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*HAPPY HOLIDAYS  
AND BEST WISHES FOR  
A WONDERFUL  
NEW CENTURY*

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# AIA LAS VEGAS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

EDWARD A. VANCE, AIA  
PRESIDENT, AIA LAS VEGAS



I would like to dedicate this, my final column, to thanking those that have made this year a success.

First, I want to thank Klai::Juba Architects for continuing their lecture series for another year. Our chapter, our membership and our school, UNLV School of Architecture, have benefitted immeasurably from these lectures.

Next, I would like to thank the members of the AIA Las Vegas Board of Directors - Eric Strain, Anthony Young, David Frommer, Steve Richardson, Dale Scheideman, Curt Carlson, Eric Anderson, Eddie Cervantes and Lora Peluso. I would also like to thank the Committee Chairs who did an excellent job this year. They were led by the Growth Committee Co-Chairs, Tom Schoeman and Michael Crowe; the Futures Committee Chair Steve Carpenter; the Scholarship Committee Chair David Frommer and the Financial Resources Co-chairs Lora Peluso and Windom Kimsey. My thanks also to Laura Gerber and Shawn Soucie for their help with Public Relations, Alan Holl for serving as Intern Development Coordinator, Michael Crowe for service as our State and Government Network Representative, to Michael Alcorn and to Eric Strain for Membership support.

I really want to applaud the efforts of the Design Awards Co-Chairs Eric Strain and Curt Carlson, whose tireless efforts made this year's awards program a marvelous success. I should also mention the Silent Auction Co-Chairs David Frommer and Michael Andersen, whose efforts made this year's event a financial success.

Thanks again to the continued efforts of Golf & Putting Tournaments Chair, Todd Vedelago. Todd has admirably served in this capacity for the last several years and as you know, these events account for a large portion of non-dues revenue for the chapter. Whoever follows him will have some big shoes to fill.

And finally I want to say a special thank you to our Executive Director, Randy Lavigne. Randy along with Kelly Lavigne have served this Chapter with a passion and conviction that I hope we will never take for granted. Our chapter's growth and success over the last five years has been (in my opinion) due in large part to their talented and tireless efforts. They set the stage that allows all that serve this chapter to perform and flourish. Thank you Randy and Kelly.

I will end this column with the following message: "The American Institute of Architects is the voice of the architecture profession dedicated to serving its members, advancing their value and improving the quality of the built environment."

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your President this year. I look forward to seeing you all next year.

## NEW MEMBERS:

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

### Associates:

Jason Jorjorian, Assoc. AIA  
Lucchesi Galati Architects  
Thomas Olzak, Assoc. AIA  
JMA Architecture Studios

### Allied:

Tony Illia  
Associated General Contractors  
Bill Cawthon  
Metro Neon & Lighting

## NEW ARCHITECTS

Congratulations to our Associate Members who have passed their ARE and received their Architect's license.

Shelly Hayden, AIA  
Simon Kim, AIA  
Steve Maahs, AIA  
Troy Moser, AIA  
David Dale Read, AIA

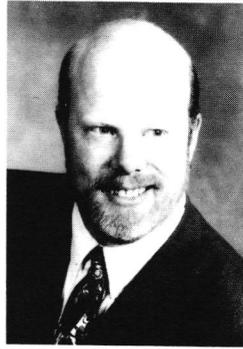
## BRIEFS

Tom Casazza has been appointed as the architect representative to the State Fire Services Board. Ninyo & Moore has been retained to provide Quality Assurance materials testing and inspection services for the Clark County School District during construction of the Cimarron/Robindale High School and associated improvements. Harris Consulting Engineers is working with the San Diego firm of Hayer/Magnus to construct "The Strip Golf Clubhouse". Located just south of the Mandalay Bay Hotel and Casino, the course will be open in August of 2000.



# AIA NEVADA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

KEVIN JEFFERS, AIA  
PRESIDENT, AIA NEVADA



Here we are at the end of another year. And not just any year, mind you. It's the end of the millennium, for God's sake! It seems like yesterday that the year 2000 seemed so far away, and now it's here. Is 2000 really going to be the pivotal year that so many are predicting, or...just another year? Most of us just don't have an answer, it's tough enough to come up with the right questions. The thing I find really interesting, however, is that the majority of people I've talked with about it seem to have the common belief or "feeling" that something is going to happen!! What? That's anybody's guess. Could it be a natural disaster, crash of government, a world war, failure of the power grid...the second coming? It could be something that will be a total surprise to all of us. Maybe it'll be FIRST (official) CONTACT! I do hope one popular prophecy comes true, and that's the "1000 years of peace" that follows whatever "it" is. I guess we'll know soon enough. I think I'll just stick to having the faith that ultimately it will be good and right for all of us.

On a much less heady note, the status of the state chapter and the local chapters of the AIA are, in general, very good and on an upswing. AIA Las Vegas is continuing to boom right along with strong leadership, high member participation and quality staff support. Las Vegas is still definitely in growth mode and that is a good place to be. The chapter seems to keep adding programs and activities each year and is experiencing a growth in revenue (and an increased budget.) The Northern Nevada Chapter is also doing well but appears to have hit a bit of a plateau in growth. We actually saw a slight decrease in the Architect membership and in the programs and activities. Thankfully, the Allied membership levels have increased dramatically and have offset any serious shortfalls in revenue. (Thanks, Joan!) Perhaps new leadership from the board will help continue the momentum that was created in previous years. At the state chapter level, I definitely had hopes of being part of helping to unify the LV and NN Chapters by creating a combined communications effort. I felt the publications could be revamped into a cohesive group which would include a combined statewide newsletter and a full-color, biannual state directory /magazine, both with P.R. potential beyond the AIA itself. (Other state AIA Chapters have done impressive things in this area...take a look at AIA Minnesota.)

Unfortunately, we're not quite there yet. It appears that not everyone on the board is ready for this kind of program to happen. If you think that these goals regarding chapter communications are good ideas, please let one of your board members know.

As this is my last President's Message, I couldn't possibly end without some philosophical rambling. In recent years, it seems we've been hearing reports of Architects being

some of the most trusted professionals in our society. Notice it isn't about our effect on the built environment or how well we do construction documents. It's about how people view our trustworthiness. I believe our honesty and integrity are the most valuable and important qualities we can nurture in our business and our lives. It is so incredibly important to be a person of your word. It's just not about what you do. It's really about who you are. I feel that there is nothing that more clearly defines who you are than the act of living the truth. In my opinion, truth is not a matter of perspective. It's not different for you or for me. The truth is universal and it rings true to each of us as individuals. It just seems that we don't always listen, or choose not to. The challenge is to stand by your word, even when it's not easy or comfortable. In business, there's no better way for anyone to keep their word than putting it in writing. Ancient Muslim teaching says "trust in the will of Allah, but tie the camel."

## AIA NEVADA PUBLICATIONS

The Communications Committee of AIA Nevada is currently researching methods and costs for establishing a statewide newsletter. To be called "Architecture Nevada News, the original plans had called for the first issue to be the January 2000 edition. Since all the production and budget considerations have not been resolved, the committee will continue to explore this area and work toward producing the first newsletter in March of 2000.

### 2000-2001 AIA Nevada Directory & Design Magazine:

The production schedule for the AIA Nevada Directory has been changed slightly. The Communications Committee has determined that in order to produce a more expanded version of the directory additional advance time is needed. Consequently, firms and individuals will not be contacted for "Firm Profile" information and advertising until June of 2000. The book will be published at the end of 2000 and will contain the 1999 and 2000 Design Awards winning projects and AIA Nevada Service Award recipients.

## AIA NEVADA LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

The Nevada Legislative Committee hopes to get the jump on the 2001 Legislative year by organizing efforts and determining the issues and candidates we need to support. With more members than we've ever had before, the AIA can begin to be proactive when it comes to legislation that impacts the profession. Currently the committee is working to determine the three main issues that need to be addressed. Your thoughts and comments are needed and are welcome. Please let us know what you think by calling, faxing or writing to the AIA Nevada office - Phone: 702-895-0936, FAX - 702-895-4417 or Email - rlavigne@aianeveda.org.



# A PREVIEW OF COMING ATTRACTIONS

## MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS & EVENTS IN 2000

The new year will offer an exciting variety of events and programs for AIA members. Though we are still in the planning stages, here is a preliminary schedule of planned events for next year.

### JANUARY

"Housing in Las Vegas Exhibit"  
Architecture Studies Library, UNLV  
Opening Jan. 12

Open House - Carpenter Sellers Associates  
1999 Firm Award Recipients  
Jan. 12 - 6PM

January Membership Meeting  
"Affordable Housing" Panel Discussion  
Jan. 19 - 6PM - Location TBD

Grassroots Leadership Conference  
Jan. 26-29 - Washington DC

### FEBRUARY

Bus Tour of 1999 Design Award Winning Projects  
Noon - 5PM, - Sat. Feb. 12 - \$30.00 per person.

February Membership Meeting  
Klai::Juba Lecture Series  
Tony Chi, NY - "Restaurant Design"  
Feb. 16 - 6PM - UNLV School of Architecture

### MARCH

Open House - Klai::Juba Architects  
Mar. 8 - 6PM

March Membership Meeting  
Klai::Juba Lecture Series  
Johnpaul Jones - "Sustainability in Design"  
Mar. 15 - 6PM - UNLV School of Architecture

### APRIL

AIA Spring Putting Tournament  
Fri. Apr. 7th - Angel Park - 6PM

April Membership Meeting  
"High School Design Awards  
& Intern Design Competition"  
Apr. 26 - 6PM - UNLV School of Architecture

### MAY

AIA National Convention  
May 3-7, Philadelphia, PA

May Membership Meeting  
"Downtown Development" Panel Discussion  
May 17 - 6PM - Location TBD

Phoenix Architecture Bus Tour  
Sat. May 20 & Sun. May 21  
Costs - TBD

### JUNE

#### Board Member Elections Begin

26th Annual AIA Golf Tournament  
Noon, Badlands Golf Course  
Friday, June 2

AIA Summer Lecture Series - Locations TBD  
Tue. June 13 - 6PM and  
Tue. June 27 - 6PM

### JULY

AIA Summer Lecture Series - Locations TBD  
Tue. July 11 - 6PM and  
Tue. July 25 - 6PM

AIA Night at the Stars &  
Allied Member Appreciation Party  
Date TBD

### AUGUST

AIA Summer Lecture Series - Locations TBD  
Tue. August 8 - 6PM and  
Tue. August 22 - 6PM

### SEPTEMBER

September Membership Meeting  
Klai::Juba Lecture Series - Speaker TBD  
Feb. 16 - 6PM - UNLV School of Architecture

AIA Fall Putting Tournament  
Sept. 15, Angel Park - 6PM

Summit 2000 Mega WMR Conference  
Sept. 20-24 - Sun Valley, Idaho

### OCTOBER

ARCHITECTURE WEEK - October 9-15  
AIA Photo Show  
Architects In Schools  
Building Las Vegas Exhibit  
Children's Design Competition  
CanStruction with SDA

AIA Las Vegas Product Show & Member Meeting

### NOVEMBER

Open House - Firm TBD  
Wed. Nov. 8 - 6PM

November Membership Meeting  
Klai::Juba Lecture - Speaker TBD  
Nov. 15 - 6PM - UNLV School of Architecture

### DECEMBER

December Membership Meeting  
Holiday Celebration & Installation Party  
Dec. 6 - 6PM - Location TBD

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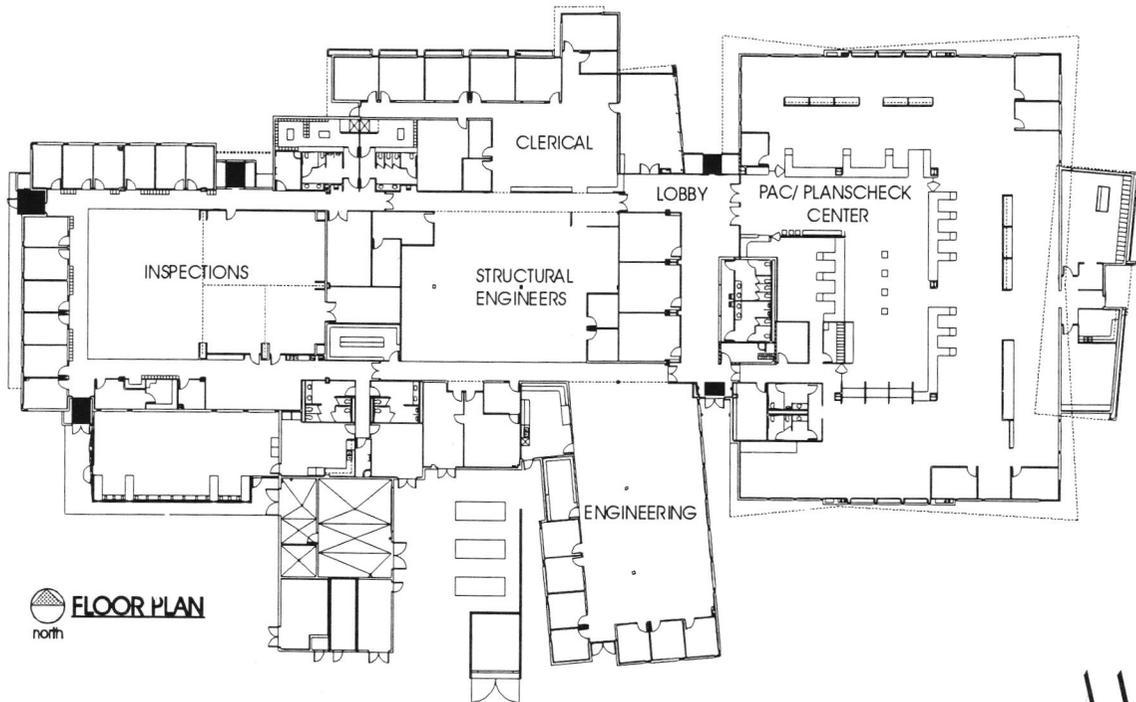
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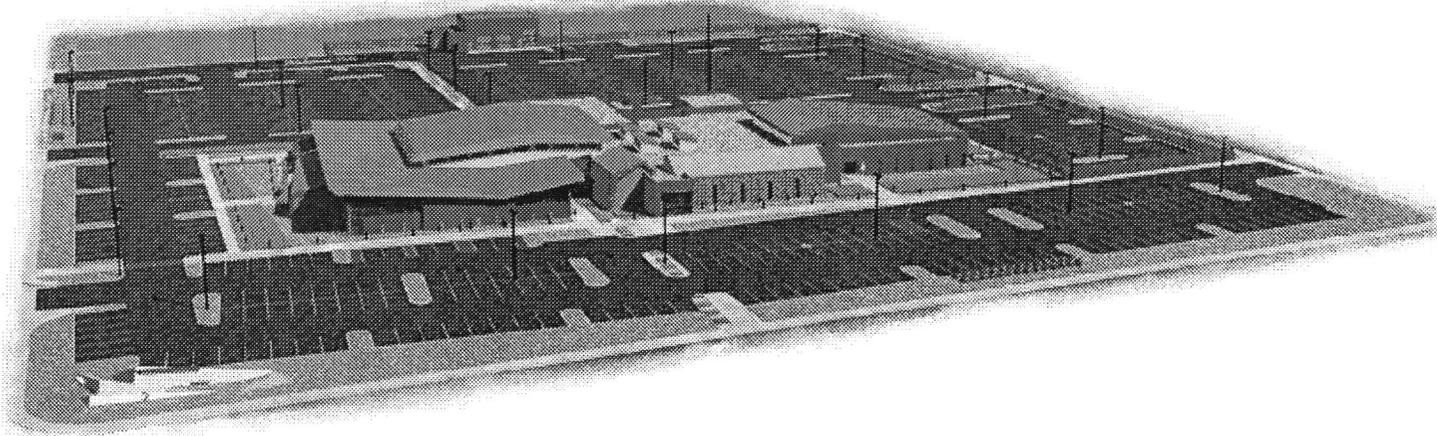
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# SOCIETY OF DESIGN ADMINISTRATION

by Maggie Allred, President

## PROJECT NUMBERING FOR THE UPCOMING CENTURY

Most design firms number projects by year and then in numeric order. For example, the 20th project this year would be listed as "99020". This system is supported by most of our accounting packages like Harper Shuman, Sema4, and Timberline. Has your firm prepared for the challenge of the year 2000 in terms of numbering your projects? Most software packages will not allow a sequence of numbers to start with 0, so it presents a dilemma for the upcoming century where normally the above example would read "00020".

Some of the possible solutions include:

1. Start a 6 digit numbering system starting with the number 1, i.e. 100020.
2. Use a letter to start the sequence. This is especially apropos if you have multiple offices, i.e. R00020.
3. Use a six digit numbering system starting with the year 2000, i.e. 200020.
4. Change your numbering system to include a department within your practice, i.e. 2000-1-20 would indicate the year 2000, department #1 (interiors, architecture, etc.) then the sequential number.

Networking with other firms may provide other possibilities; contact an SDA member for ideas in efficiently managing the business aspects of your firm.

## THE SEASON OF GIVING

If you would like to do something nice for someone this holiday season, remember Jeremy Fray. He has recently been diagnosed with chronic kidney disease and requires a transplant within the next two years. Jeremy cannot work and this medical emergency has put quite a strain on his finances. He could certainly use any donation you would care to make.

Jeremy is a very talented 27-year old who is an active member of the Las Vegas architectural community. He graduated from the UNLV School of Architecture in 1997 and was an employee of Robert Holtfreter, AIA, Pierce Design Group. He previously worked with RAFI, Robert A. Fielden, Inc.

A trust account has been established at the Bank of America, and contributions are being accepted on his behalf to help him with the financial burden. If you would like to make a contribution, make checks payable to Jeremy Fray and deposit to account number is #004960349988 at the Bank of America.



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# TOP 30 BUILDINGS OF THE 20TH CENTURY?

To commemorate the millennium, the Construction Connection, news publication of the Associated General Contractors, has compiled a list of the "Top 30 Buildings of the 20th Century". The buildings were judged and selected using the following criteria: architectural design, construction challenges, building methods, innovation and use of materials. In addition, each structure was considered for its cultural impact and influence upon the community. The list is offered here for your review. What do you think? Are these the Top 30 Buildings of the 20th Century?

The Getty Center, Los Angeles, CA  
Richard Meier - 1997

Petronas Towers, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
Cesar Pelli - 1997

The Sears Tower, Chicago, IL  
Skidmore, Owings & Merrill - 1974

The Chrysler Building, New York  
William Van Alen - 1930

River Rouge Plant, Dearborn, MI  
Albert Kahn - 1934

The Sydney Opera House, Sydney, Australia  
Joern Utzon - 1973

Congress Buildings, Brasilia, Brazil  
Oscar Neimeyer - 1960

Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, Hong Kong, China  
Sir Norman Foster - 1986

Lloyd's of London, London, England  
Sir Richard Rogers - 1984

Satolas TGV Station, Lyon, France  
Santiago Calatrava - 1944

Cite' de la Musique, Paris, France  
Christian De Portzampac - 1995

Ingalls Building, Cincinnati, OH  
Elzer & Anderson - 1903

Guggenheim Museum, Bilbao, Spain  
Frank O. Gehry - 1997

Guggenheim Museum, New York City  
Frank Lloyd Wright - 1959

The Empire State Building, New York City  
Shreve, Lamb & Harmon - 1931

Notre-Dame-du-Haut-Chapel, Rochamp, France  
Le Corbusier - 1955

East Building of the National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC  
I.M. Pei - 1978

Museum of Roman Art, Merida, Spain  
Rafael Moneo - 1985

Bauhaus, Dessau, Germany  
Walter Gropius with Adolf Meyer - 1926

The World Trade Center, New York City  
Minoru Yamasaki - 1973

John Hancock Tower, Boston, MA  
Henry Cobb - 1976

Kansai International Airport, Osaka, Japan  
Renzo Piano - 1994

Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France  
Sir Richard Rogers, Renzo Piano - 1977

AT&T Building, New York City  
Philip Johnson - 1984

Olympic Stadia, Tokyo, Japan  
Kenzo Tange - 1964

Parliament Buildings, Dacca, Bangladesh  
Louis Kahn - 1974, 1983

The Pentagon, Arlington, VA  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - 1941

The Lakeshore Drive Apartments, Chicago, IL  
Ludwig Mies van der Rohe - 1951

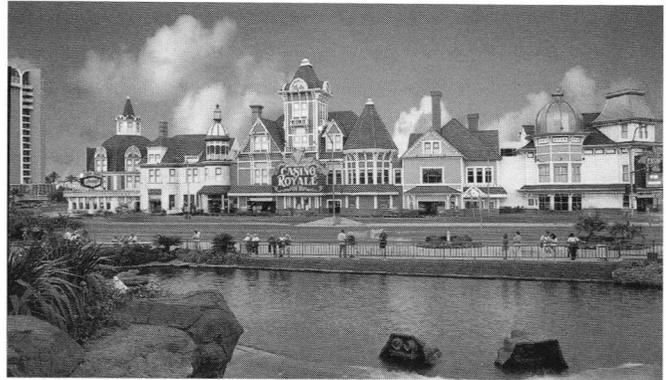
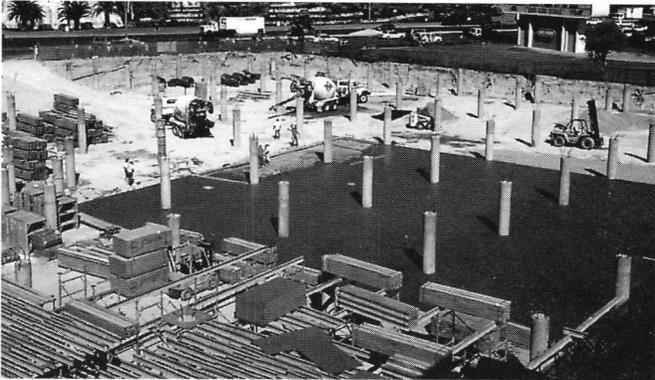
Jin Mao tower, Shanghai, China  
Skidmore, Owings & Merrill - 1999

Museum Abteberg, Monchengladbach, Germany  
Hans Hollein - 1982

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# C.E. OPPORTUNITY

## FAIR HOUSING 2000 CONFERENCE Local / National Fair Housing In the New Millennium

The Community Housing Resource Board, a volunteer Advocacy Organization in support of Fair Housing, will present a day-long conference entitled "Fair Housing 2000" on Thursday, July 20, 2000 at the Stardust Hotel/Casino. The conference has been registered for AIA CE Credits and attendees can receive up to 8.5 AIA credits and HWS Hours for attending. Registration Fees are \$90.00 and include breakfast, lunch and two workshops. The Conference begins at 7:00AM with Registration and Continental Breakfast. Attendees have their choice of the following sessions:

From 8:00 - Noon two concurrent workshops will be offered and each provides 4 AIA CE Credits.

### "Fair Housing Law for Consumers & Licensees"

Presented by Chuck Hauptman, Director Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Pacific/Hawaii Region, HUD, San Francisco.; Matt DiOrio, Compliance Training Officer, Nevada Department of Business & Industry Real Estate Division and Bret Helgren, Attorney & Community Building, HUD Reno. This session will present HUD's History in the development of Fair Housing Amendments and how it effects consumers and the realty, management, construction and design industries.

OR

### "Fair Housing Technical Requirements"

Mark Mazz, AIA, PA specializes in design compliance of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) the Fair Housing Amendments Act (FHAA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, and the Architectural Barriers Act (ABA). Mr. Mazz is assisting the American Institute of Architects with revising the "Architectural Graphic Standards" accessibility information for the tenth edition. William Thorne, Fair Housing Compliance Administrator, Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS, will speak on "Why we are where we are, regarding accessibility in housing. Review of the 7 requirements of Fair Housing and enforcement techniques. Town hall review of participants concerns.

During lunch - 12:15 to 1:45PM, a panel discussion entitled "Local / National Fair Housing in the New Millennium" will be moderated by Charles L. Horsey, Administrator of the Nevada Department of Business & Industry, Housing Division. Irene Porter, Executive Director of the Southern Nevada Homebuilders Association, Gary Coles, President, Greater Las Vegas Association of Realtors, Eric Strain, AIA, President, AIA Las Vegas will take part in the discussion. Mayor Oscar Goodman will be the keynote speaker.

In the afternoon - 2:00 - 5:00PM - two concurrent workshops are offered.

### "Applied Principals of Fair Housing"

Workshop attendees will receive instruction on the principals of reasonable accommodation, modification, and accessibility standards. Participants will role play by breaking into groups with different scripts describing an incident and report back to the class on fair housing issues and how the situation was settled.

OR

### "Accessibility Issues & Plan Review"

Paul Wilkins, Director of Building & Safety for the City of Las Vegas; Ron LaBar, Deputy Director of Building & Safety for the City of Las Vegas; Earl Russell, Supervisor of Plans Examination for the City of Las Vegas and Ron Lynn, Assistant Director for the Clark County Building Department will present this course especially for those in design and building in Southern Nevada. The class will cover the plan review process, most frequently encountered problems of accessibility in plan review and changes in the year 2000 codes.

To register for this Conference or any one of the sessions contact Jean Norton at 702-486-7220, ext. 224 OR Jay Hiner at 702-642-2482. All registrations must be received by 5:00PM on January 17th, 2000.

The Conference is registered for AIA CE credits. To receive these attendees must fill out and return the "Self Report Form" which they will receive on the day of the conference.

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## CALENDAR

### DECEMBER

- 14 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting  
11:30A -School of Architecture
- 15 AIA Las Vegas Holiday Celebration and  
Installation Party  
6:00PM - The Four Seasons
- 16 AIA Nevada Ex Com Meeting  
11:30A - School of Architecture

### JANUARY

- 11 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting  
11:30A - UNLV School of Architecture
- 12-26 Exhibit - "Developing Las Vegas"  
UNLV Architecture Studies Library
- 19 AIA Membership Meeting  
6:00P Golden Nugget Hotel & Casino  
"Visions for a City" - Panel Discussion
- 20 AIA Nevada Ex Com Meeting  
11:30A -School of Architecture
- 26-30 GRASSROOTS CONFERENCE  
Washington, DC

### FEBRUARY

- 8 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting  
11:30 A - School of Architecture
- 12-13 Bus Tour of Phoenix  
Board Bus at UNLV School of Architecture  
Costs - TBD
- 16 AIA Membership Meeting  
6:00PM - UNLV School Auditorium/Library  
Tony Chi,NY - "Restaurant Design"
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11:30A - School of Architecture

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