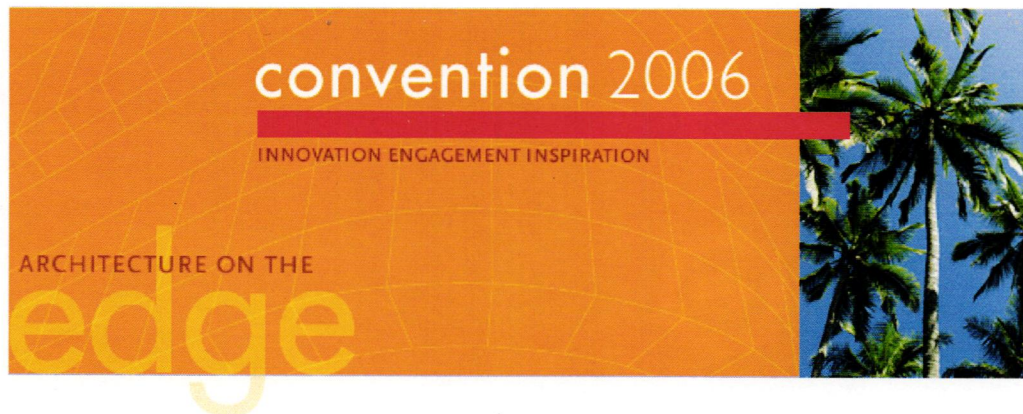
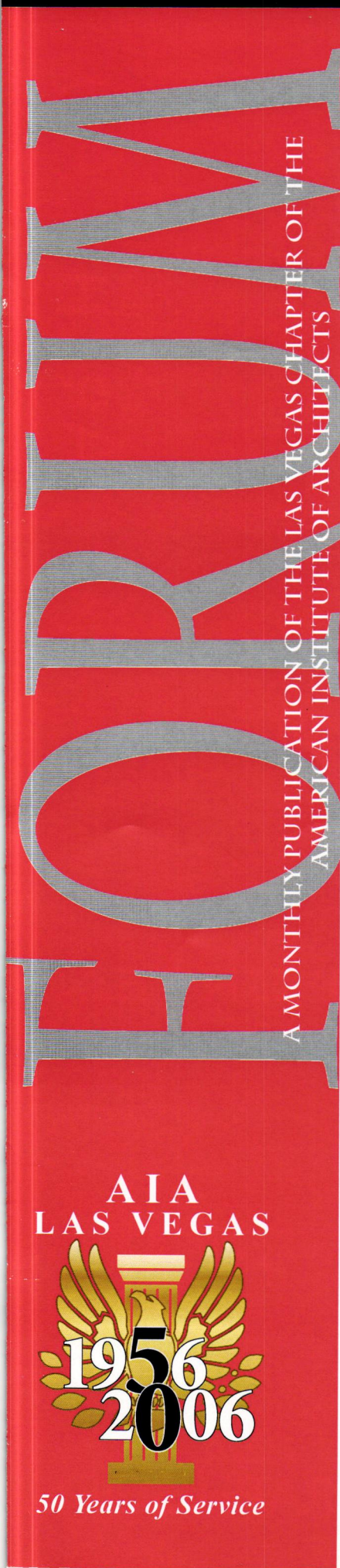


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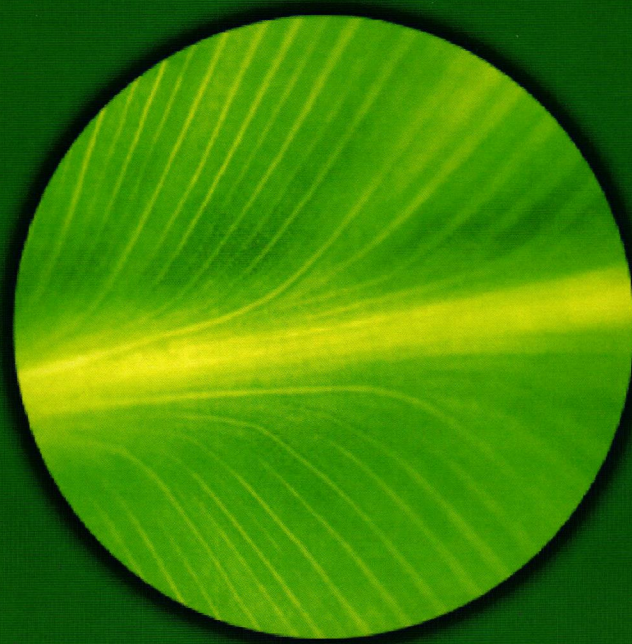
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AIA LAS VEGAS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE WADE SIMPSON, AIA

"Service to the Las Vegas AIA"

It is time to consider if you are ready to take your turn to give time to our local chapter. Nominations are being accepted for the 2007 Board of Directors.

All members of any successful organization like ours must take their turn in helping out and providing service to the chapter. All good leaders provide opportunities for others to grow and take over the leadership of an organization. Our chapter has 50 years of such great members and leaders.

There are many exciting events and decisions the board is dealing with and opportunities we can take advantage of if given the support. We know what great things can be accomplished when we all work together for the strength of our chapter.

Last year we worked together, like no other time, to host the national convention. This year we are doing more events to promote architecture and increase our visibility in the community, as well as celebrating our Golden Anniversary. Next year Curt will lead us in strengthening our community ties along with AIA150 and the work Windom is doing there. Who knows what the future holds with new board members infusing new ideas and energy into our chapter? There is a cycle of leadership our organization embraces.

The success of our magazine this year, after taking on the publishing duties, shows we can achieve the results when we plan and focus our efforts. We have other opportunities before us. We are working with the City of Las Vegas in negotiating a space to move our local chapter offices to the 5th Street School building. By moving to a location downtown for a very small financial investment we can increase community awareness about architecture and the AIA. The balance of continuing our campus presence while helping to lead the downtown design center with UNLV will require thoughtful discussions and decisions. There is hard work ahead but opportunities abound.

We are not only looking for new board members as others rotate off or step down, we are also looking for the many committee members that assist the chairperson in reaching the committees objectives. As the current committee chairs step up into more visible roles on the Board, we remind everyone that AIA involvement starts at the committee member level. We all seek the areas of involvement that interest us the most and put our effort there.

Also as Past Presidents rotate out current board members must assess how long and to what level do they want to serve. People ask me how my year of being President is going. My first thoughts are that I never realized how much time the position requires. Then you realize the learning and good times that come about from serving with the great board members and committee chairs we have. Now is the time for everyone to evaluate what you can and want to do for the Las Vegas Chapter of AIA in 2007 and step up to do your part for our organization.

I hope all members and supporters of the May Golf Tournament get a chance to thank Roy Burson, AIA and Shelly Cannon along with the AIA staff for their work on that event.

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.

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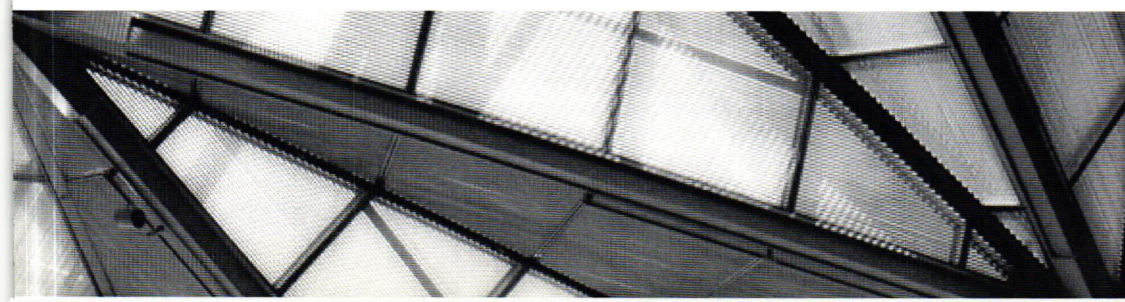
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JUNE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

CODE CHANGES, ZONING AND WHAT'S HAPPENING IN LAS VEGAS

Rapid growth, in technology and in Southern Nevada, is bringing changes in zoning and in code requirements. Keeping up with these changes and with the planning and development in our communities is a real challenge. The AIA LV June Meeting will give us a chance to learn first-hand about what to expect.

FLINN FAGG, Manager of Current Planning for the City of Las Vegas will give us a quick update on planning and development for the city. This will be followed by a presentation on the new zoning and code requirements by **MICHAEL BOUSE**, Chair of the Southern Nevada Building Officials and Director of the Henderson Building Department. Mohammad Jadid from the City of Henderson Building Department; Paul Coggins, Director and Yolanda Aclero, Plan Check Supervisor from the City of North Las Vegas; Ron Lynn, Director of the Clark County Building Department, Paul Wilkins, from the City of Las Vegas Building Department have also been invited to attend and participate in the discussion.



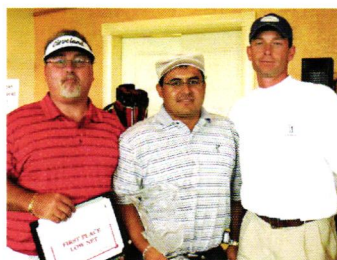
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Since the 2006 edition of the International Building Code was published by the International Code Council earlier this year and the 2006 editions of the International Residential Code (IRC) and the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), as well as the 2006 editions of the Uniform Mechanical Code (UMC) and the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) were made available in March, this meeting will provide a chance to discuss the changes and learn from Southern Nevada Building Officials (SNBO) how these new codes and changes will affect zoning and local codes in Southern Nevada.

Plan to attend this important meeting on Wednesday, June 21st, in the 2nd floor ballroom at the Gold Coast Hotel. Reception begins at 5:30PM, Dinner at 6:30PM, and the program begins at 7:20PM. AIA CE Credits will be given to those who sign-in at the beginning of the meeting and sign-out after the presentation is completed. Please RSVP at least two days in advance to Kelly Lavigne at klavigne@aianeveda.org Platinum Sponsors are **C.M. REPROGRAPHICS**, **LIGHTOLIER**, and **NEVADA SALES AGENCY**.

AIA LAS VEGAS 33RD ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our 33rd Annual AIA Las Vegas Golf Tournament, held May 22nd at Spanish Trail Golf Course, was a great success thanks to all who attended. Congratulations to each of the winners and a very special "thank you" to **RINKER MATERIALS** who sponsored this important event for the third consecutive year.

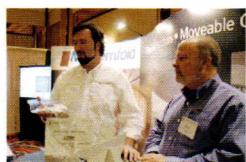


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Our golf committee this year included **ROY BURSON, AIA, SHELLY CANNON, CHRISTINE LAVAN, JAY VOGEL, RAUL PACHECO, RANDY LAVIGNE** and **KELLY LAVIGNE**. Due to their hard work and excellent planning, the event was a huge success for AIA Las Vegas. See everyone next year!



2006 AIA LV PRODUCT SHOW

Exhibitor booth space is now available for the 2006 AIA Las Vegas Product Show. Booth space is limited and sells out fast, so call Kelly at 702.895.0936 or klavigne@aianeveda.org to reserve your space. The show is scheduled for Wednesday, October 4th at the Stardust Hotel.

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AIA LAS VEGAS CELEBRATING 50 YEARS 1956 TO 2006

How different was life in Las Vegas, and the practice of architecture, 50 years ago? As we celebrate our 50th year as an AIA Chapter, we are pleased to devote this column to the remembrances of some of our senior members. This month George Tate, AIA will share his special memories of the early days of the Chapter and his personal experiences of practicing architecture in Las Vegas. If you would like to share your memories please contact Randy Lavigne at rlavigne@aianeveda.org.



SOME THOUGHTS ON ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS, PAST AND FUTURE By GEORGE G. TATE, AIA EMERITUS

CONTINUED FROM MAY "FORUM"...

It was in the little drafting room of Moffitt and Hendricks that a rather famous photo was taken. When a firm with just a few people (which was most of the architectural firms in town) sought a larger prestigious project, it was common to "beef up" the office temporarily by bringing in employees from other firms to impress the potential client. On one such occasion, we crowded some fifteen or twenty such shills for a photo of the "office staff". In the photo were people like Jim McDaniels, Jim Little, Fred Kennedy, Roger Hall, Julius Gabriel, and many others – stacked up all around the tiny room, on top of desks and anywhere they would fit into the picture. That photo which I believe is in the possession of the university should be very valuable as many of those went on to distinguished careers and play important roles in southern Nevada history.

Work especially between jobs was not always that demanding on our little firms, so we usually took a morning and afternoon break to go down the street for a doughnut and cup of coffee (or in my case glass of orange juice). Conversation was usually about the local news of the day and what it would be like to get a real big job. I still have many memories of these interludes and reflect upon how none of us had any idea at the time what changes we would see in Las Vegas in the years to come.

Upon receiving my license in 1960, I gave Ed and Jerry my notice that I was leaving, much to their surprise especially as I announced I was going to open my own office. After the shock of this pronouncement, they gave me their blessing but with a condition: I must find my own replacement. Thus it was that I interviewed a rather large, impressive, young man by the name of Dave Welles, a locally grown product, fresh from a job at the Nevada Test Site. Dave worked at Moffitt and Hendricks for several years and then formed a partnership with Fred Kennedy, and eventually then went on to form his own firm which in time became what is now Welles-Pugsley.

In June 1960 I opened my office in a rental space on the northeast corner of Main St. and Bonanza Road. I hired at that time a young high school draftsman who lived near the office. His name was Gary Mohler and his ability as a draftsman was remarkable. Gary stayed with me for years, including those times between school when he went away to the university to study not architecture but finance and accounting. Today he is a multi-millionaire, very well known and involved in many activities in Las Vegas. Another employee was a young man from southern Utah by the name of Tom Dobrusky. Tom later became my partner as we purchased a new one-story office building at 214 Maryland Parkway, in which we occupied the north portion and leased the south portion. By the way, my Nevada license number also happens to be 214, which makes it easy to remember that address. One of our employees at that address was a Cuban immigrant from the Castro takeover, Arturo Cambeiro, brother of Domingo Cambeiro. On one occasion, the radio was playing in the drafting room and the piece of music was a beautiful Cuban ballad. Arturo began to sob and with great tears flowing said, "That song puts me so sad". Art was very influential and served on several boards and commissions before his untimely death. Using the employees of the firm of Tate and Dobrusky, we actually built with our own hands the second story at that address which now still stands as a lawyer's office in a slightly declining neighborhood. Our firm started doing some good work, with good solid clients including the Clark County School District. We designed a series of high schools such as Basic, Eldorado, Bonanza, etc. The design of many other high schools since has continued to this day as Tate Snyder Kimsey are still the prime firm for these projects for CCSD. When Tom Dobrusky decided to leave architecture in Las Vegas and go into development in other states, the partnership was dissolved and the building at 214 Maryland Parkway sold. For a short time, I moved in with Welles Kennedy in their office on East Sahara during which time the firm name was Welles, Tate, Kennedy.

During the time Tom Dobrusky and I were together, a funny thing happened on one of our jobs. Our client, Bert Leavitt, had a small one story insurance office on about Seventh Street just north of Charleston Blvd. He hired us to expand his building by adding a second floor and building up to the property line that he said was right where there was an existing fence along the south side. We did a great job and construction moved right ahead. One day, though, when the job was about 90 percent complete, an older gentleman driving a big Cadillac convertible drove up to the site and beckoned us over to talk. He said, "You've got a nice building here. Only one problem. You've built it three feet onto my property". When we checked, he was right. What a predicament! We told Bert he had told us where the property line was and he said, "But you shouldn't have believed me. What do I know about such things?" Well, finally we agreed that we both made a mistake, and then Bert came up with a proposal that turned out to be most fortunate for all concerned. He said that if Tom and I each came up with five thousand dollars, he would come up with the rest and together we would buy the neighbor's property that included an existing office building. That we did, and from there on the income from the office building paid off the balance and continued to provide a fairly handsome income for many years when Bert passed away and his family bought out our remaining shares.

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Candidates are now in the running for election to the 2007 AIA Las Vegas Board of Directors, but it's not too late to make a nomination.

Candidate statements will be included in the July newsletter. Ballots will be mailed to AIA members in July and are due back by August 10th.

Board positions that are open for election are:

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Directors (2 Two Year Directors & 2 One Year Directors)
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To make a nomination please contact Randy Lavigne at 702.895.0936 or rlavigne@aianeveda.org.

UNLV COUNCIL OF EXCELLENCE

A MESSAGE FROM JOHN KLAII, AIA

John Klai, AIA and Klai Juba remain committed to the UNLV School of Architecture and are calling on fellow design professionals – architects, interior designers and landscape architects alike – to join the Council of Excellence and support Michael Kroelinger, AIA and the UNLV School of Architecture.

We are looking for the 'first 50' to endorse Kroelinger's commitment to the students, the staff, the program and the UNLV School of Architecture which provides professional and continuing education in the design professions of architecture, landscape architecture, interior architecture and design, and urban and regional planning right here in our 'own backyard'. Help me to help Mike by donating to this effort and allowing for 'more tools'.

We've got the foundation started . . . now let's build that 'bridge' between the Nevada based design professionals and its only accredited School!

Local firms are the benefactors of Mike's great efforts – it's about 'our' students, 'our' interns, 'our' next generation and us building a 'legacy' for their program – and this is 'our' endorsement of Kroelinger's vision, his leadership and his desire to grow this crucial part of the UNLV's College of Fine Arts. Let's all catch his infectious enthusiasm! Let it be your sharing – the \$1,000 per each of us individual professionals this year – and we CAN make the difference!

Your check should be made out to 'UNLV Foundation' for the UNLV SOA Council of Excellence and sent to: UNLV, 4505 South Maryland Parkway, Box 1006, Las Vegas, NV 89154. You can also call my office at 702.221.2254 and arrange for a pick-up of your check, or request a form to utilize a credit card for your contribution.

With your help – we CAN get this current 'drive' of \$1,000 per professional behind us. My goal in dollars – I see our 'first 50' growing to '10 fold by 2010!' We CAN do it! Please do not hesitate to call me with any questions.

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"George Tate's Checklist for Las Vegas"

"AIA High School Design Awards" with Wade Simpson, AIA and Michele Tayengco, AIA

Building Information Modeling – General Session: Panel Discussion - Moderated by Daniel Friedman, FAIA at the 2005 AIA National Convention

"Santiago Calatrava Presentation" - Closing Session at the 2005 AIA National Convention

Integrated Practice & BIM Presentations at the 2006 May Membership Meeting by Glenn Fellows, AIA and Russ Sanders, AIA - videotape available in the Architecture Studies Library

AIA LAS VEGAS HIGH SCHOOL DESIGN AWARD WINNERS

On April 19th, AIA Las Vegas recognized fledging young designers from art and drafting classes in Clark County through our High School Design Awards program. The design challenge was delivered to these students last fall and with the help of AIA member advisors the students have been working on these projects all year.

AIA Las Vegas established the Dale Scheideman School Award this year, which recognizes the high school who has provided the best response to the AIA design challenge. Two schools were recognized with this award for their work in submitting the best master plans. The first Dale Scheideman Merit Award in the amount of \$100 was presented to Basic High School – Cynthia Roder, Instructor and the second award in the amount of \$500 was presented to Southern Nevada Vocational Technical College – Vo-Tech – Jerry O'Brien, Instructor.

In addition, there were seven Merit Award Winners this year. Each received a Cash Award of \$150. The winners were Jose Cepeda – ATA, Eric Kelly – ATA, Tremain Roseman – ATA, Ramon J. Arevalo – Basic High School, Jeffrey Laidlaw – ATA, Danielle Porcaro – Vo Tech, and Aaron Reddick – Cimarron Memorial.

There were also three Honor Award winners this year. This award goes to the students whose work was most exceptional and each received a Cash Award of \$1,000. The 2006 Honor Award winners were: Joshua Miley – ATA, Anthony Yue – ATA, and Jose Guzman – Green Valley.

Thank you to all of the sponsors of this important event and a very special thank you to Michele Tayengco, AIA for Chairing this program.



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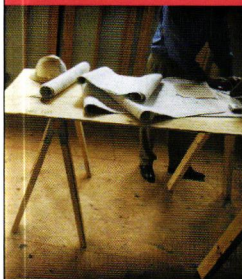
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There are two **AIA LAS VEGAS SCHOLARSHIPS**, each in the amount of \$1,500. This year's recipients are **LEON CIFALA** and **ANTHONY DIAZ**.

The **WILLIAM SNYDER SCHOLARSHIP**, in the amount of \$1,000 will go to **RIE YAMAKAWA**.

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There are three **CARPENTER SELLERS ASSOCIATES BOOK AWARDS**, each in the amount of \$500 and they are awarded to 4th, 5th and 6th year students as follows: 4th year is **SORAYOS (TANG) CHUENCHOMPHU**, 5th Year is **DOUG NIEMAN** and 6th year is **TINA WICHMANN**.

The **YOUNGBLOOD WUCHERER SPARER ARCHITECTS SCHOLARSHIP** in the amount of \$3,500 is presented to **KELSIE FOWLER**. A second YWS Scholarship was offered this year with the recipient to be named at a later date.

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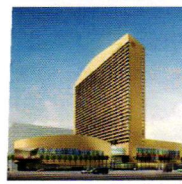
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There is no charge for AIA Members who RSVP; Non-members and Guests are \$35.00 each. If you RSVP and then don't show up, you will be invoiced; If you don't RSVP and just walk in you will be required to pay \$35.00.

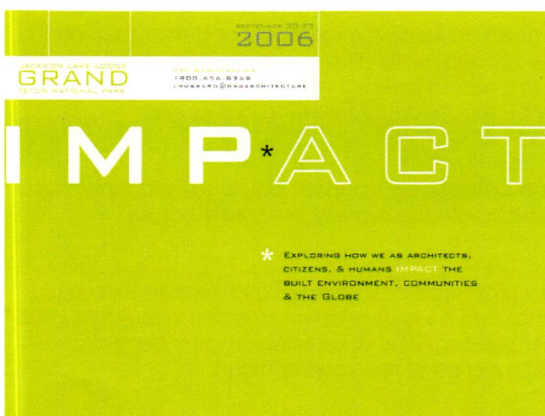
IMPACT – THE 2006 WMR CONFERENCE HOSTED BY AIA WYOMING

Mark your calendars and make your reservations now – September 20-23rd at the Jackson Lake Lodge in Grand Teton National Park. Hosted by AIA Wyoming the conference and the setting are sure to make a great IMPACT on all who attend.

Speakers who will be participating include Peter Bohlin, FAIA, Principal, Bohlin Cywinski Jackson; Harvey Kaiser, AIA, Architect and Author of "Great Camps of the Adirondacks"; Mark Laliberte, Building Specialists & Trainer: Building Knowledge; Walter Ahood, MLA and M. Arch University of California, Berkley; Suzanne Stephens, Author of Modern American Homes; Antoine Predock, FAIA, 2006 AIA Gold Medal Recipient, and Buzz Yudel, AIA and John Ruble, AIA, 2006 AIA Firm of the Year.

In addition to the wonderful speakers and programs that provide AIA C.E. Credits, highlights of the conference include WMR Virtual Vendor Time (no pressure Product Show) a Hard Hat Tour and Host Chapter Party at CFA New Auditorium, followed by a evening out at The Cowboy Bar, and of course, presentation of the WMR Design and Service Awards.

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Remember: Submittals Due – June 14
Late Submittals Due – June 28 (with additional fee of \$75.00 per entry)
Display Boards Due – August 31
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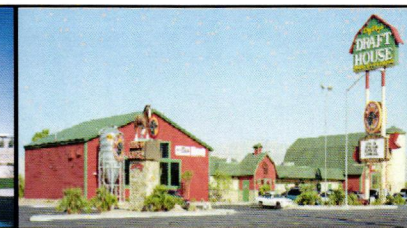
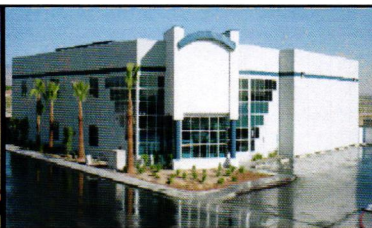
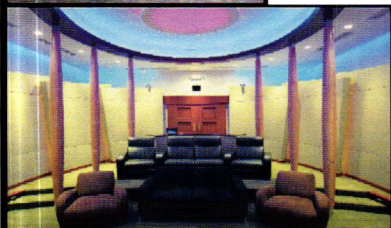
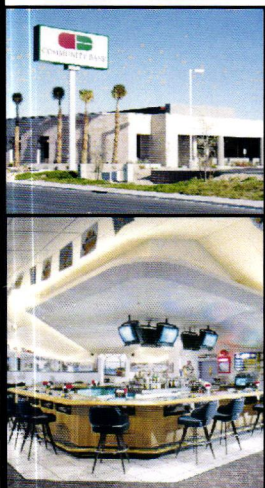
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**AIA NEVADA
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**
LARRY MACIAS, AIA

National Convention

It's been a long time since my first AIA National Convention; however I can remember it as if it happened yesterday. It was nothing short of overwhelming. Today, they are much larger, complex and filled with an incredible amount of information, product samples and literature. There are new advancements in technology, materials, not to mention state-of-the-art computers and software.

In addition, many States now require Continuing Education, and the AIA provides a wide range of topics relevant to today's practice. Whether you are a single practitioner, a large multi-discipline firm or simply specializing in a single aspect of design, the convention is by far the best single source for information, networking, socializing with colleagues' and/ or catching up with old friends and classmates.

The best advice I could ever give to someone is plan ahead; make your reservations early including continuing education selection and spend the time reviewing the information package provided. For those planning to attend a night out, do your homework before arriving at the convention location. Make your reservations early, preferably before arriving. Normally, people don't think about the impact of 28,000 plus individuals arriving at a single location for an event. I equate this to attempting to exit into a stadium parking lot after a sporting event; everyone moving at the same time to get to the same place i.e. finding their car or another person among the multitudes and confusion. If one adds any type of time constraints it can become a recipe for a very frustrating experience.

If possible; I would hope that many of you would attend the Western Mountain Region business meeting and planned social events. Become involved and knowledgeable on up-coming events and issues concerning our region and State. If you have concerns this is the time to get and be involved directly with the AIA. Please make the effort to contact the Las Vegas or Reno Offices and let us know what's important to you. We do value your input and involvement. It allows us to better serve your needs and to advance the profession.

In closing I would like to share this bit of wisdom that a good friend of mine who happens to be a Landscape Architect shared with me the other day: Life is not a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well-preserved body; But rather to skid in broadside, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming --WOW-WHAT A RIDE!!!!!!

**AIA NEVADA EXCELLENCE IN
DESIGN AND DISTINGUISHED
SERVICE AWARDS**

The 2006 AIA Nevada Excellence in Design Awards will be hosted by the AIA Northern Nevada Chapter and will be held in Reno on October 14th, 2006. AIA members will soon receive the "Call for Entries" in the mail, and by June 15th will be able to download the information from any one of the AIA websites - aianevada.org aialasvegas.org or aiann.org

The AIA Nevada Distinguished Service Awards Call for Nominations is now open. By June 15th you may download the nomination forms from any one of the AIA websites - aianevada.org aialasvegas.org or aiann.org

AIA Nevada honors the achievements of exceptional AIA members and firms through this program. The awards are designed to recognize significant contributions made to the community and the profession through the various levels of AIA membership. Nominations must be received by July 19th and may be made for the following categories:

The AIA Nevada Silver Medal

This is the highest honor that AIA Nevada can bestow upon an individual and is awarded in recognition of the most distinguished service to the profession of architecture.

The Architecture Firm Award

Awarded to the firm that has consistently produced distinguished architecture for a period of at least 10 years. The highest honor that can be bestowed upon a firm in the state. This is not a Firm of the Year Award but rather a recognition of a distinguished record of quality design and service to the community for a period of ten years or more.

The AIA Nevada Service Award

Awarded to the individual member who has contributed significantly to the profession of architecture through the American Institute of Architects.

The Young Architect Citation

Presented to the individual who at an early stage in their architectural career, has shown exceptional leadership in design, education and service to the profession.

The Associate Member Award

Awarded to the individual Associate member who has contributed significantly to the profession of architecture through their membership and participation in their local Chapter of the American Institute of Architects

The Allied Member Award

Awarded to the individual Allied member who has contributed significantly to the profession of architecture through their membership and participation in their local Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

The Patron Award

The process for making a nomination for the AIA Nevada Patron Award has changed in order to make it easier for nominators to provide the required information. This recognition is no longer a juried award that requires a submittal binder. Instead, it is determined by the AIA Nevada Executive Committee. To nominate (or recommend) an individual or an organization for the Patron Award, please submit a one-two page letter of recommendation outlining the achievements of for the person or organization you would like to nominate. The letter must be specific as to how the nominee has advocated for quality architecture and how their efforts have resulted in the establishment of laws, regulations or policies that promote quality architecture. Nomination letters should be directed to the AIA Nevada Executive Committee and sent to Randy Lavigne, Executive Director, AIA Nevada. You may provide up to 3 additional pages of support materials.





AIA 150

AIA NATIONAL GRANTS AWARDED

In celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Institute, AIA Nevada and both local Chapters have developed a plan that has as its objective to make Nevada a more sustainable and livable state. The plan provides for several statewide programs including our Governor Candidates Forum and our Livable Community Awards, which have already been initiated. In April we made application to receive funding from AIA National to help support our efforts and we have just received notice that AIA National has awarded grants in the amount of \$15,000.00 to AIA Las Vegas, \$15,000 to AIA Northern Nevada and \$10,000 to AIA Nevada. Plans for our Nevada celebration of the AIA 150 and the Blueprint for Nevada can now move forward. Our task is to generate matching funds and sponsorships that will allow us to write the Blueprint for Nevada, and hold the 24 Hour Town Hall Meetings and subsequent Design Charrettes in 2007. If you are interested in joining the AIA 150 Committee, please contact either J. Windom Kimsey, FAIA (702-456-3000) for Las Vegas or Ric Licata, AIA (775-856-4200) or Northern Nevada.

AIA150 Livable Community Award Recognition

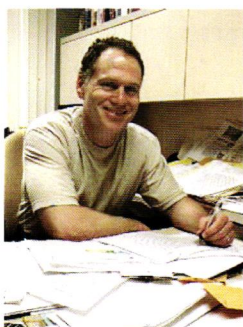
As a part of the AIA150 Celebration, AIA Nevada has instituted the Livable Community Award. The first two of these awards have been presented, and throughout the coming years, as the members of AIA Nevada continue to work toward building more livable and sustainable communities in our state, the award will be used to recognize those individuals, outside the architectural profession, whose dedication, commitment and contributions to the arts and culture, beauty and livability of our communities have made Nevada a better place for all of us to live.

Lamar Marchese

Earlier this year, on April 14th, as the Chapter celebrated the publication of the 2007 Architecture Las Vegas magazine, the occasion was used to present the first AIA Nevada Livable Community Award to Lamar Marchese, President and General Manager of Nevada Public Radio.

Lamar Marchese has led a dedicated and exceptional effort over the last 27 years.... to bring quality radio programming and an enhanced awareness of arts and culture to our communities through Nevada Public Radio. Through the process of making Nevada Public Radio among the best of the best in the country, he has enriched our community, enhancing our sense of place, and providing an intelligent, entertaining and informative dialogue with the citizens of Las Vegas. We are extremely pleased to present the Livable Community Award to Lamar Marchese in recognition of all he has done to better our community.

Hal Rothman



Hal Rothman, Professor of History at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, and noted expert on tourism and post-industrial economies, was awarded the AIA Nevada Livable Community Award on Thursday, May 25th, at the AIA Nevada Governor Candidates Forum.

As a spokesperson for and about Las Vegas, Hal Rothman has helped to re-define our city, and has created a better understanding of Las Vegas throughout the world. In accomplishing this he has elevated our own sense of community. He has recently been called "the foremost guru of the new Las Vegas". He is the author of the widely acclaimed Neon Metropolis: How Las Vegas Started the 21st Century (2002). Devil's Bargains: Tourism in the Twentieth Century American West, (1998), which received the 1999 Western Writers of America Spur Award for Contemporary Nonfiction, and Saving the Planet: The American Response to the Environment in the Twentieth Century, as well as numerous other books and articles.

AIA 150 GOVERNOR CANDIDATES FORUM

AIA Northern Nevada will host the Governor Candidates Forum on Wednesday, June 22nd in the studios of KNPB-TV, Channel 5 in Reno, Nevada. All candidates for Governor were invited to participate, however, only Lt. Governor Lorraine Hunt, Senator Dina Titus, Mayor Jim Gibson, and Senator Bob Beers have accepted. The Forum will begin at 6PM and will focus on how each candidate plans to improve the sustainability and livability of Reno.



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JOB POSTINGS

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Candidates may contact Linda Scheffler, HRC; The Art Institute of Las Vegas, 2350 Corporate Circle, Henderson, NV 89074; Phone#: 702-992-8560; Fax#: 702-992-8555; E-mail: lscheffler@aia.edu.

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The current advertising rate is \$250 for members and \$300 for non-members per month.

Please contact Debi Raffi - AIA Las Vegas at draffi@aianevada.org or call 702.895.0936 to find out more.

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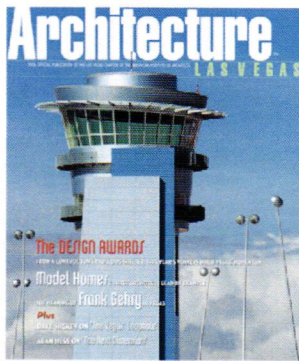
ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS is the official publication of the Las Vegas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. This special issue explores the vital design and planning issues affecting the Las Vegas community, including sustainable architecture, residential projects, Las Vegas' cutting-edge designers and the recipients of the 2005 AIA Nevada Design Awards. This edition also celebrates the Chapter's 50th Anniversary with a brief history and highlights of those members and firms who have helped to build our chapter and our community over the last 50 years.

If you are interested in purchasing a copy, please contact AIA Las Vegas at 702.895.0936. Copies are \$6.95 (plus s&h).

NOW ACCEPTING ADVERTISERS FOR THE 2007 ISSUE

AIA Las Vegas has already received such wonderful feedback from those who have reviewed the magazine. Along with the compliments, we are also getting requests for advertising space in the 2007 issue. Due to the overwhelming response we have already received from potential advertisers, we expect to sell out early this year.

AIA Las Vegas members are offered a discount of 15% for all contracts received and paid for by October 2nd, 2006. If received after Oct 2nd, members are eligible for a 10% discount. Non-members also get a discount of 5% if their contract and payment is received by October 2nd. For a copy of the media kit and contract, please contact Debi Raffi at 702.895.0936 or email draffi@aianeveda.org.



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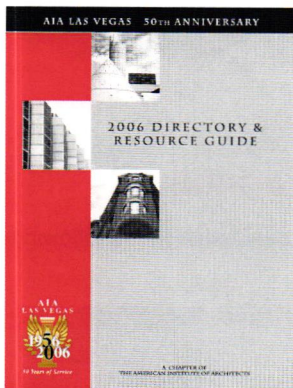
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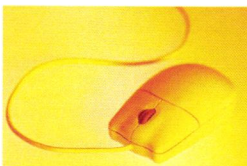
**2006 AIA LAS VEGAS
DIRECTORY & RESOURCE GUIDE**

The 2006 issue of the AIA Las Vegas Directory & Resource Guide has been distributed to our members through McGraw-Hill Publishing.

Additional copies are available in the AIA LV office for \$25 (plus \$5 for shipping & handling). Please contact Kelly at 702.895.0936 or klavigne@aianeveda.org if you wish to purchase a copy.

WWW.AIALASVEGAS.ORG

AIA Las Vegas launched its new website in April. With a new look and more information posted, we believe you will find the new site more user friendly. For any questions regarding AIA LV events, sponsorship opportunities, advertising, publications, documents or member searches, please visit our cyber office for a fast answer!



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BRIEFS

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JMA has had a year of positive growth and it is reflected in their standing in Engineering News-Record's 2006 List of Design Firms. JMA jumped to 275 from last year's listing of 404.

THOMAS J. SCHOEMAN AIA, CEO, notes, "The expansion of the firm is reflective of the increase of our ranking in ENR's 2006 List of Design Firms. Our new offices in California and the increased demand in Nevada have contributed to our escalation in ENR's listing. We aim to continue to deliver the ultimate in design to our clients."

JMA has evolved into studios that specialize in the areas of Commercial, Hospitality, Health Care, Education and Public Facilities, Interior and Graphic Design. JMA has designed over 60 million square feet during the past ten years. Their staff numbers over 200, with 28 registered professionals licensed in over 22 states. They are currently ranked the 108th largest firm in the nation, based on revenue, by Architectural Record.



Robyn MacAdams

CARPENTER SELLERS ASSOCIATES recently named **ROBYN MACADAMS** Director of Interiors for the firm. A native Californian, Robyn graduated from California State University. Having been a part of the architectural interior design industry since 1976 and as CSA's newest team leader, her expertise and leadership will play an integral role in the further success of the award winning firm.

GRAHAM DOWNES ARCHITECTURE has completed schematic design for Canyon Edge, a new single-family housing development located along Green Valley Parkway, near Interstate 215 in Henderson, Nev.

Las Vegas-based **ALPHA LAND DEVELOPMENT** is the developer of the \$40 million project, with CEO **BOB SHARPE** providing oversight. Canyon Edge will encompass 44 single-family homes located on a sloped 17-acre site, with lots ranging in size from 7,800 square feet to 44,000 square feet. The two-level homes will range in size from 3,800 square feet to 5,000 square feet.

The Graham Downes Architecture design team includes **GRAHAM DOWNES** as principal-in-charge and **VAKI MAWEMA** as designer and project manager. Construction is scheduled to begin in June, with completion scheduled for January 2007.

LESLIE PARRAGUIRRE, founder and president of Las Vegas-based **COLOURS, Inc.**, announced the appointment of **JORDON GILLMAN** to the position of CAD operator and design assistant for the award-winning interior design firm. In his new position, Gillman is responsible for drafting on computer all furniture and flooring layouts, interior finish schedules with details and elevations.

DOMINGO CAMBEIRO CORPORATION is pleased to announce the addition of three new employees – **M. TOEPPER**, **A. LEE** and **A. CHRYST** and the return of **C. DE JESUS** from a one year sabbatical – to its team of talented professionals.



M. Toepper

Mr. de Jesus, a seasoned designer, returns to Domingo Cambeiro Corporation after 25 years of previous experience with the company. He is responsible for the creation, development and implementation of project design concepts for several projects, including the new library to the Community College of Southern Nevada Charleston Campus.



A. Lee

Lee joins DCC's architectural staff. She will be providing support to the job captain on various projects using the latest version of AutoCad. She received a Bachelor of Science in Architecture from the University of Guadalajara, MX.

A. Chryst enters the team as the executive assistant to the firm's principal.



C. de Jesus



A. Chryst

On Monday April 3 2006 **SSA ARCHITECTURE** had a celebration party at the Orleans Casino commemorating the 1 Year anniversary of **KEN SMALL, AIA** and **BEN CANIZARO, AIA** assuming full ownership of the firm.

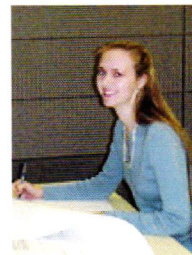
CORRECTION TO MAY'S BRIEFS DEPARTMENT

We apologize for the error in last month's newsletter on the following announcement. Below is the correction:

LESLIE BURTON, P.E. Electrical Engineer at **HARRIS CONSULTING ENGINEERS** recently passed the Professional Engineer licensure exam.

Leslie, a five-year employee of Harris Consulting Engineers (HCE) passed her P.E. exam in the State of Nevada. Burton graduated Cum Laude from UNLV with a B.S.E.E. and has specialized in the electrical design of commercial build outs.

Burton said, "To have earned the final accreditation as a P.E. in electrical engineering is the fulfillment of a lifelong dream."



Leslie Burton



PUBLIC TRAINING TITLE 30 ORDINANCES

Comprehensive Planning staff will be holding training sessions to discuss recent changes to Title 30. These free training sessions are open to the public and are designed for developers, engineers, consultants and anyone who is already familiar with

Title 30, but would like clarification on recent ordinances or specific topics. The schedule is as follows:

Friday, June 30 2:00 – 4:00 PM ODC Room 3	Friday, August 25 2:00 – 4:00 PM ODC Room 3	Friday, October 20 2:00 – 4:00 PM ODC Room 3
Friday, July 28 2:00 – 4:00 PM Pueblo Room	Friday, September 29 2:00 – 4:00 PM ODC Room 3	Friday, November 17 2:00 – 4:00 PM ODC Room 3

While the session is scheduled for 2 hours, there will be times where the session may be shorter depending on the number of ordinances/information to cover; if more time is necessary we can accommodate that as well.

Please RSVP to Chuck Pulsipher, at chp@co.clark.nv.us, if you would like to attend.



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BIM video/DVD: Randy Hale of the School of Architecture organized a panel discussion on Building Information Modeling [BIM] which was held in the Architecture Studies Library on April 25. Representatives from software companies Bentley, Autodesk and ArchiCAD formed the panel, which discussed potential impacts of BIM software and changing technology on architectural design. A lively question and answer session followed the presentations.

Best of Jury Exhibit: The Spring 2006 Best of Jury projects from architecture, interior design and landscape architecture students are now on display in the ASL first and second floor galleries. Stop by to browse these projects representing hours of hard individual work completed by SOA students. The exhibit will be up in the library through the summer and into the first weeks of the fall semester.

Las Vegas Architects and Buildings Database: This database, formerly in a Word file on the ASL website, identifies library holdings and web information for 679 firms, 2236 buildings, and 202 architects -- and it is growing daily. The database is primarily focused primarily on Las Vegas, although Nevada and the Western Mountain Region are also represented. Visit the ASL Las Vegas page and browse the new Las Vegas Architects and Buildings Database [or go directly to <http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/archdb/arch.php>]. Search by firm, project or person. This is our beta version and updates to the database will be made on a constant and regular basis. Any errors -- and there will surely be some -- should be reported to Jeanne Brown, jeanne.brown@unlv.edu. Suggestions and additional material are also welcome!

Featured book: The Architecture Studies Library's featured book for May/June is: The Survival Guide to Architectural Internship and Career Development [2006]. For additional information go to: <http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/featured/featuredbook16.html>.



2006 LUNCHTIME LEARNING

Get your AIA C.E. Credits by attending these luncheons throughout the year. Many titles and locations are TBA.

CANCELLED - June 22nd (If a replacement is found, an email will be sent to members announcing it.)

July 13th - Hosted by AIA Las Vegas COTE Committee

July 27th - Hosted by Rich Gesteland of Hufcor Nevada

August 10th - Environmental and Geotechnical Services Performed for Construction Projects - Hosted by Langan Engineering and Environmental Services.

August 24th - Location is the Tuscany Room in the Tuscany Suites on Flamingo - Hosted by Lynn Campbell of Assurance, Ltd. and Christine Drage of Weil and Drage

September 14th - Hosted by AIA Las Vegas COTE Committee

September 28th - Hosted by Dale Roberts of Custom Building Products

October 26th - Location is Semco Showroom - Hosted by Sam Sem of Semco, Inc.

November 9th - Hosted by John Helmer representing Solatube

November 30th - Hosted by Kathy Kaiser of Schirmer Engineering

December 7th - OPEN

Please RSVP to Kelly Lavigne at 702.895.0936 or klavigne@aianeveda if you wish to attend. Please do not RSVP if you are not sure you will be able to attend as space is limited.

ONLINE COURSES DEVOTED TO ARCHITECTURE

AIA eClassroom, the American Institute of Architects' state-of-the-art e-learning management and delivery system, provides an exciting distance education program that gives you the power to fulfill your continuing education requirements 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. As a registered CES Provider, AIA eClassroom is a source of AIA Continuing Education System learning units.

Courses feature the most popular sessions from recent AIA National Conventions and Seminars. You can choose from courses on design, presentation skills, strategic business planning, and others by some of the leading professionals in the field.

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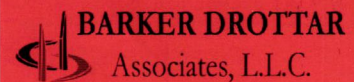
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