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A MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE LAS VEGAS CHAPTER OF THE
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS



BEING THE BRIDGE Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA

The establishment of the UNLV School of Architecture and the development of the architecture program has been a major priority since the Chapter was founded back in 1956, and throughout the years the School and AIA members have both benefited from this relationship. We are fortunate to have the AIA offices located within the School which has facilitated a great working partnership that is beneficial to the students, faculty and to our members. AIA members have served on advisory boards and committees, raised funds, taught studios and classes, mentored students, provided lectures, established scholarships and contributed significantly to the architecture program and the accreditation of the School. The Chapter has proudly become the bridge between the professional and the academic architectural communities. So, we look forward each year to the beginning of the fall semester and the beginning of another school year.

In September, as the UNLV students return to school, AIA Las Vegas will host **"A Day With The Professionals"**...a meeting especially planned to provide an opportunity for architecture students to meet YOU.... the professionals! The idea is to provide an informal, open discussion concerning the realities of being a design professional and the emerging career options for architecture students. All AIA members are invited to attend and to join in the discussion to provide knowledge and experience and to learn from the students what they think, what they want and what they expect as they enter the profession.

Representatives from many areas of practice will be designated as an informal panel, including members who are principles of large, medium and small firms, those who work for government entities, in education, hospitality, as well as those who own their own firms and those who work for one single client. Gina Spaulding, Executive Director of the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design will speak about the process to licensure. Please plan to attend and join in the discussion.

The session will begin at 3PM on Wednesday, September 19th, and will be followed by a mixer-reception for students, faculty and AIA members at 5:30PM. The reception will also celebrate the announcement of the AIA Las Vegas Scholarships to UNLV Students and the opening of **"The Art of Architectural Photography"** exhibit in the Architecture Studies Library. This is a special exhibit of AIA member's photographs and we have invited some of the most talented professional photographers in Las Vegas to review them and provide a brief presentation on the art of architectural photography.

Submit your photos for The Art of Architectural Photography exhibit:

As a design professional you have an artistic appreciation for the structures you and other architects create, and a keen awareness of the visual impact they make in the built environment. So, we're asking you to share YOUR architectural photos with us for this special exhibit.

To be a part of the exhibit and show your architectural photos, simply submit your photos as follows:

- Call the AIA office 702.895.0936 (Debi Raffi) by August 25th, and let us know how many photos you will be submitting for the exhibit.
- All prints must be a minimum of 11" x 14" and a maximum of 16" x 20"
- Mounted on black foam core, with a 1" to 2" border around the print.
- Identify the structure, date taken, and name of the photographer on the back of the foam core board.
- Deliver your mounted photos to the AIA office on or before Wednesday, September 5th, 2007

Since we would like to arrange future events, all photos will become the property of AIA Las Vegas to be used for exhibits, but will not be used for financial gain for the Chapter.

The September Membership Meeting will begin in the afternoon at 3PM, Wednesday, September 19th in the UNLV School of Architecture, followed by the reception and the opening of the exhibit in the Architecture Studies Library. Be sure to RSVP for this meeting – klavigne@aianevada.org or 702.895.0936.

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**AIA LAS VEGAS
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**
CURT CARLSON, AIA, LEED AP

I know that everyone was looking forward to some light, summer, pool-side reading this month, but I have some business issues to cover. Just because the chapter doesn't have regularly scheduled meetings in July and August, doesn't mean that business stops at the chapter. The Board has been working to finalize the Strategic Plan, develop an action plan for the strategies and to begin to implement the plan.

Starting with the painful issues. The chapter is having to contend with rising costs for operations, membership benefits and the overall cost of doing business. To offset some of these costs, the board made and passed a motion to increase dues – **the first time in over 9 years.**

Architect dues were increased by \$75 a year, however, because national dropped their \$50 special assessment for advertising, the net increase is only \$25. Associate dues are to be increased \$50 and Allied dues \$75. The second item is the establishment of a reserve account for the chapter. Currently the chapter operates on a yearly budget of over \$800,000 and has a reserve of less than \$10,000 at the end of the year.

This is not enough of a float in case of an unexpected emergency or disaster. The board made a motion and approved a Reserve Fund that will be initially seeded with \$100,000 from the convention profits. In addition, a line item in the budget of approximately 1% of the annual operating budget was established to feed the fund. This will be reviewed on an annual basis every June.

The next big step that was undertaken was the re-organization of the Board of Directors to align with the Core Values and Goals for the chapter. The re-organization establishes the responsibilities of the individual board members and further defines each members' role. Each Board member's responsibility is drawn directly from the Core Values and Goals established in the Strategic Plan.

Each Board position will have various entities, committees and programs under them that report to them. The respective Board member in turn, will file their committee and program reports at each monthly board meeting. The basic responsibilities of the individual Board members were established as follows:

President: Leadership and Advocacy

Responsible for:

- General chapter oversight*
- Implementation of programs*
- Overall leadership and facilitation*
- The recognizable public face and prime PR representative of the chapter*

President-elect: Collaboration

Responsible for:

- Pre-Planning for upcoming year*
- Monthly programs*
- Events*
- Future budget and funding*
- General assistance to the President*

Treasurer: Financial Resources

Responsible for:

- Monitor and Advise on investment funds*
- Monitor and Advise on yearly budgets*
- Grant and alternative sources of income research*
- Tax implications*
- Monitor local AIA foundations*
- Monitor the Reserve Fund*

Secretary: Diversity

Responsible for:

- Recorder at meetings*
- Issuance of notices*
- Oversight of recruitment and new members*

Director for Education

Responsible for:

Scholarships
Educational faculty and membership interaction
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All higher-education related programs

Director for Steward of the Environment

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Director for Advocacy and Ethical Behavior

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Advocacy
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Responsible for:

Overview of CE programs
Overview of Professional development programs
Member benefits

Director for Design Excellence and Community Enhancement

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Community Outreach programs
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Lectures
Special Programs

Allied Director

Responsible for:

Allied development, programs and benefits
Allied recruiting
Allied fundraising and sponsorships
Liaison for affiliated organizations-
(ASCA, APA, NAIOP, ID, CEFPI, etc.)

Associate/Intern Director

Responsible for:

Intern development, benefits & related programs
Associate development, benefits & related programs
IDP Programs
Associates and Interns' recruitment

In addition the board members listed above, which are elected by the general membership, the board also recognizes and holds a seat for a representative from AIAS and the Past-President.

The Chapter also authorized the establishment of an Advisory Board. This Board will be responsible for identifying Fellowship opportunities, long range global planning, assistance to new board members and a resource to all committees. It is anticipated that the board will be made up of Current and Past-presidents and existing AIA Fellows. The board will meet regularly on a quarterly basis or in additional special session if required.

I'll save the description of committees and their responsibilities until next time.

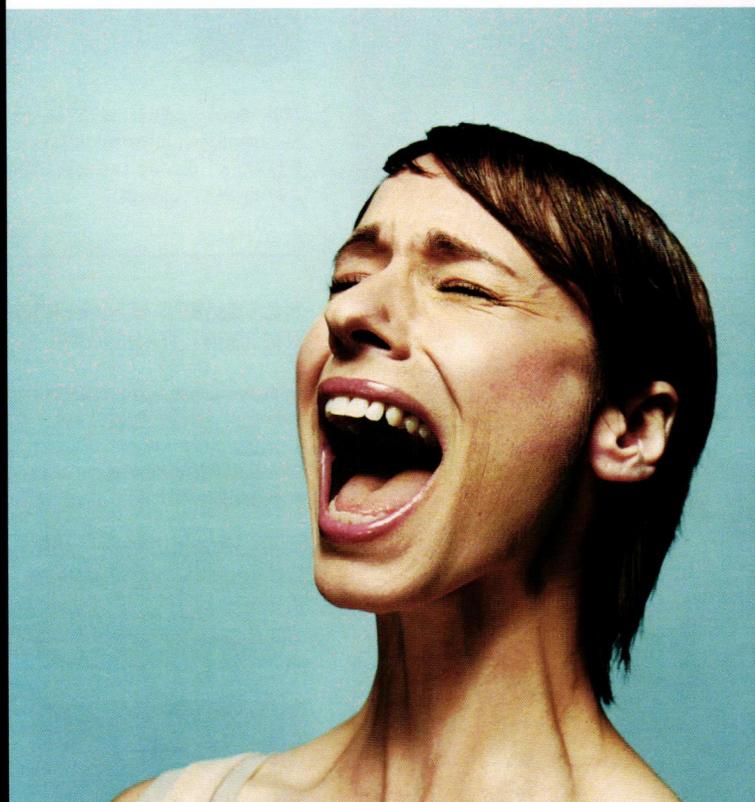
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AIA LV FALL PUTTING TOURNAMENT

Dust off your putter and get the gang together. Don't miss our annual Fall Putting Tournament. This is a great event that provides a full evening of entertainment with your friends (and family if you like) with plenty of good food, and fabulous door prizes. It's always a lot of fun so reserve your team space now (see sign up form included in this issue of FORUM.) Friday, September 7th at Angel Park. \$40 per player includes your dinner, drink tickets, door prize tickets and 18 holes of putting fun with your friends.



AIA LAS VEGAS PRODUCT SHOW

The AIA Las Vegas Product Show will be held on Wednesday, October 3rd in the Parthenon Ballroom at the Alexis Park Resort, located at 375 E. Harmon, Las Vegas, NV 89109.

Our Product Show is one of the most important events of the year and now the booth sales can begin. We are happy to announce that this year's booths have all been sold in record time!

The doors open at 3PM and close at 8PM. Exhibitors will feature the latest in products, services, technology, information and systems. There's always complimentary food and drink, door prizes, and \$3,000 in CASH prizes!! Thank you to our Product Show Sponsor Modernfold of Nevada for their continued support.

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

THE 2030 CHALLENGE

In November we're planning a tour of the new Las Vegas Springs Preserve, and a joint meeting with our friends at the USGBC. Our meeting will follow the Green Build Conference that is being held here in Las Vegas, and will provide an opportunity to evaluate where we are with the 2030 Challenge, our AIA 150 Blueprint for Nevada, and what can be done to move the profession and our community toward a more sustainable future.

Watch for additional details, and mark your calendar for Wednesday, November 14th, 5:30PM at the Las Vegas Springs Preserve.



FELLOWSHIP AND NATIONAL AWARDS

AIA Nevada has established a statewide Honors & Awards Committee, for the purpose of identifying Nevada members and firms who should be recognized for their contributions and achievements to their communities and the profession. The Committee is composed of Nevada's only AIA Fellows – Jess Holmes, FAIA, Bob Fielden, FAIA, Bill Snyder, FAIA and J. Windom Kimsey, FAIA – and it is their mission to identify qualified individuals from across the state for AIA Fellowship, as

well as National Firm Awards and other National Recognition opportunities, and then to mentor and encourage them through the process. Further, the committee is charged with educating young architects with regard to the College of Fellows and the process for induction. If you are interested in learning more, or in nominating a candidate for one of the National awards categories, please contact R. Lavigne at rlavigne@aianeveda.org

CONFIRMATION OF YOUR RSVP

The AIA Las Vegas policy on RSVP's for meetings is as follows: When you make your RSVP for the meeting (by phone or email), you will receive a confirmation from Kelly. If you are bringing a guest, please let us know the guest's name. If you simply show up at the meeting without a confirmation, and you are not on the RSVP list, you will be charged for the meeting and will receive an invoice. Also, if you do RSVP for the meeting and then don't attend, you will be charged for the meeting. Please help us by providing your RSVP as soon as possible after you receive the first newsletter or email notice.

ARCHITECT MEMBER AND FAMILY RAISE FUNDS FOR LEUKEMIA AND LYMPHOMA RESEARCH

As some of you may already know, Windom Kimsey's daughter, Claire, was diagnosed with ALL (a form of pediatric leukemia) last summer. Claire has received treatment at St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, and at home in Nevada. For most of the past year, Windom, his wife Annelisa (a teacher at Vanderburg ES), Claire and her younger sister, Miriam have traveled back and forth between Las Vegas and Memphis keeping their hearts set on the goal that Claire will be healthy and cancer free. Thankfully, their hopes have been answered. Claire has been in remission since September 28, 2006, and is staying positive through her 3-year treatment.



Claire Kimsey (11 years old) is 1/3 of her way through her 3-year treatment at St. Jude Children's Hospital

Anyone who knows the Polk-Kimsey family knows that they are not the type to take a passive role when faced with such an important and difficult battle. So, it comes as no surprise to hear that both Windom and Annelisa are extremely active in the fight against cancer and spend a great deal of their time as fundraisers for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

In June, Windom participated in the 15th Annual "America's Most Beautiful Bike Ride-Lake Tahoe", an event which promotes Lake Tahoe Bikeway, the plan to build and interconnect bike lanes/trails around Lake Tahoe, and is the culmination of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's National Team In Training spring fund raising program. With over 3000 participants, Windom, along with AIA member Walter Estay, AIA, rode 100 miles for Team in Training and raised over \$41,000 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (the 2nd highest fundraiser in the country!)

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Annelisa has been running for about a decade and has participated in many 1/2 marathons as well as one full marathon. However, she has never run with Team in Training. Says Annelisa, "Now that my family's travel schedule has slowed down, I have found the time to translate some of this year's tension into calorie burn."

Although busy with her two kids and her fifth grade class, she spends as much time as possible training for this very worthy cause.

AIA would like to encourage our members and friends of the Kimsey family to help Annelisa raise funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society by sponsoring her team. The Nike Women's Marathon will be held on October 21, 2007 in San Francisco, and she will be running each of the 26.2 miles for Claire and other cancer patients just like her. Your donation will help advance the Society's mission.

Clockwise: Annelisa Polk, Windom Kimsey, FAIA, Claire and Miriam Kimsey

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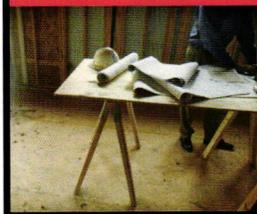
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CORE VALUES:

To provide strong leadership and advocacy on behalf of the community and the members.

To be active stewards of the environment.

To support and promote design excellence.

To encourage and advance life-long learning.

To adhere to and support ethical behavior.

To promote diversity in our membership.

To encourage and advocate a spirit of collaboration.

To promote community enhancement.

GOALS FOR 2007-2010

The Voice of Architecture

AIA Las Vegas will serve as the voice of the architecture profession, representing members in advocacy, alliances, leadership and community enhancement.

The Credible Resource for Architecture

AIA Las Vegas will facilitate life-long learning and educate the community on the role of design and the built environment.

The Value of Membership

AIA Las Vegas will provide relevant benefits and services for its members.

Operational Excellence

AIA Las Vegas will be positioned to be a highly effective organization.

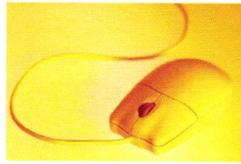


LIVABLE COMMUNITY AWARDS

This special award recognizes individuals and organizations, outside the architectural profession, whose dedication, commitment and contributions to the security, beauty, and sustainability of our communities have made Nevada a better place to live.

Livable Community Awards will be presented throughout 2007 and into the future. If you would like to nominate an individual or an organization for this award, please contact Randy Lavigne at AIA Nevada – 702.895.0936 or rlavigne@aianeveda.org

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This is your Western Mountain Region website. Check it often for issues that concern our region and for the latest updates from AIA National Board Meetings. You'll also find information here for the 2007 WMR Conference and the WMR Design and Honor Awards Programs.

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It's that easy—thousands of AIA members already have done it. Questions? Send an e-mail to AIA Information Central, or call 800-242-3837. (If you want to pay your dues by mail, you can log in and download your renewal form.)



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The AIA/CES Reinstatement Policy allows members who have been lapsed for non-compliance to reinstate at any time. Those applying to be reinstated must report 9 previously unreported LU hours in addition to their annual 18 LU hour (8 HSW) requirement. The 9 LU hours above the usual yearly number must have been completed within one year of the date of applying for reinstatement. The Reinstatement Form must be completed for reinstatement consideration.

To reinstate your membership, go to http://www.aia.org/cesfaq_default&flnd=2

Or contact Maria Sigillito, Program Manager, AIA/CES, 202-626-7436 if you have any questions.



2008 MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE

As a part of the strategic planning process, the AIA Las Vegas Board of Directors has voted to increase the local membership dues for 2008. AIA Las Vegas is a wonderfully successful Chapter and provides an abundance of programs,

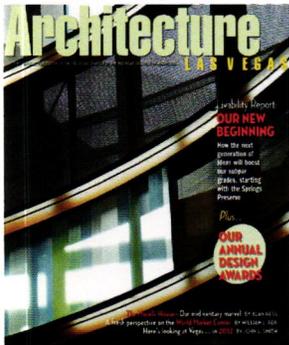
services and benefits for all members, however, with the continuously rising costs of operations the dues increase is necessary. The last increase was in 1997. Since that time the Chapter's membership has almost doubled and the cost of operations, and providing programs and services has increased by 200%.

At the same time, AIA National has announced that the \$50.00 assessment, allocated for the national advertising program, has been discontinued, and the AIA National dues for architects will be decreased by \$50.00. The result is that dues rates for 2008 will be structured as follows:

| | <u>AIA LV</u> | <u>AIA NV</u> | <u>AIA National</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Architects: | \$350 | \$85 | \$238 | \$673 |
| Associates: | \$200 | N/A | \$102 | \$302 |
| Allieds: | \$ 375 | N/A | N/A | \$375 |

2008 Dues invoices will be mailed to members in October and should be paid not later than January 31st, 2008.

2008 ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS



It's time once again to begin working on our 2008 edition of Architecture Las Vegas magazine.

This edition will continue the emphasis on building a livable community, and will further explore the area of sustainability and environmental design.

We are currently accepting ideas and suggestions for articles and content, and certainly, we want to know about all new projects. For story ideas and features please contact Randy Lavigne at 702.895.0936 or rlavigne@aianeveda.org

and for new projects and advertising rates please contact Debi Raffi at 702.895.0936 or draffi@aianeveda.org.

AIA Members receive a 10% discount on all advertising rates and any contracts received before September 1st will be eligible for an additional 5% discount, so be sure to include **Architecture Las Vegas** magazine in your 2008 marketing budget.



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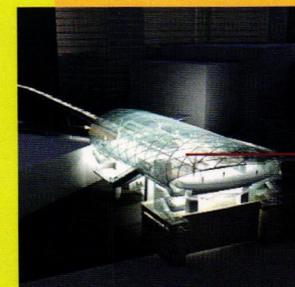
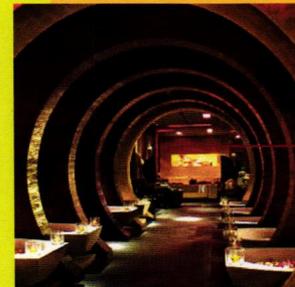
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**AIA NEVADA
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**
WADE SIMPSON, AIA

Life in the Fast Lane

Is our lifestyle costing us our lives? As busy as we are, do we try to cram too much in? Why are we apologetic when we actually take a weekend off from work?

I was reading an article by a columnist for the St. Petersburg (Fla.) Times while sitting at the airport in Colorado Springs waiting to return to Las Vegas. This article spoke about all the silly things we try to do while driving – multitasking while driving and the dangers this causes. Eating, using cell phones, putting on makeup, reading papers, changing clothes, etc. were all examples of what people try to do while driving the car. All of these have lead to car accidents and many times have resulted in disasters. This made me stop and think. I have engaged in all of these activities... except maybe the makeup thing... recently.

Looking at the larger picture, what are the things we could be doing daily to improve our lives? There is an RTC billboard on Desert Inn that says "You could be exercising now". This means instead of driving your car you could be biking or walking. Our city is not designed to encourage this.....so we're not quite there yet....but should be.

While in Colorado Springs I met some people who actually do ride their bike to work, exercise outdoors, eat well and appear to be happy. I am not close to succeeding at any of this. I have really just begun to think about what parts of my life I could make better and be happier with my contribution to society. Now I'm looking at The Big Picture.

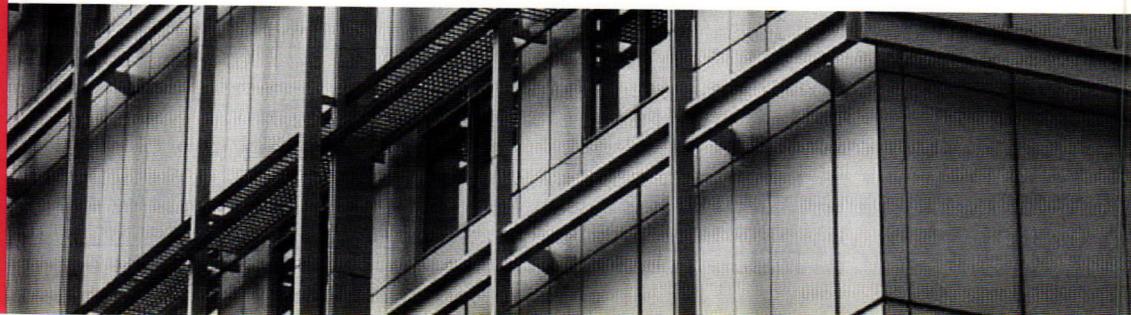
For example, I brought my MP3 player to the airport to listen to music while traveling, but I decided instead to put it back in my pocket and meet some people, listen to the sounds around me and possibly even engage in conversation. I was lucky enough to sit next to people on the plane who wanted to discuss current events. I met people from Toronto and Charlotte and gained some other viewpoints on the world. I exchanged ideas rather than ignoring the world and holing up with my iPod. My music could wait for a time when there was no one else around.

The Sustainable Practice Award is a new recognition this year for AIA Nevada. What does this mean? The word sustainable grinds on us these days. It has become a "buzz" word. I actually met an Architect who says "it is just a word Interns like to use to make them feel good." I couldn't believe it, but I do know that "good" architecture has always been "sustainable" architecture. That is what architecture is all about. I think the word "sustainability" wears on us these days because we can all do better and we know it. We want to do better but sometimes we are just lazy. It is easy to follow the crowd. It is easy to talk about it when we know that is what our clients want and there will be a reward for doing so. It is a little harder to integrate it into your life and your daily practice.

I hope we can find the people, clients, associates, and interns in our state who truly believe in sustainable practices and who lead by example for the right reasons. These are the ones who should be recognized with the Sustainable Practice Award. There are those who can make the resume and submittals look good for awards but really don't practice what is preached. Let us search out those who really don't want the spotlight but are committed to sustainable practices for their own sake and because it is the right thing to do.

I also want to thank those AIA members who continue to look for nominees for the AIA Nevada Livable Communities Award. We want to continue to recognize those organizations and individuals who enhance our state and make more livable communities thorough their work. Mike Del Gatto, AIA recently nominated Andre Agassi and the AIA Nevada Ex Com voted to present the award to him this year. His list of accomplishments is extensive and goes far beyond what you hear about in the news.

As I continue to look for those who are the unsung examples of sustainability and livability, I find inspiration in the little things they do that make the big differences.





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The 2007 Western Mountain Region Conference, titled "Dreamscapes to Greenscapes: Designing, Transforming and Building a Future," is being hosted by the Northern Nevada Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, on Sept. 12-15 at the Hyatt Regency Resort in Incline Village. The conference will promote sustainable design and energy conservation in the region. Featured speakers will be Edward Mazria, AIA, founder of Architecture 2030, R.K. Stewart, FAIA, national AIA president, and Greg Franta, FAIA, Rocky Mountain Institute. To learn more about the programs being offered, the C.E. credits you can earn, the marketing opportunities and the fun you can have, read on....and go to the aiann.org website.

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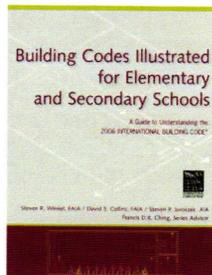
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UNLV ARCHITECTURE STUDIES LIBRARY

The Architecture Studies Library will be hosting a School of Architecture student art show this fall. The exhibit, which will be located in the ASL's gallery, will run from September 11 - October 12, 2007. The exhibit will be up for the September meeting of the AIA, which is focusing on the student-profession connection. For students reading the newsletter, the form is at <http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/aslwebforms/artshow/2007fallarchisasform.html>

Among the many book titles we have gotten in this summer are two building codes illustrated books.



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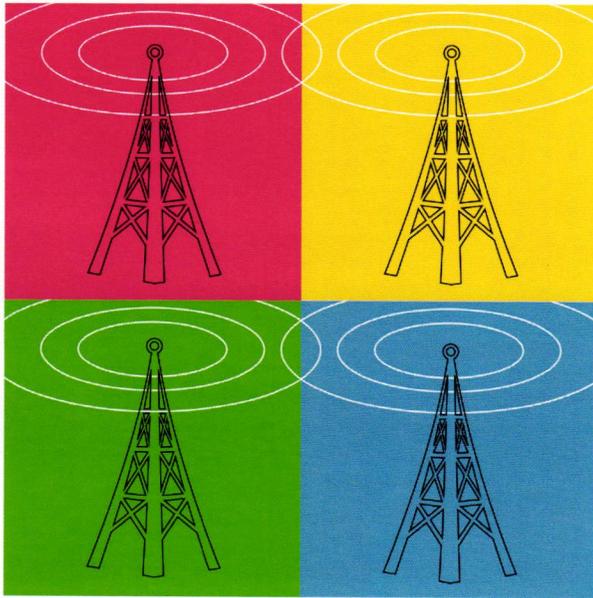
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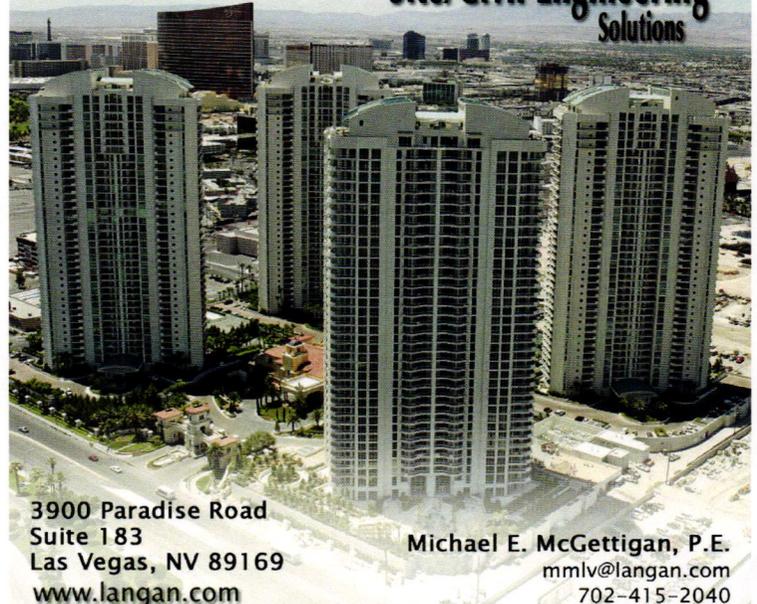
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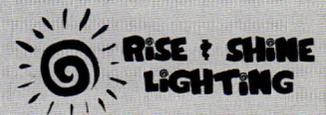
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