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AIA Southwest Michigan board, pictured from left: Associate Director Jeff Crites, Assoc. AIA; Secretary Martin Smith, AIA; Director Gary Johnson, AIA; Past President Larry Bishop, AIA; Treasurer Juliana Garner, AIA; Director David Jarl, AIA; Vice President Jeff Turner, AIA; Director Jim Derks, AIA; and President Mark Harsha, AIA. Not pictured is AIAM Director Randy Case, AIA.

AIA Southwest Michigan programs are planned to assist those in attendance in bettering their skills and knowledge as architects. Our programs cover current topics such as Brownfield Development, legislative issues affecting architects, Construction Lien Law, Windows and Hands-On Masonry Construction.

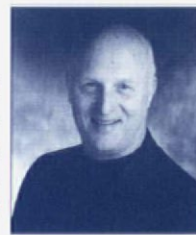
In order to provide current and future events of superior value, the AIA Southwest Michigan Chapter Board recently implemented a sponsorship program to assist in offsetting the cost of monthly events. Various businesses in the construction industry were contacted to determine if they would assist in financially supporting AIA monthly meetings, in return for the opportunity to advertise products and/or services to the Chapter at meetings or in the newsletter.

A number of businesses have responded positively to the opportunity to assist the Chapter and promote their companies. This sponsorship program proved to be invaluable in the success of our events.

President's Report

Partnering Works

AIA National's Strategic Plan – AIM (Aligning the Institute for the Millennium) – is beginning to bear fruit on the state level in a number of directions. The plan's seven major objectives are summarized as follows.



Barry Wood, AIA
2000 President

Architecture Education.

Promote the accountability of schools offering professional degree programs in architecture for better preparing their students to become architects upon graduation.

Information and Knowledge Delivery.

Identify and provide market-driven, timely, relevant, concise and accessible information and knowledge, using all appropriate delivery systems. (PIA's are the background.)

External Dialogue.

Seek opportunities and create mechanisms to foster dialogue that engage the architect with the marketplace. (Listening.)

Partners.

Identify, promote and enhance strategic partnerships between members, their clients and other contributors to the built environment.

Advocacy.

Initiate and enable results-oriented advocacy with government and industry at the state, local and national levels, speaking with a clear, consistent voice.

Inclusiveness.

Aggressively broaden the membership base to be more inclusive, and focus services to anticipate and creatively respond to member needs.

Governance.

Transform the culture, structure and resources of the Institute to facilitate the bold implementation of policies that support the Mission and Vision Statements, and provide more timely, consistent and innovative responses to emerging issues.

During our January leadership retreat, AIA Michigan set priorities for the year 2000 by looking at our

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President's Report

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"alignment" with the AIM. I want to talk here about three of the objectives – External Dialog, Partners and Inclusiveness.

External Dialogue. Retreat members felt this dialogue could be best provided through public awareness. Our conclusions for the Public Awareness Committee recommendations are to stay the course and let programs build, to increase public and member participation, and, to look at *partnering* with other community and professional organizations.

Partners. Participants agreed that under future priorities, the ExCom should present a proposal to expand client-based industry conferences in lieu of an AIA Michigan convention. The target area would be "Workplace Design and Technology."

Inclusiveness. I addressed the issue of membership at the retreat as being my own top priority of the seven objectives. I believe we should foster stronger ties with non-members in our profession and other allied affiliations.

Over the past several years, AIA Michigan has had a working relationship with allied professionals through our Architects/Engineers Legislative Committee (AELC). Through AELC, we have a common bond, similar PACs and a common lobbyist, Kelley Cawthorne. For those who may not be aware, allies in this venture are AIA Michigan, American Consulting Engineers Council Michigan (ACEC/M), and the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers (MSPE).

It is my desire to bring together all of the design professionals in a working, partnering arena. Jointly, we can improve the public awareness of the built environment. Jointly, we can have continuing education programs that benefit everyone. Jointly, we can be inclusive in working with one another's expertise and attributes.

Up until now, our combined efforts have strictly involved legislative and political issues. However, MSPE and ACEC/M (the engineers' groups) have partnered in other areas of common interest. For a number of

years, MSPE has approached the AIA in hopes of expanding our partnering efforts. Acknowledging the adage "timing is everything," collectively we have seized the moment. There is much to be gained by having regular dialogue to share those things in common that align with AIA objectives and greatly enhance all of our associations' professionalism.

Because of these mutual benefits, we are planning to meet four times a year. Discussion topics will include sharing calendars of events and continuing education program opportunities developed with other allied professionals' input; i.e. "Technology in the Workplace." Currently in the works are public relations, sharing PR lists, joint state conventions, award programs and a design retreat featuring presenters and participants from allied professions. And the list is growing.

Consider the issue of continuing education opportunities. Regardless of which organization runs a program, there could be knowledge gained by members of all the professions. And members of any group could attend partners' programs for the member rate.

Many of you in larger firms are already experiencing working hand-in-hand when there are multiple disciplines under one roof. However, members in many of the smaller firms, especially 1-to-2 person offices, often wear hats that possibly belong to the allied professions. For this reason and many others, it is important that we have a strong recognition of the skills and attributes from all the contributors to the built environment arena. We would be collectively strengthened.

After three meetings, we have taken a huge first step and things look very promising. We recognize this is just the beginning of a new look at our long-standing relationship. We all have much more to gain through understanding, sharing and working together through our associations.

It is particularly interesting to note that this is just the beginning of working harmoniously on the design side. An equal challenge is also present on the construct and supply side – but let us take one step at a time.

Unity and support is needed. This approach can make partnering successful.

Lawrence Tech Dedicates New Studio in Detroit's New Center

October 13, 1999 marked the dedication of Lawrence Technological University's new architectural studio in Detroit's New Center area. The 3,000 sq. ft. urban design studio is located on Grand Boulevard in Detroit's New Center. It is expected that the studio will provide architecture and design students at Lawrence Tech with a better appreciation of urban design needs and opportunities.

"Lawrence Tech's College of Architecture and Design has a long tradition of integrating urban design projects into the architectural curriculum," said Neville H. Clouten, dean of the College.

Over 30 students will attend the studio on a regular basis while working with urban planners, architects and landscape architects as part of the Integrated Design Studio offerings of the College.

"We believe the time is right for our students to be immersed in the changing dynamics of the City of Detroit, and to take part in and contribute to its future," said Charles M. Chambers, LTU president.

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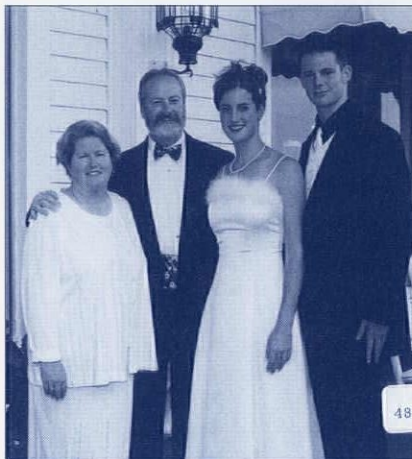
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Mid Summer Conference

Mackinac Island

Upper left: Pictured from left are Gene Hopkins, FAIA, Jane Hopkins, Brie Hopkins, Flodie Anderson, John Anderson, FAIA, National AIA President-Elect

Above: Pictured from left are Sue Case, Randy Case, AIA, Mid Summer Conference Chair, daughter Kristy Case and friend

Left: The children enjoyed biking on Mackinac Island. Pictured from left are Adriana Saroki, Miga Smith, Alexander Saroki, Danielle David and Christine Santourian

Board of Architects

Full Board Not Needed to Review Reciprocity Applicants

At their June 8, 2000 meeting, the Board of Architects reviewed the history of Michigan's implementation of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards/Committee of Canadian Architectural Councils Inter-Recognition Agreement. Under the current system, all applicants for reciprocal licensing who have not completed the entire written exam are required to meet with the Michigan Board before a Michigan license is authorized.

The Board agreed that due to the apparent high quality of applicants, it would stop requiring a personal appearance before the entire Board for all Inter-Recognition Agreement reciprocity applicants who have not completed the standard written examination. Instead, such applicants would be reviewed by one professional board member and one staff member thereby avoiding scheduling delays and unnecessary board meetings while still maintaining a high de-

gree of professional involvement. The Board will review this procedure at the June, 2001 meeting to determine if it is still necessary to implement the Inter-Recognition Agreement.

Board Reviews Minimum Disciplinary Sanctions

The Board of Architects reviewed the Minimum Disciplinary Sanctions and approved the following changes:

Fraud or deceit in obtaining license.
Minimum Sanction: Revocation
\$2500 fine

Misrepresentation, fraud, deceit, dishonesty in practice.
Minimum Sanction: \$2500 fine

Restitution,
if warranted
Suspension 1 year
Probation 5 years

Substandard practice, including gross negligence, incompetency, failure to meet prevail-

ing professional standards, acting as a principal in firms not meeting 2/3 licensing rule and not signing and sealing plans submitted to a government agency.

Minimum Sanction: \$2500 fine
Restitution,
if warranted
Probation 2 years
Suspension 30 days

Signing and/or sealing others instruments of service, failure to supervise unlicensed subordinates.

Minimum Sanction: \$2500 fine
Restitution,
if warranted
Probation 2 years
Suspension 30 days

New Officers Elected

The 2000-2001 officers of the Board of Architects are:

Chairperson – James Bauer
Vice Chairperson – Dan Redstone
Secretary – Rainy Hamilton



Executive Summary

Introduction to the International Codes

By Jay A. Woodward, AIA and Nancy Ayres

To assist Michigan architects in the practice of their profession and to achieve safety in the built environment, the first single family of model building construction codes has been introduced. These codes, the International Codes, have moved through a series of orderly steps that included public review, discussion, formal comment and final approval. The International Codes include the first editions of the International Building Code⁷ (IBC), International Residential Code⁷ (IRC) and International Fire Code⁷ (IFC) as well as the 2000 editions of the International Plumbing Code⁷ (IPC), International Mechanical Code⁷ (IMC) and the International Fuel Gas Code⁷.

Editor's Note:

A more detailed version of this article can be accessed on the AIA Michigan Web site, www.aiami.com. Or, the International Codes are available from ICBO, (800) 243-5736.

The Building Officials and Code Administrators International (BOCA), the International Conference of Building Officials (ICBO), and the Southern Building Code Congress International (SBCCI) established the International Code Council (ICC) in 1994 as a not-for-profit organization dedicated to developing a single set of comprehensive and coordinated national model construction codes.

The International Codes have received widespread support from leading organizations and groups in the building industry, including the American Institute of Architects.

This year the IBC, IRC and IFC became available worldwide for review and adoption. Nearly five years in the making and involving the coordinated efforts and talents of thousands of professionals, these International Codes reflect the best aspects of the three model codes.

The ICC efforts address major issues facing Michigan architects as they confront

Code Seminars

AIA Detroit has held two Code Seminars this year. AIA Michigan is planning to hold more in 2001, beginning in February.

building regulations including lack of conflict among code documents, reduced costs and liability and cost effectiveness.

Michigan

Adoption of a single set of integrated and compatible codes by the State of Michigan will promote more consistency in the application of those codes relating to the built environment. Such consistency will ease the burden of those design professionals practicing in multiple states, increase the pool of available experienced workers, improve the comfort level in the partnerships between firms/contractors of different states, streamline the building construction and regulatory process, and allow Michigan architectural firms to compete in an equitable manner both nationally and internationally on construction projects. It is apparent that these factors will add to efficiency and cost saving for owners and builders.

To assist Michigan architects in maintaining the highest standards of quality and safety, the ICC's goal is to provide compatible, consistent performance-based regulations that meet the needs of the local community and its citizens as well as those of the professional community. You are encouraged to become knowledgeable of the compatible family of International Codes and join in support of the International Codes.

If you are interested in additional information, contact the ICBO Northeast Resource Center in Indianapolis at (800) 243-5736. The International Codes are available through the ICBO Resource Centers.

About the Authors

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NCARB Publishes Two New Monographs

The National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) recently released two additions to its Professional Development monograph series: *Low Slope Roofing I* and *Professional Conduct*.

Low Slope Roofing I is written to help the practitioner become more familiar with roofing terminology and concepts in addition to becoming more skilled in designing built-up roofing systems. The publication discusses the entire roof assembly with specific topics addressing code requirements, design considerations, material options and installation techniques. The monograph was authored by Justin Henshell, AIA, NCARB, a partner at Henshell & Buccallego, Red Bank, New Jersey.

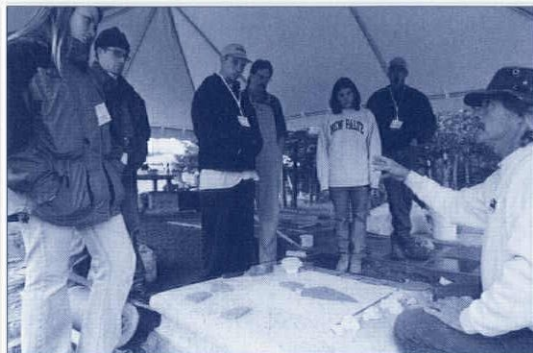
Professional Conduct discusses NCARB's recommended Rules of Conduct. It includes real and fictional scenarios that challenge the reader to evaluate the situations based on professional standards of competence, accountability and honesty. The monograph was authored by Daniel A. Taylor, a partner of the Boston-based law firm Hill & Barlow P.C.

Successful completion of the quiz that accompanies each monograph equals 10 contact hours in Health, Safety and Welfare and 10 AIA Learning Units. The regular price for most monographs is \$95, however NCARB Record holders may purchase them for \$75 each. For more information about these or any titles in the NCARB's Professional Development Program, contact NCARB at (202) 783-6500 or visit www.ncarb.org/publications.

Masonry Camp Offers Participants New Perspective

At the International Masonry Institute's Masonry Camp on Swan's Island, Maine, future architects and engineers spend a week with apprentice craftsmen and women. For each week of Masonry camp, 24 promising architectural and engineering students and interns and 24 of the best and brightest masonry apprentices are chosen from all over the U.S. Working together on a design-build challenge, each learns how the other thinks and works. Each year, the camp experience inspires rave reviews from both participants and professionals, who realize the critical value of bridging the gap between the design and craft communities.

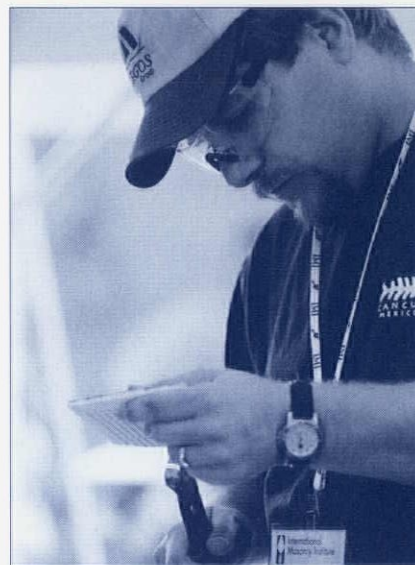
In addition to offering campers a unique hands-on appreciation of the masonry crafts, the program also exposes participants to critiques and inspiration from leading architects such as Stanley Tigerman, FAIA



Both professions learned all the masonry crafts: tile, terrazzo, plaster, brick and block, stone and pointing/cleaning/caulking, from top IMI instructors. Julie Ann Zacha, far left, is from the University of Michigan.

of Chicago.

This year's sessions were held June 10-17 and June 17-24. For more information contact Hazel Bradford (202) 383-3911 or hbradford@imiweb.org.



Picking up the tools, the architects quickly learned it's not quite as easy as it might look. Pictured is Daniel Schneider of The SmithGroup, Ann Arbor.

SMRCA Announces Scholarship Winners

The Southeastern Michigan Roofing Contractors Association (SMRCA) awarded six Scholarship Grants to college-bound students at a July meeting of SMRCA. Commercial Roofing Contractors of Southeastern Michigan, through the SMRCA, along with the Roofers Union Local #149 annually award college scholarships to dependents of employees of member roofing contractors. Winners receive scholarships in the amount of \$600, contributed by the SMRCA, Local #149 and the Contractor Employer.

This year's winners were Rachael Catherine Gilliam of Taylor; Katie Hein of Sterling Heights; Rachael Marie Zinser of Troy; Karessa Marie Spudowski of New Baltimore; Katherine Peoples of Royal Oak and Daniel J. Zinser of Troy. Their

family members' employing contractors are Schreiber Corporation in Detroit, Dave Pomaville & Sons in Warren and Royal Roofing in Orion.

**Have you visited the
AIAM Web site lately?**

Come see the changes.

www.aiami.com

SDA Seeks Members

The Society of Design Administration (SDA) is dedicated to the continuing education of design administrative personnel. The Michigan Chapter offers members monthly educational programs, a bi-monthly newsletter and networking, marketing and other opportunities with design professionals. In addition, at the National level, SDA provides professional publications to address design firm administration issues as well as an extensive certification process.

During the SDA Fall membership drive, members will receive a 15-month membership for the price of a one-year membership! For more information, please contact Diane Evans, membership chair, SDA Michigan, c/o Marshburn/Bunkley Associates, (616) 327-0077.



MEMBER NEWS / CONTINUING EDUCATION

Firm news

AWARDS, ETC...

BEI Associates, Inc., a Detroit-based architectural and engineering firm, has been selected by the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers to receive the 2000 Distinguished Corporation Award... **Kathryn Tyler Prigmore**, AIA was the recipient of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards Presidential Medal for distinguished service... **Wakely Associates** and **Robert C. Wakely** received an award for Outstanding Architecture and Design in Education and a 1999 Build Michigan Award for designing the Saginaw Valley State University student housing complex.

NEW POSITIONS...

ARCADIS Giffels: Patrick Brancheau to manager of finance; Joseph Lordon, CPA to corporate controller and treasurer... **Construction Association of Michigan (CAM)**: Ronald R. Riegel to manager of expositions... **DiClemente Siegel Design, Inc.**: John DiClemente to vice president, director of administrative services... **Hobbs + Black Associates, Inc.**: Kevin Kerschbaum, AIA to vice president... **Jickling Lyman Powell Associates Inc.**: John Danckaert, AIA, NCARB to vice president, secretary and partner in charge of project management; William A. Frederick, Jr., AIA to president/COO; John Paul Minear, AIA to associate; Robert B. Powell, AIA continues as CEO and partner in charge of design; Terry J. Straka, AIA, NCARB remains vice president and partner in charge of contract administration... **Albert Kahn Associates, Inc.**: Phillip Beeton to mechanical engineer-automotive/industrial group; Lillian Miller to senior operations analyst - Kahn strategic services group; Ngozi Ukandu to electrical engineer - educational institutional group... **Professional Concepts Insurance Agency**: Pamela Allen to chief operations officer; Eric Moore to sr. vice president and shareholder... **Progressive AE**: Denis G. Moncion, AIA to senior vice president and retail group leader... **Stephen Auger + Associates Architects Inc.**: Stephen Fos-

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Grapevine

After many years of service, **Jerry Shea**, FAIA, has officially retired from the AIA National Documents Committee. Congratulations on a job well done... **Redstone Architects Inc.** announced the election of **Daniel Redstone**, AIA, to the position of chair of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) Region IV for a one-year term beginning July 1... **David Esau**, AIA has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Ann Arbor Area Chamber of Commerce... Architect **Alexander Pollock** in Detroit's planning department, responsible for the colorful murals at Eastern Market, is featured in the October 2000 issue of *Popular Mechanics* for his innovative ideas for compact stadiums, which could make hosting the Olympics more affordable.

AIA Grand Valley Has New Office

The AIA Grand Valley Chapter Office has a new home office. It is now housed at Integrated Architecture. Please address all correspondence to AIA - Grand Valley Chapter, 4090 Lake Drive SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546. The AIAGV phone number is (616) 574-0235.

Continuing Education Calendar

October

- 30-1 Value Management Course**
Three-day Value Management Methodology & Application Module 2 Training Workshop is led by Stephen Kirk, PhD, FAIA and is approved by the Certification Board of SAVE International. Detroit. Registration fee. Call (313) 823-7330.

November

- 9-10 Building Science**
Sponsored by AIA Grand Valley (on the 9th) and Huron Valley (on 10th) Chapters.
- 14 Continuing Ed Fest**
Continuing education programs sponsored by AIA Detroit, held at Albert Kahn Associates, Detroit.

May 2001

- 17-19 AIA Convention**
Recognized worldwide as the premier convention and exposition for architects and affiliated design and construction industry professionals, the AIA 2001 National Convention and Expo is expected to draw more than 15,000 key industry professionals, many representing the nation's top architectural firms. AIA members can earn 18 Learning Unit hours at this Denver event. The theme is "Leaders and Partners Creating Community." Colorado Convention Center, Denver. Call (202) 626-7395.

The information on seminars listed above are seminars/conferences the AIA Michigan will publicize to its members. Additional seminars from all sources will be added as they arise and information will be updated as we receive the information. Continuing education programs statewide may be submitted for review and added to this calendar. University programs from LTU, Andrews, UD/M and UM will also be included.

Continuing education credits will automatically be credited where AIA Michigan or AIA Detroit is the primary provider. AIA members may receive credits for any program, provided the member complete the self-evaluation form and return it to AIA National.

OPPORTUNITIES / CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Opportunities

Art and Architecture Award: Henry Hering Medal – The National Sculpture Society, the oldest organization of professional sculptors in the U.S., is seeking nominations for the Henry Hering Award. The award recognizes outstanding collaboration between architect, owner and sculptor in the distinguished use of sculpture in an architectural project. Architects, landscape architects, building owners and sculptors are eligible. The jury is composed of three sculptors and two architects. The winner is awarded a high relief bronze medal and a certificate at an annual awards dinner. There is no entry fee. Submissions are due by March 1, 2001. Phone (212) 764-5645, or visit www.nationalsculpture.org.

LTU 2000-2001 Architecture Series – Lawrence Technological University College of Architecture and Design features the following upcoming programs: Carlos Jimenez – November 9, 2000; and Helen Escobedo – March 22, 2001. Programs are held at LTU Architecture Auditorium A-200; 7:30 p.m. on date indicated, with a reception following. All lectures are free of charge. For more information call (248) 204-2880.

Engineering Society to Offer Scholarships – The Michigan Society of Professional Engineers offers 36 scholarships valued up to \$3,000 annually to high school seniors interested in pursuing an engineering degree at an ABET-accredited Michigan college or university. Michigan universities, engineering companies and MSPE fund the scholarships. Qualifications include: U.S. citizen; Michigan resident; Grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for 10th and 11th grades; Minimum ACT score of 26. Scholarships are not based upon financial need. The deadline for application is the second Monday in January 2000. Applications are available from high school counselors, local MSPE Chapters, and the MSPE Central Office. Contact the Scholarship Coordinator at the MSPE Central Office, phone (517) 487-9388.

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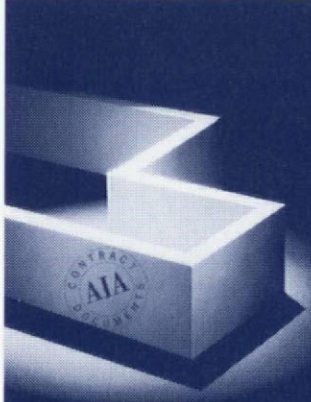
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CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 11 Mich Assoc of School Boards/Traverse City
- 14 AIA Detroit Continuing Ed Fest/ AKA
- 17 AIA Detroit Design Awards/DIA

DECEMBER

- 7 AIA Michigan Board Orientation & Meeting/MAF
- 7 Holiday Open House
- 12 AIA Detroit Transition Board/Beaubien House
- 25-1 AIA Michigan offices closed

JANUARY 2001

- 4 Board of Professional Engineers/Okemos

FEBRUARY

- 7-8 Design & Construction Expo/Pontiac Silverdome
- 8 Board of Architects/Okemos

MARCH

- 7 Board of Professional Surveyors
- 8 Board of Professional Engineers/Okemos

APRIL

- 5 Board of Architects/Okemos

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