PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
MIKE CALLAHAN, AIA
President
Michigan Society of Architects

A little while over a month ago, I received a copy of a listing of the many architectural firms and their quoted fee that were submitted in a proposal for architectural services for a particular project. I was surprised to receive the listing and found it very interesting to say the least. Somehow the information about those who submitted the proposals was shaken loose from the requesting agency. Lately the “bidding idea” within government and public servicing entities has taken hold.

We have all received these requests for submitting proposals which must include a fee amount. But, when it comes time after the due date, review, etc., there is a reluctance on the part of the requester to furnish any information on the results. Though in most instances, this information is public, it usually somehow gets buried in a bureaucracy maze and generally not publicized.

I’m glad to see that in this particular project, it was possible to obtain the information pertaining to those firms who submitted proposals and the amounts of their fees. What’s most interesting about this listing was the vast spread of the fees quoted. They ranged from a low fee to almost three and one-half times that amount for the highest fee.

Maybe the project’s program was poorly written, and for that matter, the requested services unclear, but the spread of the quoted fees surely indicated a diverse opinion on what each firm thought of the value of their professional services.

To stop this “bidding for costs” syndrome, maybe we all must demand a return of information and explanation from those who request “bids”. It should be made public. We all should know, and maybe the requesting agency will then realize and understand the importance of value and the capabilities necessary to provide architectural services.

CHALLENGES: FLINT
By Ann Stacy, Hon. AIA

Looking forward to Flint? You should be. There is a great program in store for all of us — from BACON to WOLD and in between. Good stuff — practice aids, marketing help, registration assistance — something for everyone.

CHALLENGES

This convention is an annual event, planned by members for members as a service from the professional society to all the members. It won’t work if you don’t show.

No tapes — no papers — no rehash — just the real stuff one time only. Good chance to visit a little, as well as learn; the Flint folks are friendly and the town is nice. Ed Bacon worked for Flint as a planner and he is coming back to see how the years have treated the city. Bob Wold was MSA President and he is coming to receive the Gold Medal of the MSA at the Friday banquet.

Mrs. Mott will pour tea for the ladies and President Callahan will run the business sessions, SMACNA is rewarding the super draftspersons at Wednesday’s luncheon, the ABD (Alden B. Dow) bunch are meeting for a breakfast and lecture and, the exhibits are bigger and better than ever before — complete with entertainment (The Red Garter Band) and refreshments and prizes.

SEE YOU IN FLINT, FLINT, FLINT.

RIEGLE TO KEYNOTE BREAKFAST

Friday, October 15th at 7:30 a.m., U.S. Senator Donald Riegle will address the members of the Michigan Society of Architects at a service breakfast as part of the regular programming of the 67th Annual Convention.

The MSA will host local service clubs, civic leaders and members of the Flint business community at breakfast in the Flint Hyatt Hotel.

Senator Riegle, completing his first term in the Senate, has ten years in the U.S. House and has been a forceful voice on behalf of Michigan in the national area. His comments to the profession should be of interest to all members.

The breakfast will be held in the Regency Ballroom of the Hyatt. Tickets, on a first come basis, may be purchased for this convention event at the MSA Convention Registration Desk in the Convention Hall at the Hyatt. Cost: $8.00 per person.

CHALLENGES: THE ARCHITECT IN MICHIGAN'S FUTURE

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Dear MSA Member:

- Hearings are being held to determine whether architects and other design professionals should be licensed.
- Our Michigan State Architect plans some “test projects” whereby selection of the design professional will be made by competitive bidding.
- The Federal “Brooks Bill” which requires selection of architects for Federal work on the basis of professional qualifications) is constantly under attack.

These are three examples of governmental action that is neither in the best interest of the public nor the profession. Both the National AIA and the MSA have mobilized to protect and advance the architectural profession — Grainger, Kane, Graham, Moutsatson, Reid, Schulwitz, and Mayotte to name a few MSA members.

As a concerned MSA member, your support is vital to both the MSA/PAC and the AIA/PAC. We are asking for a minimum two-year pledge of $100 per year — split between the two organizations as you choose.

A united effort, aided by your
DETROIT CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING AND ELECTION

The Detroit Chapter, AIA, Annual Meeting and Election will be held on Thursday, October 21, 1982 at the Danish Club of Detroit.

The Elections Committee candidates are: Vice President, President-Elect — Dennis M. King, AIA; Treasurer, Roger Boe, AIA; Chapter Director, John J. Castellana, AIA; and MSA Organizational Directors Richard Glissman, AIA, and Stuart Pettitt, AIA. Already elected is James Paendtner, AIA, who is currently serving as Vice President-President-Elect and will become President on January 1, 1983.

Reservations should be made by calling Detroit Chapter HQ (313) 965-4100. Cost will be $13.50/person plus cash bar. The Danish Club is located at 22711 Grand River, between Six and Seven Mile Roads, beginning at 6:00 p.m. cocktails; dinner at 7:00 p.m., followed by a general business meeting and election at 8:00 p.m.

MSA-MAC DRAFTING AWARDS WINNERS—1982

First Place ($200)
Mark A. Therrien, Albert Kahn Associates, Architectural
Zbigniew Grochowski, Albert Kahn Associates, Structural
Emerson "Bud" Eller, Daverman Associates, Inc., Electrical
James L. Tufts, Daverman Associates, Inc., Mechanical
Johannes Palm, Albert Kahn Associates, Mechanical Airhandling

2nd Place ($100)
David E. Williams, Kamp-Di Como Associates, Architectural
Alena Antal, Giffels Associates, Structural
Darryl Dorda, Albert Kahn Associates, Electrical
Gary Churchill, Giffels Associates, Mechanical
Sally S. Turner, Albert Kahn Associates, Mechanical Airhandling

3rd Place ($75)
Jack E. Roper, Harley Ellington Pierce Yee, Architectural
Brad Harding, Albert Kahn Associates, Structural
David D. Kelley, McNamee, Porter & Seeley, Mechanical
Terry B. Norris, Giffels Associates, Mechanical Airhandling

For participating in the MSA-MAC Drafting Awards Competition. The MSA-MAC Drafting Awards Competition has been sponsored by MAC — Mechanical Airhandling Contractors — Division of SMACNA Metropolitan Detroit Chapter.

GLF&E BUILDING DESIGN FORUM

A series of fall luncheon programs have been announced by Great Lakes Fabricators & Erectors Association. The series, entitled "Buildings: Conception, Communication, Construction, Completion" will bring together owners, developers, architects, engineers, spec writers, general contractors, etc.

The program series, held over four luncheons, each focusing on one of the four "C’s" will be held October 13th: Communication; October 27th: Construction; and November 10th: Completion (the first program was held on September 29th).

Each luncheon will begin promptly at 12:00 noon at the Holiday Inn Livonia, West I-96 and I-275 at 6 Mile Rd., and will adjourn by 2:00 p.m. There is no charge to attend the series, but reservations are required. All members of the building design and construction profession are encouraged to attend the program. Reservations may be made by calling GLF&E office at (313) 358-2620.

MSA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Detroit Chapter: Richard Lux, AIA, sponsored by Ivan Benda, Edmund London and Desmond Hamill; Marcos Makohon, AIA, sponsored by Daniel Treacy, Aaron Schreier and Douglas McFerren.


Western Michigan: Alfred Bullthuis, AIA, Emeritus, and Stephen Gedert, Associate.

KEVIN ROCHE TO BE SPECIAL GUEST

 Plans are underway for this year's Detroit Chapter Awards Banquet to be held on Saturday, the 4th of December at the Detroit Boat Club, Belle Isle.

The committee has come up with a few new "twists" this year to help add some suspense and fun to the proceedings. One change will be that firms winning awards will not be notified prior to the awards presentation — you'll have to show up to see if you are one of the winners! (This year we had 33 entries that are being judged in Philadelphia by a jury of prominent architects.)
LETTERS
To: Mike Callahan, AIA
MSA President
From: Vernon V. Bass, M.D.
Michigan Association of the Professions

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Board of Directors of the Michigan Association of the Professions had unanimously accepted the Michigan Society of Architects into membership.

During the most recent Annual Congress of the Professions held on August 6th, the Board gave its overwhelming support of MSA's reaffiliation. As an original charter member, MSA's absence has been sorely missed. Your Society's recent initiative to rejoin MAP is most important as MAP forges ahead in representing the interests of the design professions in Lansing.

With MSA's membership comes the opportunity to appoint one architect to MAP's Board of Directors. I would hope that you and the Society would work closely with MAP's Executive offices to insure that such an appointee provides a current and direct link to the ongoing activities of MSA and MAP.

Again, it is my pleasure to welcome the Michigan Society of Architects back into the interprofessional family of the Michigan Association of the Professions.

GRAPEVINE
Western Michigan Chapter has just published their third edition of the Column which is the monthly newsletter and they should be congratulated for a job well done — if you would like a copy please call Norm Hamann, WMC President . . . Charles Bisel, Detroit Chapter member, has been appointed to direct the newly-formed Dept. of Facilities at Providence Hospital . . . September 12th was the 15th LIT Founders Day Celebration for students and alumni . . . Larry Graves, Northern Michigan member, has been appointed to the Suttons Bay School Board . . . Artist Sam Karres recently displayed his art work "Detroit In Watercolor" at SH&G . . . William L. Balder is now a director and principal member of Clifford N. Wright Associates, Birmingham . . . DiLaura's Park Club (formerly Harvest Park), owned by Ron DiLaura, son of MSA member Gene DiLaura, recently received an award from the Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission . . . Over 56 members of the Grand Valley Chapter, guests, MSA EXCOMM and National Board member Jim Nelson and Elizabeth Chalmers, AIA Staff, attended the Mini-Grassroots Program on September 14th promoting AIA and MSA — the program was executed by GV President David Tulos . . . A similar program was held in Detroit on the 15th with more emphasis on Board and membership growth . . . Cynthia Bodey of Hobbs and Black, Ann Arbor, received an award from the Interior Plantscape Association for the design of the interior plantscape for the atrium at the Ervin Industries HQ . . . Ted Berlinghof has been named director of Architecture at Land Sea Survey Engineering . . . Thomas Ernst has been elected a vice president of Ford & Earl Design Associates . . . The Masonry Institute of Michigan Honor Awards Architectural Program in cooperation with the Architects Society of Ohio was judged by John Jickling, Ted Kurz and Jim Pfandtener at the Beaubien House on September 9th . . . Western Michigan members Robert Tower, Richard Prince and Jerry Diekema served on the Design Award Jury for the Toledo Masonry Awards in Kalama zoo on September 22nd . . . Kenneth Rohlfling and Anthony Gholz, Jr. are now senior associates at Gunnar Birkerts and Associates . . . The Honolul House restoration received a Special Award for Technical Achievement at the AIA 1982 Interior Architecture Awards Program with special recognition going to Darla Olsen, painting consultant (Darla did the work on the Livingston County Courthouse) . . . Thurston Jahn, appointed to fulfill a position with the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees last March, will seek election to this position in the coming elections . . . The Flint Chapter is meeting regularly to complete arrangements for the MSA Convention which will be hosted in Flint for the first time this October . . . "People, Places, & Planning in Kalamazoo: A History of City Planning" will feature Stanley Tigerman, Greg Walsh, Merrill Elam and Robert Stern (former charrette leaders at the MSA 66th Annual Convention) on October 3rd and 4th . . . John Noble Richards, Toledo architect, died August 26th . . . Mary-Margaret Munski, HVC member, has joined Steelcase in Grand Rapids and will be transferring to the GVC.

WAL SCHOLARSHIP
The Women's Architectural League announces it will be offering scholarship monies for 1983 winter term applicants. They must be enrolled in either 4th or 5th year of study in a professionally accredited degree program in architecture or Landscape Architecture in Michigan. Deadline for submission is November 18th. Inquiries: Florence Binder, (313) 644-7960 or Maryanne Albert, (313) 647-6982.

CALENDAR
OCTOBER
3 Detroit Chapter, AIA, House Tour, Bloomfield Hills area 12:00 Noon-5:00 p.m. Tickets $8.00/person, Depart Cranbrook Museum Parking Lot
6 CMMC Continuing Education Program "Architect Engineer Law"
6-10 National Trust for Historic Preservation 36th Annual Preservation Conference Louisville, KY
7-9 MSPO Annual Conference
8 Architects Night, Design Center Troy, MI
9-10 Mini-Trip WAL to Marshall, MI Call Alleen Pfandtener for information
13 GLF&E Assn. Communication Luncheon (see NL for details)
13-15 MSA 67th Annual Convention Hyatt Regency Flint RESERVE TODAY
13 Architectural Licensing Seminar, MSA Convention—1:00-4:00 p.m.
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OBITUARIES

LINN SMITH

Linn Smith, FAIA, prominent Birmingham, Michigan architect, died August 27th at his home. He was 64.

A 1942 graduate of the University of Michigan, Mr. Smith was a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy in World War II.

Mr. Smith had a long career of public and professional service. Most recently he was Vice President of Architecture with Ellis/Naevoert/Genheimer Associates, Inc. in Troy.

Professional honors included the University of Michigan Booth Travelling Fellowship in Architecture, the Better School Design Award in a School Executives Magazine competition, design awards from Progressive Architecture, the Gold Medal of the Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects, the Gold Medal of the Michigan Society of Architects, University of Michigan Outstanding Achievement Award and Fellow in the American Institute of Architects.

Mr. Smith served his profession as President of the Michigan Society of Architects, Director of the American Institute of Architects and President of the National Architectural Accrediting Board.

Among Mr. Smith's civic contributions were: Chairman and 12-year member, Birmingham Building Code Board of Appeals; Director, Birmingham Community House; and Member, Committee on School Building, Michigan Department of Public Instruction.

Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, Grace, daughter, Cecelia, sons, Linn and Kim, mother, Mrs. Floy Smith, and brother, Harry.

Memorial contributions may be made to the College of Architecture and Urban Planning Fund, University of Michigan.

LEWIS J. SARVIS

Lewis J. Sarvis, Dean of the Battle Creek Area Architects, passed away Tuesday, August 17, at the age of 88. Mr. Lewis completed his education at the University of Michigan College of Architecture in 1923. After work with Detroit and Battle Creek firms he established his own practice in 1929. This practice was the predecessor of the present Sarvis Associates organization. During the twenties and thirties he designed many fine residences in the Battle Creek and Gull Lake area.

Projects which he designed include the original Kimball Sanatorium which was a development from his College Thesis. He assisted in the development of National Hospital Planning Standards in the late forties, and the office designed many hospitals throughout the midwest, including South Haven, Flint, Traverse City, Adrian, and Battle Creek, Michigan, Elkhart, Indiana, and Defiance, Ohio. He was active in planning for the Community Health Centers program sponsored by the Kellogg Foundation. As a Member of the AIA, he served for many years on the National Committee for Health Services. He also served in an advisory capacity with the American Hospital Association.

His work in Education included the design of many area schools which were funded by the Kellogg Foundation prior to World War II. College work included the University of Michigan Graduate School of Dentistry, and other projects for University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Alma College.

One of the last projects with which he was actively involved was the overall planning and initial construction at Kellogg Community College, Battle Creek, Michigan, in the late fifties.

He is survived by a son, Peter Passink of Ann Arbor, four grandchildren; and brothers, Horace Sarvis of Lansing and Russell Sarvis of Canada.

CLASSIFIEDS

Project management, contract administration, Bach. Science in Architecture and Bach. of Arch., LIT; 5½ years experience. Contact: P.O. Box 1194, Berkley, MI 48072 or call (313) 541-7244.


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19 WAL-DIA "Art of the Muppets" and "Puppets—Art and Entertainment" 10:15 a.m. Farnsworth Entrance
21 Detroit Chapter Board of Directors Meeting & Annual Business Meeting & Election/

Danish Club of Detroit (see NL for details)
27 GLF&E Assn. Construction Luncheon (see NL for details)

NOVEMBER
9 Activities of AIA/AGC Committee Western Michigan Chapter—Call Dick Baker (616) 356-3561
10 GLF&E Assn. Luncheon—Completion (See NL for details)
11 MSA ExComm/ Kalamazoo
18 Detroit Chapter Board Meeting, Third Thursday/Beaubien House
18 Huron Valley Chapter Meeting

DECEMBER
4 Detroit Chapter Annual Honor Awards Banquet, Detroit Boat Club, Belle Isle
9 MSA Board of Directors Meeting and Election
16 Detroit Chapter Board Meeting Third Thursday/ Beaubien House
16 Huron Valley Chapter Meeting

JANUARY
12-14 AIA National Grassroots/Tampa, Florida

MARCH
3-4 MSA Health Facilities Seminar & Mich. Dept. of Public Health Marriott Inn/ Grand Rapids

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