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### 2007 President's Report

Celebrating the Past - Designing the Future was the theme for this 2007 Sesquicentennial Celebration year of the American Institute of Architects. Better known simply as AIA150, this important milestone served to galvanize the membership at all levels in a way that was refreshing and even surprising. For the first time in my many years of AIA involvement, I found an organizational and professional spirit in the architecture community that transcended the routine activities and challenges of our time - even here in the particularly challenged business climate of Michigan. Many of our members stepped up the contribution of their time and expertise to AIA in ways that benefitted many others. Many younger practitioners became involved in our mission, and young aspiring professionals participated in our efforts. I'd like to again say thank you to those many individuals and firms, too numerous to mention, who contributed to our efforts throughout 2007. Similarly, we also took advantage of our anniversary year to say thank you to many of the affiliated organizations and industry companies that provide critical support to AIA in Michigan year in and year out. All in all, AIA150 should be remembered as a most successful celebration year.

#### A VIGOROUS CALENDAR

AIA150 planning and preparations began back in the summer of 2006. Our AIA150 Committee, chaired by Eugene Hopkins, FAIA, began applying for and receiving funding grants to support anticipated Chapter outreach activities many months in advance. In fact, our calendar of events for 2007 was full and rich. January kicked off AIA150 with our annual two-day Leadership Conference at the Grand Traverse Resort. It included our first Board of Directors Meeting as well as the Regional Director Convocation at which the name of Frederick Butters, FAIA, was placed into nomination as a candidate. We offer



Celeste Novak, FAIA, a big congratulations and thank you as she has now completed her final year as our Regional Director. Fred will have "big shoes to fill" as he assumes Celeste's duties as our new representative to National.

Dennis M. King, FAIA The month of February featured the National AIA Grassroots Conference in Washington, and locally, the Construction Association of Michigan helped us celebrate AIA150 with a special reception and "Architects Alley" as a part of their annual EXPO in Novi. They also featured their CAM Magazine Awards for projects featured throughout the year.

Our annual Health Facilities Conference was once again a sell-out in March at the Amway Grand Hotel. Also in March we held our most successful Legislative Day yet, in conjunction with our AELC engineering affiliates, MSPE and ACEC/Michigan. Attended by 150 participating professionals, we achieved our attendance goal, and more importantly, we set a new standard for enthusiastic involvement in the legislative process as it impacts our industry. Our second Board of Directors Meeting took place that day as well. Make sure that you plan on participating at the 2008 Legislative Day already scheduled for April 15.

National Architecture Week was the featured celebration in early April, followed by our major AIA150 Gala - the AIA Michigan Honor Awards Celebration and the Millennium Park Design Brunch - both held at the Inn at St. John's in Plymouth.

The AIA150 National Convention took place in San Antonio in May. With its triple focus on

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sustainable design, integrated practice and AIA150, the Convention was an outstanding opportunity to see first had how our professional society is focused on keeping us all on the leading edge of the profession. Also in May, the Masonry Institute of Michigan honored a number of AIA members at the annual 'M' Awards Banquet at Laurel Manor in Livonia. This event is always a great fun evening and April 10, 2008 is the date for this coming year's Banquet.

June and July are traditionally "quiet" months on the AIA Michigan calendar. However, we did manage to sneak in our third Board of Directors meeting in June at the Brook Lodge in Augusta. Similarly, at the end of June this past year, the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA) held their summer conference at Cranbrook, providing another opportunity for our membership to stay involved with the educational side of our profession.

### AIA Michigan

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It would not be August in Michigan without our traditional AIA Michigan Mid-Summer Conference at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. For the third year in a row, we were most pleased to have the Associated General Contractors of Michigan (AGC) join us as cosponsors of this outstanding summer event. Our fourth Board Meeting of the year, and our Annual Membership Meeting, featured legislative updates and the announcement of our newly elected officers for 2008. Coupled with an inspiring presentation on leadership by Michigan's First Gentleman, Daniel Mulhern, and a retrospective photographic history by Balthazar Korab complete with our presentation to Balthazar of a special Lifetime Achievement Award - Mid-Summer at the Grand was great!

In September, we gathered at the always popular Design Retreat at Camp Hayo-Went-Ha on Torch Lake. We achieved our attendance goal of 150 people and an enthusiastic gathering of young architecture students attended for their first time. Design Camp will continue to be a special opportunity to debate our professional perspectives. Later in the month, we held the first AIA Michigan Municipal Facilities Conference at the new Warren City Hall. This inaugural event featured city hall and municipal library design presentations. A special guest presentation by Dick DeVos highlighted the day as he shared his insights about fostering development in the Grand Rapids area.

The annual Educational Facilities Conference took place in early October, back at the Grand Traverse Resort, followed later in the month by our fifth Board of Directors meeting, this tome hosted by the UofM College of Art & Architecture in Ann Arbor.

Following tradition, the AIA Michigan Executive Committee retreated to The Homestead in Glen Arbor for the annual strategic planning gathering in early November, and our formal AIA150 "year of celebration" came to a close with the festivities at the AIA Detroit Honor Awards Celebration at the Detroit Athletic Club at mid-month.

Finally, before the holidays in December, we conducted our traditional "changing of the guard," with our transition Board of Directors meeting and luncheon, followed by a festive Holiday Open House at the Beaubien House headquarters. Now that was a busy year!

#### THE BIG PICTURE

As I wrapped up my term as president, I thought about the handful of "big picture" issues that we will need to continue to be focused on in the coming years. These are matters that received plenty of our attention during 2007, but will need further vigor in the future. You may have some thoughts about how we may be able to deal more effectively with these. If so, please let us know. As a matter of fact, please get directly involved. We can use your help. Here they are - not necessarily in any priority order:

Membership. The health of our organization is directly dependent upon a stable or increasing membership. With the economy in our State struggling, and the baby-boomers coming of age, the risk is a declining membership. We need to focus on attracting young professionals and students, inviting a much broadened representation of Affiliate members, and continuing to retain current members. I know that 2008 President, Stephen Smith, AIA, is clearly focused on this matter

Financial Strength. Our organization's expenses are outpacing growth in our programmatic income. Many of our committees are asking for more staff time and attention, stretching our resources still further. While we have been working to build up our financial reserves annually, we are far from

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having the size of financial cushion appropriate for our organization. Technology demands and improvements are making communication through the internet ever more critical and our resources are minimal there. We need to focus on creative ways to increase our revenue if we are to maintain or improve our service to members.

Legislative Affairs. It is surprising how we have been drawn into the legislative arena in our State. More than ever, we must field the resources required to prevent the erosion of our practice in Michigan. We have had a great group of volunteers thus far, but this will demand even more attention in the future. Please get involved.

Changing Practice and Competition. The evolution to BIM, and beyond to integrated practice, is yet another huge change for our profession and for our members. I believe this will be even more of a challenge than when we traded in our pencils for the CAD mouse. But it is a change that will come and we must be able to adapt, or we are at risk of losing our standing in the profession. Similarly, competition from other corners inside the country, and from outside the country, is a real change force for our profession. I know that we will we adapt successfully, but the price may be too high for many traditional practitioners.

So, in closing, let me say how much I appreciated the opportunity to serve as your 2007 President. We accomplished a tremendous amount together - and had a grand time celebrating - but it was because of the dedication and contributions of so many of you here in Michigan. Thank you for the confidence that you placed in me, and thank you for helping at every turn. Thanks to our dedicated and talented staff. I never realized just how much fun all this work could be. Thank you.

### 2007 Vice President's Report



Stephen Smith, AIA

2008 has arrived with blinding speed. During 2007, I was enjoying the celebration of the AIA's 150th Anniversary and trying to look ahead to what an appropriate follow-up could be to such

a substantial AIA Michigan focus. As I saw how strongly the AIA 150 momentum was sweeping us along, I realized that planning ahead is more important than ever in our world of accelerating change.

Thanks to the accumulated wisdom of my predecessors, in an appropriately titled "AIA Michigan Vice President's To-Do list," I had a source of structure to aid my thinking. Of course President Dennis King is one of the better role models for making things happen, and I thank him for letting me observe him in action in 2007. Also, I want to thank Executive Director Rae Dumke, the maintainer of AIA Michigan's organizational stability, for keeping the gyroscope spinning and providing a muchneeded sense of orientation as I looked forward into 2008. All of this, and my interaction with the AIAM Board and staff during 2007, helped guide me in my planning.

#### **ACTIVITY IN 2007**

As Vice President/President-elect, my 2007 role included Public Advocacy, as the board liaison to the Government Affairs Committee and chairman of our Architect's Political Action Committee (APAC). Attending to Government Affairs, my goals were simple: to strengthen our APAC and to have 150 members show up in Lansing on Architects and Engineers Legislative Day. We managed to do quite a job, boosting our APAC funds with contributions from members, in multiples of 150 (it was AIA 150, after all), and attracting

a lot more people to Lansing than we've ever had on a Legislative Day. While the number in attendance only reached 150 with some creative counting, and depending on who was keeping track, the turnout was gratifying.

Legislative advocacy is one of the biggest efforts that the AIA puts forth on behalf of all architects. As one learns more about the political process, the deep impact it has on our professional lives is indeed a sobering lesson. As we saw this past year, our elected representatives are struggling to keep up with the impact of global change and the flow of events can overtake us at lightning speed. Furthermore, the action of our government representatives takes place over time, beginning in our past, pressing on our present and lingering into our future, often with unforeseen consequences. It's up to us to make sure that our government remains of, by and for us, the people.

Over the course of the year, my role also gave me the opportunity to meet and become familiar with a variety of people, including government officials, allied professionals and colleagues from around the nation. AIA Michigan's association with organizations and institutions such as the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers (MSPE), American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC), Associated General Contractors of Michigan (AGC), National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC), Engineering Society of Detroit (ESD) and our Michigan Architecture schools at UM, LTU, UDM and Andrews University, helps architects continue to strengthen our profession. Networking is the key to survival in an increasingly fragmented, yet interconnected, world.

#### CELEBRATING THE PAST?

2007 was a year of celebrating our past,

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### 2007 Secretary's Report

#### Knowledge Liaison Report

The responsibilities of the AIA Michigan Secretary extend beyond the writing of Board minutes to actively engage with the Knowledge Committees, which in my opinion are the life blood of the American Institute of Architects. It is through the great committees that an AIA member can receive the excellent value for their dues dollars. If for some reason a member hasn't taken advantage of the wealth of knowledge that can be gained by attending or participating in a committee, please contact me.

It is through the passion and hard work of our committees that AIA Michigan can achieve even higher goals, and it is the committee chairs that devote



Alan Cobb, FAIA

the time and effort which makes the American Institute of Architects a success. For that, I want to thank the committee chairs, and provide a brief overview of the excellent programs

that AIA Michigan sponsored in 2007.

#### DESIGN RETREAT

Committee Chairs Art Smith, FAIA and Gary Quesada report that the 2007 Retreat was a great success. This outstanding event set a record for attendance with over 150, with many students from Michigan Universities present. This retreat provides the oppor-

tunity to talk about architectural design with your peers. The architect is exposed to a wide variety of ideas and attitudes about architecture and the design process in an informal (rustic) atmosphere. This is a chance to see how the problems of design are handled by fellow members of the profession, and forget about the mundane problems in the office and think about design, design, and more design. Participation in this event qualifies as up to 9 Continuing Education Credits. Thanks, also goes to the 2007 presenters.

#### 2007 Projects and Firm/Presenter

Private Residence; Allegretti Architects, Inc./John Allegretti, FAIA & Arunas Rumsa, AIA

Family Recreation Building; AMDG Architects, Inc./Peter Baldwin, AIA & Brent Dykstra, AIA

Ronnisch Construction Group HQ; Biddison Architecture + Design/Kevin Biddison, AIA

Private Residence; Constantine G. Pappas Architecture/Constantine Pappas, FAIA Taubman Student Services Center, LTU; Harley Ellis Deveraux/Arthur Smith, FAIA

David D. Hunting YMCA; Integrated Architecture/Michael Corby, AIA Environmental Center; Lord, Aeck & Sargent/Terry Sargent, AIA Ann Arbor District Library; Luckenbach/Ziegelman Architects/ Dan Mooney, AIA

Residence and Carriage House; McIntosh Poris Associates/Michael Poris, AIA Sherwood Lodge; Progressive AE/ Robert Daverman, AIA

Palace North Entry Addition; Rossetti/Jim Renne, AIA

Boll Family YMCA; SmithGroup/Paul Urbanek, AIA

Cass Technological High School; TMP Associates/Jeff Boes, AIA

M.L. King Leadership Academy; TowerPinkster/Steve Hoekzema, AIA Lear Corporation World HQ; Albert Kahn Associates, Inc. / Alan Cobb, FAIA

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of learning where we've been, of enjoying the results of our accumulated efforts, of trying to strengthen our present and of energizing ourselves for what is yet to come. Obviously, we cannot influence the past, which is over and done, and we cannot predict the future. What we can do is learn from the past and use the lessons in the present for our best efforts. During the present, our most accurate forecast for the future can be made only by designing the future, as we would like it to become.

Over the past year I have been pleased to see an increasing amount of activity among the "emerging professionals" in the architectural community. It seems that they instinctively know that they must be active in creating the future if they hope to keep living in a satisfactory present.

So, what will 2008 be about for AIA Michigan?

#### DESIGNING THE FUTURE

In 2008, it is our AIA Michigan goal to

take charge of designing the future by actively seeking out and engaging those who will be most involved in the shaping of the built environment in the 21st Century: Architecture Students; Intern Architects; the current cohort of young Registered Architects; and all young people engaged in the architectural profession, including those in allied and non-traditional facets of practice.

AIA Michigan activities will target the schools of architecture, AIAS chapters, Associate AIA members, young architectural professionals (who may or may not yet be involved in the AIA) and all architectural professionals who have the capacity to make an impact on the development and mentoring of future architectural professionals. In keeping with the strategic structure of AIA Michigan, the Public Advocacy, Education and Fellowship activities throughout 2008 will be the framework for this outreach to the up-and-coming members of the profession.

I hope you will all join me, with AIA Michigan, in the challenge of designing our future.

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150 Achievements in MI Architecture; Detroit Free Press/John Gallagher

# THE COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT (COTE)

We know that over 100 Michigan architects have signed up in this category within the AIA National "Knowledge Community". Sustainability is a passion for many in the State. The COTE for AIA Michigan has a very passion group of committee members led by Charlie Poat, AIA and Mike DeCoster, AIA. The COTE planned two educational programs with a push to connect with the Michigan Universities. The Committee is starting an Awards Program that works with the AIA National COTE top ten honors. Other Committee goals include setting up a report for "Michigan Architecture Best Practice" on sustainability to be available on the AIA Michigan WEB Site. The Committee is planning three educational seminars this year in conjunction with the USGBC.

# INTERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (IDP) COMMITTEE

Blake Elderkin, AIA has been chair of this committee for over ten years. His involvement includes committee activity with AIA National, and bringing IDP knowledge back to Michigan interns. The Committees charge is to answer any questions that intern architects have concerning the NCARB IDP process, as well as the licensing laws in the State of Michigan. The Committee takes on the task yearly of sponsoring programs to help interns pass the licensing exam and meet the requirement of the IDP NCARB filing process.

#### MENTORSHIP COMMITTEE

Tom Mathison, FAIA, Bob Daverman, AIA, and Al Vegter, AIA are leading the Mentorship Committee. This committee was the creation of Tom Mathison, FAIA, who saw the need for students of architecture to have the benefit of con-

tact with a practicing AIA architect early in their career. This has been a very successful program and has touched many future architects and professionals that could some day hire an architect. The Committee has an annual schedule of visiting the three schools of architecture in Michigan and developing a list of willing mentors across the State. If you would like to be a mentor, contact AIA Michigan and get your name on the list. This effort is all about shaping the future of our profession.

#### HEALTH FACILITIES CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

The Health Facilities Conference is one of the oldest and long standing committees in place, and jointly staffed from the State of Michigan and AIA Michigan (Michigan Architectural Foundation, MAF). This committee started out as an AIA Michigan

Committee, was held by MAF for a period of time and in 2008 will return to AIA Michigan. For many years this committee has been chaired by Rob Sharrow, AIA and Rick Hall, AIA.

This year the State of Michigan MDCH Health Facilities Engineering Section (HFES) released new 2007 Minimum Design Standards for Health Care Facilities. See the HFES website: www.michigan.gov/hfes to download a copy. The significant changes are summarized in the memo. We will publish this information in the next email newsletter to all members.

# EDUCATION FACILITIES CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

The 2007 chair for the event was Ralph Moxley, AIA. This MAF sponsored event was held at Grand Traverse Resort

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### 2007 Regional Director's Report

MEETING REPORT: AIA National Board Meeting; Washington DC; December 13, 14, 2007

This meeting marked my last board meeting as Regional Director. The board presentation was from Bob Ivy, the Editor of Architectural Record who recapped my year by a presentation in which he declared that if there was any time when a profession was called to solve a world crisis - this was the time. This is our time, the architect's time to contribute to changing how we use fossil fuels and preserve the environment.

In the 150th anniversary of the AIA these were just a few of the major accomplishments by the institute:

- America's favorite architecture can be viewed on Google Earth
- New alliances within the entire building industry based on sustainability
- Blueprint for America grass roots level of engagement by our chapters.
- New generations of engagement by individuals in their communities
- · The beginning of the design for the



Celeste Allen Novak, AIA LEED AP

21st century workplace showing that we will "Walk the Walk" of sustainability in our own building's renovation.

 Numerous Sustainability initiatives, green meetings, disaster assistance,

SDAT's, 50 to 50.

- · Solosso
- New Tools contract documents for the 21st century and for integrated practice
- · The public is engaged in architecture.

There is still a lot of work to do.

- We need to engage our young people and train and mentor young architects.
- We need to continue to serve our communities.
- We need to become more diverse as a profession and in the people we serve.
- · We need to grow beyond the analysis

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### 2007 Treasurer's Report

Despite financially challenging times in Michigan's economy, I am happy to report that AIA/Michigan ends the year on a healthy financial footing. During 2007 we were able to meet our financial obligations and achieve the financial goals we had set for ourselves. Balancing expenses to revenue allowed us to complete the year on the positive side of the budget by \$20,000.

AIA/Michigan is current with all of our financial obligations. In addition to meeting our normal expenses we were able to purchase new chairs for the Board Room and Work Stations for the staff. AIA/Michigan continued to financially support our membership with five \$900 chapter grants to attend Grassroots in Washington D.C. We also



Ronald Campbell, AIA

continued to work towards our goal of building a reserve that is equal to at least 50% (100% is the upper recommended range for reserves) of our annual budget by retaining 1% of the annual budget. This

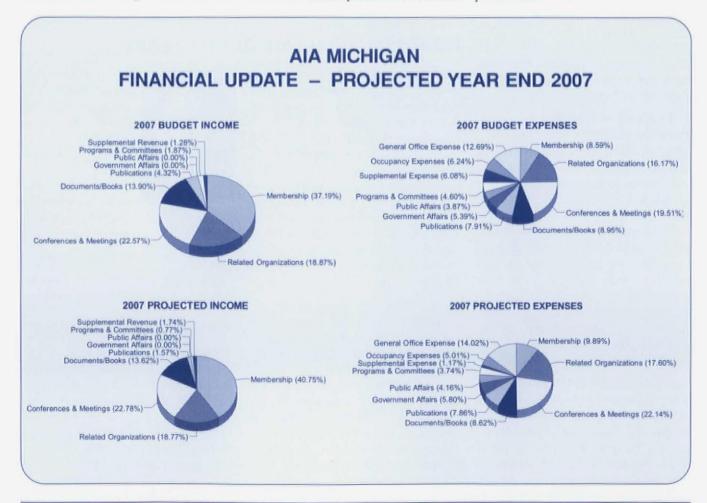
year the 1% goal was met and exceeded by an additional \$10,000. The total reserve fund at year end stands slightly below the half way point of \$500,000.

Revenue for the year was \$150,000 lower than expected. The difference was universally experienced within each line item. Small profits were realized

from the Design Awards, Mid-Summer conference and the Design Retreat. The first Municipal Conference held in Warren, MI this year even showed a slight profit.

This financial success in what could have been a troubling year is the direct result of a dedicated and diligent staff providing timely and accurate course corrections through out the year. Special acknowledgment of Cathy Mosley efforts and attention can not go unnoticed.

Looking ahead in 2008, AIA/Michigan will reach its first million dollar budget and will increase building the reserve to 5% of our annual budget. It is our goal to be financially responsible and to prepare AIA/Michigan in meeting member needs and future challenges to the profession.



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on October 11-12, 2007 with the Golf outing on the 10th at High Pointe Golf Club. The golf course was a new venue and was very much enjoyed by the attendees. AIA Michigan will be taking this committee on for MAF in 2008.

#### MUNICIPAL FACILITIES CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

(Communities by Design)

This new conference for 2007 was a creation by the Communities by Design committee, and was chaired by Michael Strother, AIA. For the first year being offered, the Municipal Conference was very well attended by a wide variety of professionals. The primary goal of the conference is to bring architects, planners, City and State Government together for the greater good. The date for the conference was September 19, and the location was the new Warren City Hall, design by Kenneth Neumann, FAIA. Dick DeVos, former Michigan Governor Candidate for the Republican Party, was a surprise speaker and participant. This conference drew many professionals outside the AIA Michigan membership.

#### **AIA NATIONAL CONVENTION 2017**

Celeste Novak, AIA, chairs the National Convention Site Committee, and Detroit is being considered for the 2017 event. (AIA Michigan went on record to support this proposal.) A core group of members (A. Cobb, C. Pozolo, R. Dumke, etc.) formed a committee to work with the Detroit Visitors & Regional Convention Bureau and the national site selection committee for the September 24 25 Detroit visit. The purpose of this visit was to view the metropolitan city, Cobo Hall, hotels, and other venues.

Convention 2017 is short-listed to St. Louis vs. Detroit. The big hurdle for Detroit is the number of hotel rooms within one mile. Ms. Novak suggested that it would be collaboration between AIA Detroit and AIA Michigan. A final decision is yet to be made for 2017.

### 2007 Government Affair's Report

Government Affairs had an active and successful year in 2007. Legislative day saw a record turn out for Architects. For the first time ever, the number of Architects visiting their legislators exceeded the number of Engineers. Likewise, for the first time ever, AIA Michigan conducted a separate Upper Peninsula event. Although we didn't meet our goal of seeing 150 Architects attend to celebrate the AIA 150th anniversary, both events were successes.

Significant legislative gains included movement on the increase penalty bill which will make the unlicensed practice of Architecture a felony in Michigan. That bill passed the House and is currently in Senate Committee. In addition, new sponsors were secured for the Statute of Limitations bill and the Certificate of Merit bill. Although the Certificate of Merit bill was given a hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee, both bills remain in that committee and will become priorities in 2008.

The interior design licensing bill passed the House and is currently in the Senate. Addressing that bill will also be a priority in 2008.

Two unexpected developments occurred in 2007 - the imposition of a service tax and a decision regarding the manner in which professional service corporations are structured (a decision which effectively requires that all A/E firms be organized as professional corporations instead of general business corporations). Although the service tax didn't affect architectural services per se, the definition of those services subject to the tax was so broad as to apply to much of what Architects do. In effect, the tax plan would have required an Architect to tax a portion of his or her service, and worse, make the decision as to what portion to tax with little or no guidance. AIA Michigan joined a broad industry coalition to repeal that tax, an effort



Frederick F. Butters, FAIA, Esq.

which resulted in successful repeal. The decision regarding organization of a professional service business is currently the subject of corrective bills introduced by the Department of Labor and Econom-

ic Growth. While Government Affairs is monitoring the progress of those initiatives, they appear to be on an acceptable course such that they should resolve the issue with little or no AIA effort.

The PAC also saw significant participation, and a number of successful legislative events were held which engendered new contacts and friendships that will be of benefit as the government affairs initiatives press into 2008. The Government Affairs Committee urges every member to attend legislative day in 2008 and to become active in support of the various initiatives government affairs has undertaken. You are the voice of the profession. Understand that the decisions will be made with or without your participation. While we can't guarantee success if you make the attempt, we can guarantee failure if you don't.

At the close of 2007, I began a three year term as AIA Michigan's Regional Director. As such, I am concluding my term as co-chair of government affairs and handing that position to Gary Quesada, Hon Aff. AIAMI. Along with Kevin Shultis, AIA, they will lead the committee into 2008 and beyond. I urge every member to afford their efforts their unqualified assistance and support as they work to advance the interests of the profession.

# Introducing Melissa Yutzey, Lobbyist for Kelley Cawthorne

Melissa Yutzey joined Kelley Caw-

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Melissa Yutzey

thorne in July 2005 after serving as Assistant Vice President for Legislative Affairs at Western Michigan University. Prior to her service at Western Michigan University, Ms. Yutzey

served as Special Projects Coordinator for Senate Democratic Leader Bob Emerson. She has also served as Finance Director of the Senate Democratic Fund where she was instrumental in raising \$3 million and coordinating all aspects of caucus fund-raising events.

Ms. Yutzey began her career as an Assistant to Deputy Chief of Staff in the office of House Speaker Curtis Hertel. She subsequently served as an Aide to Rep. Jack Minore. Ms. Yutzey earned her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University, with a dual major in international relations and political theory and constitutional democracy. Active in the Lansing community, she has worked as a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity and other local charitable organizations.

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of first costs, into the operational costs of saving energy.

"We need to do this - our moment is here." The world will look for leaders and as architects we can make a tremendous difference. As architects we need to be part of the solution and continue to make buildings healthy places and energy efficient environments.

One last report on the December meeting: Most of the actions taken have been outlined in the Executive Director's December report. Long

### Public Awareness Update

From the AIA150 Charettes to the Royal Oak Home Tour, AIA Michigan and its chapters generated positive coverage through its activities throughout the state.

Below is a summary of some of the top articles from 2007:

October 25-31, 2007 -

"Perspectives," interview with Dennis King on green construction, Oakland Business Review.

October 6, 2007 -

Homestyle, "Tour Royal Oak," The Detroit News

July/August 2007 -

Dennis King editorial on masonry will appear in The Story Pole

May 28-June 3, 2007 -

Dennis King "Design Matters in How We Solve Problems," editorial appeared in Crain's Detroit Business

May 26, 2007 -

Dennis King interviewed for "Local Newsmakers" in the Detroit Free Press.

May 3 - 9, 2007 -

AIA SW Honor Award winners listed in Western Michigan Business Review.

April 27, 2007 -

Winners of the AIA's Annual Celebration of Excellence listed in Michigan Construction News.



Michael Ingberg, Marx Layne

April 26 - May 2, 2007 -

Dennis King served as the featured expert in an Oakland Business Review article.

April 26 - May 2, 2007 -

Winners of AIA's

Annual Celebration of Excellence listed in Oakland Busi-ness Review.

April 13, 2007 -

Jeff Vanden Bosch interviewed on WGVU-AM regarding AIA Grand Valley's West Michigan Regional Urban Design (WMRUD) Charettes.

April 12 - 18, 2007 -

Dennis King appeared as a Guest Blogger on MetroMode.

February 28, 2007 -

Dennis King appeared on City Highlights (Detroit Comcast).

February 22, 2007 -

Metro Mode posted a two-minute video feature on the AIA Detroit Charrette.

January -

Victor Saroki interviewed on Comcast Newsmakers

range planning, a strategic plan and operating budget have been approved. The institute is financially and operationally exceeding all planned expectations. The green line continues to remain well above the red line in the budget forecasts. Committees continue to review membership and have created a component partnership document to be distributed at Grassroots.

One of many important initiatives

passed at the December board meeting is that the board approved the sponsorship of an amendment to eliminate supplemental dues. Members will vote on this provision at the 2008 AIA convention and if passed, supplemental dues will be eliminated as of 2009.

Lastly, the AIA is encouraging all of us to walk the walk towards a sustainable world. Thank you for allowing me to be part of the growth of the Institute.



### Firm News/Grapevine

Congratulations to the following winners in the AIA Mid Michigan Honor Awards program held October of 2007; AIA Mid Michigan bestowed the highest honors to Kevstone Design Group and co-owner Barry Wood, AIA, with its Architecture Firm Award and Gold Medal Award, respectively; it also awarded David Vander Klok, AIA, with the Young Architect Honor and Ylli Bodinaku, AIA, with the Associate Member Honor both from Studio [intrigue] Architects; Robert Smith, AIA, of Hobbs + Black Architects, was presented with the President's Award; Mayotte Group Architects - 25 Year Award: Hobbs + Black Associates, Inc. - two Building Design Awards; Studio [intrigue] Architects - Interior Architecture Award and Low Budget/Small Project Award ... Dominick Tringali Architects, Inc. was given a Grand 'Builders Choice' Award from Builder Magazine this year for 'Oldfield - Lakeside Village' community in Okatie, South Carolina; DTA will be receiving two 'Best in American Living' awards from Professional Builder Magazine at the NAHB International Builders Show in February and DTA was selected as one of five top architecture firms in the country to participate in the 'Big Builder Design Challenge.' Their design team worked together to create a sustainable custom home concept which will be presented at the conference for builders and architects across the country. The final project can be viewed by visiting www.bigbuilderonline.com ... Paul Samartino, Associate AIA and J.R. from Dominick Tringali Ruthig Architects, Inc. have both received 'Distinguished Service in Architecture Awards' this year from the Building Industry Association of Southeast Michigan ... Triangle Associates announces that Mitchell G. Watt, AIA has joined their team as Vice President and Chief Business Development Officer, Yousif B. Ghafari of Ghafari Inc. has been nominated by President Bush to be ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia ... Professional Concepts Insurance Agency (PCIA) is celebrating 20 years offering a variety of insurance for your practice; contact Kim Fricke -Young, Hon. Aff. AIAMI at 1-800-969-4041 or visit www.PCIAonline.com ... O'Boyle, Cowell, Blalock & Associates, Inc. announces promotions; Robert L. O'Boyle, FASLA has been named to Chairman Emeritus; Eric Lyons, ASLA has been named Chairman of the board; Kenneth W. Perigon, ASLA has been named President; Wesley S. Steer, ASLA has been named Vice President; Sandra J. ASLA continues Bliesener. Principal...The Frank W. Klaetke Memorial Endowed Scholarship has been set up through a bequest valued at \$150,000 at Lawrence Technological University; Frank was a member of AIA Detroit and the firm of Klaetke + Marino Architects for 39 years; please contact LTU for more information ... Integrated Architecture, founded in 1988 by partners Paul Dickinson, AIA and Michael C. Corby, AIA plans to celebrate its 20th anniversary year with a series of four lunch seminars; please visit www.intarch.com for more information ... Harley Ellis Devereaux celebrates it's 100th anniversary in 2008 and are among just 20 architecture or architecture and engineering firms in our industry to have accomplished this milestone ... DeMattia Group is celebrating 30 years providing architecture, construction and real estate development services ... Kevin J. Gleeson of Sullivan, Ward, Asher & Patton, PC, has been named one of the "Michigan Super Lawyers" for 2007 by Law & Politics Magazine.



# Membership Questions Answered

#### HOW DO I REINSTATE MY MEMBERSHIP IF I LAPSE DUE TO CES NON-COMPLIANCE?

The AIA/CES Reinstatement Policy allows members who have been lapsed for non-compliance to reinstate at any time. Those applying to be reinstated must list on the reinstatement form 9 unreported LU hours. Once the member is reinstated he/she is responsible for the annual 18 LU hour (8 HSW) requirement. The 9 LU hours above the usual yearly number must have been completed within one year of the date of applying for reinstatement. The Reinstatement Form must be completed for reinstatement consideration. Contact Sara Dougherty at 313-965-4100 for more information. sara@aiami.com

# WHAT IS THE AIA/CES NON-COMPLIANCE POLICY?

Members are considered in non-compliance with the AIA/CES requirement if they have not completed and reported their annual 18 LU hours (8 HSW) by December 31st of every year. Members in non-compliance have an opportunity to report missing continuing education credits for nine months into the next calendar year. During this period, members are considered "at risk" of membership termination for non-compliance with CES. At risk notifications will begin in the Spring of each year. Members are contacted via mail, email, telephone and fax. If CES transcript records still indicate these members have not completed the annual CES requirements after September 30, they are then considered lapsed for non-compliance and cannot renew their membership for the following year until the audit is resolved.



### **Obituaries**

DONOVAN WAYNE ALLEN, former AIA member, Age 79 passed away December 21, 2007 in Port Orange, FL. He is survived by his wife of 25 years. Born in Grand Blanc, Michigan he attended Grand Blanc Elementary and High Schools, and worked in construction and at the Flint Journal. He served during the Korean War and then pursued architecture from the University of Michigan developing an edifice style with a strong influence of Frank Lloyd Wright. Don set up his own architectural practice in the greater Flint Michigan area and designed numerous homes, apartment complexes, churches and office buildings including the Fenton City Hall, the Lake Fenton Township Hall, and the Lake Fenton Sailing Club. He also designed and personally built one of the earlier Lake Fenton land mark homes on "the point" of Margaret Drive. He served as President of the Flint Chapter of the American Institute of Architecture. Don was very active in the community serving as trustee, planning commissioner and Clerk of Lake Fenton Township.

DAVID D. SMITH, AIA, age 45, loving husband and father and dedicated architect behind the Grand Rapids Public School revitalization passed away suddenly on December 23, 2007. Born May 18, 1962, David graduated from Western Michigan Christian High School in Muskegon in 1980. David loved his family. He loved being active. He loved the outdoors. He spent much of his personal time with his family and friends traveling, skiing, golfing, camping, riding his bike, and playing soccer. A licensed Architect and respected member of the American Institute of Architects, David received his Bachelor of Architecture from Lawrence Technological University. For over nine years David was the Executive Director, Facilities Planning and Management,

GRPS and was lauded as the force behind massive improvements to the city's schools. He was tirelessly devoted to bring great schools back to the kids in Grand Rapids Public System where he championed a \$165 million bond proposal. With his characteristic perseverance he helped his team ensure the project not only met its goals but even allowed for the reconstruction of an additional school, all within the original budget. Prior to his work with GRPS, David was the campus architect for Western Michigan University. David volunteered his expertise in his community as an active member of the City of Rockford Planning Commission for over 16 years. David is survived by his loving wife of 20 years, Grace; and their two children

AULDIN HENRY NELSON, JR., AIA EMERITUS - Age 84, died Tuesday, November 6, 2007 at his residence. Auldin graduated in 1941 from Flint Central High School where he was on the Varsity Football Team and was a member of Boy Scout Troop #10 and earned the rank of Eagle Scout in 1938. He also was a member of the Flint Chapter of DeMolay in 1940. He served as a second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army in Germany during World War II and then graduated from University of Michigan, Ann Arbor in 1949. Auldin was an architect in Flint for 58 years and retired from the firm of Nelson, McKinley, Reed & Associates. He also served as President of the Flint Chapter, AIA and director on the AIAM MI board, in addition to serving as a lecturer at the U. of M. Extension Service and Mott Community College. He also served on the boards of: YMCA; University of Michigan Club of Flint; Kearsley Manor; Development Committee for the Community Foundation of Greater Flint; Flint Central High School Alumni Association; and a member of the Burton Rotary Club. Auldin is survived by: his wife of 58 years, Jean Nelson.

### **Opportunities**

Engineering Society of Detroit's 34th Annual Construction & Design Awards

Call for Entries Deadline: February 28, 2008 info at http://www.esd.org

The Engineering Society of Detroit's Construction and Design Awards are among the premier recognitions accorded to members of the construction industry and their projects. These awards are unique in that they honor the three primary members of the building team – owners, designers and constructors – and recognize outstanding team achievement and innovative use of technology. The awards were conceived 33 years ago to encourage elevation of the standard of practice in the construction industry.



# Summer 2008 HABS/HAER/HALS Internship

Maritime Documentation Internship. Internship will permit a student or recent graduate of architecture or history, interested in maritime preservation, to work as a summer intern on a Historic American Engineering Record maritime documentation project. Heritage Documentation Programs seeks applications from qualified individuals for summer employment documenting historic sites and structures of architectural, landscape and technological significance throughout the country. Duties involve on-site field work and preparation of measured and interpretive drawings and written historical reports for the HABS/HAER/HALS Collections at the Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress. Projects last 12 weeks, beginning in late May or early June. Salaries range from approximately \$6,000 to

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approximately \$11,000 for the summer, depending on job responsibility, locality of the project, and level of experience.

For more information visit: www.nps.gov/history/hdp/jobs/summer/htm

or contact Todd Croteau at: todd\_croteau@nps.gov or 202-354-2167.

Deadline February 1, 2008



Dragons of Your Imaginative Design -

2008 Sculpture Series Committee of Midland Michigan DDA and Northwood University invite you to design, create, build, decorate and otherwise produce a really terrific Dragon! Contact Christianna Schartow, ABD Creativity Center at 989-837-4478 or schartow@northwood.edu for more information.



#### Peterson Prize 2008 - Measured Drawings Student Competition

The Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) of the National Park Service, The Athenaeum of Philadelphia and The American Institute of Architects (AIA) announce the 2008 Charles E. Peterson Prize, which annually recognizes the best set of measured drawings prepared to HABS standards and donated to HABS by students. The prize honors Charles E. Peterson, FAIA, founder of the HABS program, and is intended to increase awareness, knowledge, and appreciation of historic buildings throughout the United States while

adding to the permanent HABS collection of measured drawings at the Library of Congress. To date, more than 2,000 students from 68 colleges and universities have participated by completing more than 500 entries and almost 5,000 sheets of measured drawings. The students have worked alone and in groups, in required courses, electives, independent study and summer institutes. They have been, for the most part, architecture students in addition to architectural history, interior design, and American studies majors.

For more information visit: http://www.nps.gov/history/hdp/jobs/pe terson.htm

Deadline June 30, 2008.



AIA St. Louis announces that the 2008 AIA Photography Competition has gone digital. All entries for the competition must be submitted on a CD ROM for the March 1, 2008 deadline. Eligibility - The competition is open to any and all architects actively registered in the United States. The contest is also open to Associate members of the AIA, and student members of AIAS in good standing. Professional Affiliate or Allied members are not eligible. Slides submitted by ineligible individuals will not be processed and will not be returned. Entry fee for AIA members (AIA & Assoc. AIA) is \$30; AIAS members is \$15. Entry fee for nonmember registered architects is \$50.) The top 14 entries will be exhibited at the 2008 AIA National Convention in Boston, MA. Images for the 2010 Architectural Engagement Calendar (approximately 52 images) will be selected from all submitted entries and will include the 14 award winners. All images must be submitted on CD ROM. A complimentary 2010 Architectural

Engagement Calendar will be provided to each entrant whose image(s) are selected. Entry deadline is March 1, 2008. To download the rules and regulations as well as an entry form, visit www.aia-stlouis.org; click on Features.

# Architectural University Lecture Series

Andrews University – www.arch.andrews.edu for more information

Lawrence Technological University – www.ltu.edu for more information

University of Detroit/Mercy – www.arch.udmercy.edu for more information

University of Michigan – http://www.tcaup.umich.edu for more information.

### Quick Calendar Links

Engineering Society of Detroit (ESD) http://ww2.esd.org/calendar/eventresults.asp

AGC of Michigan Calendar http://www.mi.agc.org - now known as Michigan Association of Constructors (MAC)

Michigan Society of Professional Engineers (MSPE) http://www.michiganspe.org/mspechapcal.htm

American Council of Engineering Companies (ACECM) http://www.acecmi.org/Calendar

MIOSHA - Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration www.michigan.gov/miosha

SMPS Upcoming Events http://www.smps-mi.org

Department of Environmental Quality

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## **Upcoming Events and Activities**

(For more information go to www.aiami.com and click on the calendar.)

January 18 AIAMI Leadership Retreat	April 15 AIA Michigan Legislative Day
January 22 BCRC Seminar - New Michigan Building Codes	May 2 AIA Michigan Design Awards & Recognitions
February 5-6 Expo CAM	May 14-17 AIA National Convention, Boston, MA
February 20-24 AIA Grass Roots, Washington, DC	August 7-9 Mid Summer Conference
March 13-14 Health Facilities Conference	September 12-13 . Design Conference
April 7-13 AIA Achitecture Week	September 18-19 . Educational Facilities Conference



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