held at the Danish Club on Thursday, November 6, with 1980 President Carl Pirscher presiding. Certificates of appreciation were given to Ted Sutherland, AIA, Chapter House Tour Chairman, Harley Ellington, Pierce, Yee and Associates and Rossetti Associates for their respective firm contribution to the Chapter for 1980.

MSA/DC HEADQUARTERS

The Beaubien House is available on a limited basis for social events, hosted by members for business purposes related to the profession of architecture. Please call Rae Dumke for details.

IDP AROUND THE U.S.A.

One firm in the San Francisco Bay area had this to say, "Make career development an integral aspect of corporate affairs." A positive attitude toward professional development belies the oft heard complaint that the need to make a profit prohibits a firm from doing all that the IDP Program requires of a professional sponsor. Taking an interest in the staff's professional education also develops more interesting personnel and helps broaden skills available to the firm.

"It makes good sense, and it's good business. It's a matter of philosophy of company policy, if you will, not a factor of size," states another.

— Joseph Fleshner, AIA
DC/IDP Coordinator

MSA NEW MEMBERS

We welcome new members of the Society from the following chapters: Detroit — Jon William Block, AIA, Roger Snyder, AIA, Glen Moon, Professional Affiliate, and Gary Karp, Associate; Flint area — Joseph F. Haezebrouck and Robert C. Gunther, both Associate members; and, Huron Valley Chapter — Robert W. Daverman, Associate, and Kent F. Spreckelmeyer, AIA.

LETTER INTERCEPTED

Mr. John Jickling
President MSA

Dear John:

At the Detroit Chapter Board Meeting on October 23, 1980, the following motion was approved: "The Detroit Chapter will contribute \$5,625.00 to the Michigan Architectural Foundation by cancelling a note for this amount which represents funds advanced by the Chapter at the time Beaubien House was purchased."

We are pleased to be able to make this contribution and are looking forward to the time when the renovation activities can be started.

Sincerely,
W. James Pfandtnr,
AIA, Treasurer,
Detroit Chapter, AIA

WE'VE MOVED

Two Detroit area firms have new addresses: John Dziurman Associates is now at 324 East Street, Rochester 48063, and Thomas Strat Associates is at 1890 Crooks Rd., Troy 48084.

Grand Valley firm Daverman Associates, Inc., Architects - Engineers - Landscape Architects, announces the relocation of its offices to the Furniture Company Building, 82 Ionia Avenue, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503. Telephone (616) 456-3500.

CLASSIFIED

Situation Wanted: Pamela J. Woods is interested in establishing herself in a career position with a Detroit area architectural firm. Her interests are in sales and marketing as well as office administration. She is currently in the process of relocating from her present

home in Cincinnati, Ohio. She can be contacted at 5807 Monassas Run Rd., Milford, Ohio 45150, telephone (513) 575-1144 evenings; daytime (513) 271-7800. Her resume is on file at headquarters; please call Ann Marie.

Position Available: We need a retired architectural / engineer who has experience with wood roof and floor truss to make engineering manual. Contact: Ray Carr at 23743 Research Dr., Farmington Hills 48018; (313) 478-4580.

Two Positions Available at JJ&R: Senior Urban Designer to supervise teams addressing urban design, commercial and industrial rehabilitation, waterfront and recreational design. Marketing Specialist to identify and pursue clients and projects in urban design, etc. Experience in the marketing of design and planning services, strong organizational, public contact and writing skills. Respond with resume to: Director, JJ&R, Inc., Suite 2950, Tower 100, Renaissance Center, Detroit, MI 48243.

GRAPEVINE

Baby news update . . . Congratulations to Pam and Steve LaGrassa on their first daughter (she has two brothers) . . . Clarence 'Dutch' Roessler has retired from practice at Trend Associates and has moved west to 960 Camino Sagasta, Green Valley, Arizona 85614 . . . Ed Hammerskjold is the Western Michigan Chapter representative to the Kalamazoo Arts Council for 1981 . . . SH&G is third time winner of the General Chairman's Award for employee publication's effective presentation of the Drive; congratulations, Jim Gallagher, on being No. 1 . . . CSI Detroit Chapter has published an



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MSA MEMBERS ENTER 'M AWARDS' PROGRAM IN RECORD NUMBERS

This year, in our sixth annual "M Awards" Program for Excellence in Masonry Design, we received a record number of entries from MSA members: 59. That surpassed by five the previous high which was established in 1977. We're gratified that you continue to hold our awards program in such high esteem.

Your entries have been taken to Boston where they were judged last month by a panel of eminent architects, chaired by Don R. Brown, AIA, of the Boston Architectural Center. Winners will be announced at the annual . . .

MASONRY AWARDS BANQUET

Saturday, January 24, 1981

Northfield Hilton Hotel—Troy, Michigan

*Please mark your calendar and plan to be with us for this important event.
Watch your mail for the formal invitation.*

Contact Us for New Info on Passive Solar Design, Energy Efficient Fireplaces

In case you missed our display at the recent MSA convention, we have some up-to-date information on passive solar design with masonry . . . plus details on the Brick-O-Lator, a revolutionary, energy-conserving, all-masonry fireplace. Just drop us a line or give us a call for this or any other data you may need on masonry design and construction. Ask for me or our new structural engineer, Paul Jones.

Hope to see you on January 24.

Cordially,

MASONRY INSTITUTE OF MICHIGAN, INC.

John A. Heslip
Executive Director

niversary issue celebrating their 25 years with photos of past presidents including **Les Larkin**, **Chesley Ayers**, **Charles Scripture**, **Charles Sherman**, **Erroll R. Clark**, **Gerry Shea**, **John Urban**, **Bob Bliven**, **Bob Bellucci** and **George Stucky** . . . **Paul H. Jones** has been appointed to the staff of the **Masonry Institute** as Structural Engineer . . . **Donald A. Johnson** of Monroe has appointed **John E. Barnes** and **Monte S. Leeper** as project architect and project coordinator . . . **Louis G. Redstone** has been elected corresponding academician for the **Royal Academy of Fine Arts**, San Fernando, Spain . . . **Carl Pirscher** presented AIA membership certificates to **Dennis Carlson**, AIA, **Thomas McHugh**, AIA, **Gary Skog**, AIA, **Douglas Coblurn**, AIA, **James Krupa**, AIA, **Wayne Vert**, AIA, **Harry L. Warren**, AIA, and **David Wickware**, Associate, on Fourth Thursday at the **Beaubien House** . . . The 14 exchange students from **Warsaw Polytechnic** spent a day touring architectural firms in downtown Detroit. Hosts were **Jim Gallagher** at **SH&G**; **Tom Paczkowski** at **Kessler Associates**; and **Larry Stephan**, **Gary Van Neck**, and **Algimantas Bublys** at **Rossetti Associates**, and **Ann Giordano** at the **Beaubien House** . . . The students are spending the fall semester at **University of Detroit** while 14 U of D students

are at **Warsaw Polytechnic** . . . **Leon Pastalan** and **Bob Metcalf** are co-directors of the new **'National Policy Center on Housing and Living Arrangements for Older Americans'** recently established at **The University of Michigan** . . . **Robert E. Guenther** has been appointed to the position of **Chief Architect and Treasurer** of the firm of **Benjamin, Woodhouse and Guenther** in Dearborn . . . **Algimantas V. Bublys** has joined **Rossetti Associates** as **Director of Design** and an **Associate** of the firm . . . **Tom Strat** was a principal speaker at the **ESD** on a program featuring **earth-integrated structures** . . . **Ruth** and **Lou Redstone** have a new book published by **McGraw-Hill**, **Public Art: New Directions** . . . **Fred Bertram** has joined the **Los Angeles** office of **Rossetti Associates** according to **Jim Kinville**, the **General Manager and Associate** of the firm . . . **Phil Meathe** was a special speaker at a luncheon meeting of the **Private Industry Council**. The association helps business find and train workers through government assistance . . . **Bill Lyman** is teaching his five-week course on **Early American homes and furniture** at **Oakland University** on **Thursday evenings** . . . **Tony Land** is a new associate with **MJK** in **Lansing**. He comes from **Illinois** and is a past president of the

Peoria Chapter, AIA . . . **Mike Brennan** of **SH&G** won a drawing sponsored by **Disco Aluminum Products**, a prize of \$1,000 payable to the architectural school of his choice. **Karl Greimel** accepted the windfall on behalf of **LIT**, thanks to **Mike**.

CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- 16 **WAL Christmas Party**, **Lou Ann Ebejer** at 360-2744.
- 16 **Detroit Chapter, AIA Board Luncheon**.

JANUARY 1981

- 9-11 **MSA Board of Directors** **Grand Traverse Hilton**.
- 15 **LIT, Speaker** — **Fred Stitt**, "Advanced Techniques and the Future of Architectural Practice," 356-0200.
- 24 **Masonry Institute of Michigan Awards Banquet**.
- 28-31 **Grassroots** — **National AIA, Washington, D.C.**

FEBRUARY

- 10 **CSI Product Fair** **Roma Hall of Livonia**.
- 25-26 **MSA/State of Michigan Dept. of Pubic Health, Health Facilities Conference**, **Park Place Hotel, Traverse City**.

MARCH

- 19 **MSA/CEC/MSPE, Government Day for Design Professionals**, **Lansing, Michigan**.

MAY

- 17-21 **AIA National Convention** **Minneapolis, MN**.

AUGUST

- 6-8 **MSA Mid-Summer Conference**, **Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island**.

OCTOBER

- 14-16 **MSA Annual Convention**, **Kalamazoo Convention Center, Kalamazoo, MI**.

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