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## PRESERVATION AND PROGRESS

RANDY LAVIGNE, HON. AIA  
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As of August 4th, AIA Las Vegas will be doing business from our new offices located in the beautifully renovated HISTORIC 5TH STREET SCHOOL. Our new address will be: **AIA Las Vegas, 401 South 4th Street, Suite 175, Las Vegas, NV 89101**. Phone and fax numbers, email and websites will remain the same.

The Historic 5th Street School was built in 1936 as an elementary school complex. It is located on Las Vegas Boulevard between the Lewis Street pedestrian corridor and Clark Avenue. Completed during the Depression Era and shortly after Hoover Dam was constructed, the mission-style facility is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and has been beautifully restored by the City of Las Vegas Redevelopment Agency.



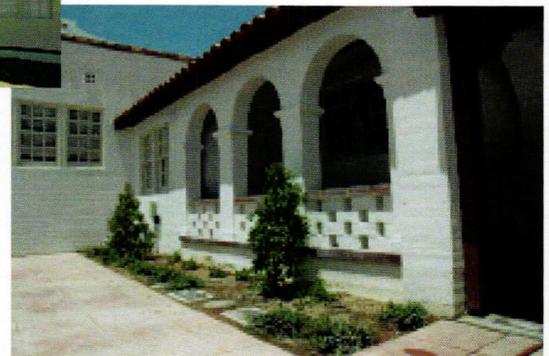
*The Las Vegas Grammar School, or "Fifth Street School" was built in 1936 and is one of the only remaining intact Mission style building of its era. The school was built using federal funds as part of a building program to alleviate a population boom in Las Vegas. Built before air-conditioning, the building design allowed for air-flow, incorporating a center courtyard with fountain. Currently the building is owned by the City of Las Vegas, and is being rehabilitated for cultural use.*

AIA Las Vegas is proud to join with UNLV's Downtown Design Studio, The Nevada School of the Arts and the City of Las Vegas Cultural Affairs Department to be a part of this "cultural oasis" in the heart of downtown Las Vegas. This new location will give the Chapter a more public presence in our city and allow us to offer lectures, exhibits, programs and events that are open to the public and affiliated organizations as well as to our AIA members.



AIA Nevada / AIA Las Vegas will continue to maintain offices in the UNLV School of Architecture on the UNLV campus, and of course, both chapters will continue to work closely with the School of Architecture and the students.

On Monday, September 22nd, AIA will join with the City of Las Vegas and the other tenants to celebrate the official Open House for the new facility. Mark the date and watch for your invitation.



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**AIA LAS VEGAS  
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

MARK HOBAICA, AIA

It's time for the BIG move!

This month we engage on a momentous milestone for the Chapter...we are moving our AIA Las Vegas headquarters from our long standing home at UNLV to some pretty cool new digs. No, we're not in foreclosure, or bankruptcy and we didn't get kicked out of the School of Architecture for bad behavior (although I think we have had some warnings in the past). Nope, we're moving to our brand new location. We'll travel up

the street to the recently modernized and highly celebrated Historic Fifth Street School. Some of you may not know that this school has had a huge historical impact to our young city as it was the first grammar school in Las Vegas. This Mission/Spanish Revival style complex is over 72 years old and has had its fair-share of different uses, fires and near catastrophes during that time. Thank goodness it's still here and even more inspiring than ever. The facility was completed during the Depression era, shortly after Hoover Dam was constructed. After its run as an elementary school through the 1960's, it then became a Courthouse Annex for Clark County, was then converted into a police substation/classroom space and also served as the home for various staff offices at the City. Then in 1988, the facility and its site became listed on the National Register of Historic Places.....a rare occurrence for any building in our town.

As you may know, this \$9.5 million dollar overhaul project was directed by the City of Las Vegas' Redevelopment Agency. What a great boost to further elevate the downtown redevelopment efforts. This renovation has really brought the building's exterior presence back to it original luster.



The RDA has also gracefully re-adapted the interior spaces to accommodate a multitude of culturally-oriented events. The building will be able to accommodate all of our monthly AIA events within the 300 person multi-purpose/gymnasium area and we can even take advantage of the new gallery space to exhibit all of our member's exceptional work. We'll also be able hold some of our smaller

committee meetings or CE luncheons in the various conference spaces. In addition, there are a number of wonderful open courtyards available for outside activities and gatherings, especially during the fall and spring months.

Some of our close neighbors within the building will be UNLV's Downtown Design Center for the School of Architecture; the Nevada School of the Arts and the City of Las Vegas Cultural Affairs Division, and I know we will all mutually compliment each others presence. What a fantastic place for the AIA to be located, right in the heart of our city with the back drop of the Lloyd D. George Federal Courthouse next door. I truly believe we were always meant to be in downtown Las Vegas, right on the Strip.

I encourage you all to come down to see the new digs soon; I know you'll be overly impressed. A big THANKS goes out to all who have helped out with our new space; with some of the big ticket items donated by Quentin Abramo of Facilitiq, New Patcraft & Designweave Carpets, Kathy Wilson at Nevada Sales Agency, Lynn Campbell, Jeff Pye, Larry Macias, AIA, Curt Carlson, AIA, BLT Architects of Nevada, LLC, Nevada by Design, Ed Vance & Associates, Indigo Architecture, Floresco, and Rachel Cline Consultants.... Thanks to all.

We're planning the big move sometime during the first week in August. We also still need some good (new or "like-new") stuff for the space. Just contact Randy at the AIA offices for more information regarding help with the move or what items are still needed to make our space complete.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, stay cool and I hope to see you at our new AIA home someday soon.

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2008 SCHOOL BOND PRESENTATION HAS BEEN CANCELLED

The presentation regarding the renewal of the CCSD 10-year Capital Improvement Program with **TIM STRUCELY**, AIA Director, New School and Facility Planning for CCSD has been postponed. Due the state budget crisis, the school bond issue will not be included on the November ballot. AIA Las Vegas will update our members as more information becomes available in the future.



ATTENTION EMERGING PROFESSIONALS,  
ASSOCIATES AND INTERNS

The AIA Las Vegas Emerging Professionals / Young Architects Forum has been organized for the purpose of addressing issues of particular importance to recently licensed architects and those aspiring to be licensed architects (Interns taking ARE exams or going through IDP).

The Forum has three overriding goals:

**To encourage professional growth and leadership development among emerging professionals through interaction and collaboration within the AIA and allied groups.**

**To build a network and serve as a collective voice for emerging professionals by working to ensure that issues of particular relevance to young architects and interns are appropriately addressed by the Institute.**

**To make AIA membership valuable to young architects and interns, and develop the future leadership of the profession.**

The forum is open to licensed architects, associates, interns, students, and even allied members! But, being an AIA member is not a requirement. Membership in the Young Architects Forum is for all who are interested in the profession. **The next scheduled YAF meeting is for Tuesday, August 26 at Cili Restaurant - 5160 Las Vegas Blvd South at the Bali Hai Golf Club.**

The Forum is looking for help in event planning, web design, and most importantly, for a Vice Chair. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Deepika Padam, AIA at 702.456.3000 or [dpadam@tatesnyderkimsey.com](mailto:dpadam@tatesnyderkimsey.com).

EP/YAF LOGO DESIGN COMPETITION

EP/YAF has announced a logo design competition for Non-licensed interns, students or young architects (licensed 10 years or less). AIA membership is NOT required. The entry deadline is September 1, 2008 with cash awards for winning entries. For more information, please contact Deepika Padam, AIA at [dpadam@tatesnyderkimsey.com](mailto:dpadam@tatesnyderkimsey.com) or 702.456.3000.



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.

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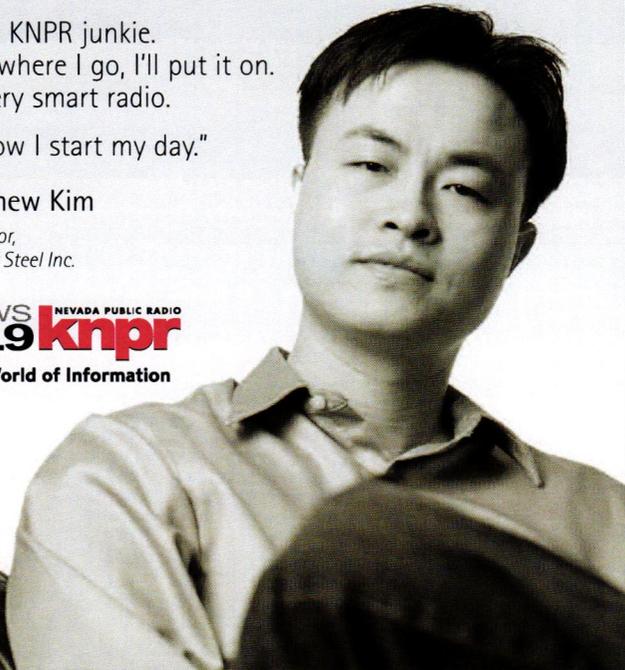
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**MICHAEL KROELINGER  
ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT AS  
DIRECTOR OF UNLV SCHOOL OF  
ARCHITECTURE**

Below is a letter Michael Kroelinger, AIA has addressed to our members announcing his decision to retire from the UNLV School of Architecture. We wish Michael the best of luck in his future endeavors and thank him for his years of support and guidance. He will be greatly missed.

*Dear Friends in the professional community,  
As you may have heard, in early June I had to make a decision to retire from UNLV on August 1st of this year. Simply put, family/health issues have developed that require me to be in Tempe full time. While I had hoped to delay this change for another year, it simply is not possible.*

*Many of us are fortunate enough to do what we want to do during our professional lives. Sometimes, we have to do what we need to do instead of what we would like or want to do and that is now the case for me. The School of Architecture and the Las Vegas community are very special to me and I am excited about the future of the School in spite of significant budget challenges as a result of the State of Nevada budget picture.*

*I believe the School is well-positioned for its next steps forward and I hope to contribute in any way that I can toward those steps. I am confident that everyone in the professional community will step up and support the School during these challenging times and while it continues to develop. We have a great faculty, staff, and student body with many important accomplishments over the last several years. Please continue your fine participation and support as I know you will!*

*I also want to thank each and every one of you for your support, enthusiasm and commitment during my terms as Director of the School! I hope to continue in some way to interact with all of you. You have my best wishes for the future!*

Mike Kroelinger, AIA



**ELECTION TO THE  
2009 AIA LV BOARD  
VOTE VIA ZOOMERANG!!**

In keeping up with the latest technology, your official Ballot for the 2009 Elections to the AIA LV Board will be a link to Zoomerang.

You should have already received your "link to your ballot" email on July 14th, 2008. Simply click on the link, enter your AIA member number and complete your ballot. If you cannot find your original email ballot, a reminder email will be sent out a week before voting is closed.

Remember only Architects and Associate members can vote in these elections and **all voting must be completed by August 13th, 2008.**



## COMMUNICATING & CONNECTING

The keys to any successful organization are communication and connections. To maintain a strong connection to our members AIA Las Vegas increasingly relies upon e-mail as a primary communications

vehicle. We are also employing many online and email resources in order to be certain that we are reaching our members and providing vehicles through which they can communicate with us. To be effective, members must be aware of how AIA information will be sent to them, so that they can respond as needed. Check out the following tools:

**ZOOMERANG** – Surveys, ballots and questions that need quick response may be sent to you via zoomerang. Watch for and respond quickly to these emails. *Please do not “opt-out” as it is not possible to reverse an “opt-out” and you will then not receive any future updates/communications sent using this site.*

**CONSTANT CONTACT** – This tool allows us to send event reminders to you and will assist us in keeping our members informed of current happenings in the chapter. *Please do not “opt-out” as it is not possible to reverse an “opt-out” and you will then not receive any future updates/communications sent using this site.*

**EMAIL NOTICES & REMINDERS** – Membership meetings, C.E programs, and events that require RSVP response will be sent to you via email so that you can share this information with others in your office, and can RSVP your attendance.

**WEBSITES** – AIA Las Vegas and AIA Nevada have new websites, and each provides an abundance of information on the chapter. Please visit the [www.aianeveda.org](http://www.aianeveda.org) site for information on Design and Service Awards Program, Legislative issues, Blueprint for Nevada and other statewide activities. Due to be completed/updated by the end of August, [www.aialasvegas.org](http://www.aialasvegas.org) provides information on purchasing documents, publications (most importantly our online Directory and Resource Guide), sponsorship & advertising opportunities, and an updated calendar of events including the product show, membership meetings and CE luncheons.

**THE FORUM MONTHLY NEWSLETTER** – The main method of communication is mailed to members each month, and will also be available online at [www.aialasvegas.org](http://www.aialasvegas.org) when the new site is completed later this month. Advertising and editorial content welcomed. Go to [www.aialasvegas.org](http://www.aialasvegas.org) for more information.

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## CORRECTION



In our July issue of FORUM, we incorrectly stated that **THERESA LABUS, AIA**, a candidate for the 2009 AIA LV Board of Directors, works at Welles Pugsley Architects. Theresa is a member of **JMA ARCHITECTURE STUDIOS**. We apologize for the error.

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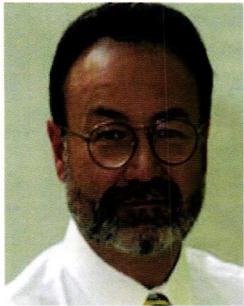
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## AIA NEVADA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

RIC LICATA, AIA

### Path for the Blueprint for Nevada

For those who have been following my messages it may seem like a broken record focusing on the greening of architecture, the environment, energy and our state. I have chosen this path because I believe, as many, this is the most important issue (as well as opportunity) facing not only our profession, but possibly the human race.



For many of us it has been a long journey developing plans for the Blueprint for Nevada. For those who know me, you know this journey started more than thirty years ago in the energy movement. But what is the direction for the Blueprint? What are the next steps? The Blueprint for Nevada is an educational tool; a resource to develop strategies from; and a guide book to develop policy with. The latter policy development is the phase the Blueprint task force is presently in. We are currently conducting meetings both in Northern and Southern Nevada developing a series of policy briefs based on the content of the Blueprint document and the SDAT process.

Twelve major policy or position statements have been or are being developed by subcommittees of AIA Architects, your fellow members. These policy briefs are based on the issues identified in the Blueprint for Nevada. The briefs will identify the topic of concern, say for example "Sustainable Land Use;" the AIA Nevada's position; actions sought from government or policy makers; and the explanation and justification for the proposed change in policy. Also, key points are briefly outlined in the side margin for quick reading for those meetings (or leaders) on the run.

It is our goal that in the coming months leading to the November elections and into next years legislative sessions, the AIA leadership will let our candidates know what issues are important to architects. We also wish to inform them that the AIA does influence a large number of people and that the candidate's constituencies have a high opinion of what architects think. Through these policy and position briefs we will present issues that affect the quality of life in our state. The issue topics and the associated member crafting that brief are as follows:

- Energy - Kevin Jeffers, AIA and Lance Kirk, AIA
- Water - Eric Roberts, Associate AIA
- Land Use - Ric Licata, AIA
- Economic Development - Ed Vance, AIA
- Planning and Development - Jeff Rhoads, AIA
- Social Infrastructure and Wellness - Forrest McMullen, AIA and David Brom, AIA
- Housing - Pat Pusich, AIA and Rick Van Diepen, Assoc. AIA
- Education - Dean Lanuke, AIA
- Arts and Culture - Sean Coulter, AIA, Jon Dewy, AIA and Rick Wilmont, AIA
- Transportation - Windom Kimsey, FAIA, Mike Andersen, AIA and Harry Ray, AIA
- Public Safety - Larry Macias, AIA
- Position Statement on the Coal Fire Plants - Kevin Jeffers, AIA and Ric Licata, AIA

***I encourage you to contact these fellow members and share your thoughts and insights.***

There is no time for half hearted measures or concern that these may be areas beyond which the AIA Nevada should be involved. Ok, but why should AIA Nevada take on the coal fired plant issue? Because this is not the time for stop gap measures, we must commit to the greening of our built environment totally, from buildings, to the creation of our communities, to the transportation industry. There must come a time in the near future where we plug-in automobiles into our homes and squeeze every drop of water treating it like the precious life blood it is. The time is now to move this agenda forward. This will generate environmental, economic and social benefits creating a new relationship between humanity and the built environment, with architects helping to lead the way. To show how the times are changing Texas oil billionaire T. Boone Pickens now has a plan to get the US off foreign oil (pickensplan.org) utilizing wind and renewable resources. Even Governor Gibbons said last week, at a dedication of a new Sierra Pacific Power combined cycle plant, that there could come a time when Nevada would be an energy exporter (good idea Jim, never heard that before).

Keep the faith and vision for a new earth.

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### NEVADA SUPREME COURT INVALIDATES "PAY-IF-PAID" CONTRACT CLAUSES

NICK WIECZOREK, ATTORNEY  
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A recent decision from the Nevada Supreme Court may have an impact on how design professional firms draft their consulting and subconsulting agreements.

In *Lehrer McGovern Bovis v. Bullock Insulation*, 124 Nev. Adv. Op. No. 39 (June 12, 2008), the Supreme Court held that pay-if-paid provisions within construction contracts are void since they impair a contractor's statutory right to place a mechanic's lien on a construction project. The Court held that a subcontractor's right to file a mechanic's lien could not be defeated by a pay-if-paid provision in its contract with the general contractor on the Venetian Hotel construction. The subcontract between Bovis and Bullock contained a pay-if-paid provision under which Bullock's right to payment for its work was contingent upon Venetian's payments to Bovis. In interpreting the clause, the Supreme Court concluded that "[b]ecause a pay-if-paid provision limits a subcontractor's ability to be paid for work already performed, such a provision impairs the subcontractor's statutory right to place a mechanic's lien on the construction project. Therefore, we conclude that pay-if-paid provisions are unenforceable because they violate public policy."

In addition to invalidating paid-if-paid provisions in construction contracts, the Court also held that contractual lien waiver clauses are also generally unenforceable based upon the public policy considerations codified in Nevada's mechanic's lien law. The Court indicated the lien waiver provisions are subject to close scrutiny and must be resolved on a case-by-case basis by considering whether the form of the lien waiver clause violates Nevada's strong public policy to secure payment for contractors.

The Supreme Court's decision does not effect the provisions of NRS Chapter 624 which contains the prompt payment legislation codified in 2001. Those provisions require that higher tiered contractors pay lower tier subcontractors according either to a contractual schedule of payments or within ten days after the higher tiered contractor receives payment for the work performed, whichever is earlier.

Pay-if-paid provisions routinely appear in design services agreements either emanating from the project contractor or the primary design firm retaining subconsultants. In light of the Bullock decision, design firms and registered professionals should take steps to negotiate out of their agreements such provisions since they may not hold up in subsequent legal proceedings.

### BLUEPRINT FOR NEVADA AVAILABLE ONLINE

AIA Nevada's resource guide for enhancing and improving our communities -- *Blueprint for Nevada* -- has been published and your copy is now available for downloading from the [www.aianevada.org](http://www.aianevada.org) website. Copies of the book are being distributed to the policy makers across the state in an effort to provide information and resources that will help them to create a more livable and sustainable state.

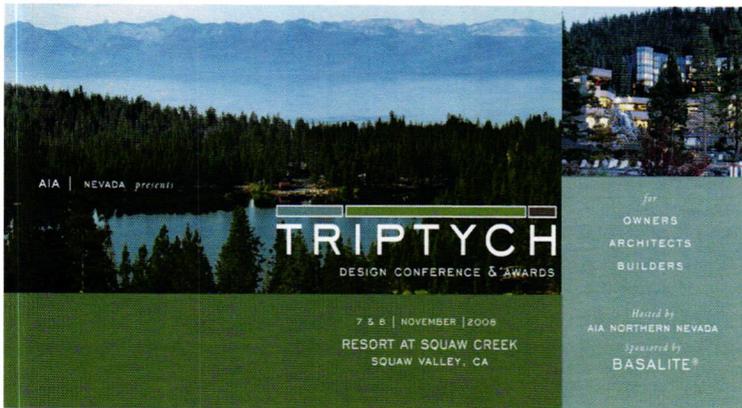
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## TRIPTYCH – FOR OWNERS, BUILDERS AND ARCHITECTS AIA NEVADA'S FIRST ANNUAL DESIGN CONFERENCE

Register now for the conference at [www.aiann.org](http://www.aiann.org). Make your plans to attend AIA Nevada's first annual Design Conference, offering excellent opportunities for all members of the design and architectural communities to not only celebrate design excellence but ALSO to secure those valuable AIA C.E. and HSW credits before the end of the year.

Hosted by AIA Northern Nevada this year's conference is themed "**TRIPTYCH**", meaning the power of three....owner / architect / builder – working in unison – each contributing their creative skills and visions in order to achieve excellence in the completed project. The conference will explore the power of the collaborative effort in the design and construction process, and investigate the contributions of each team member and the cohesive alliances that result in excellence.

**TRIPTYCH** will be two days of valuable AIA approved courses providing 8.5 CE credits, and culminating in the 2008 AIA Nevada Excellence in Design Awards Banquet on Saturday evening, November 8th.

The conference also offers excellent networking and social events including tours of the famous Thunderbird Lodge, designed by **FREDRICK DE LONGCHAMPS**, one of the first great architects of Nevada. Special Guest Speakers and programs include "Beyond Sustainable Design" presented by **DAVID EDJIDI** of **THE WEIDT GROUP**; "Integrated Project Delivery" by **ROBERT J. HARTUNG**, DBIA; Buildings Under Extreme Loads – Energy and Impact", by **JOHN D. OSTERASS, PH.D., P.E.** "Project Practice Relationships" with **HDR ARCHITECTURE**, **STEVEN EHRLICH ARCHITECTS** and **SUNDT CONSTRUCTION**; and "Design Driven and Excellence Is Possible" by **EDDIE JONES, JONES STUDIO**, Phoenix, AZ.

**TRIPTYCH** is being held on November 7 and 8, at the Resort at Squaw Creek located in the beautiful Olympic Valley, CA. – on the west shore of Lake Tahoe, NV.

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### CALL FOR ENTRIES

Enter your firm's projects in the 2008 AIA Nevada Excellence in Design Award. Please go to [www.aianeveda.org](http://www.aianeveda.org) for information on categories, criteria, entry forms, fees and deadlines.

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This year's Excellence in Design Awards program will follow the criteria established by the Institute's Honor Awards program. Categories include Architecture, Interior Architecture, Regional and Urban Design and Collaborative Achievement. There is no limit to the number of projects that may be entered by a firm, however entries must be submitted by the Firm of Record, or the Architect of Record and must have been completed since January 1, 2003. Entry fee is \$200 per project and the timeline will be as follows:

### REVISED TIMELINE / DEADLINES FOR DESIGN AWARDS

Call for Entries – June 1 – August 28, 2008

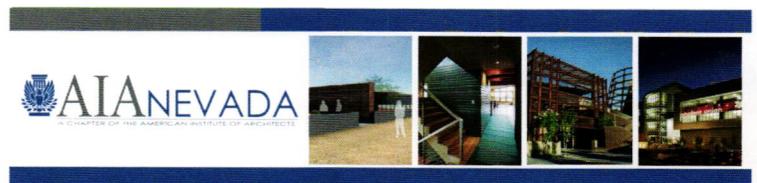
Deadline for Entry Forms & Fees – August 29, 2008

Deadline for Submittal Binders & Boards – September 19, 2008  
For an additional fee of \$100 per entry you can purchase a late submittal which will be due on September 23, 2008

Design Awards Jury – September 26, 2008

Award Recipients Notified the week of September 29, 2008

Design Conference & Awards Banquet – November 8, 2008  
– 6:00PM – Resort at Squaw Creek, located in Olympic Village on the west shores of Lake Tahoe, NV.



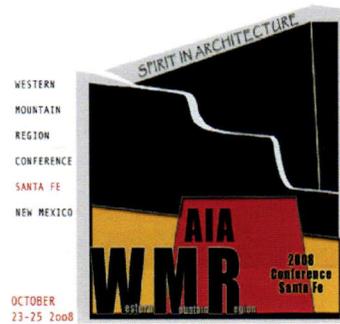
### AIA WEBSITES

AIA Nevada has a brand new website – Check it out at [www.aianeveda.org](http://www.aianeveda.org).

A new site for AIA Las Vegas is currently under construction and will be available this summer. In the meantime stay updated on all Chapter news at [www.aialasvegas.org](http://www.aialasvegas.org).

AIA Northern Nevada is a busy chapter these days, preparing for the upcoming 2008 Design Conference and Awards. Check out the activities in the North at [www.aiann.org](http://www.aiann.org).

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**WMR CONFERENCE 2008**  
 SPIRIT IN ARCHITECTURE  
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The 2008 AIA Western Mountain Region Conference – **Spirit in Architecture** – is being hosted by AIA New Mexico on October 23-25, 2008 at the new Santa Fe Convention Center in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Featured speakers will include Travis Price, AIA,

Richard J. Jackson, MD MPH and Marshall Purnell, FAIA, national AIA president. Registration, hotel and travel information will be e-mailed and is posted to the [www.aianewmexico.org](http://www.aianewmexico.org) website.

**WMR DESIGN AWARDS**

The Western Mountain Region Design Awards program recognizes excellence in design, planning, and construction of projects located anywhere in the world that are designed by AIA architects registered and licensed in the Western Mountain Region.

Entries from multi-office firms are limited to work designed in the office located in the Western Mountain Region. The intent of the design awards program is to honor the highest standards of design in response to user requirements, site, context, climate, and environment. Each entry, regardless of size or classification, is judged individually on the basis of total design merit.

Awards are given for honor, merit, and citation and winning projects will be featured at the Spirit in Architecture Awards Banquet on October 25, 2008.

Complete WMR Design Awards information can be found at [www.aianewmexico.org](http://www.aianewmexico.org).

**WMR HONOR AWARDS**

Nominations for the 2008 AIA Western Mountain Region Honor Awards are now being accepted. The regional awards program recognizes the exceptional achievements of members, firms and other contributors to the built environment in the Region. Categories include – The Silver Medal, The Architecture Firm of the Year Award, The WMR Young Architect Award, The Award of Distinction and The Twenty-Five Year Award. Recipients of this year's awards will be recognized at the AIA WMR Awards Banquet on Saturday, October 25, 2008 during the annual awards program at the Santa Fe Hilton Hotel, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Honor Awards Schedule:

Entry Submittal Deadline: Friday, August 29, 2008, 5:00PM  
 Jury Meets: Friday, September 12, 2008  
 Awards Presented: Saturday, October 25, 2008

Go to the [www.aiaawmr.org](http://www.aiaawmr.org) site and download the Honor Awards Submittal Instructions.

**AIA WESTERN MOUNTAIN REGION  
 50TH ANNIVERSARY LOGO COMPETITION**

AIA WMR associates and young architects (licensed 10 years or less) are asked to participate in the AIA WMR 50th Anniversary Logo Competition with a maximum of 3 works.

The works should be prepared in a high resolution (300 dpi) and the design must include "AIA WMR, 50". The identity can be text-based, logo or any combination of these. Other graphic formats must be easily recognizable, text should be easy to read, and must be able to be printed in black and white, as well as in full color (2 color max).

Only entries with a declaration of authorship are accepted, and the design must be your own creation and be developed in conformity with the competition's guidelines.

AIA WMR asks you to donate your logo creation to AIA WMR (the copyright or design right of the work sent in for application is owned by AIA WMR.)

The entry deadline is Friday, August 15, 2008 and each work should be forwarded in a separate e-mail to [info@aiaawmr.org](mailto:info@aiaawmr.org). The winning design will be awarded an all expense paid trip to the 2009 AIA WMR conference in Keystone, Colorado. For more information go to [www.aiaawmr.org](http://www.aiaawmr.org).

**NEVADA ARCHITECT INSTALLED AS  
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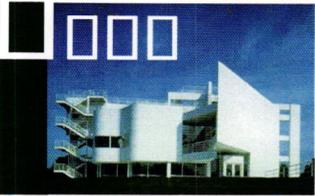


**GREGORY L. ERNY, AIA**, of Reno, NV, was installed on the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards' (NCARB) Board of Directors at its 89th Annual Meeting and Conference. As the director for Region 6 (Western Conference), Erny represents the U.S. jurisdictions of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, and Washington.

The Western Conference elected Erny director in March 2008 during its spring meeting in Denver, CO. First appointed to the Nevada Board of Architecture, Interior Design, and Residential Design in 1996 by then- Governor Robert Miller, Erny has served on numerous Council committees, including the Architect Registration Examination® (ARE®) Graphics Grading Committee, the Alternative Item Writing Task Force, and the Committee on Professional Development.

Prior to being elected director for Region 6, Erny served on the Western Conference Executive Committee from 2000 to 2006, including three terms as regional chair from 2004 to 2006. He also represented NCARB on the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) team that assessed the architectural curricula at Montana State University.

In 1977, Erny graduated from Ball State University in Muncie, IN, with both a Bachelor of Environmental Design and a Bachelor of Architecture. He became licensed to practice architecture in Nevada in 1981 and founded **ARCHITECTS + LLC** in 1983. Erny holds the NCARB Certificate for national reciprocity and is registered to practice in Nevada and California. His practice includes single-family residences, as well as commercial and public works projects.



## 2009 AIA NATIONAL HONOR AWARDS

The AIA believes that awards programs should be carefully structured so that selection and recognition of winners serve two distinct purposes: one directed to

the profession, and the other to the public.

By focusing attention on a broad range of exemplary activity within the profession the general quality of architectural practice is elevated and a standard of excellence is established against which all architects can measure their own performance. By informing the public on the breadth and value of architectural practice, the entire profession is held in higher esteem.

The Institute Honor Awards celebrate and recognize excellence that:

- Elevates the general quality of architecture practice
- Sets standards against which all architects can measure performance
- Informs the public of the breadth and value of architecture practice

The 2009 Institute Honor Awards program is now accepting online entries of projects that have been:

- Completed since January 1, 2002 (except for Regional & Urban Design projects, which may be incomplete, and the Twenty-five Year Award, which will honor projects completed 1974-1984)
- Designed by an architect licensed in the United States or in one of its territories at the time of the project's completion
- Submitted by an architect who was a member of the design team, whether or not serving as the head of the team

### SUBMISSION AND CONTACT INFORMATION

The AIA National Honors and Awards Department has implemented an online submission process for most Award Programs. Submissions have kept a similar format to what has been available in the past but are no longer submitted in a hard copy format.

Submission deadline: August 29, 2008

Complete eligibility requirements, entry fees, and other submission details for the 2009 Institute Honor Awards are available at [www.aia.org/awards](http://www.aia.org/awards).

Questions? Contact AIA Honors & Awards at 202.626.7563 or [honorsawards@aia.org](mailto:honorsawards@aia.org).

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## National Clean Energy Summit

### NATIONAL CLEAN ENERGY SUMMIT

AUGUST 19, 2008

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Our economy, the environment and national security face many significant challenges related to the use and production of energy. Ultimately, our country must undergo a clean energy revolution that relies heavily on efficiency and renewable energy to ensure affordable and reliable energy supplies, sustainable growth and a safer future. This effort will require an unprecedented collaboration among leaders from business, government, academia, nonprofit organizations and across our society. To help start this national dialogue, the Center for American Progress Action Fund, U.S. Senator Harry Reid (D-NV), and the University of Nevada, Las Vegas invite you to attend our "National Clean Energy Summit" to chart a new course for our nation's clean energy future.

Special Remarks by: President William Jefferson Clinton; Senator Harry Reid; Mayor Michael Bloomberg; John Podesta; Dr. David Ashley; Robert Rubin; T. Boone Pickens

For more information on the conference, register online at [/www.cleanenergysummit.org](http://www.cleanenergysummit.org)



### "WALK THE WALK" THE NEXT STEP

The AIA national advertising campaign "Walk the Walk" positions architects as the "go-to" experts on sustainability to help affect change and improvement for the environment. In support of the campaign and to equip members with

an informational tool, GreenStep, a series of twelve Webisodes on the benefits of green architecture and choosing an AIA Architect, launched the first episode at the beginning of July and will feature a new one bi-weekly until December 8. To view, go to the "Walk the Walk" homepage.



### WHY HAVEN'T YOU TAKEN THE PLEDGE YET?

At the beginning of the year, AIA Las Vegas issued a challenge to all AIA Members asking them to go to the [www.architecture2030.com](http://www.architecture2030.com) site and take the pledge to work toward building a more sustainable world.

We want to be the first AIA Chapter to have all members take the pledge and several have already done so. But not all. We're wondering why? Is it because you do not believe your commitment will make a difference? Do you believe that together we can achieve carbon neutrality by 2030? Whatever the reason won't you please let us know. Perhaps there is some clarification or information we can provide.

There are almost 1,000 AIA members in Nevada .... Let's join together and take the pledge. It's good for all of us.

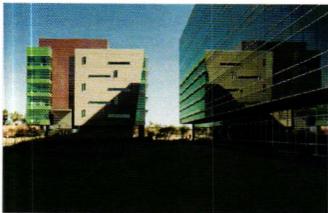
**AIA NEVADA DESIGN AWARD WINNING PROJECT COMPLETED**

**CARPENTER SELLERS ARCHITECTS** (CSA) and Phoenix-based **SMITHGROUP** are pleased to announce the completion of the University of Phoenix Riverpoint Center; a 37-acre, 630,000 sf campus located at I-10 & 32nd Street in Phoenix, AZ.



Riverpoint Center is the corporate headquarters and on-line campus for the University of Phoenix worldwide. The 37-acre campus houses two 6-story buildings, a 10-story building and two parking garages with additional surface parking for 4,600 vehicles.

The design of Riverpoint Center is uniquely regional in the response to its site and the desert southwest incorporating natural materials of stone, copper, glass, concrete, steel and recycled river rocks found on site.



The project was sustainably designed incorporating proper orientation, natural daylighting for all interior office spaces, native plant materials, under floor air distribution systems, regional and low maintenance materials and building façades designed to respond to their own exposure:

shading on the west and east side is provided by narrow, deep set windows and horizontal metal shade fins were utilized on the southern exposure to control the harsh southern light.

"I would like to thank Carpenter Sellers / SmithGroup & their consultants as well as **SUNDT CONSTRUCTION** & its subcontractors for a "Job Well Done". In my 38 years in construction I have never been involved in a better project than Riverpoint Center & its success is owed to this great team of Professionals", stated Rick Mason, Director of Construction for **APOLLO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**.

The project recently earned the 2008 Office Build-to-Suit of the Year from NAIOP Arizona and a Merit Award at the 2007 AIA Nevada Design Awards.

Carpenter Sellers Associates provided architectural design in association with SmithGroup, who also provided MEP Engineering services. The project was developed by the Apollo Group Inc and Sundt Construction provided extensive pre-construction services for the project and served as the general contractor.

Other important design team members include **CARUSO TURLEY SCOTT INC.** (Structural Engineers), **DIBBLE & ASSOCIATES** (Civil), **LASKIN & ASSOCIATES** (Landscape Architect) and **DESIGN-TEC FOOD FACILITIES** (Food Service).



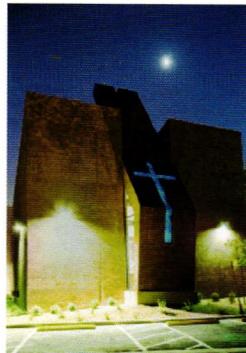
**JVC ARCHITECTS ANNOUNCES COMPLETION OF SALVATION ARMY HOPE CHAPEL**

**JVC ARCHITECTS** today announced that construction is complete for the Salvation Army Hope Chapel on its Lied campus in North Las Vegas campus at 37 W. Owens.



The 5,000-square-foot chapel features a simple contemporary design consisting of a bell wall, sanctuary, small prayer room and support facilities, as well as demolition of an existing chapel. The main challenge JVC Architects faced in designing the chapel was creating harmony between the chapel and its surrounding environment. To achieve this, the firm incorporated exterior courtyards in the design.

The chapel includes several sustainable design principles that will decrease operating costs and contribute to the city's rejuvenation of the area. In the building's exterior envelope, JVC included insulating concrete forms (ICF), rigid plastic foam forms that hold concrete in place during curing and remain in place afterward to serve as thermal insulation for concrete walls. The foam sections are lightweight and result in energy-efficient, durable construction. Typical wood-framed walls average an R-19 rating, while the ICFs JVC incorporated rate R-50. The facility also has limited openings, such as doors and windows, on the east and west sides of the building to reduce heat gain during Las Vegas' brutally hot summers. JVC included a cost-effective mechanical system that incorporates an evaporative cooler, which lowers the temperature of the building by utilizing the moisture in the air. The high cost of cooling the chapel during the summer months will be greatly reduced.



**BRESLIN BUILDERS** is the general contractor for the \$1.4 million project, which began construction in Fall 2007.

Have you changed jobs or has your office relocated?

Update your AIA Member information so we can keep in touch!

Contact Kelly Lavigne at 702.895.0936 | [klavigne@aianeveda.org](mailto:klavigne@aianeveda.org)

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**CE'S BEING OFFERED AT THE AIA LAS VEGAS PRODUCT SHOW**

HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH STONEXPO 2008

We've created even greater learning experiences for you this year by partnering with the StonExpo 2008. The AIA Las Vegas Product Show will be held on Thursday, October 16th in the South Pacific Ballroom at Mandalay Bay Conference Center.

See the latest technologies and services provided by the nearly 100 Exhibitors at the 2008 AIA Las Vegas Product Show, learn about the latest innovations in stone and surface products, and get as many as 6 AIA CE & HSW Credits by attending the following classes:

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**SEP 17 | ROBERT DORGAN**  
DIRECTOR - DOWNTOWN DESIGN CENTER, UNLV SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

**OCT 1 | STEVE VAN GORP**  
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**OCT 15 | KENNEDY LAWSON SMITH**  
DIRECTOR - COMMUNITY LAND USE ECONOMICS GROUP (THE CLUE GROUP), ALEXANDRIA, VA

**OCT 29 | RONALD H.L.M. RAMSAY**  
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**TRACK YOUR C.E. CREDITS**

Last year, through membership meetings, lunchtime learning, and various events, AIA Las Vegas provided 33 different opportunities for members to get their required LU's and HSW's. If you had attended them all you

would have accumulated 42.5 LU's and 33 HSW credits. That is more than sufficient to maintain your AIA membership and to meet the requirements of most states for licensure renewal.

In 2008, we have planned several more events to provide more C.E. opportunities. AIA Las Vegas makes it very easy for you to meet your requirements. All you have to do is sign-in (and sign-out) at each of the C.E. programs just to verify your attendance. Your attendance is then registered with AIA National and your credits are recorded.

All of the programs provided by the Chapter are registered with the AIA Continuing Education Division. You can easily check the progress of your credits by going to the [aia.org](http://aia.org) website, select the continuing education button, enter your member number and you will have a complete listing of your C.E. and HSW Credits.

And don't forget.....You should keep a record of each one of the C.E. programs you attend so that you can compare it with your online record at AIA National. That way you'll always know exactly how many credits you have earned.

# N C A R B

## NCARB ADOPTS SIX MONTH RULE WITH AMENDMENT

After much discussion, the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) voted at their June meeting to ADOPT Resolution 2008-07, commonly known as the "6 Month Rule". This rule will require mandatory reporting of IDP Training Units every 6 months. Under this new rule, training that is not reported within that time period, will begin to expire on the basis of a "Rolling Clock".

It is important to note that the required 6 month reporting period is linked to the successful implementation of NCARB's Online IDP Reporting System. Therefore, the exact timeline and phasing of these new rules are currently unknown. The AIA is currently developing strategies to help with a smooth transition to this regulated reporting period.

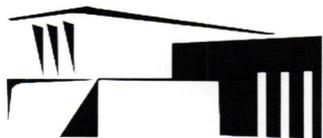
Resolution 2008-7: Reporting Requirement for IDP Training Units (6 Month Rule)

Effective July 1, 2009 or later for new Record Holders (as detailed in the resolution)

Effective July 1, 2010 or later for current Record Holders – those that establish an NCARB Record before July 1, 2009 (as detailed in the resolution)

The extension to the 6 month reporting period for parents adopting or having a child was changed from 3 months to 6 months.

The final resolution language that was adopted by the NCARB Member Boards, as well as the other approved resolutions, can be found on the NCARB website.



## UNLV ARCHITECTURE STUDIES LIBRARY

**HOURS:** Resuming August 25, the day classes start, regular fall hours are:

Monday - Thursday 9am - 10pm, Friday 9am - 6pm, Saturday 1pm-5pm and Sunday 1pm - 10pm.

We WILL be open on Labor Day, from 11am-7pm!!

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**GUIDE TO BOOKS ON SUSTAINABILITY:** <http://guides.library.unlv.edu/content.php?pid=11670&sid=78245> (a small sampling of the titles is listed below!).

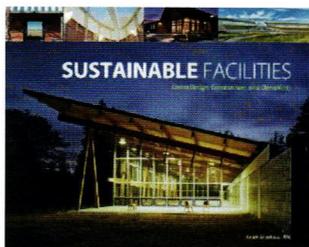
The guide to resources beyond books is at <http://guides.library.unlv.edu/content.php?pid=11670>

**SUSTAINABLE FACILITIES : GREEN DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND OPERATIONS** / Keith Moskow

**BIOPHILIC DESIGN : THE THEORY, SCIENCE, AND PRACTICE OF BRINGING BUILDINGS TO LIFE** / edited by Stephen R. Kellert, Judith H. Heerwagen, Martin L. Mador

**LEADERSHIP IN ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN.** LEED CI sample exam. Commercial interiors / contributing editors: Holly Williams Leppo, and Michael Crowe

**LEADERSHIP IN ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN.** LEED NC practice problems. New construction / Meghan Peot and Brennan Schumacher



## 2008 CE LUNCHEONS

August 7 - Date Cancelled

August 28 - Date Cancelled

September 11 - Hosted By Steve Romeo and Audio Visual Innovations. Program and Location TBA

September 25 - Hosted By Nathan Emens And Terracon. Program and Location TBA

October 30 - "Prefinished Steel Door Frames" Presented by Roger Mcguire of Dunbarton Door & Entry Security Location TBA

November 13 - Hosted by Schirmer Engineering. Program and Location TBA

December 12 - Hosted by Nathan Emens and Terracon. Program and Location TBA

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Urban Land Institute

JLLV  
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**JON SPARER HONORED AS 2008 "MENSCH" OF THE YEAR**

*Mēnsh: a decent responsible person with admirable characteristics*

Each year Congregation Ner Tamid (CNT) hosts an event to honor those who have given a tremendous amount of time and energy to the local community at large, as well as the Jewish community. On Saturday, November 22nd, 2008, **JON SPARER, AIA** of **YWS ARCHITECTS**, is being honored as their 2008 Mensch of the Year.

Jon received his education from the University of Oxford, England and Ohio State University. Jon has been a long-time active member of CNT, contributing to the design of the Emerson Sanctuary as well as the Greenspun Campus for Jewish Life. Learning and Spiritual Renewal.

Proceeds from this event will further the mission of Congregation Ner Tamid. If you would like more information, please call Scott Dockswell at 702.362.5793.



**TONY MARNELL HONORED BY THE NEVADA ENTERTAINER/ARTIST HALL OF FAME**

Along with Robert Goulet, Clint Holmes, Vassili Sulich and The Killers, Tony Marnell, AIA will be inducted into the Nevada Entertainer/Artist Hall of Fame on Thursday, September 18 at the Artemus W.Ham Concert Hall at UNLV.

Anthony "Tony" A. Marnell II moved to Las Vegas in 1952 where he attended public schools and graduated from Rancho High School. Upon earning a degree in Architecture from the University of Southern California, Mr. Marnell moved back to Las Vegas where in 1974, he joined **CORRAO CONSTRUCTION Co.** as General Manager. Soon after, **MARNELL CORRAO ASSOCIATES** was formed becoming Nevada's first and only design-build company specializing in hotel/casino projects. In 1982, Mr. Marnell became the Chairman/Owner of the company, and for the past 30 years has been involved in over \$6 billion of construction work building/remodeling over 70,000 guest rooms for companies such as MGM/Mirage, Harrah's Entertainment, Caesars Palace, the Boyd Group and Wynn Resorts.

Mr. Marnell has worked with many of Las Vegas' gaming entrepreneurs and imagineers. Recent projects include the Bellagio Resort and Wynn Las Vegas, and currently Marnell Corrao Associates is constructing what promises to be the preeminent luxury hotel in Las Vegas, The M Resort.

The Induction Ceremony is free and open to the public. A reception is held for the Hall of Fame inductees each year following the ceremony. The reception is a fundraiser for the College of Fine Arts and a portion of the cost of each ticket may be tax deductible.



**SOCIETY FOR DESIGN ADMINISTRATION LAS VEGAS**

SDA Las Vegas will meet on August 4th at 6:00pm at the Yard House at Towne Square. Anyone interested in the decision making process of chapter organization or holding office in the chapter is encouraged to attend. Take the time to reach out to others and encourage them to join!

SDA Las Vegas has recently begun planning their next CANstruction event, a design-build competition using only canned food and a few construction materials. The juried competition's participants are local A/E/C firms and the food used to construct the entries is later donated to a local food bank. The event is scheduled to be held next April in conjunction with Architecture Week, an annual AIA event.

Please feel free to contact Tim Richards, SDA at 702-878-0000 or trichards@wagnarchitects.com with any comments, questions or suggestions you may have.



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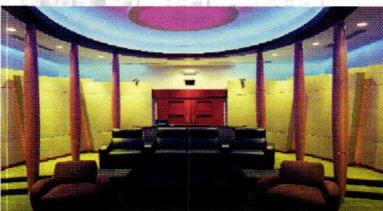
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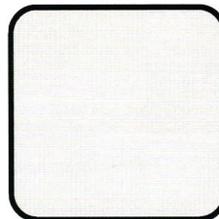
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## AUGUST

- 4-8  
AIA LV MOVES TO HISTORIC 5TH STREET SCHOOL
- 12  
AIA LV BOARD MEETING
- 20  
BOND ISSUE DISCUSSION  
**CANCELLED**
- 21  
AIA NV EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
- 26  
EMERGING PROFESSIONAL / YOUNG ARCHITECT  
FORUM MEETING - Cili's at 5:30 PM
- 29  
AIA NEVADA DESIGN AWARD ENTRY FORMS  
AND FEES DUE

## SEPTEMBER

- 5  
AIA LV FALL PUTTING TOURNAMENT
- 9  
AIA LV BOARD MEETING
- 12  
SERVICE AWARD SUBMITTALS DUE
- 17  
SERVICE AWARD LETTERS OF SUPPORT DUE
- 19  
SERVICE AWARD JURY MEETS  
DESIGN AWARD SUBMITTALS & BOARDS DUE
- 24  
AIA LAS VEGAS SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION
- 26  
DESIGN AWARDS JURY MEETS
- 30  
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## OCTOBER

- 9  
AIA NV EX COM MEETING
- 14  
AIA LV BOARD MEETING
- 16  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING/PRODUCT SHOW  
MANDALAY BAY CONFERENCE CENTER  
SOUTH PACIFIC BALLROOM
- 23 - 26  
WMR CONFERENCE - SANTA FE, NM
- 28  
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