

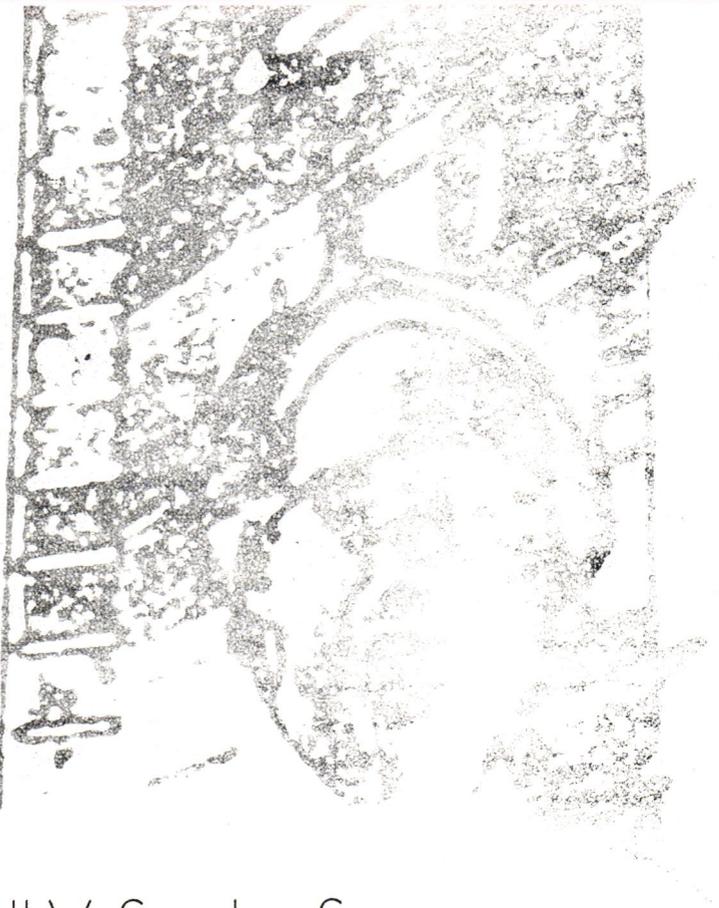
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AIA LAS VEGAS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*EDWARD A. VANCE, AIA
PRESIDENT, AIA LAS VEGAS*



It's been a very busy month for all of us in the Chapter and we've only just begun. Many of the committees we started this year have now met for the first or second time and are beginning to tackle the tasks before them. Earlier this month, the State's three AIA chapters once again sent their officers to the Grassroots Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C.

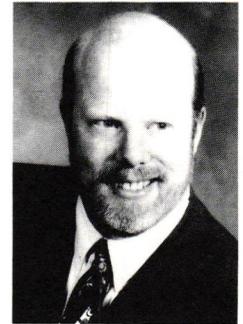
We attended our regional WMR gatherings where we all updated each other on our individual performances and activities. It was there that we formally submitted the name of Brad Schulz, AIA (Past-President of AIA Nevada) for Regional Director. Soon you will be receiving mailers announcing his candidacy and I encourage all of you to support him. Brad will represent the state well and we need his leadership and representation on our regional board.

While in Washington, Kevin Jeffers and I attended a seminar that inspired me to start yet another committee. The seminar was entitled "Demystifying Fellowship" and although Kevin had attended similar seminars years ago, he said this was the best one yet. We learned that the Dallas Chapter along with their Fellowship Committee carefully mentors their candidates throughout their careers. The result is that the Dallas Chapter averages 16 submittals per year and nearly half of them are accepted into the College of Fellows. This is extraordinary.

Needless to say we have a lot of catching up to do. I will be asking the only two fellows in the state to join me on this committee. Together we will begin to identify the deserving architects in the state and warrant this level of recognition and help them to achieve it.

AIA NEVADA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*KEVIN JEFFERS, AIA
PRESIDENT, AIA NEVADA*



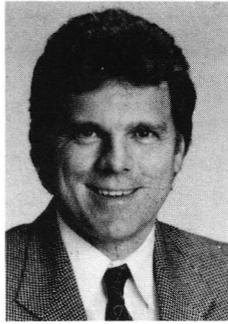
By the time this newsletter hits the streets, we will have completed our 1999 Legislative Affairs Day! At the time of this writing, we have had a very poor response to our requests for participants. I hope we'll be surprised by the flood of last minute responses. Thanks somewhat in advance to all the people who did actually believe it is worth the effort. It's not hard for most of us to feel removed from the political process because it seems so distant from what the majority of us experience as "every day life, "but our lawmakers are really just people like us put into very difficult decision making positions (by us). It's pretty easy to disagree with the decisions and even criticize the decision makers, but until we are willing to step forward to take on that responsibility, I am going to believe in the system we have in place and the people we put there to represent us. I apologize for inching toward that soapbox!

The AIA Grassroots Leadership Conference was once again a very worthwhile experience! Sometimes there are distinct advantages to coming from a state with such a small population. We are among the very small percentage of participants that speak directly with our Senate and Congressional leaders. Most conference attendees speak only with aides! Our state leaders are very easy to speak with, down-to-earth people who were genuinely interested in the topics we presented as important to our profession.

One comment that was made to us was that our topics for discussion were not a self-serving as many other groups that our Senate and Congressional leaders meet with. They really felt our interests were focused much more for the good of all our communities and citizens, and I couldn't agree more. It was sure nice to hear

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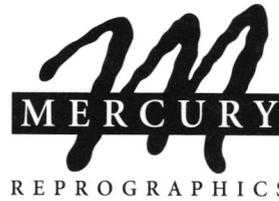
BRADLEY D. SCHULZ, AIA CANDIDATE FOR WMR



He has been active in the AIA since becoming a member in 1983, and now he's making a bid to represent Nevada architects in the Western Mountain Region. Brad Schulz, AIA has served as President for both AIA Las Vegas and AIA Nevada. He has been an active member of the Board and has chaired numerous committees including the very successful AIA Annual Golf & Putting Tournaments and the AIA Product Show. Most recently he was Chair of the Nevada-sponsored WMR Conference, which was one of the most successful in the history of the WMR. Election will be held at the WMR Conference, August 26-28 in Tucson, AZ. Plan to attend...and vote for Brad!

BRIEFS

To celebrate its 45th year and highlight the new services it offers, Mercury Blueprint has changed its name to Mercury Reprographics. The company is a leading local provider of printing, scanning and counting services primarily for architecture, engineering and construction professionals. The firm will also implement a new graphic identity. Miguel Garcia has been promoted to Vice President of Sales for Mercury, and Kim A. Lotti has joined the staff as Sales Account Representative.



Congratulations to Judy Bundorf, who is celebrating fifteen years as Office Manager for Harris Consulting Engineers. "When I started there were about 10 people working in this small, new engineering firm. Now there are about 35 of us, and we are busting at the seams of our 7,000 square-foot building. Soon we'll be moving into our new 10,000 square foot facility — that is as soon as we can find the time to get it designed and built."

Congratulations also to Paul Siler. Paul is a Project Manager for Terracon's Environmental Department and has recently passed his Professional Engineer exam.

Tate & Snyder Architects was awarded the contract for the Washoe County Courts Master Plan update.

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THE 14TH ANNUAL MONTEREY DESIGN CONFERENCE

"The Return of the Subject" is the theme of this year's 14th Annual Monterey Design Conference, being held April 16-18, at the Asilomar Conference Center, Monterey, California. The list of conference faculty is impressive and includes Charles Jencks, Thom Mayne, AIA, Robert Ivy, FAIA, Martha Schwartz, Ray Kappe, FAIA, Paul Saffo, Jerry Hirshberg, Rebecca Binder, FAIA, Jorge Silbetti and Buzz Yudell, FAIA. Registration deadline is March 25th. For information call 877-MDC-1009, or e-mail assist@bfp.net. Asilomar Housing Registration call 831-372-8016.

AIA NATIONAL CONVENTION

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If you haven't already, you should soon receive your registration book for the '99 AIA National Convention in Dallas. The dates are May 6-9, and a variety of CE programs and events are being offered. Your \$50.00 registration fee covers your attendance in most of the CE programs, but you must be registered for the programs in order to attend. To find out more, contact the AIA Convention Hotline at 202-626-7395 or the web site at www.aiaonline.com.

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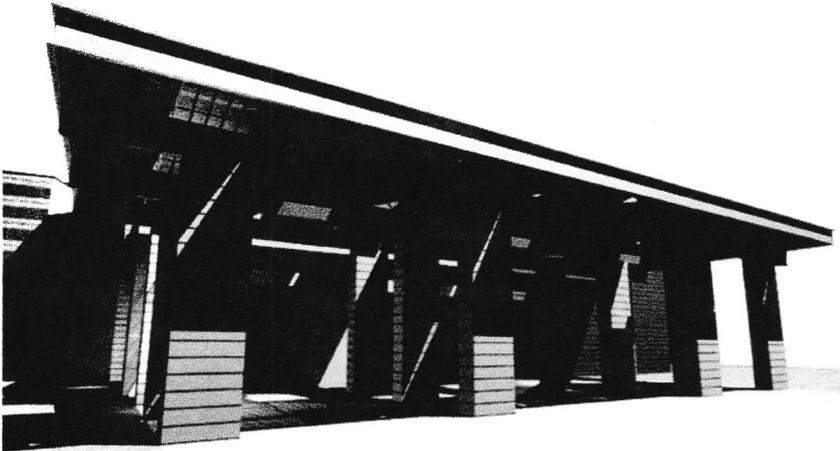
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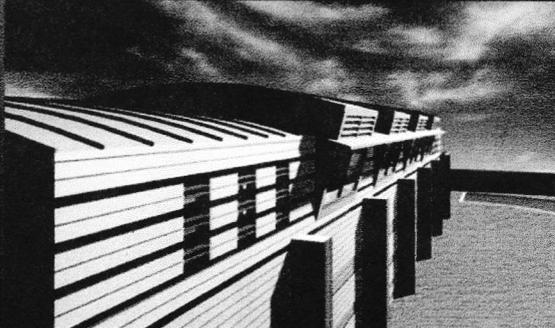
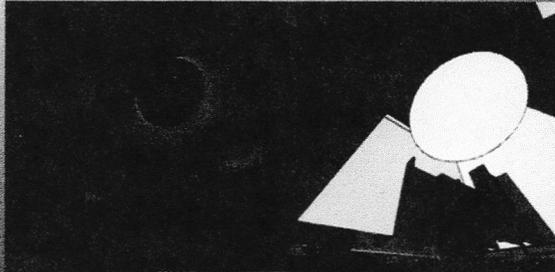
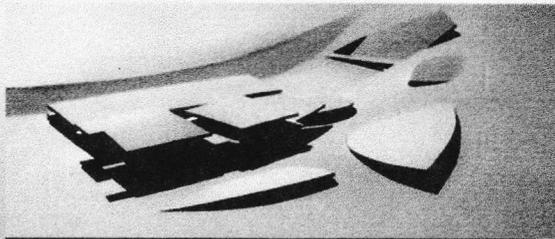
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GRASSROOTS '99

RANDY LAVIGNE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The 1999 Grassroots Leadership Conference was a great success. The goal is for leaders from each AIA Chapter to converge on Capitol Hill and speak with their representatives directly about the legislative issues that impact the profession. Jim Dinegar, Vice President of AIA Government and Industry Affairs planned and executed a very successful assault. On the morning of February 4th, over 700 AIA members, armed with "blueprints" that illustrated the issues of "tax credits," "legal reform" and "livable communities" marched into the Congressional and Senate office buildings and made our statements. Your Nevada Contingent was successful in visiting with all four of our representatives, and made the point that when these issues come before them for vote, we'll be watching the results. Grassroots is also an opportunity to get the updated information on AIA plans and systems.

CDB TO BE REPLACED IN 2000

The AIA's Consolidated Database (CDB) system, used by AIA National and components to process member's billings and invoices, has been the object of great expectations and not-so-great delivery over the past two years. Its poor performance has led AIA National and its components to agree that getting a new system

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Members of the Nevada Contingent at Grassroots just outside The White House. (l-r) James Mickey, AIA - President-Elect, AIA Northern Nevada; R. Lavigne, Executive Director; Eric Anderson, AIA - President-Elect, AIA Nevada; Walter Estay, AIA - President, AIA Northern Nevada; Kevin Jeffers, AIA - President, AIA Nevada and Ed Vance, AIA, President, AIA Las Vegas.

and contracting with a new vendor are the most effective means of procuring a database that works for all. In concept, the consolidated database we would allow AIA National and components to synchronize membership records, use a single invoice for all levels of membership dues and allow a single lock box for transferring funds. Execution of the system through the 1999 dues cycle was serviceable: moneys were properly allocated and member records were posted properly, however the going was slow and the process still rocky.

The AIA plans to use the current system to complete the 2000 billing cycle — staff and outside consultants agree that the risk of calamity in trying to switch to another system in the currently cycle is too high.



Eric Anderson, AIA pauses during the Grassroots Conference to contemplate the many and varied methods for achieving CE credits for issues of egress and cueing in entertainment venues.

Strategy for the year 2001 and beyond centers on hiring a new vendor who will work within the AIA's already defined parameters and the existing data collection structure. Selection of a vendor will take place within the next 60 days. The complete process is expected to take a year.

AIA MEMBERSHIP

It may interest you to know that AIA Membership has increased 16% since 1990. Current membership shows 65,380 members nationally — 72% are architects (47,115) 18% are associates (11,842) and 10% are emeritus members (6,423). With regard to diversity 7% are classified as "Minority" — 87% are

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Kevin Jeffers, AIA waits in the "hallowed halls of Washington" for an opportunity to speak to his representatives about "livable communities."

male. Current statistics indicate that Architects are more likely to be white males — there are very few emeritus women and Associates have a higher % of females than any other member type. 86% of our members work in an Architectural Firm or Private Practice. 1.39% work for Contractors or Builders; 3% work for the Government; 2% work in Colleges or Universities. California boasts the most resident licensed architects with 17,294; New York is next with 8,150, followed by Texas with 6,080, and Illinois with 5,293.

NATIONAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN

The 1999 "Building On Your Vision" campaign has as its primary goal to enhance the image of the professional architect. Advertising demonstrates it is the goal of the architect to establish and exciting and rewarding relationship with their clients that produces better placed in which people live and work. The campaign will increase the value of the AIA credential after each member's name. All the advertising directs the audience to convenient on-line access for further information and most important, quick contact and locator information for local AIA firms.

Target Audience: The audience for the campaign is identified as "influencers". These are the active participants and leaders in communities of all kinds. They are the kind of people who are likely to have some influence on hiring an architect. They include representatives from city, county and state governing

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bodies. They are members of church, school, and club boards. They are also business leaders of large and small enterprises. Many are likely to be involved in building a custom home or renovation. They represent the full range of the public that all AIA members encounter in their practice.

Media Activity: The campaign consists of AIA messages delivered via television, magazines and National Public Radio.

Television activity consists of two, eight-week "flights" of activity. The first flight begins March 15, 1999; the second begins September 13, 1999. AIA messages will appear on the following programs each week: CBS Sunday Morning with Charles Osgood; NBC Nightly News with Tom Brokaw; CNN's Larry King Live; CNBC's 9 O'Clock News with Brain Williams. Specific times will be posted on <aiaonline.com> a few days before airtime.

Forbes, *Business Week* (Elite edition) and *Newsweek* (Business Plus edition) will each carry full-page AIA ads throughout the year. Specific schedule is available on aiaonline.

AIA underwriting credits will continue to be heard on NPR's Morning Edition in 1999. Ten-week "flights" are scheduled to begin on March 1, 1999 and September 1, 1999. Underwriting credits will be heard Tuesdays through Thursdays between the 7AM and 8AM newsbreaks.

All AIA messages will direct their audiences to <aiaonline.com>. This consumer friendly web site offers visitors information about the AIA, working with an architect, project management and contract information on AIA firms near them that specialize in the kind of work identified by the consumer. This site will be on-line in early March.



KINKI EXCHANGE PARTY

Eastern and Western cultures met in Las Vegas on February 10th, when AIA Las Vegas board members attended an Exchange Party with representatives from the Kinki Foundation of Architects and Building Engineers from Osaka, Japan. (Kinki is a region of Japan that encompasses the Kyoto area.) The Kinki Federation is a professional association similar to a Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Mr. Kazuhiko Oduke, Director of the association welcomed our group, and through the services of an interpreter we learned of the "treasures" of Kyoto, and the ongoing historic preservation of their ancient temples and shrines.

By contrast, Brad Schulz, AIA Past President, spoke (brilliantly and extemporaneously) of the rapid history of Las Vegas and the unprecedented growth and development of the area. Award-winning design projects were presented through the WMR powerpoint presentation. AIA Nevada President, Kevin Jeffers welcomed the representatives and suggested several sites and activities they might enjoy during their visit to Las Vegas. The Kinki Federation presented several books on the architecture of Japan to the Las Vegas Chapter, and we presented each member with a book on the City of Las Vegas. The exchange was worthwhile and enjoyed by all who attended.



Brad Schulz, AIA presents a copy of the WMR Awards Presentation on CD to Mr. Kazuhiko Oduke, Director of the Kinki Federation of Architects and Building Engineers.

NCARB SEEKS AUTHOR FOR "COMMUNITY PLANNING FOR ARCHITECTS' MONOGRAPH

NCARB is seeking an author with expertise in city/urban/regional planning and design to write "Community Planning for Architects," the next publication in the Professional Development Program self-study series. The target audience for this monograph is registered professionals, not students or interns. The material must be presented in a manner that provides new learning opportunities for architects; it should not simply refresh their memory about basic aspects of practice. Monograph authors are not responsible for writing the quiz questions that accompany the publication.

If you are interested in being considered as an author for this particular monograph, please submit a cover letter, resume and brief description of your professional qualifications to write on the referenced topic. Letters of interest should be sent by March 31, 1999 to Kim Garrison, Manager, Professional Development Program, NCARB, 1735 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20006. Fax 202-783-0290, email: pdp@ncarb.org. Finalists will be notified by the end of April and will be asked to submit one or more writing samples and a proposed outline for review. A contract will be executed with the selected author by June 1, 1999.



AIA Las Vegas President, Ed Vance, AIA and AIA Nevada President, Kevin Jeffers, AIA receive gifts of Japanese books of architecture from Mr. Kazuhiko Oduke at the "Exchange Party" on February 10th at the Flamingo Hilton Hotel.

UNLV UPDATE

JEFF HARTNETT

VISITING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

The 16th Annual National Conference on the Beginning Design Student, "Quality, Origins, and Foundations: Beginnings at the End of the Millennium", will be hosted by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) on September 16-18, 1999 at the Luxor Hotel & Casino on the Las Vegas Strip. Send inquiries to conference chair Jeff Hartnett: (voice) 702-895-4244, (fax) 702-895-1119, (email) <hartnett@nevada>; up-do-date information and registration details are on the School's web page: <http://unlv.edu/Colleges/Fine_Arts/Architecture/>. Paper abstracts and exhibit proposals are due April 9th; the conference encourages submissions by allied design educators and professionals.

"Recruiting" Adjunct Faculty — If you know of any.....or if you are a local Las Vegas practitioner/professional/designer who may be interested in teaching a 1st or a 2nd year design studio in the future (especially those who would be willing/able to teach during the day: i.e. mornings and /or afternoons), please contact Jeff Hartnett at 702-895-4244 or <hartnett@nevada.edu>. Candidates must be of good character and have educational and/or professional experience. We would like to interview as many candidates as possible this spring for possible hiring in the fall and beyond.

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AIA PARTNERSHIP WITH THE ARCHITECTURE LIBRARY

Each year the submittal binders for the winning projects for the WMR, AIA Nevada and AIA Las Vegas Design Awards Programs become the property of AIA Nevada. What do we do with them? In the past they have gathered dust on shelves and in storage. This year, however, prior to the awards presentation, Kelly Lavigne carefully indexed all entries and built a file of information on each project.

Now, thanks to a good partnership with Jeanne Browne, Head Librarian for the Architecture Library, the detailed information on each of these projects is being entered into a database. We're building a resource on CD ROM that will provide full information on each project. Each year the submittals for the design awards program will be added to the database. Through this system we will build a very good archive on the major projects in the state of Nevada. In addition, we are donating a copy of the WMR (powerpoint) Awards Presentation on CD ROM, (designed by Rick Romito, Assoc. AIA) to the library. The presentation is complete with a full listing of all consultants and full jurors' comments on each project.

The AIA Las Vegas and AIA Nevada Chapters also have a large number of resource books and videotapes, and we receive a number of periodicals each month. The problem is that we have very little space in which to store these items and no way to arrange a working library system. Here again, we have arranged for the Architecture Library to catalog our books and materials, so that they are readily available to AIA members as well as UNLV faculty, staff and students.

Watch for listings each month of new acquisitions and resources provided by the UNLV Architecture Library.





MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS & EVENTS

March Meeting - Rodolfo Machado, - The Urbanism of Machado & Silveti

Presented as a part of the continuing Klai::Juba Lecture Series through UNLV, Rodolfo Machado will be the featured speaker at our March Membership Meeting on Tuesday, March 23rd, at the UNLV School of Architecture.

Machado is currently involved in the major renovation and expansion of "The Other Getty". Located five miles from Richard Meier's Getty Center, the original Getty museum, was designed in 1974 by Landon Wilson Associates. Just over three years ago, Machado and Silveti Associates won the commission to master plan the 63 acre site. Programming required more than a year, as Getty officials only demand was that the museum be devoted exclusively to antiquities. When it reopens in 2001, The Getty Villa will serve as the centerpiece of an expanded complex for the Getty Trust's Institutes for the study and conservation of antiquities.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet and talk with one of the finest architects of our time.

5th Annual AIA Spring Putting Tournament:

Friday, April 9th — 6:30PM — Angel Park Golf Club. Use the "Sign Up Sheet" in this newsletter to register your team today.

April Meeting - Peter Pran & Joey Myers - Recent Work

The UNLV Speaker Series provides this exceptional opportunity to hear and visit with internationally renowned architects, Peter Pran & Joey Myers. In their presentation entitled "Recent Work" they will present award winning projects and discuss design philosophies. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 21st at UNLV School of Architecture.

Peter Pran is Design Principal with NBBJ Architects. NBBJ is the second largest architectural firm in the country and the fifth largest firm internationally, with offices also in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Columbus, New York, Tokyo and Oslo. Prior to joining NBBJ two and a half years ago, Peter was Design Principal in charge of the Ellerbe Becket New York office for ten years.

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Peter Pran is recognized as one of the leading architects internationally today. He has given lectures and served on juries in almost every state in the USA and in countries all over the world. He has also written and published widely nationally and internationally.

May Meeting - "AIA Las Vegas High School Design Awards"

Last fall, Eric Christensen, AIA and his "band of hearty volunteer advisors", delivered the 1998-1999 AIA LV design challenge to over 100 students in nine Clark County High Schools. At our membership meeting on May 19th we will have the opportunity to see and reward their efforts in solving the challenge. The AIA Las Vegas High School Design Awards is one of the Chapter's oldest and most important community programs. This year we will provide an opportunity for instructors, students and parents to become acquainted with the UNLV School of Architecture by hosting the reception and awards presentation in the school. The students work will be on display in the lobby and hallways and awards presentations will be made at our meeting in the Architecture Library.

What was the 1999 AIA Las Vegas Student Design Challenge? *The architecture firm you and your classmates work for has been asked to participate in an Energy Efficient/Environmentally Sustainable Residential project. "The Enlightened Southern Nevada Home Builders Association" in connection with the "US Department of Clean Energy" and the "Nevada State Free Energy Office" will provide land in downtown Las Vegas to build a demonstration neighborhood.*

The goal is to demonstrate energy efficient/environmentally sustainable home and neighborhood design. Your task is to form teams (with as many students as you want per team) and design a master plan for your neighborhood. Each student will then be responsible to design one home in that neighborhood. The site is the block formed by 9th and 10th streets and Bridger and Lewis Avenues. Any historic homes will be moved to other locations and the site cleared. Your team is to plan for at least 18 homes on the block. They may be arranged in any configuration. You are to create a master plan and home designs that best demonstrates the strategies for energy efficiency, environmental sustainability, human comfort and promotes the quality of the neighborhood. The team with the best master plan will win a prize for their school. After the team settles on its master plan,

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each student is to go on to design a home in the master plan. The home must have the following elements. * Great Room, about 600 sq. ft.; * Dining Area, about 200 sq. ft.; * Kitchen, 150 sq. ft.; Master Bedroom Suite, This area should include a sitting room, a bed/sleeping area and walk-in closet(s). The suite should be about 40 sq. ft; Bedroom for a teenager, about 130 sq. ft; Guest Bedroom, about 130 sq. ft; Bathroom(s) to service the bedrooms and visitors; Sun Space/Green House and/or Mechanical Spaces (if needed for energy strategy) Two Car Garage and Private Exterior Living Area. The total square footage for the house and garage (gross square feet) must be between 2400 - 2700 sq. ft. The house should have a progressive design. Multiple levels are OK and anticipated. For a complete copy of the design challenge, contact the AIA LV office at 895-0936.

June Meeting - "Art & Architecture '99-Giving Life to Mind"

Start making your plans now. AIA Las Vegas has joined with the *Friends of the North Las Vegas Library District* in a very special outreach project for the community. On June 25, 1999, we will host "Art & Architecture 99 - Giving Life to Mind" at the Flamingo Hilton. This black-tie event will begin at 6:00PM with a Silent Auction featuring 25 original pieces of artwork donated by local artists and architects and 25 spectacular gift packages donated by area businesses. The purpose is to raise funds for the North Las Vegas Library District and for the AIA Scholarship Fund. The evening will include a special presentation by a "nationally renowned architect" as keynote speaker, as well as music, dinner and the Silent Auction. Since this is our June Membership Meeting, there is no charge for AIA Members, however, guest tickets are \$50.00 each. Contact Valerie Bugni at 263-7111 or Randy Lavigne at 895-0936 for additional information.

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AIA LV COMMITTEE REPORTS

AIA Growth Committee: *Meets the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30PM in the Conference Room at the UNLV School of Architecture.* Phase II - Committee members are studying specific growth issues and logistical areas. Objective to formulate AIA position and provide information and resource support for other government and related entities. Co-Chairs - Tom Schoeman, AIA (731-2033) and Michael Crowe, AIA (456-3000)

AIA Futures Committee: (Long Range Planning) The newly formed Long-Range Planning Committee met at the beginning of January and February to discuss its mission and establish goals. The committee members include the chapter president, two past presidents, the president-elect, two board members and a past board member.

The committee is charged with establishing the overall direction of the chapter, developing chapter leadership and setting financial goals. Our first two meetings have focused on looking at where the chapter will be in one year, in five years and in ten years. Obviously, the goals for the next year will be more specific than the next five to ten years but a general direction will be established for the chapter. The goals will be outlined in a document along with other issues regarding the direction and interests of the chapter.

The following items are currently under discussion:

* The leadership of the chapter and its involvement with the major operating committees, specifically a committee chapter assignment for each chapter officer and board member. The concept which is still being developed proposes that for each officer and board seat a specific committee chair will be attached. Each committee chair position will have a detailed description of duties and responsibilities. This document will aid a leadership recruitment committee in the solicitation of potential officers or board members.

* The staffing requirements and position descriptions for the chapter and state chapter (i.e. number of full and part-time positions) for the goal periods.

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* Possible facility needs.

* The evolution of the web site with links to firms, electronic newsletter and possible methods for using the web site as revenue generator, as well as ways that money can be saved through the use of the web site.

* What is the impact of increasing or decreasing the number of membership meetings per year? What type of meetings (i.e. lectures, dinners, award or presentations, activities)? Define and refine who is responsible for meeting content and how is it integrated into the overall yearly program.

* Closely following on the heels of the membership meeting issue is the membership services issue: What type of service package should the chapter provide to the membership, should we be doing more and importantly, how much should these services cost? The committee will discuss and suggest what might be done to improve services and make recommendations as to how dues might be impacted.

* The chapter should be more involved in the nominations of Fellows to the AIA and should actively promote members for induction into the College of Fellows.

* The composition of the board and offices of the chapter need to change to reflect the needs and areas of service in the chapter. The major area of concern in continuity, how can the chapter provide a more focused and relevant program without the necessity of "reinventing" the process each year. The committee will make recommendations for these changes.

The committee intends to produce a document that will outline all of the proposed changes, goals, procedures, etc., to be reviewed by the board. It is recognized that many of the proposals will require a change in the chapter's bylaws and that a thorough discussion and examination must be undertaken before any of these items can be submitted to the membership for approval. Our initial goal is to be able to present this document as reviewed and amended by the Board by June, 1999.

The Long-Range Planning Committee meets on the first Wednesday of each month at noon in the offices of Carpenter Sellers Associates. We welcome any interested member who wishes to attend and appreciate any positive input. Chair: Steve Carpenter, AIA (251-8896)

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Financial Resources Committee: Currently working to secure sponsors for Membership Meetings from March 1999 through March 2000; And, sponsors for Architecture Week which will be October 10-16, 1999, and we will need 10 sponsors. Chair: Mark Dowell, AIA (732-0084)

Scholarship Committee: Currently investigating the awards structure for the scholarship program as well as methods to increase the value of the endowment fund. As we continue to expand the program, we hope to see larger awards bestowed upon students that motivate applicants, in turn creating exceptional projects that increase the critical thought in the realm of architectural academia. This committee is scheduled to meet the second Thursday of each month at 5:15PM at the RAFI office. (2/11, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13) Chair: David Frommer, AIA (435-7234)

Events Committees: Production and execution of Chapter Events:

ARCHITECTURE WEEK - October 10-16, 1999 - Watch for events and details

AIA LV Product Show - October 13, 1999 - Opens at 3PM at the new RIO Pavilion and Convention Center. Booths now available at \$650.00 and \$500.00 Call Randy Lavigne (895-0936)

AIA Las Vegas Design Awards - Will be forming sub-committees for jury selection; criteria and rules; and production of the banquet. Call for entries will go out in June. The Design Awards Banquet will be a part of Architecture Week, on Saturday, October 16, 1999. Eric Strain, AIA (896-02454) and Curt Carlson, AIA (731-2033)

Silent Auction - Committee is embarking on its donation drive for the 1999 Silent Auction program. If you know of any architects, businesses or organizations that may be interested in donating an item to be auctioned, or if you are interested in assisting in the drive for silent auction items, please contact the AIA LV office. This committee will meet the fourth Thursday of each month at 5:30PM at RAFI offices. (3/25, 4/22, 5/27, 6/24) The Silent Auction will be a part of the AIA Las Vegas Design Awards Banquet on October 16, 1999. Mike Anderson, AIA (456-3000) and David Frommer, AIA (435-7234)

Golf & Putting Tournaments - Sponsorship opportunities are available; also it's time to register your team for the Spring Putting Tournament (see registration form in this newsletter). Todd Vedelago, AIA - 456-3000

AIA Spring Putting Tournament - 6:30PM, Friday, April 9, 1999

24th Annual AIA Golf Tournament -2:00PM, Friday, June 4, 1999

AIA Fall Putting Tournament - 6:30PM, Friday, September 17, 1999

Publications Committee: Suggestions for editorial content for the 1999-2000 AIA Nevada Directory are being considered. If you would like to furnish an article or have an idea for editorial information, please contact R. Lavigne - 895-0936. Chair: Ed Vance, AIA

Programs Committee:

Community Outreach -Currently seeking to develop an outreach program for the year 2000. Chair: Laura Gerber, Assoc. AIA (435-7234)

Continuing Education - Currently accepting ideas and suggestions for CE opportunities for AIA members. Chair: Michael Alcorn, AIA (Contact AIA LV 895-0936)

Public Relations Committee: Developing media contacts and publicity plan for upcoming AIA events and activities. Chair: Shawn Soucie

Intern Development: Intern Development meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 3rd at 5PM to determine how to revitalize the IDP and provide support for interns. Chair: Alan Holl, AIA (Contact AIA LV 895-0936)

Government Affairs & Growth: Legislative Affairs Day scheduled for March 2nd in Carson City. Contact Chair: Michael Crowe, AIA (456-3000)

Membership: The 1999 AIA Membership Contest is underway. \$1,000. to the member who recruits the most new members from January 1 - October 1, 1999. See the flyer included in this newsletter. Chair: Eric Strain, AIA - President-Elect (Contact AIA LV 895-0936)

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C.E. OPPORTUNITIES:

"DRI CONSTRUCTION LAW SEMINAR"

Presented by the Defense Research Institute
Thursday, March 11 & Friday, March 12, 1999
Caesar's Palace

Construction law environment is rapidly changing as are the roles of the parties. There are new and developing areas of litigation (EIFS), changing contract documents that attempt to redefine the roles of the parties and alter the traditional relationships, new theories of damage claims in construction defect cases, new insurance programs, uncertainty as to how the Y2K problem will impact construction, the need to comply with ADA and HUD regulations, and new theories of time impact analysis in delay claims. This seminar will address these issues as well as common areas of concern: how to effectively cross-examine an economist in a personal injury claim; when an indemnator and/or additional insured is protected from losses; OCP liability insurance; and how to be effective at ADR.

Cost \$645.00

Contact DRI at 312-944-0575 or e-mail: dri@mcs.net to register.

"PERPETUATION OF THE A/E FIRM: How to Plan a Successful, Smooth Internal Ownership Transfer"

A breakfast seminar sponsored by AIA Las Vegas, American Insurance & Investment and ACEC Nevada
Wednesday, April 14th

7:00AM - 10:30AM (Breakfast 7-7:30AM; Program 7:30 -10:30AM)

Palace Station - 2nd Floor, Meeting Room

A major concern for many owners of A/E firms is planning a seamless transition when they choose to turn over leadership of the organization to offer ownership to others in the firm. Ownership transition methods commonly used in other professions do not work as easily for an A/E firm, or they require major modifications. This seminar addresses many of the issues an owner may face when such a decision is made, including:

- * The major elements of an internal ownership transfer plan
- * Key considerations for both existing partners and prospective owners
- * Common success and failure factors
- * Popular internal ownership transfer techniques
- * Overview of valuation from an internal ownership

transfer prospective

Speakers: Guy LeVan, Senior consultant for DPIC Management Services Corp., works exclusively with design firms in the West to implement internal ownership transfers and other management programs and has been doing so for twelve years. Lora J. Peluso, local DPIC agent will briefly discuss the insurance ramifications of ownership transfers.

\$25.00 - Registration Fee (includes breakfast) must be paid in advance.

6 CE Credits

To register call 702-895-0936

ARCHITECTURE + CHILDREN

AIA Las Vegas is proud to provide this exceptional program. Richard Beckman, AIA is spearheading the committee to combine our efforts with the UNLV School of Architecture and the UNLV College of Education. In July, (dates to be confirmed) we will sponsor the "Architecture + Children" Course, registered for PDE Credit (and AIA CE Credit) specifically for Clark County teachers which will allow them to use the "Architecture + Children" teaching methods in their classrooms. Further, if we are successful in being awarded a Planning Initiative Grant through UNLV, we will be able to provide a two-week "design camp" for children, here at the UNLV School of Architecture this summer. Anne Taylor, Ph.D and Hon. AIA, professor in the School of Architecture and Planning at the University of New Mexico, will return as instructor for both the course and the "camp." She is the author and originator of the curriculum "Architecture + Children" and has trained over 3000 teachers, architects and architect students in this country, Canada, Japan and Mexico.

The "Architecture + Children" course will accommodate 50 people - educators and architects. Our plan is to partner one architect with each school that is represented so that in the future, those educators can call upon the architect to assist with special programs and projects for the children. If you are interested in taking the course and being a part of this very worthwhile program, please contact the AIA Office - 895-0936.

AIA NEVADA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - CONT.

KEVIN JEFFERS, AIA
PRESIDENT, AIA NEVADA

in our nation. This year our Legislative Agenda was organized much better than I remember it being in the past. Thanks is due to our Government & Industry Affairs Vice president, Jim Dinagar. He did an outstanding job, and he represents the AIA very well. One interesting change this year was that we were given a "blueprint" with graphic representations or "sketches" on the topics we were to discuss to leave with our representatives. We were a little skeptical at first, but I feel now that it was an ingenious idea. Can you imagine 400 architects running around Washington DC each with a roll of drawings in their hands? I think everyone knew that the architects were in town, and the Legislators seemed to enjoy it. Maybe an idea for our future Legislative Affairs Days in Carson City?



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The Las Vegas office of MCG Architecture, an award-winning, design-oriented architectural firm with nine branch offices nationwide, has immediate openings for motivated Senior Designer and Project Manager with strong technical, leadership, communication and client skills for the preparation and coordination of documents for major retail projects. Qualified candidates shall possess prior CADD experience. Our exciting team-oriented working environment includes a multi-faceted employee benefits package.

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NEW MEMBERS:

Don't forget the "Membership Contest". If you are recruiting....be sure your name appears on the top of both the new member Application and the Information Form. It could mean \$1,000. for you!!! By the way....everyone is running a very slow second to Kelly Lavigne in the AIA Las Vegas office.

We are very pleased to welcome these new members to AIA Las Vegas.

Architect:

Roberto DeLeon, AIA

G.C. Wallace, Inc.

James Conway Hall, AIA

CRSS Constructos, Inc.

Ross Primmer, AIA

G.C. Wallace, Inc.

Associate:

Brian Callanan, Associate AIA

Swisher & Hall, AIA, Ltd.

Sharilyn Hidalgo, Associate AIA

G.C. Wallace, Inc.

Brent Lovett, Associate AIA

Pinnacle One

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Brian Wolfe, Associate AIA

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Geotechnical & Environmental
Services, Inc.

Jim Brunk

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David Holmes

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Eric Larson

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A LEGISLATORS LOOK AT LEGISLATION

BY KELLY THOMAS, APA, AIA, ASLA
ASSEMBLYMAN, CLARK COUNTY,
DISTRICT 16



I suppose I'll start by answering the question I hear almost daily. What made you run for office? I usually respond by saying that I lost a bet, but I'm here to tell you that it was my education and experience in the fields of urban planning, architecture, and landscape architecture that provided me with the main motivation for my entry into the political arena. We all know that design affects behavior, but without the right tools in place (laws) we won't be able to affect change as much as we would like.

So it is with this that I am here to use my one whole month of institutional knowledge to tell you everything that you wanted to know about what is going on in the illustrious halls of the State Legislature, but were afraid to ask. My main focus will be on proposed bills, or bill drafts, that will affect the way we do business as design professionals or that are "quality of life?" issues. Caution, do not read this material while operating heavy machinery or a motor vehicle, it may very well lull you into a deep, deep sleep.

As of February 21, 1999 there were over 1,500 proposed changes to the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS). Why we needed this many, nobody knows, but nonetheless the following measures, whether an Assembly Bill (AB), a Senate Bill (SB), an Assembly Joint Resolution (AJR), or a Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) have been introduced either on the floor or in committee and are broken out by topic. Under the topic the actual bill number is listed, followed by the sponsor, a brief summary and then the status of the measure in the legislative process. If you need more information on a piece of legislation I'd like to direct you to the Nevada State Legislature homepage at www.leg.state.nv.us.

Business Practice:

AB 116: Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design: Makes changes concerning aiding and abetting of unauthorized persons who practice architecture,

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interior design and residential design. Status: In Assembly at Commerce and Labor.

Construction:

AJR 7: Assembly Committee on Government Affairs: Proposes to amend constitution of State of Nevada to increase limitation on state indebtedness solely to pay costs of construction and renovation of school facilities. Status: In Assembly at Constitutional Amendments.

SB 177: Manufactured Housing Division: Makes various changes concerning standards for construction to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act and increases penalty. Status: In Senate at Commerce and Labor. Hearing: Feb-23-1999.

SB 216: Clark County Building: Requires political subdivision to pay permit fees when acquiring building or other permits from enterprise departments or agencies. Status: In Senate at Government Affairs

Construction Defects:

AB 87: Las Vegas: Makes changes concerning liability of local governments for construction defects. Status: In Assembly at Judiciary.

Conservation, Open Space and Landscaping:

AB 95: Las Vegas: Authorizes the creation of local improvement district for street beautification project. Status: In Assembly at Government Affairs. Heard: Feb-12-1999, No Action.

AB 281: de Braga: Makes appropriation to State Conservation Commission for the support of conservation districts. Status: In Assembly at Ways and Means.

SB 217: Government Affairs: Authorizes board of county commissioners to establish wetlands mitigation bank. Status: In Senate at Government Affairs.

Contractors:

AB 259: Lee: Revise provisions governing State Contractors' Board. Status: In Assembly at Commerce and Labor.

SB 32: Raggio: Make various changes to regulation of contractors. Status: In Senate at Commerce and Labor.

SB 144: O'Connell: Revise provisions governing payment of contractors for work performed and materials furnished. Status: In Senate at Government Affairs.

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Governing:

AB 142: Von Tobel: Authorizes larger counties to establish town board form of government for unincorporated towns. Status: In Assembly at Government Affairs. Heard: Feb-16-1999, No Action.

Housing:

AB 107: Manufactured Housing Division: Makes various changes concerning manufactured housing. Status: In Assembly at Commerce and Labor. Hearing: Feb-22-1999.

Planning, Development and Growth:

AB 62: Assembly Committee on Government Affairs: Makes various changes concerning residential facilities for groups. Status: In Assembly at Government Affairs. Heard: Feb-09-1999, To Subcommittee. Heard: Feb-16-1999, No Action.

AB 91: North Las Vegas: Authorizes cities to annex island properties totally surrounded by city boundaries. Status: In Assembly at Government Affairs..

SB 52: Mathews: Revise provisions governing the exchange of land by public entities. Status: In Assembly at Government Affairs. Heard: Senate Government Affairs, Feb-08-1999, No Action. Heard: Senate Government Affairs, Feb-10-1999, Do pass.

SB 121: Las Vegas: Provides for adequate notification to home owners or future home owners concerning changes in master plan for future uses impacting residential developments. Status: In Senate at Judiciary. Heard: Feb-12-1999, To Subcommittee. Heard: Feb-16-1999, No Action. Heard: Feb-18-1999, No Action.

SB 191: Titus: Revise provisions governing development of land in portion of Clark County. Status: In Senate at Government Affairs. Hearing: Feb-24-1999.

SCR 2: Tahoe Regional Planning Agency: Continue Committee to Review Tahoe Regional Planning Compact.

Public Works and Infrastructure:

SB 17: Senate Committee on Judiciary: Revises provisions governing limitations on certain actions pertaining to public improvements. Status: In Senate at Judiciary. Heard: Feb-03-1999, No Action. Heard: Feb-09-1999, No Action.

SB 138: North Las Vegas: Makes changes concerning municipalities for certain capital improvements within designated redevelopment areas. Status: In Senate at Government Affairs. Heard: Feb-12-1999, Indefinitely Postponed (dead).

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Tort Reform:

AB 225: Marvel: Revise provisions regarding tort actions. Status: In Assembly at Judiciary.

Transportation:

AB 182: Clark County Public Works: Requires Department of Transportation to conform to locally adopted road improvement standards. Status: In Assembly at Transportation.

Water:

AB 92: Clark County Southern Nevada Water Authority: Allows greater flexibility in funding construction of regional water and wastewater projects. Status: In Assembly at Government Affairs. Heard: Feb-15-1999, No Action.

AB 206: Neighbors: Revise provisions regarding water planning and interbasin transfers of ground water. Status: In Assembly at Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining. Hearing: Feb-24-1999.

SB 182: North Las Vegas: Requires that charges be based upon number of dwelling units provided water services. Status: In Senate at Government Affairs.

The following Bill Draft Requests (BDR?s) are required to be delivered to the requester by the Legislative Council Bureau (LCB) on or before March 8th. The requester will then have 10 days to introduce the measure, at which time it is assigned a bill number. The same format for reporting was followed as above. Please note however, if a BDR is followed only by the word ?Legislator? the requester (legislator) has chosen to shroud themselves in secrecy for no apparent reason. Go figure.

Business Practice:

BDR 404: Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design: Makes various changes concerning architecture, interior design and residential design.

BDR 788: Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design: Makes changes concerning certificates of registration for business organizations.

BDR 871: Legislator: Revise the circumstances under which architects, contractors, engineers and surveyors may practice under an exemption.

BDR 1144: Legislator: Establish a screening panel to review allegations of negligence against engineers, architects, surveyors and landscape architects.

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Conservation, Open Space and Landscaping:

BDR 26: Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor: Authorize formation of assessment district to pay costs related to landscaping and lighting within the district.
BDR 592: Douglas County: Allows certain counties flexibility in development of neighborhood parks.
BDR 1335: Thomas: Revise provisions regarding parks, trails and open space in order to attain the national standard of 6 acres of open space for every 1,000 residents in Clark County.
BDR 1557: Legislator: Authorize the establishment of an open-space conservation district upon approval of the voter.
BDR 1558: Von Tobel: Directs Legislative Commission to conduct interim study on funding for maintenance of state parks.

Construction:

BDR 53: Porter: Create board to oversee construction and repair of schools.
BDR 179: Assembly Committee on Education: Requires annual audit of certain expenditures relating to design, renovation or construction of school buildings by certain school districts.
BDR 1338: Thomas: Exempt school districts from costs related to non-abutting off-site improvements.
BDR 1491: Assembly Committee on Government Affairs: Revise provisions regarding plan review and inspections of schools and state buildings by state fire marshal.

Construction Defects:

BDR 368: Legislator: Revise requirements for notice to contractor of defects and damages in action for constructional defect.
BDR 1065: Legislator: Revise provisions governing actions concerning constructional defects.
BDR 1115: Anderson: Provide for expedited and adequately supervised repair of construction defects.

Contractors:

BDR 759: Contractors Board: Establishes a residential contractors recovery fund for consumers who are injured as a result of a violation by a contractor.
BDR 760: Contractors Board: Makes changes concerning construction of residential pool or spa.
BDR 761: Contractors Board: Increases enforcement powers of contractors board when dealing with construction fraud.
BDR 762: Contractors Board: Makes changes concerning citations issued to unlicensed contractors.
BDR1325: Legislator: Revise provisions regarding general contractors.

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BDR 1404: Buckley: Revise provisions regarding the state contractors' board.

Housing:

BDR 227: Legislator: Revise provisions concerning provision of affordable housing in Nevada.
BDR 1513: Segerblom: Revise provisions regarding affordable housing.

Liens:

BDR 899: Legislator: Revise circumstances under which lien for labor performed may be filed.

Planning, Development and Growth:

BDR 33: Legislator: Require consolidation of certain Las Vegas and Clark County government services.
BDR 100: Legislator: Revise provisions governing planning and zoning.
BDR 129: Legislator: Enact "Smart Growth Act."
BDR 137: Senate Committee on Government Affairs: Revise provisions governing planning and zoning.
BDR 151: Williams: Revise provisions regarding eminent domain to restrict practice of down-zoning.
BDR 268: Clark County Comprehensive Planning: Makes various changes concerning notification requirements for certain public hearings and land use applications.
BDR 282: Giunchigliani: Makes various changes concerning regional planning.
BDR 507: Giunchigliani: Makes various changes regarding planning and zoning by local governments.
BDR 526: Eureka County: Authorizes certain cities and counties to become involved in Federal land management and planning.
BDR 540: Las Vegas: Expands use of impact fees to include parks and fire suppression activity.
BDR 556: Washoe County: Makes changes concerning improvements to land use planning process in certain counties.
BDR 669: Reno: Requires school districts to include specific sites for facilities for purposes of regional planning.
BDR 729: Segerblom: Revise provisions regarding eminent domain.
BDR 886: Legislator: Prohibit financial assistance to local governments for economic development projects that do not conform to local plans for growth.
BDR 1116: Mortenson: Require equal time be allotted at certain public hearings for presentations by opponents of certain requests for changes in zoning and planning.
BDR 1197: Porter: Establish standards for regional
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planning and development.

BDR 1270: Legislator: Creates Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition.

BDR 1317: Legislator: Revise provisions regarding eminent domain.

BDR 1336: Thomas: Provide incentives for traditional neighborhood developments.

BDR 1337: Thomas: Provide incentives for infill development.

BDR 1339: Thomas: Revise provisions regarding notification of school districts when zoning and master plan changes are proposed.

BDR 1361: Freeman: Revise provisions regarding impact fees.

BDR 1362: Freeman: Revise provisions regarding regional planning.

BDR 1527: Porter: Transfers title to specified land from State of Nevada to Clark County.

BDR 1570: Thomas: Makes appropriation for a portion of the costs to develop the Nevada Center for Sustainable Living (NCSL).

Public Works and Infrastructure:

BDR 29: Legislator: Expand authorization of special improvement district to assess persons for use of improvements.

BDR 52: Senator Porter: Revises provisions governing public works projects.

BDR 517: Senate Committee on Government Affairs: Revises provisions governing public works projects.

BDR 582: Legislator: Create a regional infrastructure board for southern Nevada.

BDR 736: Public Works: Makes changes concerning the bid process for public works projects.

BDR 861: Legislator: Makes various changes to provisions governing public utilities.

BDR 991: Assembly Committee on Government Affairs: Require prequalification of bidders for public works projects of local governments.

BDR 1042: Legislator: Makes various changes to provisions governing public works projects.

BDR 1239: Legislator: Makes various changes to provisions governing public utilities.

BDR 1573: Thomas: Direct the Legislative Commission to conduct a study to develop a comprehensive state energy plan emphasizing production from renewable resources and its subsequent efficient use.

Transportation:

BDR 1340: Thomas: Provide tax incentives to employers who provide mass transit passes for their
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employees.

BDR 1349: Thomas: Provide credit against personal property tax for businesses that provide free child care for employees' children. (it reduces vehicle trips)

BDR 1572: Legislator: Revise provisions regarding Regional Transportation Commissions.

Water:

BDR 277: Clark County Southern Nevada Water Authority: Makes changes to lessen impact on well owners required to hook up to municipal water systems.

BDR 278: Clark County Southern Nevada Water Authority: Makes various changes to meet water quality standards and concerns in the Las Vegas Valley.

BDR 279: Clark County Southern Nevada Water Authority: Makes various changes concerning management of ground-water in the Las Vegas Valley Ground-Water Basin.

BDR 670: Reno: Authorizes public utility which furnishes water to oversize installation of new water delivery lines in order to provide for new growth.

BDR 830: Legislator: Revise provisions regarding the Moapa Valley Water District.

BDR 1084: Legislator: Delete exemption of Southern Nevada Water Authority from regulation by the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada.

BDR 1278: Legislator: Revise provisions regarding abandonment of certain water rights.

BDR 1421: Legislator: Provide for the purchase of certain water rights by the state.

BDR 1430: Von Tobel: Revise provisions regarding the Virgin Valley Water District.

Well if you are still awake by now, I want to thank you for taking the time to familiarize yourself with the issues that will affect the way we do business as design professionals and subsequently our collective quality of life. The best way to continually keep abreast of these and other issues, as they play out over the next few months, is to visit and bookmark the aforementioned web site. There are many free services as well as for fee services, like bill tracking e-mail which will expediently notify you of any changes in the status of you selected legislation.

I truly hope that the preceding information has been useful to you. I look forward to interacting with you during your ?AIA Day at the Legislature? on March 2nd. If I don't see you then, please do not hesitate to give my office a call regarding these or any other issues that are of concern to you. I can be reached at (775) 684-8595.





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- 9 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
11:30A -School of Architecture
- 18 AIA Nevada Board Meeting
11:30A - School of Architecture
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AIA Membership Meeting
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- 9 Spring Putting Tournament
6:30PM Angel Park
- 13 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
11:30A - UNLV School of Architecture
- 14 "Internal Ownership Transition"
CE Breakfast
Palace Station
- 15 AIA Nevada Board Meeting
11:30A -School of Architecture
- 21 April Membership Meeting
"Peter Pran and Joey Myers"
6:P - UNLV School of Architecture

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- 5-8 AIA NATIONAL CONVENTION
Dallas, TX
- 11 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
11:30 A - School of Architecture
- 19 AIA Membership Meeting
"The AIA High School Design Awards"
6:30PM - UNLV School of Architecture
- 20 AIA Nevada Board Meeting
11:30A - School of Architecture

The Las Vegas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects publishes the FORUM newsletter monthly. The editorial staff welcomes your participation and comments. Deadline for materials is the 20th of the month preceding publication. For information, call or write to the FORUM Editor.

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AIA Las Vegas, ACEC Nevada and American Insurance & Investment present....

“PERPETUATION OF THE A/E FIRM”

How To Plan A Successful, Smooth Internal Ownership Transfer

Wednesday, April 14th, 1999

7:00AM BREAKFAST IS SERVED

7:30 - 10:30 SEMINAR

Palace Station

2nd Floor Meeting Room, Track #1

A MAJOR CONCERN FOR MANY OWNERS OF A/E FIRMS IS PLANNING A SEAMLESS TRANSITION WHEN THEY CHOOSE TO TURN OVER LEADERSHIP OF THE ORGANIZATION OR TO OFFER OWNERSHIP TO OTHERS IN THE FIRM. OWNERSHIP TRANSITION METHODS COMMONLY USED IN OTHER PROFESSIONS DO NOT WORK AS EASILY FOR AN A/E FIRM, OR THEY REQUIRE MAJOR MODIFICATIONS. THIS SEMINAR ADDRESSES MANY OF THE ISSUES AN OWNER MAY FACE WHEN SUCH A DECISION IS MADE, INCLUDING:

- * THE MAJOR ELEMENTS OF AN INTERNAL OWNERSHIP TRANSFER PLAN
- * KEY CONSIDERATIONS FOR BOTH EXISTING PARTNERS AND PROSPECTIVE OWNERS
- * COMMON SUCCESS AND FAILURE FACTORS
- * POPULAR INTERNAL OWNERSHIP TRANSFER TECHNIQUES
- * OVERVIEW OF EVALUATION FROM AN INTERNAL OWNERSHIP TRANSFER PROSPECTIVE

SPEAKERS: **GUY LEVAN**, SENIOR CONSULTANT FOR DPIC MANAGEMENT SERVICES CORPORATION, WORKS EXCLUSIVELY WITH DESIGN FIRMS IN THE WEST TO IMPLEMENT INTERNAL OWNERSHIP TRANSFERS AND OTHER MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS AND HAS BEEN DOING SO FOR TWELVE YEARS. **LORA J. PELUSO**, LOCAL DPIC AGENT, WILL BRIEFLY DISCUSS THE INSURANCE RAMIFICATIONS OF OWNERSHIP TRANSFERS.

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