LEADERSHIP
Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA
Executive Director

What is leadership? How do you define it? Integrity, vision, wisdom, fairness, commitment, determination, strength of character...these are all traits of a good leader. But perhaps the most essential is the ability to put aside personal agendas, and to work for the betterment of others. Too often this simple concept is lost behind egos, or forgotten in the rush to take advantage of a booming marketplace. True leaders put their egos in their pockets and focus on accomplishing the greater good for all of us. These are the kind of leaders who can and do make a real difference in their profession, their community and the world.

Architects, perhaps more than any other professionals, are best equipped to lead their communities, and AIA members are afforded unlimited opportunities through their AIA affiliation to meet these challenges. Those of you who are committed to elevating the profession, expanding and improving Chapter services and building a better community for all of us are essential to achieving the AIA mission:

The American Institute of Architects is
THE voice of the architectural profession and
THE resource for its members in service to society.

Next year's AIA 150 Celebration is not simply an acknowledgment of the AIA's 150th birthday. It is a golden opportunity for AIA members to become leaders; to contribute to making our communities better places to live, and to demonstrate the architect's value to our public officials and citizens of Nevada.

AIA Las Vegas needs you. Whether you are helping to guide and manage the Chapter by being a member of the Board of Directors, or working to achieve a financial goal or objective as the Chair of a Committee, or bringing education and information to members through a Knowledge Community or C.E. programs. Whether you are advocating for the profession on the local, state or federal levels, or mentoring and advising students and associates who are on their way to registration, there is an enormous amount of work to be done, and an abundance of opportunities for all AIA members to step up and take the lead.

Due to the increasing emphasis on leadership skills in the workplace, AIA National has established a Committee on Leadership Education. The committee supports the concept of leadership as a core value of the Institute and the architectural profession. It was formed to enable architects to develop the leadership skills needed in the practice of today and the future, through training, outreach, advocacy and education. For architects, the demand for leadership has never been greater.

Please join with us and bring your leadership talents to AIA Las Vegas. Planning for our future has begun and we need you. Contact Randy Lavigne at 702.895.0936 or rlavigne@aianevada.org.
"The biggest thing with Archicad 10 is that I won't be afraid of the future. This really is BIM!"
Scott Mackenzie, CAD Manager, CUH2A

Introducing Graphisoft Archicad 10!
Freedom, Workflow, Interaction.

Whether you need a fast tool to mold your creative ideas, a fully detailed 3D model, top quality 2D documents, or cutting edge renderings, Graphisoft® Archicad® is the precision tool for you! With its Virtual Building™ technology, Archicad supports your workflow from an abstract idea to a fully detailed and documented 3D model, all in a perfectly balanced working environment.

Graphisoft Archicad 10 offers:

- **Modeling Freedom** - Enables users to express their creativity with an extraordinary level of artistic freedom
- **Integrated Workflow** - Dramatically accelerates the model-to-drawing process
- **Improved Interaction** - Makes Archicad more intuitive and accessible
AIA LAS VEGAS
PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
WADE SIMPSON, AIA

A Time to Reflect

We celebrate many anniversaries throughout each year. We also celebrate special milestones throughout our lives. These times each year present reminders and opportunities to reflect on those portions of our life.

Each New Year it is traditional to reflect on the past and make resolutions for the coming year. Many take this seriously for about a month, typically working out and eating right for a few weeks in January only to lose focus and motivation and then leaving it to the next year to do better. Others create resolutions to treat children better and put more effort into business opportunities. Many businesses review their strategic plan and set goals for the coming year.

Many birthdays become similar opportunities. Your 18th or 21st birthday was one of finally reaching a milestone of adulthood, depending on what state you lived in at the time. The 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th and on and on provide milestones of reflection and goal setting of where we want to be in another 10 years of our life.

As I approached my 20th wedding anniversary last month it really became an opportunity to discuss with my wife our past and the direction we are going as a couple and family.

This year AIA Las Vegas has celebrated the 50th birthday of our chapter. Along with celebrations and marketing of our history we must set goals for the future.

Our membership continues to increase each year. This may be a factor of our communities growth as much as the ability to provide better programs for our members. I believe a membership goal of a certain amount by a certain date is the wrong way to determine if AIA Las Vegas serves its members well. Many organizations do set such goals and are only looking at one resultant factor of a worthwhile organization. Our membership will continue to flourish as long as we provide quality events and opportunities for fellowship and learning.

It seems each year we take on additional programs and work. We do so to continue to get better as a chapter and provide members with choices as to how they want to participate. This past year we have published Architecture Las Vegas ourselves. What a giant step that was. Last year the AIA Convention was huge and we succeeded. Next year we will be focused even more on livable communities and the celebration of AIA 150. We will then reflect on our commitment to our community and our country.

All of the programs that we currently provide had a start with an idea on how we can increase the quality of membership.

In a book titled “Fierce Conversations” by Susan Scott, the author discusses the need to interrogate reality and know what your individual truths and values are prior to having a conversation with others. If you take the time today to evaluate what you see in the future of AIA Las Vegas then we can discuss how we should get there. The board needs your input.

I hope we all spend some time this year to reflect on AIA Las Vegas and what it has done in the past for you and the community and what it should do for its members in the future and for our valley.

2006 AIA LAS VEGAS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President:
Wade Simpson, AIA
Welles Pugsley Architects

President-Elect:
Curt Carlson, AIA
SH Architecture

Director
Financial Resources:
John Treston, AIA
UNLV Planning & Construction

Director
Scholarships:
Shelly Ann Hayden, AIA
McCarran International Airport

Director
Legislative Affairs:
Mark Hobalco, AIA
City of Henderson

Director
Design & Service Awards:
Sean Coulter, AIA
Welles Pugsley Architects

Director
High School Design Awards:
Michele Toyengco, AIA
Welles Pugsley Architects

Director
Golf & Putting Tournaments:
Roy Burson, AIA
JVC Architects

Associate Director Intern & Associate Programs:
Richard Van Diepen, Assoc. AIA
PGAL Architects

Director
Emerging Professionals:
John Lopeman, AIA
ethos|three architecture

Allied Director
Membership & Benefits:
Shelly Cannon
TJK Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Director
UNLV Education Liaison:
Michael Kroelinger, AIA
UNLV School of Architecture

Past President:
Robert A. Fielden, FAIA
RAFI

Executive Director:
Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA
AIA Nevada/AIA Las Vegas
SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING
TOUR THE NEW UNLV STUDENT UNION BUILDING

Welcome back to school...and to the new (Phase 1) UNLV Student Union Building. A Tate Snyder Kimsey project, the building will be officially opened in August, and we'll have an opportunity to tour it and learn about Phase II and Phase III at our AIA meeting on September 13th.

The meeting will begin at 5:30PM with a reception that will be held in the 1st Floor Common Dining Area. Chapter announcements and the presentation of 2006 AIA Las Vegas Scholarship Awards will be made, and then tours of the building will be given by members of UNLV and Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects.

We have arranged parking with the campus parking officials. Beginning at 5pm, attendees are allowed to park directly in front of the bookstore. "No parking" is not marked for "students". Do not park in a "staff" space, as you will be ticketed. Make your plans to attend and don't forget to RSVP to Kelly Lavigne at 893-0936 or klavigne@aianevada.org.

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING
PRODUCT SHOW

Get the latest news on the products, services and technology in design and architecture at our annual AIA Las Vegas Product Show on October 4th. You’ll also get a chance to win fabulous prizes ($3,000 in CASH will be given away), enjoy complementary food and drinks and earn AIA C.E. Credits.

Show opens at 3:00PM on October 4th in the Stardust Ballroom at the Stardust Hotel. (This may be your last chance to see the hotel before it is imploded on October 6th.) Exhibitors are still available but are going fast. Contact the AIA office to reserve your space today.

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING
UNION PARK – THE BIG PICTURE

Newland Communities has developed the master plan for the 61-acre parcel located in the heart of downtown Las Vegas, now known as Union Park. In November, Project Manager, Chuck Kubat and Vice-President of Newland Communities, Rita Brandin, will present a comprehensive look at the plans and the timeline for the exciting project. Join us on Wednesday, November 15th, at 5:30PM in the 2nd Floor Ballroom at the Gold Coast Hotel. Don’t forget to RSVP to klavigne@aianevada.org.

DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING
AIA LAS VEGAS HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Join us on Wednesday, December 13th when we celebrate the end of our 50th Anniversary Year, and the beginning of 2007. Our annual holiday celebration will be a lively, black-tie gala held at the Bellagio Hotel, complete with silent auction, special guests, and a fabulous holiday dinner. There is no charge for AIA members and guest tickets are $100 each. Make your reservations to attend by RSVP'ing to klavigne@aianevada.org.

AIA LV FALL PUTTING TOURNAMENT

Dust off your putter and get the gang together. It's time for our annual Fall Putting Tournament. Friday, September 8th, 5:30 PM, at Angel Park Golf Course. Teams are sold out, so be sure to sign up early next year so you don't miss all the fun!

CONFIRMATION OF YOUR RSVP

The AIA Las Vegas policy on RSVP's for meetings is as follows: When you make your RSVP for the meeting (by phone or email), you will receive a confirmation from Kelly. If you are bringing a guest, please let us know the guest's name. If you simply show up at the meeting without a confirmation, and you are not on the RSVP list, you will be charged for the meeting and will receive an invoice. Also, if you do RSVP for the meeting and then don't attend, you will be charged for the meeting. Please help us by providing your RSVP as soon as possible after you receive the first newsletter or email notice.
LIVABLE COMMUNITY AWARDS

There are people in Nevada who are working everyday to make our community a better and more enjoyable place to live. They should be recognized for their efforts and encouraged to continue their work. For this reason, the AIA Nevada Livable Community Award was established. It recognizes those individuals and organizations, outside of the architectural profession, whose dedication, commitment and contributions to the security, arts and culture, revitalization, beauty and sustainability of our communities have made Nevada a better place to live.

This award is designed to be presented at any time, so we don’t have to wait for a special occasion. We want to recognize as many of these outstanding efforts as possible. If you know, work with, or are affiliated with an individual or firm that you think should be recognized, please email your suggestion to Randy Lavigne at rlavigne@aianevada.org.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING? ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS WANTS TO KNOW

As we begin our research for editorial content for the 2007 edition of our magazine, we need to hear from you. What is your firm doing? We want to hear your ideas for feature stories. The theme of the magazine is “Livable Las Vegas”...so if you have any project that will make our community more livable, tell us about it now. Are you doing something differently? Do you have a project that is exciting and new? Are you trying an innovative new method of design or delivery? Have you utilized a product in a new way? What's going on in your firm? Do you have a project that will impact lifestyles and livability in Las Vegas...or anywhere in the world? We need to know as much as you can tell us about everything. Editorial content is being considered now, and decision will be made this month...so let us hear from you. And, don’t worry, we won't tell a sole until the publication of our magazine next year!!!

CHECK YOUR WEBSITES

WWW.AIALASVEGAS.ORG
This is your home site with a new look and more information posted, we believe you will find the new site more user friendly. For any questions regarding AIA LV events, sponsorship opportunities, advertising, publications, documents or member searches, please visit our cyber office for a fast answer!

WWW.AIANEVADA.ORG
This is your AIA Nevada website. You will want to check for updates new legislation and issues that affect the profession, and possibly need your attention or action. This is also where you'll find information on the 2005 AIA Nevada Excellence In Design and Distinguished Service Awards program, and links to all vital AIA resources.

WWW.AIAWMR.ORG
This is your Western Mountain Region website. Check it often for issues that concern our region and for the latest updates from AIA National Board Meetings. You'll also find information here for the 2005 WMR Conference and the WMR Design and Honor Awards Programs.

WWW.THEAIATRUST.COM
This is your site for your AIA benefits provided through the AIA Trust. Check it often for insurance, retirement and legal information.

2006 AIA LAS VEGAS DIRECTORY & RESOURCE GUIDE

The 2006 issue of the AIA Las Vegas Directory & Resource Guide has been distributed to our members through McGraw-Hill Publishing.

Additional copies are available in the AIA LV office for $25 (plus $5 for shipping & handling). Please contact Kelly at 702.895.0936 or klavigne@aianevada.org if you wish to purchase a copy.

2007 BOARD ELECTION RESULTS

The ballots have been tabulated and the board members for 2007 have been determined. With a total of 150 ballots returned, this was a larger response from members than in any previous election. The 2007 AIA Las Vegas Board of Directors will consist of:

President:
CURT CARLSON, AIA

President-elect:
MARK HOBICA, AIA

Treasurer:
DWAYNE ESHENBAUGH, AIA

Secretary:
SEAN COULTER, AIA

Director (2 Year):
MICHELE TAYENGO, AIA

Director (2 Year):
CHRIS FENTON, AIA

Director (1 Year):
DAVID BALLARD, AIA

Director (1 Year):
MIKE DELGATO, AIA

Associate Director:
DEEPAKA PADAM, ASSOC. AIA

Allied Director:
FAITH ANN LOGSDON

Education Liaison:
MICHAEL KROELINGER, AIA

Past President:
WADE SIMPSON, AIA

These members will be officially sworn into office at the end-of-the-year holiday celebration on Wednesday, December 13th, at the Bellagio, and will begin their service on January 1, 2007.

Congratulations to all, and thank you for serving as leaders of the Chapter.
don't miss your chance to reach over 85,000 potential clients and design professionals

SPECIAL OFFER TO ADVERTISERS WHO RESERVE THEIR SPACE BEFORE OCTOBER 2ND

ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS magazine is now accepting contracts for advertising in the 2007 issue. For those who get their contracts in early, we are offering a lower rate.

AIA Las Vegas members are offered a discount of **15%** for all contracts received and paid for by October 2nd, 2006. If received after October 2nd, members are eligible for a 10% discount.

Non-members are offered a discount of **5%** if their contract and payment is received by October 2nd, 2006.

Please contact Debi Raffi at draffi@aianevada.org or 702.895.0936 for more information.

to download a 2007 media kit and contract
www.aialasvegas.org/architecturelasvegas.htm

ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS is an award-winning magazine, and the only publication that addresses architecture and design issues in the Las Vegas community.

As an **annual publication**, the magazine provides an extended shelf-life and is available on newsstands and bookstores nationally as well as online at aialasvegas.org.

With a distribution of **35,000 copies**, Architecture Las Vegas will be sent to the top 10,000 architecture firms in the country, as well as the higher demographic of subscribers to Nevada Public Radio, KNPR and over 1,500 key decision makers in the Las Vegas Valley.

With an average **2.5 readers per copy**, the magazine provides a total readership of over 85,000.

Our 2007 issue will also be distributed nationally to major bookstores and newsstands including Barnes & Noble and Borders.
AIA LAS VEGAS CELEBRATING 50 YEARS 1956 TO 2006

How different was life in Las Vegas, and the practice of architecture, 50 years ago? As we celebrate our 50th year as an AIA Chapter, we are pleased to devote this column to the remembrances of some of our senior members. This month George Tate, AIA will share his special memories of the early days of the Chapter and his personal experiences of practicing architecture in Las Vegas.

We are particularly liable to certain threats that could disastrously affect what we have come to think of as an unsinkable economy. Some of us older architects remember economic cycles that have hit Las Vegas before. True, they did not last forever and in some ways they kind of regaled in our overheated economy in a beneficial way. For example, local contractor, J.A. Tiberi, once told me that when everything was going like crazy, he lost control of his own business and didn’t know if he was filthy rich or in bankruptcy. At least when business slowed down a little he knew where he stood, and that was worth something. Some of us have experienced these cycles - yes, even here in fabulous Las Vegas - that greatly affected our practices and were painful to many. Realistically, it is likely that there will be such cycles again in the future and it seems prudent to consider what effect they might have on our seemingly prosperous, Teflon economy.

Economic cycles have always had a profound effect on architecture, but especially so where the sole industry is entirely dependent on tourism. Look for examples of down cycles in building in Arizona when they overbuilt, or in Texas when they got overextended, and closer to home in California when they got ahead of the economy. Many of our present architects in Las Vegas came here when the market for architectural services dried up in their home state. Imagine what would happen to us if we received a hit by terrorists on one of our major hotels. The fear factor keeping literally millions away would be much worse than the MGM and Hilton fires several decades ago in keeping visitors, the life blood, away from Las Vegas. Consider that this is not so far-fetched when you realize, as the hotel owners have, that the terrorists hate everything Las Vegas stands for, and nothing would please them more than to see one of our high-rise towers collapsing like the World Trade Center.

Another threat to our continued local prosperity is in the image problem we face if we go too far in promoting sin city sleaze as our only marketable product. By getting too far ahead of the curve of public acceptance, we risk the action of politicians on the federal level, stepping in with high-handed laws like those that whacked the tobacco industry, citing gambling as a drain on society and public funds. Politicians at the federal level are always looking for new sources of money and legalized gambling is one that has them drooling.

In the past we have always managed to come out of the problems that faced us by reinventing ourselves. Even when the economy appeared to be cycling downward, it usually just flattened out with a slight dip, dropping off those who were not in a position to weather the storm, and then continuing to climb again, setting new heights. But those dips did have some devastating effects on many in the building industry here, including some architects.

Continued next month...

AIA LAS VEGAS NEEDS YOUR HELP
Do you have any old photographs or historical records that AIA Las Vegas could use as part of our 50th year anniversary celebration? If so, please contact Debi Raffi at 702.895.0936 or email draffi@alanevada.org

SOME THOUGHTS ON ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS, PAST AND FUTURE
BY GEORGE G. TATE, AIA EMERITUS

CONTINUED FROM AUGUST "FORUM"...

What the Future of Architecture Might Look Like in Las Vegas

I have in my files some sketches of what a well-known designer in the 1930’s thought automobiles, trains, and buildings would look like in the future. Any time I attempt to predict the future, I am reminded to look at those sketches and hope not to look so much the fool as that designer when observers laugh at my pathetic guesses in predicting the future. But I do have some thoughts. Such as...

Changes that really shape the future have so much to do with technology that just as things commonplace today were completely unbelievable years ago, things in the future will probably be completely different from what we imagine in our wildest dreams today. Most of these are due to technological advancement but also to societal and political changes. I think these changes will have a profound effect on architecture in general, but especially to us here in southern Nevada.

We are also concerned with the future of our profession and with the future of the American institute, which is the core of our profession. As our present charters are reviewed, as they must be every five years, the AIA has the opportunity to really become a strong force for good, both within our profession and in our society. It is about the time the AIA was really established, that the institute of architects in the United States was formed. This was a major step forward for the profession, and we must continue to support this organization.

We are also concerned with the future of our profession and with the future of the American institute, which is the core of our profession. As our present charters are reviewed, as they must be every five years, the AIA has the opportunity to really become a strong force for good, both within our profession and in our society. It is about the time the AIA was really established, that the institute of architects in the United States was formed. This was a major step forward for the profession, and we must continue to support this organization.
FRCH Design Worldwide has immediate openings for architects at all levels. We are currently designing the new Tropicana Mega Resort in Las Vegas. We're looking for self-motivated team members who are passionate about architecture and design and are willing to own a project from beginning to end. If you love a great challenge, working hard and having fun, we're looking for you!

Applicants should respond to hr@frch.com or by mail to 311 Elm St., Suite 600, Cincinnati, OH 45202

OZ Architecture Denver's studio seeks a Project Manager to work with a client on a Las Vegas resort project. Requirements include proven experience with mixed use and hospitality projects, ability to coordinate between the main OZ Denver studio and the local client, AutoCAD ability, and preferably licensed in Nevada. Email resume and project list in word or pdf to hr@ozarch.com. EOE

The American Institute of Architects' Career Center offers a fast, efficient online route to the right people. They're qualified. They're curious. And they rely on the AIA Career Center for their leads.

You should, too.

In addition to posting openings, active advertisers can search an extensive résumé bank. You can also give openings an extra push via the AIA's weekly electronic newsletter, AIArchitect.

So, simplify your recruitment efforts. Visit www.aia.org/careercenter

Register your company. 
Post your ad. 
Search the résumés. 
And find your hire.
STATE GRANT TO BE USED FOR NEIGHBORHOOD PARK AND TRAILHEAD

The city of Las Vegas has received $500,000 from the state of Nevada’s Conservation and Resource Protection Grant Program to provide a new park for a densely populated neighborhood that currently has very little park space.

The grant will be used for the acquisition of 3.91 acres in southeastern Las Vegas, where the Las Vegas Wash Neighborhood Park and Trailhead Project will be constructed. The land is located at Harris Avenue and Marion Drive and is part of the planned Las Vegas Wash Trail Corridor.

The neighborhood park and trailhead will include a play area, picnic areas, landscaping, paved walkways and a restroom that will serve the nearby residents as well as users of the trail.

"In the more mature parts of Las Vegas it is always a challenge to find space for new parks and facilities for our neighborhoods," said Mayor Pro Tem Gary Reese, who represents Ward 3 where the new park will be located. "It is exciting to see plans for this new park come together with the ultimate result of bringing new amenities to Ward 3 residents."

The city of Las Vegas is matching the state grant with a little over $1.1 million in funding received from the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA). The acquisition is expected to be complete by the end of this month.

The Las Vegas Wash Trail is planned as a recreational corridor and neighborhood system along the wash that will extend more than 20 miles and eventually link to several spur trails from the east and west. It will connect Floyd Lamb Park in northwest Las Vegas to the Clark County Desert Wetland Park and the Lake Mead National Recreation area.

CITY RECEIVES FUNDS FOR MONUMENT GATEWAYS IN ARTS DISTRICT

The city of Las Vegas has been awarded $360,000 in state funds to be used for the design, fabrication and installation of two gateway features and eight street topper signs in the 18b Las Vegas Arts District. The funds, provided by the Nevada Department of Transportation’s Landscape and Aesthetic Community Match Program, will be added to an additional $350,000 previously awarded by the Las Vegas Arts Commission to fund the iconic gateways.

"These gateways will be art pieces that serve as spectacular markers of arrival to the 18b," said Margo Wheeler, director of Planning and Development for the city. "They will be a wonderful feature of our Urban Pathways, linking our significant areas of interest and hopefully becoming identifying icons of Las Vegas."

One gateway will be located near Charleston and Las Vegas boulevards and the second will be located near Charleston and Main Street. The eight street topper signs will be located along Charleston. The 18b is named for the 18 blocks that originally made up the arts district.

This gateway public art project, overseen by the Las Vegas Arts Commission in conjunction with the Planning and Development department, will be designed by an artist through a request for proposal process.

"The selection will be open to all artists and we hope to spark interest locally, nationally and internationally for this exciting public art commission for the arts district," Arts Commission Chair Kim Russell said.

The city of Las Vegas Planning and Development department has been working in conjunction with the Las Vegas Arts Commission, the Las Vegas Arts District Task Force and other organizations and city departments involved in the continued development of 18b and downtown Las Vegas.

"The gateways and signs will be a key element of the area’s successful redevelopment into a world class arts district," said Richard Geyer, president of the 18b Las Vegas Arts District neighborhood association.

LAS VEGAS’ GROWTH RANKS NEAR TOP AMONG 30 LARGEST CITIES

The city of Las Vegas continues to grow at record-breaking speed. The U.S. Census Bureau has ranked Las Vegas the second fastest growing city among the 30 largest cities in America between 2000 and 2005. Las Vegas’ 14 percent population increase was second only to Fort Worth, Texas, which grew by 16.6 percent during the five-year span. Eight of the 30 large cities lost population between 2000 and 2005. Las Vegas was the fastest growing city among those with a population over 250,000 between 1990 and 2000, increasing its population by more than 85 percent during the decade.

"The city of Las Vegas continues to be a great place to live, work and play, and the continued growth of the city shows just how popular it has become," Las Vegas Mayor Oscar B. Goodman said. "The city will continue to manage growth and provide effective services to the residents of what I consider the greatest city in the world."

Margo Wheeler, director of the city’s Planning and Development Department, added, "In addition to our continuing suburban expansion, the exceptional residential resurgence in downtown Las Vegas and the core areas will add to our robust growth rate. Las Vegas’ emergence onto the list of largest cities in the country quantifies our significance on the national stage."
Affordable Concepts, Inc.
General Contractor

Let us negotiate or bid your next project!

Call Bob Potter
702-399-3330

Visit us at
www.affordableconcepts.com

• ACCOUNTABILITY • COMMITMENT • INTEGRITY

License No. 23287B Unlimited and 57821AB Unlimited
EARN 5 AIA CE / HSW CREDITS FOR
ONLY $50.00
INCLUDES CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, BUFFET LUNCH
AND THE AIA LAS VEGAS PRODUCT SHOW

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4th, 2006, 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Stardust Hotel Board Room by the Stardust Ballroom
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM | CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Seminar #1 - 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM | “Understanding and Specifying Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Wood”
Presented by Patti Wells, Royal Plywood
Wood has the potential to be a truly sustainable resource because it is renewable, biodegradable, non-toxic, energy efficient and recyclable. The negative environmental impacts of irresponsible forest practices can include destruction of forest, loss of wildlife habitat, soil erosion and stream sedimentation, water and air pollution and waste generation. The FSC standard incorporates many criteria that contribute to the long-term health and integrity of forest ecosystems. This seminar will help you understand and specify FSC wood.

Seminar #2 - 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM | “Integrating Construction Waste Recycling Into Your Projects”
Presented by Rob Dorinson, Evergreen Recyling
Today’s commercial construction projects generate between 2 and 2.5 pounds of solid waste per square foot, and the majority of this waste can potentially be recycled. Recycling of construction and demolition debris reduces demand for virgin resources and, in turn, reduces the environmental impacts associated with resource extraction, processing and transportation. With this seminar, you will learn about integrating construction waste recycling into your projects.

Seminar #3 - 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | “Putting Pervious Concrete To Use In Southern Nevada”
Presented by Joe O’Grady, Southern Nevada Concrete & Aggregates Association
David Akers, California Nevada Cement Promotion Council
Pervious paving systems reduce stormwater runoff by allowing precipitation to infiltrate the undersurface through voids in the paving material. These systems can be applied to pedestrian traffic surfaces as well as low-vehicle traffic areas such as parking spaces, fire lanes and maintenance roads. Moreover, infiltration of stormwater on-site can recharge local aquifers, mimicking the natural water cycle. The two speakers will show you how to put pervious concrete to use in Southern Nevada.

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM | BUFFET LUNCH

Seminar #4 - 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM | “Water Conserving Plumbing Fixtures”
Presented by Danny Gleiberman, V.P. Government Affairs, Falcon Waterfree Technologies
The reduction of potable water use in buildings for toilets, showerheads and faucets reduces the total amount withdrawn from the Colorado River. Another benefit of potable water conservation is reduced energy use and chemical impunts at municipal water treatment facilities. Additionally, reductions in water consumption minimize overall building operating costs. Learn to integrate water conserving plumbing fixtures into your projects.

Seminar #5 - 2:00 PM - 3:00PM | “Energy Conservation Through Lighting Controls and Sensors”
Presented by Chris White, Hubbell Building Automation, Inc.
Buildings consume approximately 37% of the energy and 68% of the electricity produced in the U.S. annually. Energy consumption can be dramatically reduced through practices that are economical and readily achievable. Many energy conservation measures do not require additional first costs. Payback periods for many off-the-shelf energy-efficient measures are generally short and the importance of even small energy conservation measures can be significant. This final seminar will show you how simple energy conservation can be through the use of lighting controls and sensors.

3:00 PM - 8:00PM | AIA LAS VEGAS PRODUCT SHOW

SEMINAR EVENT REGISTRATION FORM (Please PRINT Clearly)

NAME __________________________ COMPANY __________________________
ADDRESS __________________________ CITY __________________________ STATE ________ ZIP ______
PHONE __________________________ FAX __________________________ E-MAIL __________________________
PAYMENT METHOD __________________ CHECK __________________ CREDIT CARD __________________
CC# __________________________________________ EXP __________________________

SIGNATURE __________________________

Please Fax with Credit Card Payment to 702-895-4417 OR Mail this registration form, with check payment to AIA Las Vegas, 4505 S. Maryland Pkwy., Box 454018, Las Vegas, NV. 89154 Questions? Call 702-895-0936
Welcome back to school and to the new (Phase 1) UNLV Student Union Building. A Tate Snyder Kimsey project the building was officially opened in August, and is now ready for this year’s Fall Semester. Get a full tour of the facility and learn more about Phase II and Phase III.

The meeting will begin at **5:30PM** with a reception that will be held in the **Room 208** on the 2nd Floor. Chapter announcements and the recipients of 2006 AIA Las Vegas Scholarship Awards will be announced.

Tours of the building will begin at **6:45PM** and will be given by students and Tate Snyder Kimsey staff.

This program is registered for **AIA CE Credits**. Credits can only be given to those who sign-in at the beginning of the meeting and sign-out at the end of the presentation.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**
**ROOM 208, 2ND FLOOR BALLROOM, UNLV STUDENT UNION BUILDING**
**RECEPTION 5:30PM - PROGRAM 6:30PM**

**Sponsored by**

All Steel  
TJK Consulting Engineers

---

**Student Union Building**

- **Bookstore**
- **University Road**
  - **In-n-Out**
- **School of Architecture**
- **Brass**
- **Tropicana**

**Student Spaces**

- Lot E, located in front of the bookstore
- Lot U, located behind the “In & Out Burger”
- In the lots to the North and South of the Architecture Building
- 5PM – 9PM

Special parking on campus has been arranged for attendees:

- **Park Only in Student Spaces**
  - Lot E, located in front of the bookstore
  - Lot U, located behind the “In & Out Burger”
  - In the lots to the North and South of the Architecture Building

**AIA Las Vegas RSVP Policy:**
To Attend PLEASE RSVP to klavigne@aianevada.org
Or 702-895-0936
By Monday, September 11th

There is no charge for AIA Members who RSVP; Non-members and Guests are $35 each. If you RSVP and then don't show up, you will be invoiced; If you don’t RSVP and just walk in you will be required to pay $35.
RESIDENTIAL DESIGN COMPETITION

The innovative Designs for Desert Living Competition is a one phase competition for the design of innovative, affordable single-family residential homes that foster a sense of community and embrace the desert environment. This is not simply an “ideas” competition, but one that seeks to create a dialogue between designers and builders. Concepts that can be built in an affordable and customary fashion, while implementing contemporary technologies and sustainable practices are desired. Both nonprofessionals and professionals are encouraged to submit proposals of diverse aesthetic qualities.

COMPETITION SUMMARY

Program: Single-Family Residential Home
Objective: To create an innovative house design that fosters a sense of community and embraces the desert environment.
Type: Open Competition
Eligibility: Open to all (individual or team)
Registration Fee: $50 USD
Entry Rule: One design submission per registration. More than one registration per entrant is allowed.

COMPETITION SCHEDULE 2006

Registration Deadline - September 1
Submission Deadline - October 13
Jury Selection - October 23 – November 3
People’s Choice Balloting - November 10 - 24
Showcase Event - December 6

For more information visit www.cityofhenderson.com/planning or e-mail leslie.montisono@cityofhenderson.com and enter “Design Contest Question” in the email subject line.
DISTINGUISHED BUILDINGS

HONOR

THE XEROS RESIDENCE - PHOENIX, AZ
BLANK STUDIO, INC.

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY INTERDISCIPLINARY SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY BUILDING III - MESA, AZ
JONES STUDIO, INC.

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY INTERDISCIPLINARY SCIENCE + TECHNOLOGY BUILDING 2 - TEMPE, AZ
RICHARD + BAUER ARCHITECTURE, LLC

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA MEINEL OPTICAL SCIENCE BUILDING - TUCSON, AZ
RICHARD + BAUER ARCHITECTURE, LLC

FIELD HOUSE - ELINGTON, WI
WENDELL BURNETTE ARCHITECTS

MERIT

THE DUKE - SCOTTSDALE, AZ
CIRCLE WEST ARCHITECTS, P.C.

PALO VERDE LIBRARY / MARYVALE COMMUNITY CENTER - PHOENIX, AZ
GOULD EVANS ASSOCIATES, LC. + WENDELL BURNETTE ARCHITECTS

STICK HOUSE - SCOTTSDALE, AZ
WENDELL BURNETTE ARCHITECTS

CITATION

SANDIA MINI DEALERSHIP - ALBUQUERQUE, NM
JON ANDERSON ARCHITECT

HOTEL VALLEY HO - SCOTTSDALE, AZ
ALLEN + PHILIP ARCHITECTS

STONE RIDGE CHURCH - YUMA, AZ
DIBARTOLO ARCHITECTS, LTD.

U.S. ARIZONA LAND AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH CENTER - MARICOPA, AZ
SMITHGROUP

UN-BUILT DESIGN AWARDS

NATIONAL PALACE MUSEUM
SOUTHERN BRANCH - TAIPEI, TAIWAN
ANTOINE PREDOCK ARCHITECT PC

REMOTE UN SECURITY COUNCIL FACILITY
MARK HARRIS, ARCHITECT AIA
WHITNEY LAND USE PLAN
SET FOR UPDATE
OPEN HOUSE KICKS OFF YEAR-LONG PROCESS

Residents, builders and business operators interested in the future of the town of Whitney are invited to attend an open house Wednesday, Sept. 6, to discuss the area’s land use plan update. This plan is important because it is used to guide growth in the town’s neighborhoods.

Whitney is bordered by Tropicana on the south and Hacienda on the north along Boulder Highway.

The Whitney open house is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Whitney Community Center, 5712 E. Missouri Avenue. The meeting is being held in the evening to accommodate as many members of the public as possible. The open house is the first in a series of public meetings in Whitney where county staff will gather comments from residents, business owners and developers about the future of the Whitney land use plan.

Major issues of concern include improving transportation connectivity, identifying transit stations for the MAX bus system expected in 2007, and making Boulder Highway pedestrian friendly with sidewalk installations. The need for workforce housing and resolving the many nonconforming zone changes are also issues to be discussed.

The update of the Whitney land use plan is the seventh to take place since the County Commission adopted a new ordinance in 2003 to make master plans more reliable. Spring Valley, Enterprise, Winchester/Paradise and Sunrise Manor land use plan updates have been recently adopted. The land use plan update process takes about 12 months. The Northeast County land use plan and the Laughlin land use plan are currently in the update process. Between 2003 and 2007, most of the unincorporated county’s 11 master plans will undergo updates. Citizen participation is considered a crucial link in the process.

At the open house county planners will discuss the update process and how information gathered at public meetings will be worked into the new master plan. Recommendations will be forwarded to the Town Advisory Board, the Planning Commission and eventually the County Commission for adoption of the new plan.

To get more information about the community’s update process, visit Comprehensive Planning’s website at www.accessclarkcounty.com. The department has a map posted online showing the county’s 11 land-use areas and a tentative schedule showing a timetable for updates. To contact planners working on this update, call 455-4314.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
YUCCA MOUNTAIN PROJECT

Bechtel SAIC Company, LLC (BSC) intends to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) in mid August 2006 and to subsequently award a Design and Construction Services Subcontract for the Lower Muck Yard (LMY) Building Facilities and Infrastructure at the Yucca Mountain Project (YMP) located approximately 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas on the Nevada Test Site. The order of magnitude of the work to be performed is anticipated to be in the range of $15-$17 million.

As part of the Yucca Mountain Project (YMP) site safety upgrades, the Department of Energy requires design and construction of additional building facilities and infrastructure at the LMY.

The developed LMY site shall provide stable, uniformly graded, erosion-resistant, terrain surfaces and shall contain three (3) functional systems: Water Treatment Facility, Utilities and Annex. WTF will provide potable water and fire suppression water. Annex will provide vehicle and equipment maintenance and repair services. Utilities will provide underground and surface storm sewer, sanitary sewer, oil/water separator system, fire suppression water distribution, potable water distribution, electrical power distribution and data communications systems.

The RFP will also include two (2) options for bid as follows:

Option 1 - Detention pond that shall collect and hold oily water drain effluent for evaporation.

Option 2 - Incident Response Station consisting of a single story “commercial grade” structure of approximately 9,000 sf.

BSC is aware of the time, effort, and costs involved in responding to the RFP and, as a result, has provided interested parties with specific qualifications and requirements that must be met to be considered responsive to receive an award. A Solicitation Announcement, posted on http://bscupdate.com/supplier_subcontract/activevrlt.html and fedbizops, provides more information about the Work Scope as well as qualification requirements.
For Father's Day my Stepson gave me a ball cap with a faded image of the White House and the words "Is it 2008 yet?" As an eighteen year old who has not voted he questions the whys and the stupidity of our "elected officials". I have nothing but contempt and disgust for our political system, the lies, corruption, and cover-ups. Politicians blame others taking no responsibilities for their actions because they are not held accountable. Campaign promises, and the very reason they are elected fall aside leaving the average citizen angry, having to settle for less than before. The majority accept it because as a society we accept and approve unethical political ambitions, muddling, policy failure, corruption, unprofessional conduct as the normal outcomes of our government and political process. When a single party controls all three branches of government there are no checks or balances, just corruption and deception boarding on criminal!

No longer is it "We the people... but "We the Corporations, Special Interest Groups and the Privileged..." Politicians spend millions getting elected to a position that pays a salary of only a fraction of their expended cost. They no longer serve the public, only hidden agendas for personal and political gain. Follow their money trail(s).

The Governor's Forum held in Reno, candidates provided nothing. More of the same solutions without understanding the problems; however, all are self-proclaimed experts. We face serious issues in our communities and the Nation. We need to resolve them but not with non-responsive legislative procedures, meaningless debates on issues of no importance, disjointed policies, political turmoil and meaningless campaign promises. Education needs to be fully funded, medical and health insurance coverage for every citizen, affordable housing, prescription drugs, zoning and planning for expansion in our communities to name a few. Put back into social security what the government stole, due to its mismanagement and lack of financial/fiscal controls. Not one cent should leave this country until each and every American man, woman and child is properly provided for. I could care less if Frank marries John! I am interested in solving energy problems, global warming, ending hunger, and sustainable designs. Making a better world for the future with less pollution less violence, less government controls!

I am continually bombarded by political ads in newspapers, television, radio and billboards that pollute every corner. Local and State candidates promise everything while mudslinging opponents. It's not difficult to differentiate between truth and misleading rhetoric. It's public record. Our responsibility is to vote for the most qualified. Those who vote strictly along party lines do a disservice and an injustice to the political process and every concerned citizen. It is important to the candidate, understand their position(s), and keep their backgrounds (personal/private and public). Dig into their value system, their beliefs and their past performance record. What are the important issues on the ballot, and how does the politician stand up to honesty, integrity and in keeping with their word? Only then can you make an informed decision and vote responsibly. It would be better not to vote than place a candidate in an elected position purely based on a political party affiliation.

Here are a few facts for 2006 and our elected United States Congress:

- 36 have been accused of spousal abuse
- 7 arrested for fraud
- 19 accused of write bad checks
- 117 have directly or indirectly bankrupted at least 2 businesses
- 3 have done time for assault
- 71 can not get a credit card
- 14 arrested on drug related charges
- 8 arrested for shoplifting
- 21 currently are defendants in lawsuits
- 84 arrested for drunk driving

If your firm employed these individuals would they still be on your payroll? These same individuals crank out hundreds of new laws each year designed to keep the rest of us in check. This is not limited to congress, but crosses all branches of our government including George "Wrong Bush. These are the last people we need giving advice or writing laws on integrity, morality, decency and honesty. This is not leadership but abuse of power for personal gain at the tax payers expense. They are not the least bit interested in resolving problems. Oh! Almost forgot... they just voted themselves a $15,000 per month pension for life after serving only one term! Not bad for two years of questionable and unethical service at our expense. They took care of themselves first but can't pass or agree on a minimum wage bill, medical/health coverage, or prescription drugs for seniors. What's in your retirement plan, or medical coverage for that matter? Are you angry? You should be! We need to end this abuse, this fiasco of government! This is a complete waste and abuse of tax payers dollars for incompetence and misuse of entrusted powers. Make your vote count, take a stand and vote responsibly. Know what and whom you are voting for or don't vote at all!

My name is Larry Macias, not only did I author this letter, I approved it!

---

**AIA NEVADA**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**LARRY MACIAS, AIA**

---

**AIA NEVADA 2006 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**President:**
Larry Macias, AIA
Larry Macias AIA Architect, LLC
Reno

**President-Elect:**
Wade Simpson, AIA
Welles Pugsley Architects
Las Vegas

**Secretary / Treasurer:**
Mike Andersen, AIA
SCA Design
Las Vegas

**AIA Las Vegas President-elect:**
Curt Carlson, AIA
SH Architecture
Las Vegas

**AIA Northern Nevada President:**
Ric Licata, AIA
Licata Hansen Associate Architects
Reno

**AIA Las Vegas Director:**
Mark Hobaca, AIA
City of Henderson
Las Vegas

**Associate Director:**
Deepa Bharatkumar, Assoc. AIA
Carlin Williams Architect
Reno

**Past President:**
Dale Scheideman, AIA
Clark County School District
Las Vegas

**Executive Director:**
Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA
AIA Nevada / AIA Las Vegas
GREEN BUILDINGS
BY: U.S. SENATOR HARRY REID

Last year, natural gas prices spiked throughout the country, due to growing demand. Hurricanes Rita and Katrina, and energy market speculation. This year, Nevadans are paying record prices for electricity and natural gas. And much of the West is suffering from what some scientists believe is global warming-induced drought.

Rising utility costs are hard on consumers and business alike. An increasing percentage of taxpayers dollars are going toward paying the energy bills of the nation’s largest property owner and energy consumer – the Federal government. I strongly believe that the Federal government can and must be the catalyst for the nation to adopt a more sustainable and efficient energy policy. That includes taking a much more pro-active role in promoting, building and leasing green buildings.

The wide-scale use of green buildings would make significant short and long term reductions in our electricity consumption, greenhouse gas emissions, and water usage. In addition, the wide-scale development of green buildings could also add new momentum to the development of a world-class manufacturing base in Nevada focused on producing renewable energy and energy efficient technologies and systems.

Recently, I and 24 other Senators introduced a comprehensive bill to put America on the road to energy independence by 2020. S. 2829, the Clean EDGE Act of 2006, includes a mandate that the Federal government buy or lease only green buildings, and renovate existing stock to green building standards. The legislation also authorizes grants to postsecondary educational institutions to enable them to train 10,000 people in green building and zero-energy home design and construction by fiscal year 2011. Clean EDGE also extends and expands a variety of tax credits and incentives for energy efficient homes and businesses and products, renewable energy systems and more.

I am excited about the possibilities of green buildings and their positive impact on consumers and taxpayers. Introducing this legislation is a good first step, but we need bipartisan public support for it to become law. I will continue to fight to make sure that this issue remains at the forefront of the energy and environment debate in Washington, and pays dividends for Nevada.

FOUR NEW LICENSES ISSUED BY NEVADA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

New certificates of registration were issued to four candidates at the August meeting of the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design (NSBAIDRD). Two of the new registrants are architects and two are registered interior designers.

The new architects are Kastytis Cechavicius (Las Vegas) and Carol M. Mavros (Florence, Mont.).

The new registered interior designers are Nicole M. Serini (Las Vegas) and Sean W. Tanner (Las Vegas).

Individuals wishing to practice architecture, residential design or as registered interior designers in Nevada are required to become registered with the NSBAIDRD. All registrants must meet qualifications, set by the state, including experience and education requirements, as well as pass a professional competency exam.
BRIEFS

HCA, Inc. and Graham Downes Architecture are providing full architectural and interior design services for Spa Lofts, a new 260,000-square-foot, 147-unit condominium development located to the west of the strip on Rainbow Boulevard, just south of Interstate 215 in Las Vegas, Nev. The developer is The Light Group, owner of the nightclub, Light at Bellagio, on the Las Vegas strip.

The HCA/Graham Downes Architecture design team includes Graham Downes as principal-in-charge, with Vaki Mawema and Cheryl Felske as project managers. Assemblage Studio is serving as design consultant. Construction is scheduled to begin in January 2007, with completion scheduled for December 2007.

UNLV will induct John Klai II, AIA into the 4th Annual Nevada Entertainer/Artist Hall of Fame at UNLV during an award ceremony on Thursday, September 21 in Artemus Ham Concert Hall.

John Klai is recognized for designing hospitality and gaming resorts. Klai Juba Architects sponsors the Klai Juba Lecture Series at UNLV, which attracts internationally known architects to speak at the school. In addition, he personally awards an annual scholarship to the UNLV School of Architecture and is currently spearheading a campaign to endow the program through the establishment of the Council of Excellence.

SCHIFANO & ASSOCIATES
Commercial Real Estate & Development
Maria T. Schifano
Broker/Owner
2450 Chandler Ave Suite 6
Las Vegas, NV 89120
Office: 702-798-1270
Fax: 702-798-1251
Cell: 702-300-1144
maria.schifano@yahoo.com
www.schifanorealestate.com

THOMADAD
Engineering LLC
Structural Engineering Consulting
Practicing in Las Vegas since 1988.
- Design & Analysis of New Buildings
- Tenant Improvement / Addition
- Remodel & Retrofit
- Observation & Evaluation
- Exterior & Interior Facades

Mohammed Thomad, PE, SE
Principal
4535 W. Russell Road, Suite 12
Las Vegas, NV 89118
Phone: 702-388-7755
Fax: 702-388-7766
www.thomadengr.com

Western Technologies
Inc.
The Quality People
Since 1955
(702) 798-8050 fax 798-7664
3611 West Tompkins Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89103-5618
Environmental, Geotechnical & Construction Materials
Engineering, Consulting, Testing & Inspection
The neighbors are squawking.
The investors are balking.
You'd better start talking.

With an architect.

When you involve an architect early, it's easier to get a project up and running and prospering. Architects know how to maximize site potential and community acceptance. They create designs that enhance marketability and yield. In short, architects offer added value that adds significantly to your project's success. To find an AIA architect, visit www.aia.org. Good design makes a difference.
UNLV Architecture Studies Library

Fall Hours:
Monday - Thursday 9am - 10pm
Friday 9am - 6pm
Saturday 1pm - 5pm
Sunday 1pm - 10pm

For the most current information on upcoming holiday hours, please go online to http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/archdesc.html#hours

Architecture Studies Library (ASL) Web Page Features UNLV Walking Tour:

The UNLV Walking tour represents 50 years of construction. After the AIA 2005 convention in Las Vegas and the campus tours organized by David Frommer (including scripts), the ASL revised entries and added 12 buildings to its online UNLV Walking Tour. The tour can be viewed online [http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/lasvegas/unlv06.html] or printed (in MS Word format) to accompany you on a walk about campus. There are in total 23 buildings representing architecture from the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and 00s.

All tours (including driving tours) of the Las Vegas area have been updated with buildings from the 2005 AIA Design Awards.

ASL Features Many New Titles


Recommended Readings

Do you have a book, article or web site you would like to recommend to School of Architecture Students? If so, we would like to feature you and the recommended title(s) on our web pages. Email Jeanne Brown at jeanne.brown@unlv.edu if you would like us to highlight your recommendations. To see titles recommended by school faculty and students, check out http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/readinglists.html

Structural Design and ARE Prep Seminar Series
9/12 - 10/10

Attention all Interns, Associates, and Young Architects: Walter P. Moore and Associates, a local engineering firm, is partnering with AIA Las Vegas to provide a series of structural design and architectural registration exam preparation seminars to help young architects and interns better understand the basics of structural systems. This 5-week series will consist of 2-classes per week for an hour each and held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 - 6:30. Several senior engineers at WPMA will be teaching the classes and will not only be gearing their material to help prepare for the ARE, but will also be relating their extensive professional experience with good and bad examples of the necessity of integrating structural systems with the overall architectural design. The location will rotate between three or four different architectural offices that are centrally located (as yet undetermined). The course will begin on Tuesday, September 12th and finish up October 10th.

This seminar is being offered at NO COST and you do not have to be an AIA member to attend. The seminar schedule is as follows:

9/12 Structural Systems
9/14 Loads and Statics
9/17 Beams and Columns
9/19 Wood Construction and Connections
9/26 Structural Steel Construction and Connections (Part I)
9/28 Structural Steel Construction and Connections (Part II)
10/3 Foundations & Walls, Geotechnical Reports
10/5 Concrete Construction
10/10 Lateral Forces

Please contact Rick Van Diepen at rvandiepen@pgal.com to RSVP and get more information.
FEATURED COURSE
2006 GOLD MEDALIST FORUM
INSTRUCTOR: ANTOINE PREDOC, FAIA

2006 Gold Medalist Antoine Predoc discusses the state of architecture, the future of the profession, design methodology, and management style. You will discover the qualities, ideas, and practices needed to achieve architectural excellence, gain insight into Predoc's accomplishments, and reflect on key issues of practice and design. This course is moderated by Ted P. Pappas, FAIA, Chancellor of the AIA College of Fellows.

OUR MOST POPULAR COURSES
Feng Shui for Residential Architecture
Feng shui has emerged from the new age section of the bookstore as more clients ask to incorporate concepts from this 4,000-year-old Chinese discipline into the design of their single- and multi-family homes. We'll discuss how residential site selection, site planning, landscaping, floor plan layout, construction details, and furniture configuration can benefit from applying cross-cultural feng shui principles that reinforce (not replace) design ideas.

The Building Information Model as a Collaboration Tool
Building projects require the integration of a team of professionals, and feedback is usually infrequent and delayed, often failing to support the design intent. Using several case studies, we'll examine how interoperable building information models (BIM) can help team members understand design intent, integrate work effectively, and radically speed up team feedback, saving time and money while eliminating value engineering.

Green Building Confessions
This course reveals insights and 20/20 hindsight derived from evaluating successful sustainable projects. We'll take a candid and good-natured look at misjudgments, opportunities lost, and successes. We'll also examine both objective data and personal perceptions in order to provide fresh thinking on future priorities for high-performance green building design.

NEW COURSES
If you missed some of the exciting programs at the AIA 2006 National Convention and Design Exposition, you can now access them through AIA eClassroom. We will be adding new courses daily.

For more information go to www.eclassroom.aia.org

IT'S CES AUDIT TIME!
The Institute is conducting annual audits to check for AIA member compliance with Continuing Education System (CES) requirements for membership.

To check your CES credits go to aia.org, click on the Continuing Education page, enter your member number and your password - which is your last name - and get the full list of your current credits; or call 800-605-8229 and provide your member number to receive the update of your credits. As in the past, credits earned during the first nine months of the current year (2006) may be applied toward the audit year (2005).

If you have any questions, contact AIA Continuing Education Director Thom Lowther, 202-626-7478 or visit the AIA Web site.

2006 LUNCHTIME LEARNING
Get your AIA C.E. Credits by attending these luncheons throughout the year. Some titles and locations are TBA.

Sept. 14th - “Green Power For Your Green Building” Presented by Rilla Weekley of Renewable Choice Energy and AIA LV COTE 11:30am at Memphis BBQ located at 1401 S. Rainbow Blvd. (west side of street just south of Charleston)

Sept. 28th - “Natural Stone - Use & Installation” Presented by Dale Roberts of Custom Building Products 11:30am at Gordon Biersch located at 3987 Paradise (west side of street just north of Flamingo)

Oct. 4th - 8:00am to 2:00pm - In conjunction with the AIA Las Vegas Product Show and AIA LV COTE, Programs TBA

Oct. 26th - Program TBA Presented by Sam Sem of Semco, Inc. 11:30am at Semco Showroom at 3775 W. Teco, Ste: 9 (actually 6400 Valley View at Sunset)

Nov. 9th - Program and Location TBA Hosted by John Heimer representing Solatube

Nov. 30th - Program and Location TBA Hosted by Kathy Kaiser of Schümer Engineering Corp.

Dec. 7th - Program and Location TBA Hosted by Joe O’Grady of the Southern Nevada Concrete & Aggregates Association.

Please RSVP to Kelly Lavigne at 702.895.0936 or klavigne@ci.lasvegas.nv.us if you wish to attend. Please do not RSVP if you are not sure you will be able to attend as space is limited.

PUBLIC TRAINING TITLE 30 ORDINANCES
Comprehensive Planning staff will be holding training sessions to discuss recent changes to Title 30. These free training sessions are open to the public and are designed for developers, engineers, consultants and anyone who is already familiar with Title 30, but would like clarification on recent ordinances or specific topics. The schedule is as follows:

Friday, September 29
2:00 - 4:00 PM
ODC Room 3

Friday, October 20
2:00 - 4:00 PM
ODC Room 3

Friday, November 17
2:00 - 4:00 PM
ODC Room 3

While the session is scheduled for 2 hours, there will be times where the session may be shorter depending on the number of ordinances/information to cover; if more time is necessary we can accommodate that as well.

Please RSVP to Chuck Pulipher, echang@co.clark.nv.us, if you would like to attend.
calendar

September
8 AIA Las Vegas Fall Putting Tournament – Angel Park Golf Club
12 AIA Las Vegas Board Meeting
13 AIA Membership Meeting – Project Tour – UNLV Student Union Phase I
14 AIA LV Continuing Education Luncheon – Renewable Choice Energy and AIA LV COTE
AIA Nevada Executive Committee Meeting
20-23 WMR Conference – Jackson Hole, WY.
28 AIA LV Continuing Education Luncheon – Custom Building Products

October
4 AIA Membership Meeting
2006 AIA Las Vegas Product Show
Stardust Hotel
7 AIA Nevada Design & Service Awards
10 AIA LV Board Meeting
19 AIA NV Ex Com Meeting
26 AIA LV Continuing Education Luncheon - Semco, Inc.

November
9 AIA LV Continuing Education Luncheon - Solatube
14 AIA LV Board Meeting
15 AIA Membership Meeting
16 AIA NV Ex Com Meeting
30 AIA LV Continuing Education Luncheon - Schirmer Engineering Corp.