DENVER FIRM WINS TOP HONORS FOR INTERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The Denver architectural firm of Klipp Colussy Jenks Dubois Architects, P.C., was recently selected as one of four recipients of the 1994 Intern Development Program (IDP) Outstanding Firm Award. The American Institute of Architects (AIA) made their announcement at the annual IDP Coordinators Conference, in Washington D.C., January 28-30. Firms are selected from nominations received throughout the United States. And, the awards will be presented at the Practice Management Breakfast during the 1994 AIA National Convention and Design Exposition in Los Angeles, California on May 13-16.

This firm was selected because of their overall enthusiasm and proactive efforts at creating a learning atmosphere for interns,” stated IDP Coordinating Committee member and American Institute of Architectural Students (AIAS) Vice President, Christie Malecki.

Klipp Colussy Jenks Dubois has initiated mentor programs within their own firm, along with making their architects available to interns working in other firms as well. Most outstanding are the highly creative learning activities within the firm, such as sketch problem competitions, book reports, reviewing changes in designs, tours of projects, and an ‘object of the month’ activity were obscure objects from the construction site are identified,” explained Malecki.

Principal Larry Jenks, AIA of Klipp Colussy Jenks Dubois noted, “It’s easy to overlook the benefits the IDP can have to a firm. Our program is designed to give our staff an accelerated view of the larger picture, a frame of reference to help our younger staff members make responsible, informed judgments within many areas of architectural practice. Their ability to function effectively as well-rounded architects is just as valuable to us as it is to them.”

Other recipients of the 1994 IDP Outstanding Firm Award are: Johnson and Laffen Architects of Grand Forks, North Dakota; BSW International Business Development of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Albert Kahn Associates of Detroit, Michigan; and special mention to Architect Cynthia Easton for exemplary mentoring in a small office.

Sponsored by the AIA and the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, IDP is a comprehensive mentorship and training program involving architectural interns, students, educators, practitioners, and professional organizations. IDP helps interns attain a comprehensive exposure to practice so they are prepared to enter the profession at the highest level of competence. Congratulations to Klipp Colussy Jenks Dubois!
CHAPTER NEWS

AIA Denver

On Tuesday, February 8th, the AIA Denver Architecture for Health Committee hosted a very successful evening seminar “Perspective ‘94: Healthcare Facility Planning.” Kudos to Mary Mason, AIA of RNL Design for organizing what many have called one of the most successful committee programs in recent memory.

Upcoming AIA Denver events include a general membership meeting on March 28th, 1994 at 5:30 p.m. at the Denver Athletic Club, which will focus on recent school projects in the metro Denver area, and a joint AIA/Rocky Mountain Masonry Institute membership meeting April 13th at the Denver Athletic Club at 1325 Glenarm Place, featuring Uruguayan architects, Eladio Dieste and partner Jay Bliman, and their thoughtful and delightful use of masonry in architecture.

Architectural Registration Exam seminars are being planned and fliers will be mailed in March. The seminars will be held in April and May, 1994. The AIA Denver annual house tour is being coordinated at this time. The dates are May 21st and 22nd, 1994 and the focus will be “Downtown Living.”

Three AIA Denver Committees will be representing AIA members at two major public events. The Small Firm Roundtable and the Housing Committee will sponsor (and staff) a booth at the Rocky Mountain Home Show April 7th to 10th. The Environment Committee will have a booth at the Energy Expo sponsored by Public Service Company on March 9th and 10th. If you are interested in exhibiting, the registration fee for either is $100, made payable to AIA Denver. The deadline for the Home Show is March 10th, 1994. If you want to participate in the Energy Expo, call AIA Denver to see if space is still available.

Colorado North Chapter AIA

On February 24th, the Colorado North Chapter hosted a lecture on the C.U. Boulder campus entitled “Green Buildings” with speakers Michael J. Holtz, AIA, the president of Architectural Energy Corporation, David Johnston of LifeWorks Corporation and Gregory Franta, AIA, a principal with Ensar Group. This event was cosponsored by Planetary Solutions and its president, David Adamson, Professional Affiliate. An update on the Sustainable Design Resource Guide to be published by AIA Denver’s Environmental Committee and A.D.P.S.R. were also announced. Call AIA Denver for more information on the Sustainable Design Resource Guide at 303/892-1188.

On Thursday, March 24th at 6:00 p.m., the Colorado North Chapter will host a tour of NREL (National Renewable Energy Laboratory) in Golden, Colorado. This event is co-sponsored by Steve Temoey, AIA of Light Forms.

And, coming in April, the Colorado North Chapter will present “A Wind Tunnel Tour and Wind Engineering for Architects” at Colorado State University in Fort Collins. The speaker will be Professor Jack Cernak, a CSU Civil Engineer.

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UPCOMING EVENTS


Mar. 5 1994 Beaux Arts Ball with live jazz and blues performed by Underground Railroad and sponsored by the American Institute of Architects Student Chapter at the University of Colorado at Denver. 8:00 pm-1:00 am in the Zenith Room of the Tivoli. $25 couple/$15 per person. For more information, please call Pam Erickson at 303/556-2877.

Mar. 10 “Project and Financial Administration” with Howard Birmberg and sponsored by the Association for Project Managers and Timberline Software Corporation. A one-day workshop for architects and engineers. $200/$225 at the Radisson Hotel Denver. Call 303/893-3333 for more information.


Mar. 11 “Federal Construction 1994” sponsored by the National Institute of Building Sciences (NIBS) at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, Virginia. Registration is free. Call 800/468-9090 for more information.

Mar. 16 “Be Smart About Crime - Personal Safety for Women Today” sponsored by the Society of Architectural Administrators. 5:30 pm at Intergroup Architects. Call Karen Roman, SAA for details at 303/758-8877.


Mar. 22 “Effective Management & Staffing of Committees,” full-day seminar or “Computer Technology - Your Communications Assistant,” 1/2 day seminar sponsored by Construction Management and Integrated Technology, Inc. at the Radisson Hotel Denver. Call 303/893-3333 for more information.

Mar. 30-31 “PSMU’s Design-Build America Conference” at the Hyatt Regency in Washington D.C. $895 per attendee. Call 800/537-PSMJ for more information.

Apr. 7 Tour of new Colorado Springs Airport Terminal. Call Peter Wood, AIA at 719/632-3129.

Apr. & May Architectural Registration Exam Seminars are being planned and look for fliers in March. Call AIA Denver for more information at 303/892-1188.

May 13-16 AIA National Convention in Los Angeles, CA. Call 202/626-7395 for more information or FAX to 202/626-7518.
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GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (“GAC”)
by Thomas A. McKenzie, AIA

We continue to monitor the meetings of the Board of Examiners of Architects which now meets every two months. To better understand the State Legislature’s thinking on the professional licensing process we are closely monitoring the Sunset review process for the Engineer’s licensing law. (Architect’s Licensing Law will come up for sunset review in 1997).

The GAC continues to work on revisions to the Jefferson County School District contract. Progress has been made.

The Asbestos Abatement Task Force is awaiting the scheduling of a meeting between the Colorado Department of Health and members of the task force to review proposed changes to the permit process.

The Legislative Sub-Committee of the GAC is meeting every Friday morning at 7:30 a.m. to review pending legislation in the House and Senate of the Colorado Legislature.

We are currently monitoring three bills in the Senate and four House bills.

AIA Colorado, AGC and ACEC joined together in opposition to proposed Senate Bill 74 which would have changed the date a mechanics’ lien could be attached to property until after construction began. Thanks to the members who telephoned their State Senators to let them know their opposition to this bill. Thanks also go to D.A. Bertram, AIA, Esq. and our lobbyist, Jerry Johnson, for their support.

Government Affairs Committee in Action
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AIA COLORADO FIELD REPORT
March 94
AIA Colorado South

The South Chapter is now exhibiting the 1993 AIA Calendar Photograph Exhibit at the offices of Peter Wood Architects, 1961 W. Uintah Street, Colorado Springs. An opening reception was held on February 24th.

A brochure of profiles of member firms within the South Chapter has been prepared. It will be distributed in the newsletter and additional copies will be available through the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Corp.

A tour of the new Colorado Springs Airport Terminal has been scheduled for April 7.

A letter was sent to the membership regarding Colorado Springs projects designed by out-of-state firms. We are trying to assemble a verified list of such projects and to ascertain the reasons for not using a local firm.

Morrell Bean, AIA has been appointed as the South Chapter representative to the Environment Committee. David Hieronymus, AIA has been appointed as the AIA representative to the Art Commission of the Pikes Peak Region.

Colorado West Chapter

The Colorado West Board met in Glenwood Springs on February 5th for its monthly meeting. In addition to the Board there were five past presidents who were present to discuss the direction our chapter should take in the next few years. Our chapter has been growing steadily and has become more active each year. Our seminars, 10 x 10 presentations, newsletter, and awards program all have been quite successful and we take pride in continuing them this year.

However, we face some problems which seem even more apparent as the chapter grows. For example, the Aspen-Glenwood-Grand Junction-Steamboat-Vail loop seems to be achieving a greater coherence, while we offer little to the membership in Telluride, Durango, Montrose and remote areas. Also, despite two well-organized chapter meetings last year, attendance was very low which signaled to us that we were not clear about what motivates and interests our members.

In addition, as we strive to provide more it has become apparent that our programs need to become more institutionalized in order to make better use of our manpower, create more familiarity with our members, and allow greater access to sponsorship. To deal with these issues our first focus this year will be to define our chapter's vision and understand our members better. One step we are already taking is the formation of an Agenda Committee to tap into the collective knowledge and energy of this important group of members. Michael Hazard, AIA is leading this group, and I will report on more specifics of our soul searching as we develop this focus throughout the year. We look forward also to ideas and suggestions from our members and the other Colorado chapters.

One last note, our chapter awards were held February 5 at the Hotel Colorado in Glenwood Springs. Over forty entries were judged by Don McLaughlin, AIA along with two other architects from the Montana Chapter. Don presented the awards on Saturday night. (please see Colorado West Chapter Design Awards article).
QBS PROVES SUCCESSFUL

QBS Colorado is receiving more requests from municipalities, other public agencies, as well as architectural and engineering firms, in establishing procedures for the selection of design professionals.

- **Arapahoe County** - presentation to the engineering staff. Later this was followed up by a meeting with the purchasing department. QBS was well received by both and a disk with the forms was sent.

- **City of Louisville** - discussion of QBS with the Parks department staff and the Assistant City Engineer. They took the request for price from their RFP. We have been asked to make a QBS presentation to the District Parks Directors meeting in South Dakota in May.

- **University of Colorado at Colorado Springs** - phone calls and FAX contacts. Campus Child Care Center removed price from their RFP as a result of the QBS Colorado efforts.

- **HUD Office of Public Housing** - telephone discussion with head of public housing and head of the engineering department of public housing. Engineering department is in favor of QBS and is suggesting its use to all agencies. Local law may override the federal law according to the HUD procedures.

- **Roaring Forks School District** - workbook was sent to the head of the district at his request. The District wants to "do things right".

- **Poudre School District R-1** - meeting held at request of Director of Organizational Development & Construction. They needed help in selecting qualified local architects.

QBS COLORADO RECEIVES GRANT

The last $4,000 of the $10,000 available funding from national AIA, NSPE/PEPP, and ACEC was awarded in January to QBS Colorado. This money was granted to organizations who proved they were making QBS work. Under current committee rules, we will not receive any more money to fund QBS Colorado. All participating organizations in Colorado are reviewing their budgets for next year taking this into account.

QBS MEETS IN TUCSON

QBS Colorado Coordinator, Ila Bishop, met with other QBS Facilitators at the NSPE/PEPP meeting in Tucson on January 8, 1994. Representatives from sixteen states discussed the most successful methods of improving the quality of public projects through the use of qualifications based selection.

As is being done in other states, we in Colorado need to get our professional engineers and architects to contact Colorado Municipal League, American Public Works Assn., Associated General Contractors, Colorado Bar Assn., Denver Bar Assn., etc. to get endorsements, to get QBS scheduled on agendas, and to place articles on QBS in newsletters. Let us know if you have contacts in any of these or similar groups. WE NEED YOUR HELP! We have to let these people know that QBS will benefit THEM.

Also, we need your help in getting information to QBS Colorado before an RFP is released. When you know a project is being considered, assist us by getting a contact person's name to us and we'll try to work with the public agency ahead of time. That way no one is embarrassed. However, if you receive, an RFP, let us know.
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QBS VIDEO TAPE AVAILABLE

Public owners must make the best use of their limited resources when selecting an engineer or architect for a project. This short (12 minute) video and accompanying brochure outline the merits of the Qualifications-Based Selection process to your prospective clients.

We have copies of both the video and brochure at the QBS Colorado office, PEC office, AIA/Colorado office, and the ACEC/Colorado office. You may borrow them to show your clients and/or staff or you can arrange to have our Technical Advisors make a presentation. Please call Ila Bishop at 303-757-3838 if you need more information or if you'd like to schedule a showing of the video.

The video may be ordered from ACEC for $35.00 including shipping. The order number is 746/V.

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION ENDORSES QBS

After thorough study, ABA endorsed the QBS process. The QBS Process is contained in the ABA Model Procurement Code for State and Local Governments. The code was a joint effort by the ABA Section of Public Contract Law and the Section of Urban, State and Local Government Law. On February 13, 1979, the ABA House of Delegates unanimously approved the Model Procurement Code.

Article 5 includes provisions governing the award of contracts for architect, engineer, and land surveying services. Municipalities and other government agencies are encouraged to use the Model Code as the basis for their own ordinances or regulations.

NEGOTIATING IS FAIR

Perhaps the biggest obstacle to the use of QBS by municipalities is the problem of negotiating the fee. How does the government agency know if it has negotiated a fair fee?

Most selection panels are comfortable determining the most qualified professional for the particular project. However, they don't have as much experience or knowledge of the marketplace as the consultants.

There are several ways to help government agencies with this problem. Rather than look at the fee for the entire project, the QBS process allows for developing a scope with a fee for each major component. Perhaps the design professional could furnish the client with published cost information for similar projects. If you have other suggestions, please call Ila Bishop 303-757-3838 with your thoughts.

If you refuse to accept anything but the best you will very often get it.
AIA Colorado has few standing committees and uses task forces for all its special activities, which are sunsetted as soon as they are no longer required. Each of the committee and task force chairmen have both the opportunity and responsibility to recruit and appoint their members.

Please contact the chairmen listed below to participate in your area of interest.

**1994 AIA Colorado Committees & Task Forces**

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| Government Affairs Committee | Thomas E. McKenzie, AIA          | 303/388-4601 FAX: 303/388-6869 |

One of AIA Colorado’s prime responsibilities is to represent the profession at the State Legislature, and to coordinate our members in taking positions to improve the built environment and public interest.

**1994 Annual Conference**

Dayi A. Larson, FAIA
303/295-1792 FAX: 303/292-6437

The 1994 Conference will be held on December 9th and 10th at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs. This year’s conference will be the culmination of a year’s efforts in promoting the visibility of architects and the architect’s contribution to our community and our society as a whole.

**1994 Design Awards**

Clifford S. Nakata, AIA
719/473-7225 FAX: 719/632-5164

The 1994 Design Awards will utilize a noted jury to focus on the quality of architecture, architects and their contributions to Colorado.

**Visible Architect**

Alan Zeigel, AIA
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Our purpose is to improve public recognition. The visibility of our members, their credibility, their practices, and their contribution to their communities, will increase architects’ effectiveness.

**1994 AIA Colorado Architect of the Year & Firm of the Year**

Jerry Seracuse, FAIA
303/773-8454

**Fellows Task Force**

John D. Anderson, FAIA
303/294-9448 FAX: 303/294-0762

The Fellows Task Force was formed in 1992 and continues to assist Chapters in nominating their outstanding members to be considered for election to the College of Fellows, and the Task Force further assists those architects nominated, in developing their required submissions to the Jury of Fellows.

**Disaster Mitigation Task Force**

Kathryn A. McNally, AIA
303/556-3118 FAX: 303/623-3328

The Disaster Mitigation Task Force is relatively new and can use as its model for preparedness the success of AIA members in Florida, Missouri and elsewhere, in coping with natural disasters that have recently occurred.

**Fellows Representative to Western Mountain Region**

James R. Morier, FAIA
303/476-5105 FAX: 303/476-0710

**Disability Task Force**

Karl A. Berg, FAIA
303/837-8811 FAX: 303/837-9007

This joint task force with ACEC, PEC and others has been gaining momentum and serves all design professionals in Colorado in improving the process of selection and contract negotiation.

**Region 8 Reinvention Laboratory**

John C. Hellgren, AIA
303/399-8974 FAX: 303/399-8977

Jeffrey W. Olson, AIA, Co-Chair
303/722-5000 FAX: 303/722-5080

This is a new task force created in response to Vice President Gore’s call for reinventing the U.S. Government. Region 8 (located in Denver) of GSA has been designated as the reinvention laboratory for reviewing and improving the selection and contracting procedures for design professionals.
GRASSROOTS '94 A GAS!
by: Steven B. Walsh, AIA,
AIA North Chapter President-Elect

Wow! AIA Grassroots '94 was an incredible experience. I was part of the fourteen person contingent sent from Colorado to not only represent you, but also to listen and learn about the issues and challenges we face as practicing architects. I also had the opportunity to get to know our AIA Colorado and chapter leaders. Their enthusiasm for fellowship and teamwork is contagious!

One of the issues we worked on was the potential legislative erosion of the 20 year old Brooks Act which requires that architects be selected for federally funded projects based on their qualifications; only after selected are the fee's negotiated. This encourages the best use of taxpayer dollars and allows architects to be compensated on the fair value of their work, instead of the lowest fee.

This is important because we also learned that we are our own worst enemy, that we must work together to raise the public's awareness of our value and importance to society. To that end the AIA is initiating awareness programs to be executed at the chapter level. AIA Colorado president John Rogers has been championing this mission very effectively; wear your AIA pin, tell people about architecture, get on community boards and committees, and take the time to educate your clients about the value you bring to their projects.

Walking through the Octagon in Washington DC, I was reminded of those architects who got together way back in 1857 to form the AIA. This group of architects recognized that there was strength in numbers and their voice would only be heard if they were unified. Today we need to remind and educate nonmember architects as to the role our AIA plays in keeping our profession secure and a vital part of society.

During Grassroots, hundreds of architects took these messages to their representatives on "The Hill." I had the opportunity to meet with Representative Patricia Shroeder and the assistants of David Skaggs and Ben Knighthorse Campbell. I was amazed at how truly open our government is, and how interested they were in what we had to say.

We also learned about an exciting new tool, AIA Online. I predict this electronic communications tool will revolutionize the way our chapters provide service. Board and committee meeting minutes, schedules of events, late bulletins, and E-mail will allow instantaneous contact between each individual member. Groups of architects, clients, and governmental agencies will be able to "chat" on-line in real time or over a period of time via "bulletin boards." All members will be able to "listen" and join in. The positive impact on the environment due to fewer car trips and less paper, and the savings in travel time alone will more than justify the effort of learning to use this new tool. Being able to electronically search through the mountains of information we receive daily means you will be able to efficiently access all the information only you need. Space does not permit going into the marketing benefits of this tool; that is a future article in itself! During an open house at AIA headquarters, Thomas Beck and I had the opportunity to personally urge AIA president Chester Widom to consider making this tool a free and unlimited benefit (to AIA members); due to a very vocal sentiment expressed at Grassroots, they are seriously considering it.

If I sound excited, I am. I cannot stress the importance of being involved if you want to get the most value from your membership in the AIA. Opportunities are unlimited at AIA in areas of your interest. Call me at 303/447-2926, any chapter board member, or AIA Colorado at 303/831-6183 if you have any questions about what you have read here or to learn more about the opportunities available to you.

AIA COLORADO EXHIBIT AT THE DENVER ART MUSEUM

On February 22, 1994, an exhibit highlighting sustainable architectural design was at the Denver Art Museum. Fourteen works, created in response to the "Call for Creative and Visionary Projects" competition, were on display through Wednesday, March 2, 1994.

Architects and design students from across the country were invited to submit sustainable design projects which recognized our dependence on the environment as a functioning natural system by creating physical products that sustain both environmental and human needs. The award winning design submissions illustrate attitudes and practices that embrace the concept of sustainability, both ecologically and socially, in architecture. For a list of award winners, please see the January/February issue of AIA Colorado's Field Report.

Ron Mason, an architect with the firm of Anderson Mason Dale in Denver, conceived of and coordinated this competition with the help of a dedicated committee. They felt that "Architects should have the opportunity to take a visionary approach to this challenge because the realities of the practice of architecture does not always afford this opportunity. Here is an opportunity to let loose and be inventive."

"More than ever before, our survival depends on sustaining a healthy global environment. Humans have always altered the environment. Sometimes this was constructive but often it was exploitative and left natural recovery to chance. When our numbers were small, natural systems eventually compensated, but today the number of people on our planet has stretched natural systems beyond the point of natural recovery. Today, we must apply our creative talents in a constructive manner...Our ability as humans to visualize a better environment and work toward it — by design — is a key to sustaining a balance between our activities and the natural environment." (excerpt from AIA's 1993 Design and the Environment)

Sim VanDerRyn and Peter Calthorpe warn in their book Sustainable Communities, "lacking any tangible vision of what the future might be like, the future comes and goes by default. As the biblical quote says, 'without vision, the people perish.'"

The Call for Creative and Visionary Projects Competition would not have been possible without the generous support of The Temple Buell Foundation, Richard L. Crowther, FAIA, Educational Fund - Colorado Society of Architects, Haselden Construction, Pella Products of Colorado, Colorado Chapter of the Producer's Council, and S.A. Miro, Inc.
The Colorado Chapter of the Producer's Council is pleased to announce that our 1994 STICK (Save Time in Collecting Knowledge) program will soon be underway.

By bringing our programs to you with lunch we hope to make the best use of your time while providing you with the most current product and technical information available.

Look to the members of Producers' Council to provide the information and products you need!

Please watch for your mailing in March and plan to take advantage of our programs. Call Cindy Bills-Harris, the Executive Director of Producer's Council at 303/759-8349 for more information.

## NEW UTAH HOUSING COMPETITION

The purpose of this competition is to generate new designs for affordable housing appropriate to established neighborhoods in Utah's cities and towns. Registration deadline is March 4, 1994. Final date for submission of entries is May 13, 1994. Call Elizabeth Hallstrom of AIA Utah at 801/532-1727 or Roger Borgnicht at 801/355-7085 for more information.

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