FIVE MSA MEMBERS RECEIVE FELLOWSHIP

In recognition of their "notable contributions to the profession," five MSA members were recently elected to the AIA College of Fellows. They are: Gene DiLaura of William Kessler & Associates; Chuck Parise of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates; Sam Popkin of Albert Kahn Associates; James E. Tomblinson of THY & Associates and Harry Vaporiyan of Giffels Associates. Investiture ceremonies will take place at the 112th Annual Convention of the AIA, June 2 in Cincinnati.

The AIA Jury of Fellows, which includes MSA member Leo G. Lea, FAIA, selected a total of 92 new Fellows from across the country.

A former MSA president, Gene DiLaura has served as construction administrator for several award-winning projects for the Kessler firm including the Detroit Science Center, Wayne County Community College and the restoration of the Livingston County Courthouse in Howell. Professionally, he has been instrumental in the institution of a continuing education program for the MSA and also led the successful effort to relocate the headquarters of the MSA and the Detroit Chapter to the historic Beaubien House in downtown Detroit. DiLaura has recently accepted the chairmanship for the 65th annual MSA convention in October.

Chuck Parise has been active in architecture since 1949 when he received his degree from the University of Detroit. After becoming registered in Michigan in 1952, he worked in several offices including Eero Saarinen Associates before joining Smith, Hinchman & Grylls. A specialist in building technology, he has participated in the development of many products and materials and has authored several publications on the subject as well as presenting symposiums for the Building Research Institute and the American Society for Testing and Materials.

Associated with the Albert Kahn organization for almost 30 years, Sam Popkin recently rejoined the firm as director of health facilities after a six year association with another firm. Currently the president elect of the Detroit Chapter, AIA, he also serves as vice chairman of the governor-appointed State Fire Safety Board and is certified with NCARB.

Jim Tomblinson has served in all of the offices on the Michigan Board of Registration for Architects. His tenure on the Board resulted in an updated registration act and updated contract documents and publications with NCARB, where Tomblinson has also served. Heavily involved in his community, Tomblinson has contributed of himself in sitting on the YMCA Board of Directors, the Executive Committee of the Tall Pine Council of the Boy Scouts of America in addition to being voted "Outstanding Contributor to the Community" by the Grand Blanc Beautification Commission in 1975.

Harry Vaporiyan is a high honors graduate of the Technological University of Istanbul and a recipient of the Albert Kahn Scholarship from the University of Michigan. A former director of design for the General Building Division of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls, he was also a principal in the firm of Sigmund Blum, Vaporiyan & Mitch from 1971-75 before joining Giffels Associates. He became vice president of the firm in 1979.

Fellowship nominees must have at least 10 years of AIA membership and have made significant contributions in such areas as architectural practice, design, construction science, education, historic preservation and public service. It is the highest honor the AIA can bestow on a member, barring the Gold Medal.

CALL FOR 1980 MSA HONOR AWARDS

Nomination forms for the 1980 MSA Honor Awards have been sent to the membership. All entries must be executed architectural projects of MSA members completed anywhere in the United States or abroad after May 1, 1976. Regardless of size or classification, all submittals will be considered on the basis of excellence in total design. All entries must be received by the office of the Executive Director no later than July 7, 1980.

Nominations procedures for the 1980 recipients of the MSA Gold Medal, the Robert F. Hastings Award and honorary membership have been mailed out to MSA Board members and chapter presidents. Completed forms for each of the categories are due at MSA headquarters May 31.

The Gold Medal requires superlative achievement in one or more areas of professional endeavor and clearly demonstrated leadership in any phase of the profession for an extended period of time. It is the highest award the MSA may bestow on one of its members.

The Hastings Award was created by the MSA Board in 1978 as a memorial to Robert F. Hastings, FAIA, co-sponsored with Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates. The award recognizes significant contributions to the profession of architecture and service to the community. Honorary membership is awarded to a person who has rendered a distinguished service to the profession or to the arts and sciences allied with architecture.

The award recipients will be the guests of honor at the President's Reception at the 65th Annual MSA Convention, October 17 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Dearborn.

AIA CONVENTION DELEGATE INFORMATION

The MSA has received notice from Institute Secretary, Robert M. Lawrence, FAIA that delegate cards have been mailed to the secretaries of all state organizations and local chapters.

Prospective delegates to the 112th Annual AIA Convention, June 1-4 in Cincinnati must present in person, a properly executed credential card to the Credentials Committee at the time of registration at the convention prior to 4:00 p.m., Monday, June 2, otherwise he/she cannot qualify as a delegate.

Each accredited delegate will receive in their registration kit, a complete set of instructions and pertinent information concerning voting procedures. Other notices concerning nominations, hotel reservations and other convention matters will be sent to each member.

For further information, contact your Chapter Secretary or the MSA at 313/965-4100.

DETROIT CHAPTER DELEGATES — Please notify the Detroit Chapter, AIA Headquarters in writing if you wish to be a delegate to the 1980 National AIA
CAUTIONED. "Commercial and manufacturing commitments made as much as a year ago might never be realized and the backlog of lending commitments for these two extraordinary projects, construction contracting so far in 1980 has held virtually even with last year’s dollar total."

KALAMAZOO

Greg Slocum from Kalamazoo’s Loy Norrix High School, has been awarded a $1,000 scholarship as the first place winner in the MSA High School Design Competition. Announcement of the scholarship and the awarding of the other prizes took place at the annual awards banquet at Lawrence Institute of Technology, April 19.

PREPARATION OF CLAIMS

The MSA will be one of the many local speakers at the national Product Council Carousel sponsored by the Michigan Chapter of Producers Council, May 8 at Roma Hall in Livonia.

In addition to the exhibits, the program will feature the latest construction industry products and specification updates. Additional information may be obtained from Carl Foltmer at Dow Chemical, 313/358-1300.

Please reserve _______ dinner tickets for the May 15 Third Thursday program at the New Hellas Cafe in the amount of $ _______.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Name(s) _______________________________________________________
Address _______________________________________________________
City________ State________ Zip _______
Telephone _______

Tickets are $10.00 per person. Make checks payable to the Detroit Chapter, AIA, 553 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48226. (313) 965-4100

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Announce through the Detroit News and the Detroit Free Press that the Detroit AIA is hosting a conference.”

NEW HELLAS CAFE

May is the perfect month to begin toning those arm muscles in preparation of some cutthroat bocci tossing at the 37th Annual Mid-Summer Conference.

Conference chairman Dennis Haugen and vice chairman Dick Glissman have begun assembling the conference programs. Affiliate member and bocci extraordinaire, Ray Williams will chair the bocci tournament sponsored by Detroit Edison and Michigan Consolidated Gas in the persons of Ernie Hickson, Louis Mueller and Adam DeMartino. Also, if you liked last year’s T-shirts, watch the Monthly Bulletin for details on obtaining the official garb of the bocci competition. Further Mid-Summer Conference program details will be published as they occur.

PRODUCERS COUNCIL

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

A total of 426 amendments to the BOCA Mechanical Code have taken effect, beginning April 5. Filmed with the Michigan Department of Labor last October, the new amendments update Part 9 of the Code’s 1978 edition. Copies of the new amendments are available from the Michigan Department of Labor, Bureau of Construction Codes, Mechanical Division, Box 30015, 7150 Harris Drive, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

A comprehensive sunset bill requiring a review of all state agencies and programs was vetoed by Governor Milliken. A total of 33 states have enacted sunset legislation since they first passed in 1976.
Nonetheless, the CIC has thrived, is thriving and likely will continue to thrive. Its published guidelines are the results of participation by individuals who collectively have spoken from the combined experience of centuries in our business. We would be remiss to not note that 75 to 100 individuals have invested thousands of man hours as delegates to the CIC and in committees and task forces concentrating on specific problem areas.

Past CIC guidelines have helped to virtually eliminate problems with temporary light and power, cold weather protection and temporary heat. Many of the Council’s recommendations concerning bidding procedures have become accepted practice, such as afternoon bid openings on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Hitting a Problem
Special notice should be taken of two recent Council guidelines that address a major problem shared by everyone involved in the construction process — cash flow as affected by progress payments and retentions. The 20% plus lending rate for construction material and payroll financing is pressing both the design professional and contractor to the financial wall.

Payment Procedures
Of the two, the Guideline “Payment Procedures, Waivers and Stored Materials” appears to be most timely. It is based on the principle that... “The ability of a Contractor or Subcontractor to manage his operating capital contributes almost as much to his business success as does his ability to manage the men he employs and the material he purchases and installs for an owner.”

The guideline is anchored upon the time span that the owner requires to pay approved requests. The remainder of the schedule is built around this key element. Design professionals and contractors all agree unanimously that the procedure can and should be lived with by the industry. At the same time, it provides full consideration for the Owner’s processing and payment procedures. Regardless of the time the owner requires to process and pay, the schedule provides for regular payments approximately every 30 days beginning with the receipt of the first payment.

It sounds deceptively simple. It isn’t. It is just plain simple. Both the CIC and PHI recommend that the billing/payment cycle can be developed early in the planning process and be described in the bidding documents. This enables all bidding contractors to estimate and plan material and equipment purchases with the minimum of cost. This information cannot help but lead to optimum competitive bidding conditions.

Retentions
A second timely guideline is the CIC statement covering retentions. In essence, the guideline recommends the withholding of 10% of the value of the first 50% of the work, with no further retention. When the contractor has completed satisfactorily 90% of the work, one half of the 5% retained will be paid to the contractor with the remaining 2½% paid upon substantial completion.

Incentive to Complete
We can’t think of a more effective incentive to achieve successful completion of any contract. PHI recommends that the Council supplement the Retentions guideline with an escrow account format for all work, public and private. We also think that House Bill #5541 should be moved along as quickly as possible.

There is and will be opposition to our point of view covering payment practices and retentions. However, the alternative is even higher construction costs, artificially inflated due to the exhorbitant costs of borrowing money to finance construction materials and payrolls when legitimate requests for payment are unnecessarily delayed.

It’s a problem that owners, design professionals and contractors can partially resolve together — if we really want to!
CARL LUCKENBACH/ROBERT L. ZIEGELMAN, INC., 555 S. WOODWARD, GARDEN CONCOURSE, BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN, 48011 313/644-0600.

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POSITIONS AVAILABLE — Michigan Bell’s building division has immediate openings for several qualified architects — degree or registration required. Detroit area positions involve planning design and project management. Salary commensurate with experience. Comprehensive employee benefits and career opportunities. Submit resume to Michigan Bell Employment Office, 444 Michigan Ave., Room M-10, Detroit, Michigan 48226. Michigan Bell Telephone Co. is an Equal Opportunity Employer. POSITION AVAILABLE — Director of Architectural Design with a strong background in commercial and institutional project design. A senior level opportunity to manage Design Department of respected, long established A/E firm with distinct potential of important participation as firm partner. Position calls for registered, self-motivated professional capable of exercising the leadership required to develop innovative and progressive design approach. In addition to outstanding academic credentials, candidates must have at least 10 years of significant experience including client contact in major project design; at least 5 years of professional personnel management experience and a proven ability to work with other A/E disciplines. Salary, including significant fringe benefits, will fully reflect qualifications. Relocation assistance will be provided if needed. Call or send resume to Mr. Suresh Shroff, Harley Ellington Pierce Yee Associates, Architects/Engineers/Planners, 2611 Evergreen Road, Southfield, MI 48076. HEPY is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

POSITION AVAILABLE — Architectural firm with diversified practice seeks experienced person with architectural or engineering degree or minimum 10 years experience in construction. Previous office and field experience required. Send resume to THY & Associates, Inc., 705 Kelso St., Flint, MI 48506. THY is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

FOR SALE — Office furniture including 2 executive tables, teakwood desk, drafting tables and beautiful office or lobby seating plus much more. Contact Henry J. Abrams, AIA at (313) 547-7900.

POSITION WANTED — Challenging and responsible position to enhance practical architectural experience before continuing studies in Rome. Study experience includes University of Michigan and Notre Dame. Contact Leopoldo Antonio Abrego, 1303 Brooks, Ann Arbor, MI 48103. (313) 487-3621.

POSITION WANTED — Architectural draftsman with 10 years of industrial, commercial and medical project experience seeks employment. Contact Mark Furstenberg, (313) 341-3522.

GRAPEVINE

The Builders Exchange of Detroit & Michigan have elected Robert A. Howe president at the B.E.’s 95th Annual Meeting in March. Other officers elected are vice presidents Paul Hussey and Malcolm MacLean and treasurer, G.P. Forte. New directors Charles Heidel, Robert Johnson and Terry Weedmark join Richard W. Zimmerman and Herman F. Marsh on the Board of Directors. Two Michigan buildings have received 1980 Tucker awards from the Building Stone Institute in the same category, buildings over 25 years old and still in use. Winners: the Penobscot Building (that’s how it was cited) and the Rackham building for graduate studies at U of M, both Smith, Hinchman & Grylls designs. Congratulations to the firm of William Kessler and Associates, celebrating 25 years of architectural practice. William Kessler, FAIA will serve on the awards jury for the 1980 Prestressed Concrete Institute’s Awards Program and the firm also announces the appointment of Michael J. Washo as Director of Marketing. Washo was formerly deputy director of the Michigan History Division of the Department of State. John Allen, AIA was named to a two year term on the Farmington Construction Board of Appeals. Ed Francis, FAIA, Ken Neumann, FAIA and Louis Redstone, FAIA recently juried the Honor Awards program for the Colorado Masonry Institute. Jim Cardoza, AIA, Gino Rossetti, FAIA, and Harry Vaporgluyan, FAIA recently juried the Honor Awards program for the Columbus, Ohio Chapter, AIA. The Detroit Receiving Hospital, designed as a joint venture by William Kessler & Associates, Giffels Associates and the Zeidler Partnership, grace the cover of the April issue of Architectural Record. photo by Tim Hursley of Balthazar Korab, Ltd. Korab’s work was featured in a recent issue of American Preservation magazine, the subject being the village of Bay View. Kenneth M. Mitchell, AIA and Andrew A. Vazzano, AIA have been appointed to serve on the 1980 AIA National Committee on Architecture for Health. Dick Slocum, AIA announces the appointments of Jonathan H.C. Rambow and John Steele to associates. The firm shall be known as Slocum Associates, Architects, AIA, located at Kindleberger Commons, 521 S. Riverview Drive, Kalamazoo 49004. J. Howard Nudell, AIA has been appointed to the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Southfield. Thomas J. Sedgewick, FAIA was appointed by Governor Milliken to the Governor’s Energy Awareness Advisory Committee along with Thomas Strat, AIA, Chairman of the MSI Energy Committee. Sedgewick will also chair the Eastern Michigan Energy Exposition, October 2-5 at the Flint Ice Arena. Mel Sachs, AIA participated in a trade mission sponsored by the U.S. Department of Commerce to the Dominican Republic, Trinidad, Venezuela and Mexico last month on new housing developments. Sachs was honored by Rep. Jack Kirkey (R-Livonia/Northville) with a resolution of special tribute for the U-Form Technology concept of the U-Form Technology concept. Detroit Chapter president, Carl Pirscher, AIA recently spoke at a luncheon of the Southfield Central Kiwanis Club. Harold Radin, AIA, Dennis King, AIA, and Dave Lawrence, AIA participated in an Architects Rap Session at a recent LIT open house for perspective students. Ralph Pierse, PE of Harley Ellington Pierce Yee Associates represented the firm at the PSJM Conference on Successful Presentation Strategies and the COFPAES Federal Programs Conference, both in Los Angeles in March. The Detroit Chapter, CSI has awarded its first Chapter Cooperation Award to SMACNA’s Metro Chapter in recognition of exceptional liaison work with the Chapter. Detroit Chapter affiliate member Charles Scales was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers. Richard Drury, AIA of Strong...
Detroit Chapter High School Design Competition winners have also been announced. In the architectural design category, Sharilyn Dendy of the Genesee Area Skills Center is the first place winner, John Kish of the Southwest Oakland Vocational Education Center is second and Blair Taylor of Harrison High School is third. Honorable mentions went to Thomas Kaltz and Larry Webster of Cousino High School, John Shamoun of Harrison High, Michael Ellis of Catholic Central Redford and Laura McElheron of the Genesee Area Skills Center.

In the lighting design category, the winners are: Michael Ellis of Catholic Central Redford, first place and Thomas Kaltz of Cousino High, second. Honorable mentions went to Larabee of Birmingham, Larry Webster of Cousino; Ken Davis of the Southwest Oakland Vocational Education Center and Sharilyn Dendy of the Genesee Area Skills Center.

Next year’s competition which is co-sponsored with LIT will begin in September.

NOTICES

The MSA has received notice that there are a number of firms and individuals in Michigan who perform soil borings and make foundation recommendations but who are not registered professional engineers. Architects who use these services should be aware that they may be assuming the total liability for the recommendations and that the liability may be very large.

Many architects may not be aware that a firm or consultant may perform soil borings, make tests and put forth recommendations for foundation design without being a licensed engineer and be perfectly within the laws of the state of Michigan. The laws merely require that such engineering work be performed under the supervision of a licensed professional. The licensed professional may be an unsuspecting architect or structural engineer who may not even realize the liability he is assuming. In fact, when an architect places his seal on plans which were developed by unlicensed individuals, he may be assuming liability for the engineering recommendations on which the foundation design is based.

For their own protection, architects should be certain that any soils engineering or other consulting work be done under the supervision of a licensed engineer.

ASTM D-3740, “The Evaluation of Agencies Engaged in the Testing and/or Inspection of Soil and Rock as used in Construction,” outlines a standard method for documenting the organization, personal qualifications and quality control programs a testing laboratory uses.

Invitations are being sent throughout the Midwest for the Annual University of Michigan Architectural Alumni Luncheon in conjunction with the AIA Convention, June 1-4 in Cincinnati. Bob Gerding, ’47 is handling the details.

“The Last National Bank,” a restaurant in the vault of the Old Federal Reserve Building at 4th and Race will be the location. The luncheon will begin at noon, June 2 and, as always, spouses and friends are welcome. Tickets cost $9.00 per person, which includes wine.

Send your check, payable to the University of Michigan, to 2150 Art & Architecture Building, U of M, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48109. There will be a May 27 deadline for responses.

Also the College of Architecture and Urban Planning will be honoring the 1980 architectural graduates at a reception and open house, Saturday, May 3 at the Art & Architecture Building following commencement ceremonies. Parents, friends and alumni are cordially invited. Student projects will be on display.

The Arts Council of Greater Grand Rapids and the Dyer-ives Foundation will sponsor the William F. Thrall Award in honor of the architect who had given so much of himself professionally and individually in the development of his community. The award will consist of a $500 prize for “… the individual or organization who has contributed the most during the previous year to the quality of life in the Grand Rapids community through urban design or architecture.” Grand Rapids citizens are urged to submit names and qualifications of such people or organizations to the Thrall Award Committee, Arts Council, 17 Fountain Street, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503.

“Joe Hill, The Man Who Never Died,” will be the featured production at the Attic Theatre for the Womens Architectural League Couples Nite, May 3. After-theatre plans include the New Hellas Cafe in Greektown for dinner and conversation. Tickets for the play are $5.00 per person. Contact Mrs. Larry Galyon at 624-5707 for ticket information. May 20 will be the final General Meeting of the season at the Pat Duwel home.

Three scholarships of $750 each for architectural study at Lawrence Institute of Technology will be awarded by the Masonry Institute of Michigan for the fourth consecutive year. Eligible are: high school seniors with at least a B average, college students with at least a 2.6 grade point average and LIT architectural students with at least the same average. Preference will be given to students with family members in masonry, construction or architectural professions. Applications may be obtained from the Masonry Institute, 24155 Drake Road in Farmington or from LIT. The deadline for applications is June 1.

MSA Convention Update: Paul Gapp, architectural critic for the Chicago Tribune has accepted convention chairman. Gene Di-Laura’s invitation to speak at the 65th Annual MSA Convention, October 15-17 at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn. Watch the Monthly Bulletin for details. MSA members that may have contacts interested in exhibiting at the convention are urged to contact Rae Dumke, Advertising and Sales at MSA headquarters, (313) 965-4100.

The Prestressed Concrete Institute has issued a call for entries for their 18th Annual Awards Program. Any type of structure in the United States or Canada using prestressed/precast concrete or architectural precast concrete is eligible. The Awards Program is open to all architects and engineers practicing professionally in the U.S. and Canada. The entry deadline is August 1, 1980. Instructions on entry submission are available from PCI, 20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

NEW FIRMS

Slocum Associates, Architects — AIA, Kindieberger Commons, 521 S. Riverview Drive, Kalamazoo, Michigan, 49004 616/381-2420.
Drury and Elkins spoke at the March 30 luncheon sponsored by the Elk Lake Area Council of Churches... The Northern Brewery, home of the office of Fry-Peters Associates, among others, has been listed as an historical building with the National Register... and a special congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Tom Kowalski whose daughter Lisa was born, March 4.

**CALENDAR**

**MAY**

1. LIT Visiting Professional Lecture Series, Heinz Tesar, "From Freud to Jung," 7:30 p.m., LIT.
2. WAL Couples Nite, Attic Theatre.
3. Grand Valley Chapter, AIA, regular meeting, Ferris State College, Big Rapids.
7. Western Michigan Chapter, AIA, Columbus, Indiana program.
8. 15-16 State Bar Association, Labor Law section, Fifth Annual Labor law Seminar, Southfield.
9. Michigan Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, regular session, Lansing.
10. Detroit Chapter, AIA, pre-AIA Convention meeting, New Hellas Cafe, Greentown, 6 p.m. Featured speaker: Paul Bowers, AIA.
12. 17-24 Michigan Week.
13. 19 LIT Visiting Professional Lecture Series, Donlyn Lyndon, "Invoking Powers of Inhabitation," 7:30 p.m., LIT.
14. WAL General Meeting and Spring Luncheon, Pat Duwel home.

**JUNE**

1-4 AIA Convention/Exhibition, Cincinnati Convention Center.
2. Detroit Chapter, CSI, Annual International meeting, Holiday Inn, Windsor. For more information: 313/626-1117.
3. Michigan Board of Registration for Architects, regular session, Lansing.
4. 15 Entry slip and fee deadline, Detroit Chapter Honor Awards program.
5. Masonry Institute of Michigan annual scholarship golf outing, Dunham Hills, Milford.
6. Michigan Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, regular session, Lansing.
7. 18 CSI National Convention/Exhibition, Anaheim, California.
8. 19 Third Thursday, Beaubien House.

**JULY**

7. Portfolio deadline, MSA Honor Awards program.
8. Michigan Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, regular session, Lansing.
9. 20-26 National Society of Professional Engineers 1980 Annual Convention, Plaza Hotel, Detroit.

**AUGUST**

6. Michigan Board of Registration for Architects, regular session, Lansing.
7-9 MSA 37th Annual Mid-Summer Conference, Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island.

**OCTOBER**

15-17 MSA 65th Annual Convention, Hyatt Regency, Dearborn.

**TIE ONE ON!**

Is your neckwear a knotty problem? We suggest trying the new AIA neckties, available in navy and burgundy embroidered with the AIA Column and Eagle just in time for the June convention. A bargain at $15.00 each. Contact the MSA Haberdashery at 313-965-4100. This offer cannot be repeated from any source after June, 1980.

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