PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Two highly successful Chapter events were held in January. Despite unpleasant weather, each session was attended by approximately 50 Chapter members. Cynthia Weese, Chairman of the Design Committee, has reviewed the January 19 Design Workshop, and I would like to comment on the general meeting that was held on January 20. This session was aimed at learning how to make the Chicago Chapter more responsive to member needs. Suggestions included:

• A regular monthly meeting held on Monday or Tuesday commencing at 6:00 PM and featuring a variety of programs, from notable designers to practice-related issues in computers, rehab, legal problems;
• Resuming publication of a monthly calendar;
• Listing committees and their chairmen together with telephone numbers;
• Rescanning members of their committee interest
• Providing more design competition opportunities, particularly for younger members.

In response to these comments we have, in this issue, published committee descriptions, chairmen and their phone numbers; inserted a coupon which we urge you to complete and return, indicating your special areas of interest, which will be made known to the appropriate chairmen. We are now working on lining up speakers and considering issues that will be the subject of monthly Chapter meetings in the next few months. We have also identified several opportunities which may become the basis of a design competition.

In the near future, these plans should be finalized. With as divergent a group as ours, I am certain that not every program will interest every member. We have, however, tried to focus on the areas that seem to interest the majority. The Chapter meetings serve a dual purpose - to inform and to be a forum: a forum where architects can meet and discuss issues of common interest with their peers.

Donald J. Hackl, AIA

SRO FOR DESIGN WORKSHOP

The first Design Workshop, held Tuesday, January 19 in the Chapter Board Room, commanded standing room only. The workshop originated with the idea that many members would appreciate review and input on current projects during the design process, rather than after the project is completed. Members were invited to show housing projects and to come and participate in the review process. The response was very positive.

Ten projects were shown, ranging from single family housing to a 1500-unit riverfront development in Detroit. Stuart Cohen was invited as a special guest critic; his reputation as an articulate critic is well deserved. Discussion was lively and varied; questions explored ranged from the appropriateness of an urban brick mid-rise as a housing form for retired farmers, to the role of developer/client in making design decisions.

The entire proceeding was video taped by staff from the City College of Chicago. They are taping future workshops and related events with the goal of producing a 30-minute documentary on architects and architecture in Chicago. The tape will be used in their curriculum, and will also, be available to the AIA.

Cynthia Weese, AIA

Video crew & design enthusiasts jam CCAIA Board Room
STEP FORWARD & BE IDENTIFIED
Spotlight on Committees

Architects in Government/Industry

CHAIRMAN: Ronald M. Spiegel, AIA
Firm: Capital Development Board
Phone: 793-6045

The committee was formed to serve architects working in government or industry. Programs are designed to promote the exchange of ideas and to develop methods of improving the status and image of architects employed in these areas. Meeting subjects in the past have included contracts, public relations, architect selection and organizational relationships.

REGULAR MEETING: 4th Wed., 6:00.

Architectural Tours

CHAIRMAN: Phillip Neuberg
Firm: Jenkins & Thomason
Phone: 644-0366

Several times a year tours of new buildings, renovations, and historic structures are arranged by this committee. Formed in 1981, among some of its first tours were of the 33 West Monroe Building, the Xerox Centre, and The Fulton House Condominiums. Ideas proposed for 1982 center on the celebration of the 125th Anniversary of the founding of the AIA.

Design

CHAIRMAN: Cynthia Weese, AIA
Firm: Weese Seegers Hickey Weese
Phone: 642-1820

This committee sponsors workshops, lectures, and other programs which focus on the art of architecture, in addition to overseeing the annual Distinguished Building Awards. In 1982, the committee is sponsoring a series of workshops with the goal of bringing members together to talk informally about their current work. The next workshop will be held on Tuesday, April 20 when six projects, a variety of building types, will be shown.

Energy

CHAIRMAN: Dennis Probst, AIA
Firm: Metz, Train & Youngren
Phone: 467-9550

An activity-oriented committee it aims to provide state-of-the-art information on building energy conservation to members by sponsoring speakers, seminars and special events. Recent activities included a presentation OCF Energy Conservation Awards, a discussion of the new State of Illinois Center, one firm's approach to a pre-design energy analysis, and the coordination of the National AIA Energy Professional Development Seminars.

In addition to involvement in the preparation of the AIA statement on the North Loop, we anticipate increasing our level of participation through joint meetings with other AIA committees, and through cooperative efforts with other related professional groups.

REGULAR MEETING: 2nd Thurs., 12:00

Health Facilities

CHAIRMAN: Frank P. Gagarin, AIA
Firm: Schmidt Garden & Erikson
Phone: 332-5070

The committee acts as liaison with the American Hospital Association. Activities include monitoring actions of the Mayors Advisory Commission on Building Code Amendments, and reports by members on activities of the joint committee of the AIA and Chicago Hospital Council on Building Codes and the National AIA Committee on Architecture for Health.

In addition to continuing the above functions, activities for 1982 will include at least two facility tours, four regular meetings, paralleling activities with the National Committee on Architecture for Health, plus acting as liaison with JCAH, AHA, CHC, IHA, and the HSA.

REGULAR MEETING: 4th Thurs., 12:00

Historic Resources

CHAIRMAN: Gary W. Dawkins, AIA
Phone: 386-7391

As a resource for historic structure protection, the committee supports preservation of significant buildings as energy efficient, economically sound and in the public interest. Essentially, the committee works within two resource areas: as an educational resource it provides an opportunity for members to become knowledgeable in building conservation; as a community resource it lends support to recognized public bodies who are working toward the designation of significant structures as landmarks to be protected and preserved.

REGULAR MEETING: 3rd Thurs., 12:00

Housing

CHAIRMAN: John H. Nelson, AIA
Firm: Environ
Phone: 670-3735

The Housing Committee will continue to offer its "Architect as Small Developer" series with discussions by Rick Phillips and Joe Anselmo. The "New Highrise Design" program will have presentations on Asbury Plaza and the "Narrow Site" projects of Booth/Hansen and Solomon Cordwell and Buenz, plus a discussion related to the state of government funding for housing programs, and the work of Keck & Keck.

In addition to monthly meetings, the Housing Committee has sub-committees working on positions on housing in the North Loop, the new re-hab code and is coordinating the City House Pair.

REGULAR MEETING: 2nd Wed., 12:00

Interior Architecture

CHAIRMAN: Kenneth E. Johnson
Professional Affiliate
Firm: ISD Incorporated
Phone: 467-1515

Representing the interests of those within the architectural and interior design profession who are specializing in programming, space planning, interior
and graphic design services, committee objectives are:

- assist/stimulate interior architectural education for architects, students and faculty, related professionals, the general public;
- improve professional practice through programs related to contract documents, fee structures, contract administration, general problem areas of the profession;
- recognize/publicize design excellence;
- increase public awareness of interior architecture, what it is, its role in the total environment and of its practitioners.

Specific activities for 1982 include the third Interior Architecture Awards Program, membership drive the the committee, continued involvement with National's AIA Committee on Interior Membership

HAIRMAN WANTED

Goals for 1982 are to recognize the potential for membership growth, and aim to increase membership in the Institute and the Chicago Chapter; to create personal interaction and contact using recruitment resources available from the National office and informational materials developed by the component.

The committee works together with the Board liaison and Chapter office in planning approaches to membership increase and retention, identifying prospects, and initiating contact. Methods can take the form of mailings, personal visits, presentations to firms, invitations to prospects to Chapter programs/events, and follow-up.

In 1982, the Membership Committee will need to regroup to launch an effective membership drive to coincide with the 125th anniversary of the Institute. The year can be distinguished by an appeal to architects to renew their commitment to their profession and its service by joining their colleagues in membership.

Planning & Urban Affairs

CHAIRMAN: Lauren Pottet
Firm: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill
Phone: 641-5959

Members of the committee have backgrounds in architecture, planning, social studies and other related fields. In 1982 the committee will be looking at several topics of extreme importance:

1992 World's Fair
Chicago's Comprehensive Plan
Chicago's Neighborhoods
FUD's and FAR's
Local Transportation Systems and Connections

The committee also supports an ongoing program to educate itself in planning and urban issues.

REGULAR MEETINGS: 1st Wed., 12:00 and 3rd Wed., 5:30

Office Practice

CHAIRMAN: Martin W. Bruner, AIA
Firm: Larocca Associates
Phone: 664-5808

This committee will deal with the premise that the advancement and survival of architecture will depend greatly on the architect's ability to conduct their practices as sound businesses. To that end, with the input and exchange of knowledge between members and their firms, this committee will address issues important to the members.

From any one of the following areas, topics will be pursued:

- the professional organization, management principles, the client's financial and personnel management, project management, and management and production tools. There will be special activities relative to the computer and its' interface with the above areas of office practice.

Real Estate Development

CHAIRMAN: Sy Frolichstein, AIA
Firm: Stowell, Cook & Frolichstein
Phone: 641-6141

With high interest rates and slow growth limiting the number of building projects, the committee will continue to explore creative financing and discuss the roles an architect can take as developer or owner. With a goal of presenting an educational seminar for students and professionals, the Architects Real Estate Development Committee will continue to meet with lenders, attorneys and architects in development.

REGULAR MEETING: 3rd Fri., 12:00

Research

CHAIRMAN: Charles F. Davis, AIA
Firm: Davis Associates
Phone: 922-6050

The committee encourages applied research among the membership, increases the accessibility of research findings and information for use in member firms, identifies research activities within the Chapter, and fosters sharing of information among members.

Two sub-committees have been formed: one is concentrating on application of computers to the practice of architecture, and will document the use of computers within the Chapter; the other is concerned with identifying recurring building failures and their causes. Data is being gathered to identify causes which may be eliminated through research.

REGULAR MEETING: 1st Thurs., 12:00

STUDENT AFFAIRS

CHAIRMAN: Michael Youngman, AIA
Firm: Tilton & Lewis Associates
Phone: 782-7478

Principally, the committee provides meaningful involvement for architectural students in activities that broaden their educational experiences beyond the campus by promoting interaction between the students and members of the architectural profession, as well as between students of IIT and UIC. Activities that involved both students and faculty included seminars with design practitioners who related design philosophies, experiences and practices, tours, and sponsorship of a student design competition.
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  - Planning Comm:
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  - Plan Commission:
  - 12:00 Noon
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Something for the Calendar? Deadline: the 10th
Young Architects

CHAIRMAN: Steve Moylan
Phone: 299-3424

The activities of this committee are directed at AIA Associate members. A perennial concern is the licensing exam. Consequently, we try bringing speakers who can give pointers on preparing for the exam. The committee attempts to broaden the interns’ exposure to the profession through various programs geared to the Associate member. A particular goal is to establish guidelines for well-rounded professional development and possible implementation of the AIA/NCARB intern development program in Illinois.

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CITY HOUSE

City House, Chicago’s Home Improvement Fair will be held on March 26, 27, and 28 at McCormick Place West, Donnelley Hall. The Chapter feels that architects should be represented and help the public become acquainted with the AIA and the housing services that architects can provide.

Participation by members will include the housing projects for exhibit. The Housing Committee is coordinating this year’s AIA booth. Over 100,000 people are expected to attend the Fair.

Please let the Chapter office know immediately about your wish to participate.

Edward K. Uhlin, AIA

“RICHARD MEIER: ON ARCHITECTURE”

The IIT Architecture Student Association is sponsoring a lecture by Richard Meier, FAIA, on March 9 at 4:00 PM. The Hermann Hall Auditorium at 33rd and South Dearborn is the site of the lecture.

Mr. Meier attended Cornell University and opened his own office in 1963. His work has received many awards, including AIA National Honor Awards for the Smith House, the Douglas House, the Bronx Developmental Center and the Twin Parks Northeast Housing. He was named a Fellow of the AIA in 1976 and received a 1979 Progressive Architecture award for the recently completed Athenaeum in New Harmony, Indiana.

Tickets for the lecture are $3, $2 for students. Checks, payable to IIT Architecture Student Association should be sent to Dept. of Architecture, IIT, 3360 S. State St., Chicago 60616.

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HELP!

The Illinois Institute of Natural Resources has funded a research project with the purpose of examining the City of Chicago Building Code with regard to energy conservation. If you have knowledge of items in the present building code which prevent the implementation of energy conservation opportunities in buildings, please submit them, in writing, to the Chapter office c/o Dennis Probst, AIA. The March 11 meeting of the Energy Committee will act as a forum for discussion of this issue.

IS THIS CHANGE NECESSARY?

$40 per month is what member address changes cost the Chapter over the past quarter. Please, please, make a decision and make it firm when you are deciding on whether it will be your home address or your firm address that will be receiving your Chapter mail. If you are leaving a firm, joining a new one, don't have an address change effected until you've made this decision. Also, we'd like to be one of the first to know of your recent move. Won't you take the time to fill out one of those convenient little cards provided by the U.S. Postal Service.

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