We've got a new website. aialasvegas.org Have you been there? Check it out. Want to get linked? Let us know. We're structuring special advertising deals for AIA members....and planning a "Virtual Product Show" for Allied members. Watch for updates and new pages including our "Architecture Las Vegas" magazine.
AIA LAS VEGAS
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
DAVID FROMMER, AIA PRESIDENT, AIA LAS VEGAS

The AIA Las Vegas High School Design Awards proved to be exceptional in several ways this year. The sponsorship of awards in 2001 proved to be outstanding, transcending all past sponsorship with a total award amount of $10,250 in savings bonds. A special measure of gratitude to all the firms who provided sponsorship of the savings bonds, including Dekker, Perich, Holmes, Sabatini Architects, Friedmutter & Associates, JMA Architecture Studios, KGA Architecture, Kla:j:u:ja Architects, Lucchesi Galati Architects, Anthony A. Marnell II, Ch. Rissman & Rissman Architects, Tate * Snyder * Kimsey Architects and Welles Pugsley Architects. I also would like to thank Civilworks, Inc. for their sponsorship of the reception for this meeting.

Special recognition also goes out to Eric Christiansen. AIA, who tirelessly has chaired the AIA Las Vegas High School Design Awards programs for more years than I can remember, with a more spirited measure of enthusiasm and vigor each year. Eric would flog me if I failed to mention the hard work and dedication of all the high school instructors and architects who participate in this program. Without their continuous efforts, the dedicated students who participated in this program would not have access to instructional and professional expertise, making their high level of achievement harder to reach.

One unfortunate way in which this year's AIA Las Vegas High School Design Awards were exceptional was in the poor attendance of the membership. Very few architect members attended the meeting, and the general membership attendance was poor as well. It is critical to this program that architects and the general membership participate in the evening to show support of these potential future professionals. Many high school students, UNLV School of Architecture students, and parents attended this meeting hoping to speak to architects, interns and allied members about the design profession and all the related fields. For these attendees not to have access to the membership and to not see the full support of the AIA Las Vegas membership speaks negatively about our organization and our profession. I sincerely hope the poor attendance this year was an aberration and next year's event garners a much higher level of participation. However, I thank those who attended and lent their support and advice to the students. Your participation reflected well upon our profession.

On another note, the Nevada contingent attended this year's AIA National Convention in Denver, CO, from May 17-May 19. We reviewed issues with the regional and national boards including the on-going advertising campaign, which, by vote, will continue into the coming years, and the financial health of the national organization. Ed Vance showed great interest and involvement in the AIA Fellowship activities, representing the Nevada chapter at Fellowship events. Brad Schulz worked diligently in AIA regional and national board business meetings and events. The Colorado and Denver Chapters of the AIA proved to be exceptional hosts, sponsoring a variety of events and programs. Preliminary word has it that this AIA National Convention was the best attended ever. Sincere congratulations to the AIA Colorado and Denver Chapters on an exceptional effort and outcome.

The 2001 AIA National Convention proved to be an event of growth for all those who attended. The lovely Tina Gobble, Executive Director of the Arizona Chapter, relived her prior years on her birthday through the effective use of wine and spirits. Randy Lavigne, AIA Nevada's Executive Director, joined Tina in her quest and, in the process, nearly became the 'first mate' of a resident Denver Pirate. When witnessing this behavior, the Nevada representatives could do nothing but batten down the hatches and shiver their timbers. Mike "P-Daddy" Crowe of Nevada and Rick "Brent" Bright of Arizona assisted Tina and Randy in their treasure hunt, unable to accommodate Tina's desire for a Marta Feldman look-a-like as her evening's escort. Tina ultimately received "un-civil" companionship, jealous of the eels in the Ocean Journey Aquarium in Denver. Past AIA Las Vegas President John Treston attended the convention with Robin Treston, AIA Las Vegas member. Robin served as an effective cocktail magnet, wearing more wine than drinking, earning her the nickname of "Lady Thunderbird." In an instant of insight, Randy and John discovered common relatives, resulting in John receiving the honorary nickname "Pappy." And one could not mention AIA National Convention 2001 without acknowledging the honorable Brandon Sprague, who kindly advised yours truly that drinking a decaf non-fat iced café mocha with whipped cream on top may result in severe ridicule and potential bodily harm.

THOMPSON E. PENNEY, FAIA ELECTED

One of the main orders of business at the Denver Convention was the election of officers to lead the association in 2002. Thompson E. Penney, FAIA was elected first Vice President, and will serve as President in 2003.

Penney is President and CEO of LS3P Associates, Ltd., a 185 person Architectural, Land Planning and Interior Architecture firm, with offices in Charleston, South Carolina, and Charlotte, North Carolina. Elevated to the College of Fellows for Design, he has received state, regional and national awards for design excellence. Thom's passion and life is Architecture. He has been actively involved with the AIA since College. He has served in leadership positions at all component levels and was advanced to Fellowship in 1990 at the age of 39. He is married to the former Gretchen McKellar, a second generation Architect and AIA member.
AIA NEVADA
PRESIDENT'S
MESSAGE
ED VANCE, AIA
PRESIDENT, AIA NEVADA

A home coming for our National President John Anderson, FAIA is now one for the history books. The National AIA Convention in Denver was a wonderful success. Denver was absolutely beautiful and its downtown was an inspiring place to witness vital urban architecture and community. Over 18,000 were in attendance, more than Philadelphia's convention last year which had been touted as the most successful to date.

Considered to be a second tier convention location (a certain required number of members within a 200 mile driving radius), Denver's success is good news for Las Vegas, who will host the Convention in 2005 (Las Vegas' 100th anniversary by the way).

Over the past four years, I have had the privilege of representing our local and state chapters as a convention delegate and although they have all been great, this was certainly my favorite. Perhaps it was because I found my self getting more involved in the business and programs of the Institute, further discovering the richness that it offers.

The VIP reception at the office's of Anderson Mason Dale Architects, The WMR business meeting, The Investiture Ceremony for new Fellows at St. John's Cathedral, Delegate Voting, the Awards Ceremonies, The Fellow's Convocation Dinner (and reception later in John Anderson's suite) and most importantly the Business meetings were but a few of the offerings I took in this year. And there was so much more and not enough time. But I need to get to the real purpose of this column.

At Friday's business meeting there were seven resolutions that were voted on by the delegates in attendance and one that stood out as the most controversial: "The Dues Assessment for our Advertising Campaign".

In recent years, AIA management and the Institute's advertising have developed and operated an integrated multimedia national advertising campaign using television, radio and print media. Citing a high potential benefit for AIA members, the Board of Directors in 1998 sponsored a resolution authorizing a dues assessment of $50.00 per year on each member for a period of three years. In accordance with that resolution's terms, the dues assessment would have expired this year unless reauthorized by a vote of the delegates.

Measuring the results of the last three years efforts, the AIA's Public Relations firm presented their findings and they were decisive. In every category, the opinion of public sector (to which these devices were aimed) of an AIA Architect had increased measurable. Coupled with their presentation of two of their television spots, I personally was damn proud to be a member.

So there we were, the floor was open to delegates from all over the country, and we listened to those delegates for and against the continuance of this campaign. Most were for (including our region) who believed that it was in our best interest to keep the momentum going and that marketing is not something you turn on and off like a faucet.

Those who were against, cited the tenuous financial condition of the institute that the campaign should expire. As many of you know, AIA National is going through some difficult financial times and it seems natural to slash the budget of all unnecessary programs. But I will tell you this. When times are good, our firm spends 7% of our net revenue on marketing and advertising. When times are not so good, we spend more!

Suffice it to say the Measure passed with the required 2/3's margin and the campaign will continue for another three years.

The importance of this measure struck me later however. The real purpose of the advertising campaign is not to get more work for it's members, but to inform the public of the difference between an Architect and an AIA Architect. This campaign will do more for increasing our membership and preventing attrition than anything else. And that folks is what makes the numbers work. AIA National has a solid plan to bring this institute's financial house back in order and this campaign will help insure its success.

NEW AIA MEMBERS:
We are very pleased to welcome these new members to the AIA Las Vegas Chapter.

Architect:
Joseph Branca, AIA
TSA of Nevada, LLP

Joseph Gale, AIA
TSA of Nevada, LLP

Melvin Green, AIA
Perez Green Architects, Inc.

Lee Nosworthy, AIA
KG Architecture

Associates:
Sue Kell, Assoc. AIA
KGA Architecture

Haywood Kelvin, Assoc. AIA
Tate * Snyder * Kimsey Architects

Colin Hogan, Assoc. AIA
Tate * Snyder * Kimsey Architects

Ruomei Wang, Assoc. AIA
Swisher Hall, AIA, Ltd.

Allied:
Donna Cucurullo
Mecho Shade Systems

Ron Craig Foster
Steven's Roofing Systems

Albert Smith
Integrated Marketing Concepts

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AIA HIGH SCHOOL DESIGN AWARDS PROGRAM

Look at these faces...remember these names. In a few years these talented young people could be the AIA Scholarship recipients.....then they could be interning with your company......or working along side you......or they might be your biggest competition. Where do you think architects come from? AIA LV history over the last twenty-seven years indicates that they come from the high school drafting and art classes......and that many of them have participated in the AIA High School Design Awards Program. This program is one of the most important that the Chapter provides. Thanks mainly to Eric Christensen, AIA who has almost single-handedly kept this program active year after year. At the April Membership Meeting, with their parents and instructors in attendance, we recognized the fine talents of these young people, and awarded over $10,000.00 in U.S. Savings Bonds.

Honor Awards were presented to Shaun Degagne, Jared Judd, Mohammed Rahman and Brian Henley

Merit Awards were presented to Eric DeMoss, Christopher Sisson, Warren Sturgill and Allison Gray

Honorable Mention Awards were presented to Antonia Stewart, David Keenan, Michael Hilsabeck, Lynwood Johnson, Gilberto Gill, Kris Wilke, Aracely Rascon, and John Ellertson

ATA Best of School: Richard Koeppel, Instructor - Awards to Brian Henley, Christopher Sisson, Warren Sturgill

Bonanza High School Best of School: Fernando Sanchez, Instructor - Awards to Scott Shipiro and Alex Koons.

Centennial High School Best of School: Rick Buian, Instructor - Award to Michael Hilsabeck

Cimarron High School Best of School: Daniel Wolfe, Instructor Awards to Eric DeMoss and Mordechai Yadegar
OUR THANKS

A special word of thanks goes to the Instructors at each of the participating high schools. Without them this program would not be possible. And, the Chapter is also very appreciative of the fine firms and individuals who support this program through their generous contributions. The April meeting was sponsored by CivilWorks, Inc. and the U.S. Savings Bond Awards were purchased through the donations from Dekker, Perich, Holmes, Sabatini Architects, Friedmutter & Associates, JMA Architecture Studios, KGA Architecture, Kla:juba Architects, Lucchesi Galati Architects, Anthony A. Marnell II, Chtd., Rissman & Rissman, AIA, Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects and Welles Pugsley Architects.
2001 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

28th ANNUAL AIA GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 28th Annual AIA Golf Tournament will be held at Badlands Golf Course on Friday, June 8th...and it is SOLD OUT. If you have a replacement...or haven't given us your handicap...please let us know right away. Get there by 12:30PM in order to get registered....and grab a quick bite before heading out to the course. Shotgun start at 1:30PM. Dinner....Announcement of the Winners ....and Door Prizes will be waiting for the players at the end of the tournament.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME FOR THE JUNE MEMBER MEETING

This will be a special treat for all members who love summer...baseball....and barbecues. Wednesday, June 27th the Las Vegas SI's play the Nashville Stars....(did I say Nashville!!! Now who do we know from Nashville???). You can't miss this one!

We've reserved our own private "Party Zone", and each person who attends will receive ticket to the game, a Las Vegas SI's hat and the all-you-can-eat tailgate picnic with Dodger Dogs, Italian Sausage, Hamburgers, BBQ Grilled Chicken, BBQ Baked Beans, Lays Chips, Rold Gold Pretzels, Assorted Cookies, Soda & Bottled Water. Our "Party Zone" is right on the field, with unobstructed view...and is the most dramatic and exciting place to watch the game. NO CHARGE for the first 100 AIA members and their guests. Bring the family and have a great time. You MUST RSVP to get your ticket. This event is free to members and their guests but because this represents a great cost to the Chapter....remember RSVP no shows will be invoiced. Mark your calendar and reserve your ticket(s). We only have 100 so "first-come, first-served".

NAC GRANT AWARDED

AIA Las Vegas has been awarded a Nevada Arts Council Grant in the amount of $7,500.00 to help fund the third year of our Summer Design Lecture Series. The series will begin in July. Watch for announcements of speakers, dates and times.

AIA NEVADA DESIGN AWARDS

The "Call for Entries" for the 2001 AIA Nevada Design Awards Program is included in this newsletter. This year's awards program is hosted by AIA Las Vegas and has been updated to include several new categories for entries.

Category areas include Built, Un-built, Interior Environment, Urban Design, Open Category and Academic. Full descriptions of categories are included on the enclosure. The Design Awards is open to all AIA Nevada Members who are licensed in the state of Nevada for projects located anywhere in the world; also open to AIA Members from other states who are licensed in Nevada for projects located in Nevada.

DESIGN EXCELLENCE is the final standard upon which all entries will be judged. Each entry will be judged on the basis of design merit and success in meeting the individual project requirements, as presented in the submittal binder. The jury will deliberate upon the materials supplied in the submission binder ONLY. Entries will be judged individually, not in competition with each other. Equal emphasis will be given to all submissions in the identified categories. Call for entry closes on August 1st. Submittal binders are due on Friday, September 28th. Submittals will be juryed on Friday, October 12th, 2001.

Award recipients will be announced at the AIA Nevada Design Awards Banquet and Presentation Ceremony on Saturday, October 13th, 2001, in the Brasilia Room at the Rio Hotel & Casino. The black-tie event also includes a Silent Auction of art and items donated by some of the nation's most distinguished architects. Proceeds from the auction benefit the AIA Scholarship Endowment, which provides yearly scholarships for Nevada architecture students. Tickets for the gala are $85.00 each and must be purchased in advance. Stay tuned for further updates.

AIA NEVADA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

Each year AIA Nevada honors the achievements of exceptional AIA members and firms through the AIA Nevada Distinguished Service Awards Program. The awards are designed to recognize the significant contributions made to the community and the profession through the various levels of AIA membership.

The "Call for Nominations" is included in this newsletter. Nominations can be made in the following categories. The Silver Medal, The AIA Nevada Architecture Firm Award, (not the Firm of the Year Award), The AIA Nevada Service Award, The AIA Nevada Patron Award, The AIA Nevada Young Architect Citation, and new this year are The AIA Nevada Associate Member Award and the AIA Nevada Allied Member Award. Watch for the nominations form in the next issue of The Forum.

Recipients will be honored at the AIA Nevada Design Awards Banquet and Presentation Ceremony, being held in the Brasilia Room at the Rio Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, NV on Saturday, October 13th, 2001. Tickets are $85.00 each and must be purchased in advance. Call 702-895-0936.

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AIA LAS VEGAS
JUNE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

“AIA NIGHT AT THE 51’S IN THE PARTY ZONE”

This is a special treat for all members who love summer...baseball...and barbecues. AIA Night at the 51’s (Las Vegas 51’s vs Nashville Stars) You can’t miss this one. We’ve reserved the “Party Zone” for our group – It’s right on the field, with unobstructed view of the game. NO CHARGE for the first 100 AIA members and their guests.

BUT YOU MUST RSVP AND PICK UP YOUR TICKETS FROM THE AIA OFFICE BEFORE JUNE 25TH

The first 100 to RSVP will receive...ticket to the game...a 51’s Hat.....and the all-you-can-eat tailgate picnic in the Party Zone. (Dodger Dogs, Italian Sausage, Hamburgers, BBQ Grilled Chicken, BBQ Baked Beans, Lays Chips, Rold Gold Pretzels, Assorted Cookies, Soda and Bottled Water.)

Wednesday, June 27th, 2001
Cashman Field
Picnic Starts at – 6:30 PM
Game Starts at 7:05PM

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Make your RSVP Now.....
WE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 100 AIA MEMBERS
AND GUESTS WHO RSVP

CALL 895-0936 to RSVP

In keeping with AIA policy, RSVP no-shows will be invoiced.
Photography Competition

This year, the AIA Las Vegas is promoting a new look at the world in which we live. We now have international exposure, global awareness brought about by high-speed transportation and travel for business and pleasure.

We are interested in seeing your photographs taken of a built environment from anywhere, anytime. Be it the Pantheon of Rome, the Ryo-Anji Temple of Kyoto or the sunset glowing from behind the lace curtains of your Mom’s kitchen, we are looking for poetic (or gritty realism) caught on film.

Open to everyone

Cost for entries: AIA members pay $15 U.S. per entry
Non-AIA pays $20 U.S. per entry
(we accept money orders, cash only – to be submitted with entries)

Format: all submittals must be 8”x10” format in a plastic sleeve
(black & white, color, whatever so long as it looks sharp-include name, address, phone) – they won’t be returned

Deadline: all submittals to be turned in by 3:00 pm Friday July 6, 2001:

AIA Offices
UNLV box 454018
Segg Architecture Building
4505 South Maryland Parkway
Las Vegas, NV 89154-4018
702 895-0936 phone

All submittals will be carefully considered for artistic vision and content. Eighteen will be chosen (with best-of-show, gold, silver awards) for display at the beautiful Lied Discovery Museum during Architecture Week (October 8 – 15).

In addition to the exhibition, the eighteen entries will be published as a calendar.

- the AIA Las Vegas chapter reserves the right to use these images with credit given to the photographer
2001 AIA Las Vegas
Built Environment Photography Competition
ENTRY FORM

Date: ____________________

AIA Member _______ Non-Member _______

Name: ___________________________________ Phone: ______________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________

City ___________________________ State ________________ Zip ______________________

Entry Fee: $15.00 per entry for AIA Members
$20.00 per entry for Non-Members

Number of photos to be entered ___________ X Entry Fee = $ __________________

Enclosed is payment in full for my entries via ______ check ______ cash

____ Mastercard ______ VISA # __________________________ Exp. _____

• Each entry must be 8" x 10" format in a plastic sleeve (black & white or color, as long as it looks sharp.) Your name, address and phone must be on the back of each entry.
• Best of Show, Gold and Silver Awards will be selected.
• 18 Entries will be selected for exhibition in the "Built Environment Photo Show" at the Lied Discovery Museum during Architecture Week (Oct. 8-15).
• Selected entries MAY also be published as a 2002 AIA Calendar.
• Entries will NOT be returned.
• Entries DUE to the AIA Las Vegas Office by 3:00PM – Friday, July 6th, 2001
MOVIEW NIGHT

The premier showing of "Block by Block- Reclaiming Neighborhoods by Design" will be hosted by the AIA Growth Committee on Tuesday, June 12th at 6:00PM in the auditorium at UNLV School of Architecture. Produced by The American Architectural Foundation, the one-hour feature is the third in the "Reclaiming" series. RSVP to 895-0936.

WE'RE GOING TO COURT FOR THE JULY MEETING

The July Membership Meeting is a special treat that we've all been waiting for... A chance to see and tour the design award-winning Lloyd D. George Federal Courthouse in downtown Las Vegas.

A reception is being held in the jury Assembly Room beginning at 6:00PM on Wednesday, July 11th, followed by a tour of the courtrooms and facilities of this beautiful building.

We hope to arrange for comments from Judge George and Judge Pro regarding the cooperative efforts in planning and designing of the building.

This meeting will also be provide a special opportunity to recognize and thank to our Allied Members. Plan to attend. RSVP to 895-0936.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE CODES?

The August Membership Meeting will focus on this question and attempt to provide some answers. The International Building Code is under consideration for adoption by Clark County, City of Las Vegas, City of Henderson, City of North Las Vegas and Boulder City. There are many differing opinions regarding what adoption would mean and how it should be accomplished.

Under law, the new code cannot reduce present fire and life safety code requirements, therefore the code adoption committees are working on an amendment to the IBC to bring it up to compliance with current building code requirements. Bob Webber from Clark County Building Department will present this amendment for AIA review and discussion at the August meeting. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 8th. The time and location will be advised.

THE AIA BUILT ENVIRONMENT PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

We are interested in seeing your photographs...do you have photos of the built environment from anywhere, any time....be it the Pantheon of Rome, the Ryo-anji Temple of Kyoto or the sunset glowing from behind the lace curtains of your mom's kitchen. We are looking for poetics (or gritty realism) caught on film. This year, AIA Las Vegas is promoting a new look at the world in which we live. We now have international exposure and global awareness brought about by high-speed transportation and travel for business and pleasure.

Entries will be considered for exhibition as a part of "Architecture Week in Las Vegas". All submittals will be carefully considered for artistic vision and content. Eighteen will be chosen (with Best-of-Show, Gold and Silver Awards). Our objective is to mount a "Built Environment" Photo Exhibit at the beautiful Lied Discovery Museum during Architecture Week (October 8-15), and (possibly) publish the photos as an AIA Calendar for 2002.

Submittals must be in 8" x 10" format (black & white or color - as long as they are sharp and clean). Submittal fees are $15.00 per entry for AIA members and $20.00 for non-members, and must be paid with the entry. All submittal photos become the property of AIA Las Vegas and will not be returned. Entries are due to the AIA Office by 3PM on Friday, July 6th, 2001. Entry form included in this newsletter.

AIA PRODUCT SHOW

If you plan to have a booth in this year's AIA Product Show better get on the phone and reserve it NOW. There are only 20 BOOTH LEFT and they are going fast.

The AIA Product Show is one of the biggest and most successful events of the year, providing a chance for you to showcase your products, technology and services to architects, specifiers, landscape architects, interior designers, facilities managers and everyone in the architectural community.

Scheduled for Wednesday, October 10th - from 3PM to 9:PM at the Riviera Hotel Grand Ballroom, the AIA Product Show is a highlight event of Architecture Week. Booths are 10' x 10' and priced at $600.00 each. Make your plans to participate and reserve your booth while you still can.

RSVP POLICY

Your RSVP and your attendance at each AIA meeting is so important. Since each meeting represents a considerable expense to the Chapter, we must know if you plan to attend. And, if you don't show up, that's a loss for the Chapter (in more ways than one.) So, please RSVP if you plan to attend, and if you can't make it, then please cancel your RSVP two days prior to the event. If you just walk in at the last minute... or if you don't show up, we have to invoice you for the cost the Chapter. Thanks for being considerate.
BRIEFS:

Congratulations to Sheila Burns, Assoc. AIA (AIA Northern Nevada) for being named Associate AIA of the Year. Sheila was honored at the National Associates Committee Reception on Thursday, May 17th at the National Convention.

Lucchesi, Galati Architects, has named Jill Jackson marketing director.

Nadel Architects has new offices at 7180 S. Industrial Drive, Ste. 800, Las Vegas.

Ninyo & Moore has been retained to provide materials testing and inspection services for the City of Las Vegas City Hall addition and Stewart Avenue Parking Structure.

Converse Consultants is proud to announce that they have been awarded a contract with Elko County, Nevada for development of a county wide comprehensive water plan.

Carpenter Sellers Associates (CSA) is providing architectural design services for Clark County Fire Station’s #31 and #21. The two new stations are prototypes of the award-winning design CSA used to create fire station #11.

Robin Treston, Assoc. AIA has announced the establishment of The Treston Group, providing architectural specifications. Currently located in Tempe, Arizona with plans for a Las Vegas location.

UNLV UPDATE

Attila Lawrence, M. Arch

On behalf of the students and all of us associated with the Interior Architecture and Design program, thank you for your support of our efforts to achieve professional accreditation for the program by the Foundation for Interior Design Education and Research (FIDER). Observations that were shared by the Visiting Team during the exit interview suggest that the performance of the students complies with the new (and more demanding) FIDER Professional Standards 2000. The FIDER Accreditation Commission in October, 2001 will formally notify of the program’s accreditation status. I am looking forward to each and every one of us continuing long lasting and productive relationship with our program that is increasingly being recognized in the Southwest for its leadership in educating interior design professionals.

AIA SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Presentations by applicants for the 2001 AIA Scholarships were reviewed by the Scholarship Committee on May 4th at the UNLV School of Architecture. Steve Carpenter, AIA, Dwayne Eshenbaugh, Assoc. AIA and Eric Strain, AIA served as members of the Scholarship Review Committee.

Two AIA Scholarships in the amount of $1,500.00 were awarded to UNLV 3rd year architecture students Alain Rivard and Alison Warren. The AIA Scholarships are based on excellent design and academic standing.

The recipient of the William Snyder Scholarship Award is David Almany. Due to the exceptional quality of David’s work, the AIA Scholarship Review committee recommended that an additional “award of special recognition” in the amount of $500.00 be provided. In addition, Bill Snyder volunteered to provide a separate award in the amount of $1,000.00 for Adita Secarira. He felt that Adita’s dedication to her studies and determination to complete her degree should be recognized.

Official presentation of the scholarships will be made at the September Membership Meeting.

GET INVOLVED

SERVE ON THE LV BOARD

Service on the AIA Las Vegas Board of Directors is very important in helping to build the Chapter, the community and the profession.

The Chapter needs interested, committed members with a vision for Las Vegas and the future, who want to contribute their ideas and energy to making a better place. If you’d like to be a part of the Chapter’s leadership and help to design and build the future then here’s your chance. Nominations are now being taken for the following positions on the 2002 Board:

President-elect - (One year previous service on the Board required)
Director - 2 Year - (Membership and Member Benefits)
Director - 1 Year - (Continuing Education Programs)
Director - 1 Year - (Architecture Week & Design Awards)
Associate Director - (Associate Programs)
Allied Director - (Allied Representative & Golf & Putting Tournaments)

Candidate statements and Ballots will be carried in the July newsletter, with Ballots due to the AIA office by August 7th. Election results will be announced on August 8th. Service on the 2002 Board begins with induction at the December Holiday Celebration Meeting.
At the last monthly meeting of SDA, an Excel workshop was conducted that resulted in some great ideas being generated and shared. Following are some highlights. Hope they prove helpful in your office.

To add a calculator to the Excel toolbar:
1. On the View menu, click Toolbars, and then click Customize.
2. Click the Commands tab.
3. In the Categories list, click Tools, and in the Commands list, click Custom (the one with the gray calculator graphic).
4. Drag the selected command from the Commands list to a toolbar. (Lift your finger from the mouse when you see a plus sign next to your pointer.)
5. Click Close.
6. Now click the button you just added to run the calculator.

To enter the date: CTRL+; (semicolon)
To enter the time: CTRL+: (colon)

Quickly selecting a range of cells:
   Click the first cell of the range. Hold the Shift key and click the last cell in the range, Excel will automatically select everything in between.

To enter a "carriage return" within a cell
   For instance, if you want to enter a 5 line address within a single cell, you can do this by entering Alt+Enter at the end of each line.

To select the entire worksheet
   Click on the small box in the upper left hand corner where the rows and columns intersect.

To insert a comment in a cell:
   Right click on the cell and from the pop-up menu, select the Insert Comment command.

To insert a row or column:
   Select a row or column. Right click to display a pop-up menu. Select either Insert Row or Insert Column.

Next month's Excel tip will be on "conditional formatting". It will color code your data allowing you to tell at a glance whether your numbers are up or down. (Negative numbers will show up in red, for example) Contact your favorite SDA member for more tips.
AMARON COATINGS
AIA C.E. LUNCHEON
Thursday, June 21st, 11:30AM
Mandarin Buffet
1510 E. Flamingo (at Algonquin)
Details of program content and C.E. credits will be faxed to AIA members. RSVP to 895-0936 by June 19th.

QUALITY ASSURANCE (QA) -- QUALITY CONTROL (QC)

AIA member Alan Holl, AIA-ME has written an excellent article entitled “Quality Assurance (QA) -- Quality Control (QC).” The article explores the differences between each of the concepts and guidelines for professional management of each area. The article is available without charge through the AIA office by calling 895-0936.

FREE AIA CONTINUING EDUCATION TODAY

Log on to www.ronblank.com This is an AIA Continuing Education website which allows architects to complete contact hours on-line through AIA registered courses. Health, Safety, Welfare (HSW) hours are available free to architects.
The site is managed by an AIA Allied Organization provider for AIA/CES, and the website can be accessed 24/7 with courses at no charge to the architect. There is an electronic link to the AIA transcript center at the University of Oklahoma, and transcripts of courses taken and the test passed are kept on the www.ronblank.com site for the architect’s review at any time. There are additional free courses being added to the site on a regular basis. Log on today for distance learning and to get the contact hours you need for registration.
Go to www.ronblank.com
Click on “Design Professionals”
Click on button “Create new account”
Complete login information
In the column on left, click on “Continuing Education”
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