MEMBER DEVELOPMENT = STRENGTH & PROGRESS

President's Report

Membership in the profession of architecture provides us with a distinctive identity & a personal pride. It establishes our exclusive right to practice the art of building, a license to practice, & a legal right to operate a design monopoly. The justification of this monopoly rests on the assurance that the special training achieved is essential to the safety of the public. The key prerequisite of professional practice is that special training.

The three-year internship prerequisite to licensure is a necessary element in the licensing certification process. Candidates must submit a work experience form for eligibility to take the architectural licensing examination. The profession is becoming increasingly concerned as to the accuracy of the work experience validation statements. Even though work verification forms are often completed by the candidate, the signature of the architect represents a review & approval. If architects are negligent & careless in the substantiation process of candidates for the profession of architecture, who benefits? The candidate, the profession, the public - each looses with the fraudulent misrepresentation submitted on a candidate's application. We urge the membership of the Chicago AIA to maintain accurate substantiations of work experience data they authorize.

Membership in the Chicago Chapter of The American Institute of Architects doesn't even require an architectural license. You don't have to beg, borrow or provide phony documentation. There are four categories of membership: Member, Associate Member, Professional Affiliate, and Student Affiliate. This month the Chapter celebrates the association of our new members. The Membership Committee Chairman, Jerry J. Cibulka & his committee are seeking to identify new members & to reanimate former members with the new membership brochure. We are confident that we can look forward to your support in 1980 in building the Chicago AIA membership.

We have been receiving membership applications this year in quantities that surpass last year's drive. I am happy to report that we have recently welcomed as members in addition to newly-registered architects, those who have established their competence & talents in our profession, but, until recently, had not joined the AIA. I believe their reason for joining is more than formality; rather an acknowledgment of the benefit the institution can offer.

In the spirit of continuing this membership expansion with qualified people, we have included with the May Focus issue a new member brochure. We encourage each of you to pass on the brochure to a fellow worker who is not yet a member of our chapter, & who in your opinion would not only benefit from the Chapter but would complement it. Let's gain from each others' efforts & spend a few moments in conversation with another about the AIA.

Jerry J. Cibulka, AIA

Applications for Membership have been received from Don M. Beasley, Jr., Geoffrey L. Farnsworth, Edward J. Gaul, Ronald Ghilardi, Lawrence Jura, Kenneth Kaiser, Robert F. Lange, Chris E. Liaakos, Edward G. Matkovcik, Daniel S. Sagan, George J. Weith, Larry Oppenheimer, Charles H. Dawe, all from Schmidt Garden and Erickson; William R. Baker, Menno Scholten, Gerald R. Schmidt from Lester B. Knight; Dimitrios A. Griezis, Eichstaedt Architects/Planners; Paul M. Uzureau, Davy Mckee; Thomas M. Meredith, Harry Weese & Associates.

For Professional Affiliate Jethro M. Hurt, Chicago Architecture Foundation, & for Student Affiliate Kerry O'Donnell, Harrington.

Confidential communications regarding applications may be addressed to any member of the Board of Directors within two weeks.

Looking at the membership in numbers we see that the National AIA, as of 2/9/80 totals 34,607 with 29,951 as AIA Members, 4,656 as Associate Members. On the local level the Chapter member picture reads:

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Gertrude Lempp Kerbis, FAIA
GENTLE WARNING

If the National AIA dues slipped your mind and were not paid the 39 days prior to April 21, 1980 you can expect a little note from National that a potential lapse in membership is forthcoming, and that means a $20 reinstatement fee if you are terminated.

COMMITTEES SPEAK

The Energy Committee has formed five sub-committees & named the following as chairmen: Codes & Standards-Vic Smith, Perkins & Will; Urban & Regional Planning-Wayne Tjaden, SOM; Research & Education-Dennis Probst, MTY; Energy Sources & Alternatives-Eric Youngquist, MTY; Liaison-Roger Whitmer, Circle Campus.

The Energy Committee's primary efforts are directed to energy-conscious design activities applicable to the midwest.

The April 11, 12 Solar Passive Studio seminar was attended by 47 architect participants from the midwest. A modified afternoon program will be offered later in the fall. Spring & summer programs will be devoted to performance standards (BEPS) & landscaping.

On May 22, 12:00 noon, Vic Smith will make a presentation on BEPS. Energy data with charts for 11 different building categories will be available. The June 26 BEPS seminar will include details of an office building case study, related computer applications & percentages of energy use for heating, cooling, fan systems, etc. For July 24 the subject will be landscaping concerns as they pertain to solar, planting, fencing & patios applicable to single family or low rise communities.

Joe Yohanan, AIA

The Planning & Urban Affairs Committee's initial project this year is to develop a conceptual framework & a set of guidelines that will capitalize on the fantastic opportunities offered by the Chicago River & ensure proper redevelopment of the riverfront in the future. Considerable work has been done over the past 10 years by the City (1974 Riverfront Plan), the Chicago Central Area Committee & a number of AIA members.

The primary objective of the committee is to bring the work & the ideas that have been generated to date into a single focus & then to lobby for public support, appropriate hearings & ultimately, the passage of a River Protection Ordinance similar to the Lakefront Protection Ordinance. Obviously the major difference is the River Ordinance would have to recognize & provide for the diversity & mixture of uses in the river zone.

The Planning Committee is also preparing a response to the long-awaited guidelines for the North Loop Renewal Project. In order to have a meaningful input into this planning process, the Chicago Chapter's response must be completed within the next few weeks. Anyone interested in reviewing the guidelines and/or contributing to that response should contact Mary Jo Graf at the Chapter office or Roger Seitz at 346-6161.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 15 at 5:30 p.m. at the Chapter office.

Roger Seitz, AIA

On Wednesday, May 14, Mr. Howard Ecker, President of Howard Ecker & Co./Real Estate will meet with the Housing Committee and any other interested AIA members to discuss his approach & philosophy on housing development including the financing & marketing aspects.

Mr. Ecker's firm is principally involved in consulting with tenants, owners & mortgage bankers for the building & leasing of office space. He has personally been responsible for the leasing for several million square feet of office space. His firm is the largest force in office leasing in Chicago, involved in approximately one-third of all lease transactions.

More recently Mr. Ecker has become involved in developing several condominium housing projects including the Dayton Venture. He is also developing an office complex at State & Kinzie Streets.

Meet Mr. Ecker on May 14, 12:30 at the Chapter office.

Ed Uhlir, AIA

Topic for the Thurs., May 15 meeting of the Historic Resources Committee will be the recently instituted renovation alteration of the Union League Club of Chicago. Ken Hubbard, V.P. of L. Lattin Smith Assoc., Inc., the firm engaged in the renovation will be the speaker.

John Craib-Cox
LAST-MINUTE BULLETIN

On Tuesday, April 22, 1980, House Bill 3582 was introduced in the State Legislature by Representative Robert Casey (R. Geneva).

This Bill essentially provides for amendments to Sections 4, 6 and 7 of the "Facilities for the Handicapped Act" approved in 1965, as follows:

Section 4: ADD: The standards in effect on the effective date of this Amendatory Act of 1980 shall be revised and codified by the Capital Development Board no later than January 1, 1982.

Section 6: ADD: However, until January 1, 1982, if any unit of local government has established local standards for handicapped facilities by ordinance or resolution adopted prior to December 28, 1979, such building permit or other official authorization is not invalid if it recites that the plans and specifications meet such local standards. In the absence of such local standards, the current standards issued by the Capital Development Board under Section 4 shall apply. Commencing January 1, 1982, no building permit or other such authorization is valid unless it recites that the plans and specifications meet the standards revised and codified by the Capital Development Board under Section 4 as required by this Amendatory Act of 1980.

Section 7: Modification to procedural matters re: legislature/state agencies.

ALL MEMBERS ARE URGED TO CONTACT THEIR STATE LEGISLATORS CONCERNING THIS LEGISLATION TO REVISE THE ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS--ILLUSTRATED DEVELOPED BY THE ILLINOIS CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD. (Send copies to ICAIA, 520 S. Second, Springfield, IL 62701)
If you wish a copy of House Bill 3582, contact either the Chapter office (663-4111) or the office of the Illinois Council AIA (217/522-2309).

Additional Informational Item:

The Graham Foundation has scheduled a series of presentations by each of the entrants in the Tribune Tower competition on Saturday, May 31, from 1-4pm. Each entrant will be given 15 minutes to present his/her own work. The program will be moderated by Stuart Cohen, AIA and will include: Frank Israel, Fred Koetter, Rodolfo Machado, George Ranalli, Robert A.M. Stern, Todd Williams, Suzanne Torre, John Casbarian, Danny Samuels and Robert Timme.
The AIA Chicago Public Relations Committee, revived by Ed Hall in 1977, is well into its third year of activities. The committee provides educational programs on various aspects of professional public relations; subjects that include how to develop press releases, brochures, proposals, marketing leads, radio & TV relations, written & verbal communications. Active subcommittee chairmen are Randall Damron—Design Awards Display, & Leon Goldenberg, AIA—Press Releases.

Speakers & subjects in 1980 have been Judith Kirlazis, "Chicago Architecture", Jeanette Fields, "Keeping Your Firm Out Front", C. Wm. Brubaker, FAIA, "Energize with Sketches", & Sally Gelston, "Mayor's Architectural Advisory Committee". The speaker for Tuesday, May 20, 12:00 noon at the Chapter Office is public relations specialist Betty Ritter. She will speak on "Do It Yourself Public Relations". It is aimed at firms of all sizes.

Delano Wilkes, AIA

The Office Practice Committee which will meet on May 21 at 12:00 noon has scheduled another program on "Firm Profiles on Quality Assurance". Mr. Peter McBride of Schmidt Garden & Erickson, Mr. Sam Scaccia of C. F. Murphy, and Mr. Dave Gillette of Holabird & Root have agreed to participate. Each speaker will give a relatively brief general description of the quality assurance programs their firms have implemented (or plan to implement) & their insight as to how they are working, etc. To be followed by questions & discussion.

Wayne A. Worthington, AIA

Planning on attending a meeting? Wanting a lunch? Please call the Chapter Office before 10:00 a.m. the day of the meeting.

SPRINGFIELD NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

Formation of the Illinois Architects Political Action Committee (IAPAC) is nearing completion with bylaws being drafted & receiving approval, committee members being appointed, & necessary papers filed with State Board of Elections. Briefly, IAPAC will be comprised of delegates as follows:

- 3 - Illinois Council, AIA; 1 - Illinois Society of Architects; and 1 - Illinois Council American Registered Architects.

The purpose of IAPAC is to oversee the collection & distribution of campaign contributions. Legislative & governmental policy priorities will remain the function of the member societies & the Illinois Architect/Engineer Council with coordination of IAPAC. With the lobbying efforts & experience of the Illinois Council, AIA it is in a position to make recommendations to the IAPAC for issuance of financial support to those legislators who reflect the beliefs & concerns of the architectural profession. This support is a way to let legislators know the architects are serious in their interest to be involved.

More & more legislation is being introduced & more governmental regulation is occurring; these greatly affect the architectural practice. The IAPAC constantly monitors legislative & governmental action; to have an affect on the outcome the creation of IAPAC will provide a vehicle for effective support of the legislators who understand the concerns of the profession.

Shirley Norvell, Executive Director Illinois Council, AIA

HB 2771 - Do the registered architects of Illinois want to be able to have the formal wall certificate attesting to their licensure? Would they like to have their out-of-state colleagues licensed in Illinois by endorsement, instead of reciprocity? And would they rather be under the jurisdiction of a more pertinently named Illinois Dept. of Professional & Occupational Regulation? If the answer is "Yes" to any, or all of the questions you should be very interested in House Bill No. 2771.

HB 1917 - Sponsored by Representatives Madigan & Capparelli the bill reads: "IT amends the facilities for the handicapped act. Limits the definition of Public Buildings to only buildings owned, leased, or operated by the State, its political subdivisions, units of local governments, school districts or other governmental bodies. At present said definition includes certain buildings for meeting or recreation & certain office & factory buildings."
Your concern & interest can be expressed now by calling or writing your respective legislator. Shirley Norvell, Exec. Dir. of the Illinois Council, AIA urges you to send a copy of your letter to her at 802 Lincoln Tower, 520 S. Second St., Springfield, Ill. 62701. Your support is needed!

UPDATE FROM LEGISLATIVE MINUTEMAN

AIA Congressional Liaison continues the long march for passage of a Professional Liability Bill. We have picked up sponsorship in the U.S. Senate & sponsorship in the House of Representatives is imminent. Once again we call upon you to write & call your Senators urging them to co-sponsor Sen. Mathias" (R. Md) "Product & Professional Design Liability Legislation." The initial response has been excellent, but there are still many of you who have yet to write.

NCARB's PRACTICE ANALYSIS SURVEY

To establish a rational & valid method of evaluating persons applying for admission to the architectural profession, the NCARB has just mailed questionnaires to 12,000 randomly selected architects. The questionnaire is an important element of an in-depth study to determine what knowledge, skills, and abilities are necessary for minimum competency in architectural practice in the U.S. We ask that our members who receive the questionnaire to provide a conscientious & prompt response to help make the survey results meaningful.

AIA EMPLOYMENT & COMPENSATION SURVEY

The biannual survey on employment levels & compensation was sent last October to a 10% random sample of AIA firms. Highlights of the data are available by request from the Chapter Office.

CITY HOUSE SUCCESS

Randall Damron, Gary Dawkins, AIA and James Stefanski, AIA coordinated the Chapter's participation for City House. They collaborated successfully on a continuous slide presentation, display boards and staffing of the Archi Clinic. A letter has been sent to those who worked the Archi Clinic - special thanks to all!

GOLD & SILVER MEDALS AWARDED

Five architectural firms were honored for outstanding masonry designs from 67 entries submitted in the sixth annual & largest Excellence in Masonry Architectural Awards Presentation. Booth Nagle Hartray/Ltd. captured one of the Gold Medals for David's Plaza. The Port Dearborn Postal Station design earned a Gold Medal Award for Skidmore Owings & Merrill. The first Silver Medal Award went to Loebl Schlossman & Hackl for the Square D International Building in Palatine; the second one to the firm was awarded for the Household Finance Corporation Hqrs. And the City's Bureau of Architecture won a Silver for the North Park Village Health Ctr.

LAST CALL....

for delegates to the National Convention in Cincinnati, June 1-4 assuring the Chicago Chapter its full voting strength. Please notify the Chapter office at 663-4111 of your intent to serve as delegate.

ART - FOR - ARCHITECTURE

The Chicago Chapter of the AIA in collaboration with the Office of the City Architect & the Chicago Council on Fine Arts will present an exhibition entitled "The City of Chicago: Art-For-Architecture." in the AIA offices from May 9-July 8, 1980. The exhibition will include photographs, working drawings & maquettes of art works commissioned by the City. The exhibit will include works by Pablo Picasso, Richard Hunt, Berry Tinsley, Jerry Peart, Bruce White, Amir Nour, William Walker, Jill Parker, & Becky Clark among others.

Of particular interest will be the first 7 works commissioned under Chicago's "Percent for Art" program. This program initiated by the City Council in the spring of 1978, is the result of an ordinance which stipulates that up to 1% of the cost of construction of a new city building must be satisfied for the purchase of art works for that building. Currently there are 40 similar programs in the United States & Chicago is the largest city to operate under such legislation.

An opening reception will be held at the Chapter office, May 8, 5-7:00 p.m. R.S.V.P.
NEW POLICY ON DOCUMENTS

Due to escalating costs the Chapter finds it necessary to impose a charge on unpaid document orders. Beginning June 1 the late fee for orders up to $50 will be $5; for $50 & over -$10. Additionally, commencing June 1 the Chapter will not make document exchanges. However, for orders of 10 documents or more of the same catalog no. AIA members may make exchanges through the Publications Div. at National.

INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

The Interior Architecture Awards Presentation will take place on the evening of June 10. Save that date and watch for details of the event in June Focus.

SAND PLANS

Executed by hundreds of creators, sand finds form through unique arrangement. Imagination always runs a wild gamut at the annual Sandcastle Competition sponsored by the Chicago AIA & the Chicago Park District. To the drawing board aspiring entrants and prepare your sand fantasy for June 7.

EXHIBITS, SYMPOSIA and ....

The Chapter office will host an evening with California architect Craig Ellwood on May 20, 5:30 p.m. If you would like to attend "Ellwood on Ellwood" please R.S.V.P. by calling 663-4111.

An exhibit of triple interest is on view through May 25 in Madison, Wisconsin at the Elvehjem Museum of Art. The Elvehjem is featuring the work of Frank Lloyd Wright & the architectural firm, Keck & Keck with a special exhibit of original water colors by George Keck.

"Grass Roots Rehab in the Inner City"-a bus tour given by the ArchiCenter on Sat., May 10 from 1-5 p.m. A look at small "people" projects in Pilsen, Lawndale, & near north side. All projects to be visited have had architectural assistance from the non-profit Chicago Architectural Assistance Center which provides free or low cost rehab plans to eligible needy clients. Reservations are required; for information 341-0530. Tour leaves from the ArchiCenter.

A free symposium, "The Plan of Chicago, It's Past & Future", will be held on May 1, 5:15 p.m. in Columbus Dr. Auditorium of the Art Institute. Contact Fern Simon 443-3625.

Austin Schock Historical Assn. Walking Tour incorporates 7 homes on 2 blocks. Sat., May 31, 1-4 p.m. Information 921-0265.

Tour interiors of 10 spectacular structures designed by Frank Lloyd Wright & his contemporaries. Oak Park, May 17, 9:00-5:00. More information from 848-1976.

Women & Housing Symposium sponsored by Chicago Women in Architecture along with Nat'l Assn. of Bank Women, Women's Bar Assn., Chicago Society of Women CPA's. Focus on women's questions & particular problems in housing. May 31, 10 a.m., Cultural Center.

On Sat., May 3, 8:00 p.m. a performance based on newly discovered correspondence between Wright, contractors & the Unity Temple Bldg. Comm., will take place at the Temple. Reservations required - Call 383-0235.

"Systems Drafting" Workshops - June 17 & 18, Hyatt Regency O'Hare. Call Guidelines Systems Drafting Workshops, 415/254-0639.


International Design Conference in Aspen: Devoted to examining Form and Purpose. Contact IDCA, P.O. Box 664, Aspen, Colo. 81611.


Added to our file of related information sources: Methods & Materials Standards Assn., % H.B. Puller Co., 315 S. Hicks Rd., Palatine 60067. (Quality & performance of materials & methods in the ceramic tile ind.)

Chapter office has inquiry from Polish degreed (Masters) architect for year's tour of work in U.S. architect's ofc. as engineer.
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**Sunday**: To Be Celebrated As MINERAL DAY

**Tuesday**: Public Relations Committee
- 12:00 Noon/Chapter Ofc.
- Speaker: Betty Ritter

**Wednesday**: "Elwood on Elwood"
- 5:30 p.m./Chapter Ofc.

**Thursday**: Young Architects Comm.
- 5:30 p.m./Chapter Office
- Proposed Logan Square Housing Competition

**Friday**: Armed Forces Day

**Saturday**: Sandcastle Competition June 7

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