THE ARCHITECT AS LEGISLATOR
RANDY LAVIGNE, HON. AIA
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What does that mean? “The Architect as Legislator”? It means that in the fast-paced, ever-changing, cyber-universe we live in today, an architect cannot simply be a good designer. It means that architects can no longer afford to let someone else make decisions that define our communities and the practice of architecture. Architects must make a conscious effort to be more aware of... and more responsive to... the local, state and federal governmental agendas and how they impact our communities. It means that architects need to get involved in the political process. They need to seek out and accept leadership roles in their communities, so that they can help to guide the policies and the decisions that shape our cities, our nation and our world.

In the world we live in today, the architect must also be a legislator and a civic activist. The issues of global warming, alternative energy, affordable housing, disaster preparedness, education and professional regulation and licensing -- all have an impact on the practice of architecture. And, they are just a few of the areas where architects can bring valuable knowledge and expertise and help to find solutions that will benefit everyone.

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Through education and professional training architects are problem-solvers, perceptive listeners and creative thinkers who can devise strategies and find solutions to complex problems. Those skills that are so necessary to being a successful architect are also essential in creating successful, sustainable and livable cities. By running for elected office, asking for an appointment to a committee, accepting that board position and volunteering to lead civic groups, architects become recognized as the leaders, and can share their wealth of knowledge and resources to make their communities better, safer, more beautiful, sustainable and livable.

With the celebration of the Institute’s 150th anniversary and the national commitment to creating a “Blueprint for America”, AIA members now have opportunities, as never before, to make a difference in the way their communities are planned, designed and function. The month of February, and all of 2007, is all about putting your unique architectural training and skills to work.

Attend the AIA Las Vegas February Membership Meeting and learn more about “The Architect as Legislator”. As the 2007 Legislative Session begins in Carson City on February 5th, join with the AIA Nevada Legislative Committee and be alert to what the legislators are doing. As a part of the AIA150 celebration, 24-Hour Town Hall Meetings are being held in both Reno and Las Vegas on April 13-14, 2007, get involved and be a leader in determining how to make our cities more livable.
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In short - I like my neighborhood. But now I am afraid, very afraid. Last Easter, the house across the street partially burned down. At first the neighbors all breathed a sigh of relief because it truly was the eyesore of the neighborhood (there is always one). The house continued to sit in disrepair until last week. I looked out my kitchen window and the equipment had moved in to knock it down. I smiled a little as I saw the garage come down, but then it hit me – What was going to replace it? Now here’s where I got scared. What if someone builds the dreaded “normal” tract house? What would happen to the neighborhood if there were a two-story pseudo-Tuscan, a brick colonial or a New England salt box in the middle of Mid-Century Modern? I have no protection. All of a sudden those dreaded CC&R’s could have helped me.

As I kept thinking about the potential abomination that could be built, it hit me – So What. Was the fabric of the community going to be ripped apart by an exercise in bad taste? Were my neighbors going to act less like neighbors because of a house? Was the neighborhood really going to be any different? No. The real community is not defined by an architectural style, a color or a walled area with a gated drive, but rather by the people who inhabit it. We will still go on acting the way we always did, we will still watch out for each other and I will still hear about the wild pool parties with the showgirls and bond members at 3 AM in 1964. I actually don’t care what style of house gets built there, I only hope that the person(s) who move in are willing to be a part of a community.

**GRASSROOTS – PRIORITY ISSUES FROM THE FEDERAL AGENDA**

The AIA Nevada contingent will be in Washington, DC for the Grassroots Leadership and Legislative Conference, February 6-10, and will be meeting with Senators Reid and Ensign and Congressmen Berkley, Porter and Heller. The focus of our discussions will be on three very key issues of sustainability.

I. Federal Building Energy Efficiency – Promoting the adoption of the 2030 Challenge in all Federal Buildings

II. Sustainable Design and Water Quality – Promoting an amendment to the Clean Water Act to develop green infrastructure that will reduce the amount of pollutants in the built environment.


We will also be asking our leaders what progress is being made on such statewide issues as affordable housing, water, Yucca Mountain, healthcare and other concerns.

If you have an issue you’d like us to bring to the attention of our representatives, please contact Randy Lavigne at 702.895.0936 prior to February 6th, 2007.
FEVERUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING
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Join us on Wednesday, February 21 at 5:30PM in the 2nd Floor Ballroom at the Gold Coast Hotel. Don't forget to RSVP to Kelly Lavigne at klavigne@alanevada.org or call 895-0936.

MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING
"THE FUTURE OF AIA LAS VEGAS"

The new Strategic Plan for the Chapter will be announced at this meeting and the future of AIA Las Vegas will be discussed. The meeting will be held in an exciting location (currently being confirmed) and the specifics of our mission, goals and future will be presented.

Join us on Wednesday, March 21 at 5:30PM at the location to be announced.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE AIA LV HIGH SCHOOL DESIGN CONTEST

AIA Las Vegas is looking for a few good mentors to pair with the high school classes participating in this year's design contest. As a mentor, you will visit the drafting class and give desk crits, food for thought talks, or even talk a bit about the profession. You will provide an additional point of view to support the teacher's planned activities. You are not there to take over teaching the class to relieve the teacher of their teaching responsibilities. Your work will begin when the teacher decides to introduce the class to their class and continue until the contest submissions are due in late March 2007.

Please contact Michele Tayengco, AIA at 702.435.1150 or mtayengco@wellespugleyarchitect.com.

AIA LV SPRING PUTTING TOURNAMENT

Dust off your putter and get the gang together. It's time for our annual Spring Putting Tournament. This is a great event that provides a full evening of entertainment with your friends (and family if you like) with plenty of good food, and fabulous door prizes. It's always a lot of fun so use the sign-up sheet enclosed in this newsletter to reserve your team space. Friday, April 27th, 6 PM, at Angel Park Golf Course. $40 per player includes your dinner, drink tickets, door prize tickets, and 18 holes of putting fun with your friends.

While we're talking golf, don't forget to mark Monday, May 21st on your calendar for the 34th Annual AIA Las Vegas Golf Tournament – 8 AM at Spanish Trail Golf Course. Sponsorship opportunities and Team Spots are now available. Contact: Roy Burson, AIA 702.871.3416. Thank you to our name sponsor, RINKER MATERIALS.

And, of course, the Fall Putting Tournament is scheduled for Friday, September 7th at Angel Park.

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.
STRATEGIC PLAN FOR AIA LAS VEGAS

On Tuesday, February 20th, the AIA Las Vegas Board of Directors, along with Associate, Intern Student and Senior members of the Chapter, will meet in a full day-long Strategic Planning Session. The objective is to determine a five-year plan for the Chapter.

The Chapter has enjoyed continued growth and prosperity for the past twelve years. Increasing membership from around 85 members in 1994 to 586 members currently. The programs and services that we offer to our members have also increased each year, in quality, number, variety and scope. Our budget reflects an active and aggressive chapter that provides numerous opportunities for our members and is actively involved in the community’s growth and development. Our budgets have grown from around $80,000 in 1994 to over $800,000 this year.

Since 1994 the Chapter has managed to establish and grow a Scholarship Endowment Fund that provides over $12,000 in scholarships annually. In 2005 the Chapter hosted the largest and most successful AIA National Convention in the history of the Institute. As a result the Chapter now has an investment account of over $200,000. These financial resources must be protected and employed in securing the future of the Chapter.

Led by President, Curt Carlson, the AIA Las Vegas board has determined the need for a Strategic Plan, and all members will participate in the session on February 20th.

Nationally renowned association management specialist, Bob Harris, CAE, will facilitate the session. Bob has worked with thousands of associations and chambers of commerce, as well as many AIA Chapters, to focus on operations and board governance. His career started in Washington, DC with the “Presidential Classroom”. Later, he built an association management company in Tallahassee. He is on the faculty of the US Chamber of Commerce and works with the US State Department to develop associations in Amman, Jordan. He has authored books on association management and to improve organizations he created the “Association Self-Auditing Process” which has been used by 10,000 organizations.

The results of the Strategic Planning Session and the Chapter’s plans for the future will be announced at the AIA Las Vegas March Membership Meeting on Wednesday, March 21st. (Location to be determined.)

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THE AIA WELCOMES ITS 80,000TH MEMBER

As the American Institute of Architects national membership increases, so does our ability to support design professionals like you. We become more effective in lobbying for legislation that benefits society and educating the public about the role of the AIA architect. As we celebrate our 150th anniversary year, we reflect on how the profession has advanced and how far the AIA has come. In 1857, the AIA began with 13 architects. Today, we're 80,000 strong and growing.

One thing that hasn't changed since 1857 is AIA's commitment to providing members with benefits and professional resources that make a real difference in their ability to serve clients and communities. Through the AIA, you have the opportunity to access a wealth of industry knowledge, whether at events such as the AIA National Convention and Design Exposition, through networking opportunities like AIA Knowledge Communities, or in publications like the latest AIA Firm Survey.

We are also proud to announce that our local chapter has reached its highest number of members - 586 as of January, 2007. With an average of 10 new members joining each month and a total retention of 93%, we continue to grow and build a strong and healthy organization.

Whether you engage through the local, state, or national AIA, you can be confident that our mission remains the same: the American Institute of Architects is the voice of the architectural profession and the resource for its members in service to society.
ROGERS APPOINTED NEW HEAD OF NEVADA PUBLIC RADIO

The Board of Directors of Nevada Public Radio has selected Florence M.E. Rogers as the new president and general manager succeeding Lamar Marchese who founded the nonprofit corporation and has headed it for 30 years.

Rogers will take the helm upon Marchese’s retirement at the end of March 2007. She is currently director of programming and assistant general manager. Rogers joined Nevada Public Radio in 2001.

AIA Las Vegas would like to congratulate Flo on her new job title and also on becoming a U.S. Citizen this year. Jolly well done...good show!

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The current advertising rate is $250 for members and $300 for non-members per month.

Please contact Debi Raffi - AIA Las Vegas at drafti@aianevada.org or call 702.895.0936 to find out more.

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CITY COUNCIL APPROVES UPDATED DOWNTOWN CENTENNIAL PLAN
DOWNTOWN CONTINUES EVOLUTION INTO UNIQUE DISTRICTS

The Las Vegas City Council updated the Downtown Centennial Plan today, providing a design framework for a revitalized downtown featuring unique districts, urban parks and landmarks at gateways into different downtown areas.

"The plan provides the design framework that advances the vital and exciting atmosphere that downtown residents and visitors want," said Margo Wheeler, the city's director of the Planning & Development Department. "The plan gives form to key locations and the connections to them."

This updated version is now more user-friendly, allowing the user to look up the district that their property is in and readily find the design guidelines that apply to their property.

Locations and areas of significance in the city, such as the 18th Las Vegas Arts District, are featured as anchors. Gateways or entry points to these areas will receive notable landscape, lighting, signage and other related improvements. One district, the Fremont East Entertainment District, has been added to the plan.

A unique urban pathways concept will create pockets of recreational activities for locals and visitors, and serve as easily recognized routes from one place to the next. The plan also includes standards for outdoor dining on public sidewalks.

Las Vegas Boulevard serves as the spine of the plan area. Ultimately, each block from Sahara Avenue north to Washington Boulevard will have a restored neon sign in the median. The Hacienda Horse and Rider sign at Las Vegas Boulevard and Fremont Street is a good example of the types of signs that will be used.

A copy of the Downtown Centennial Plan may be obtained at the city's Development Services Center or online at www.lasvegasnevada.gov.

NEW PLANNING COMMISSION OFFICERS Elected

The city of Las Vegas Planning Commission elected new officers at its meeting last week. The new chairman of the commission is Leo Davenport, and Byron Goynes was elected vice chairman.

Davenport has served on the commission for more than three years and was originally named to the commission by former Councilwoman Janet Moncrief.

Goynes, the senior member of the commission, has served on the board since 2000 and was appointed by Ward 5 Councilman Lawrence Weekly. Previously, he was a member of the city's former Board of Zoning Adjustment.

The Planning Commission members are appointed by the City Council. The commission makes recommendations to the City Council on the city's master and special area plans, zoning applications and other related issues and makes final decisions on variances, site plans and subdivision maps. It meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the council chambers at Las Vegas City Hall.
LIVABLE COMMUNITY AWARDS

This special award recognizes individuals and organizations, outside the architectural profession, whose dedication, commitment and contributions to the security, beauty, and sustainability of our communities have made Nevada a better place to live.

First Award in 2007 Presented

The most recent recipient of the award was Mayor Oscar B. Goodman, mayor of Las Vegas, Nevada. At our January membership meeting, AIA Las Vegas recognized his dedication and his continuing efforts to generate a greater awareness of our built environment, promote quality architecture in our city, create an enhanced appreciation of the arts and culture of our city and to build a more beautiful, sustainable and livable Las Vegas for all citizens. We are extremely pleased to recognize the mayor for all he has done to better our community.

Livable Community Awards will be presented throughout 2007 and into the future. If you would like to nominate an individual or an organization for this award, please contact Randy Lavigne at AIA Nevada – 702.895.0936 or rlavigne@aianevada.org

RESIDENTIAL WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS
GET THE "GREEN" LIGHT IN LAS VEGAS
SYSTEMS WILL HELP ENCOURAGE ENERGY CONSERVATION

The Las Vegas City Council approved the use of small wind energy systems in certain residential zoning districts today. This new bill is one of many measures the city of Las Vegas has adopted to encourage energy conservation, sustainable development and "green" building practices.

With small wind energy systems, homeowners can reduce their dependency on conventional, non-renewable utility power as well as do their part to improve air quality and the environment.

"The city is proud to do its part to move our community, state and country towards energy independence and improving our environment and air quality," Las Vegas Mayor Oscar B. Goodman said. "Our world class city' must also be a world leader in sustainable development and renewable energy."

"Small wind energy system" means a wind energy conversion system consisting of a wind turbine, a tower and associated control or conversion electronics, which has a rated capacity of not more than 100kW. Small wind energy systems will be allowed as a conditional use in certain residential districts zoned R-A, R-E and R-D.

During its last session, the Nevada Legislature adopted provisions to encourage the development and use of wind energy systems and this bill enables its implementation within the city.

For more information on the zoning rules and the approval process for small wind energy systems, please contact the Planning & Development Department at 229-6301.
FIRST ANNUAL MAYOR'S URBAN DESIGN AWARDS PRESENTED

Three Las Vegas projects have been recognized for their community impact as part of the first annual 2006 Mayor's Urban Design Awards. The winners were announced during Mayor Oscar B. Goodman’s State of the City Address on Wednesday at the World Market Center.

The awards recognize projects that cultivate walkways and streets as shared public spaces, promote walkability and safety, conserve resources, and seamlessly link to their surroundings.

The 2006 MUDA winners are:

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**PUBLIC ART: EL JARDIN (EAST LV SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER)**
Hank Saxe & Cynthia Patterson

A nine-member volunteer committee was formed to review and rank the 13 nominations for recommendation to Mayor Goodman, who selected the award winners. Qualified projects had to be located within the city and have been constructed by Dec. 31, 2006, to be considered.

This was the first annual presentation of the Mayor’s Urban Design Awards. Nominations for 2007 will be taken in the fall.

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14TH ANNUAL AIA LAS VEGAS
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Start: 5:30pm Registration (6:00pm Play!)
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Fee includes dinner and door prizes

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PLAYERS:
1. __________________________________________ 2. _________________________
3. __________________________________________ 4. _________________________
5. __________________________________________ 6. _________________________

PLEASE NOTE: Names of ALL Players must be received by April 20, 2007. Teams CANNOT be confirmed without this information. If you are reserving more than one team, please duplicate this form and provide names for ALL players. To secure your team, payment must be received on/or before April 20, 2007. **Teams are limited to 18 teams, 6 players per team. No exceptions!** Players’ signing-up individually will be assigned a team. No Refunds or Cancellations after April 20th, 2007.

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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.
34th ANNUAL AIA LAS VEGAS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Date: Monday, May 21st, 2007
Location: Spanish Trail Golf & Country Club
Start: 9:00AM. (Check-in begins at 7:30AM)
Fee: $225.00 per player (Includes: breakfast, lunch, awards, goodie bags)
      $40.00 per Guest “Lunch Only” ticket.

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AIA NEVADA
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
WADE SIMPSON, AIA

It’s Cold

Many people who live in Las Vegas are from other parts of the country, where it gets much colder than we normally do at this time of year. They typically call me a wimp when I complain about the cold weather we are currently experiencing. I can only reply that I don’t want to hear their complaints about the heat when July and August roll around.

As I write this President’s Message for AIA Nevada, we are preparing for our trip to Grassroots in Washington D.C. and our visits to Capitol Hill. I hope our welcome from our state’s representatives will be a warm one. I will report on the success of our visits with Reid, Ensign, Berkley, Porter and Heller next month.

As a follow up from last years Grassroots issues, not much progress has been made due to the partisan politics that has reared its ugly head and brought many worthwhile issues to a halt. Last year we asked for our representative’s support for the healthcare bill to help decrease the cost for healthcare for firms and associations like ours. We knew Senator Reid’s office was against the bill so the fact that it did not get passed is not a surprise. The healthcare bill is not on the table this year. Last year, due to a scheduling error in Ensign’s office, we didn’t have the opportunity to see him. That scheduler is no longer with Ensign’s office so we’re hoping Ensign will be there to meet with us this year. Representative Gibbons is now the Governor and Representative Heller is brand new. Representatives Berkley and Porter are always willing to meet with us, work with us and appear to be willing to listen and discuss the issues that are important to architects.

Statewide there are a number of activities that need your attention as architects and AIA members. The first is the AIA 150 celebration and preparation for the “24-Hour Town Hall Meetings” on April 13 and 14. We will need “leaders” to help facilitate the charrette groups for in both Reno and Las Vegas.

Next we need to recognize and honor AIA members and community leaders through our AIA Nevada Livable Community Awards; through the AIA Honors and Awards Committee Nominations for national design recognition and AIA Fellowship; and through the AIA Nevada Service Awards. Please provide your recommendations for these to me or to Randy Lavigne in the AIA Nevada office.

We will be working with the Legislature this year in Carson City to lobby for Continuing Education as a requirement for licensure renewal and other issues that are vital to the profession and to the health, safety and welfare of the public.

Along these lines AIA National is encouraging architects to become active in their communities as civic leaders and legislators. In support of this the AIA Las Vegas Chapter will present “The Architect as Legislator” for their February 21st membership meeting. We can further our profession and our own career goals by sharing our experience and expertise in planning and problem-solving with in our own communities. Think of this throughout this year and let’s identify those amongst us whom we should promote and arm twist to serve our state.

The bottom line is ...... let’s warm up and help out!

KEEP AN EYE ON CARSON CITY

On February 5th, the 2007 Legislative Session will begin in Carson City. Then, over the next 120 days, numerous bills will be introduced, discussed and voted upon that will impact not only the growth and development of our Nevada communities, but also the practice of architecture in this state. What can the individual architect do? Answer: Be alert to what the legislators are doing. Join with the AIA Nevada Legislative Committee and our lobbyist, Fred Hilarby, to monitor the activities in Carson City and be ready to take action if necessary... be a part of the effort to write, email or call your representative; go to Carson City to testify; and help to organize other members and organizations as necessary.

This is a first step in taking a more active role. Then think about your career as an architect in public office. Architects make good City Councilmen - a good example is Craig Galatyn, AIA – or Planning Commissioners – Cliff Marshall, AIA – Hummm....... maybe you should think about becoming a state senator or assemblyperson in the next election.
AIA 150 CELEBRATION – 24-HOUR TOWN HALL MEETING

The local Las Vegas chapter of the AIA has chosen to conduct a 24 hour Town Hall Meeting / Design Charette, based on the core objectives of the “Blueprint for America” Initiative, in support of the AIA 150 nation wide celebration.

This is a unique opportunity to collaborate with a diverse and creative group of local community members to help identify local livable community issues, develop and elaborate on potential solutions to the issues, and present those findings to a prominent group of local leaders and decision makers.

The subject and focus of the 24 hour Town Hall Meeting will be on how to make Las Vegas a more livable community. The participants will each be divided into one of 12 focus groups of their choice to charette on the key elements that drive our community and help determine how to improve it. Exchanging ideas and collaboration between groups is encouraged. The final outcome of this meeting will be presented to a group of select panelists for comment and feedback at the end of the 24 hour session. The results of this 24 hour “ideas” session will be later memorialized in a “Blueprint for Nevada” document (one section for Reno and one section for Las Vegas) which will be presented to the Governor and/or public officials at the end of 2007.

The 24 hour Town Hall Meeting, lead by local AIA members, is open to all members of the community.

12 FOCUS GROUPS FOR THE 24 HOUR TOWN HALL MEETING DISCUSSION

1. ARTS & CULTURE
   Arts and Culture are prominent in thriving communities throughout the nation. What is the current level of development of Arts and Culture in our region how could it be improved or better integrated into our local society leading towards a more livable and enjoyable community?

2. DIVERSITY
   What are the problems Las Vegas faces in regards to diversity? What would be an effective way to help alleviate these problems and increase diversity of our community?

3. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
   The economic development of our community has a direct impact on the quality of life and prosperity of our people. What are some of the weaknesses of our current economic status and how should we go about addressing these issues to help strengthen and support our economic future?

4. EDUCATION
   The future of our community is dependant on the people who will take active roles in our region in the upcoming years. Most of these individuals are currently in our education system and our future depends on the level of success they can achieve. What are some of the key elements that our education system lacks or needs improving and how can we help restore and strengthen our education system to help ensure the success and livability of our community in the future?

5. ENERGY
   Our desert community requires energy to support it. We are essentially an island in the middle of the desert, but require energy from local and outside sources to survive. What does our community require for energy to thrive and how can we ensure that our energy needs are met even when the costs and availability of various types of energy change over time?

6. HEALTHCARE
   Our quality of life and livability of our community is tied to the level of healthcare that our region has to offer. What are some of the key issues in our healthcare system that requires attention and how can we ensure that our healthcare needs are met today and in the future to help improve the livability of our community?

7. HOUSING
   As our community has grown and matured, the means of developing housing in our region has evolved to address new concerns and limitations of the area. What are some of the key issues in providing adequate housing in our community and how can we ensure that our housing needs are adequately met in the future while improving the livability and sustainability of our community?

8. PARKS & RECREATION
   The quality and availability of public open space for recreation has a direct affect on the livability of our community. What are some of the key elements the Parks and Recreation system should address and offer to help enhance the livability of our community?

9. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT
   Our community is one of the fastest growing in the nation. Effective planning and development of our rapidly expanding community is vital to the livability of our region in the future. What are the main elements effective planning and development can address to help improve the livability of our community?

10. PUBLIC SAFETY
    Maintaining the safety of our community has a direct impact on the livability of our region. The public safety officers protect and serve our community helping maintain our quality of life. What are some of the key elements necessary in maintaining and enhancing public safety to help ensure a more livable community for our inhabitants?

11. TRANSPORTATION
    Everyone in our community uses or depends upon some form of transportation in their daily lives. Available, affordable, and effective means of transportation has a direct impact on the quality and livability of our community. What are some of the key elements our transportation system offers and how can we enhance the system to help improve the livability of our community?

12. WATER
    In the desert Southwest, our community is inextricably linked to the availability and quality of the water supply. What are some of the key issues facing our water system today and how can we help ensure our community enhances its livability, become a more sustainable system, and effectively manage our available water resources more efficiently?
GLOBAL EMERGENCY TEACH-IN
THE 2010 IMPERATIVE

Santa Fe (December, 2006) - With so much attention given to transportation, many people are surprised to learn that buildings are the single largest contributor to global warming. In the US, buildings are responsible for almost half (48%) of all greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions annually; globally the percentage is even greater. To address the Building Sector’s role in climate change, Architecture 2030, in partnership with Americaspeaks, is hosting a Global Emergency Teach-In.

The Teach-in, entitled The 2010 Imperative, will be web-cast live from New York on February 20, 2007 from noon to 3 p.m. EST. Hundreds of thousands of students, faculty, deans and practicing professionals in the architecture, planning and design communities in North and South America and around the world will be logging on to discover how they inadvertently fuel global warming through design, and what can be done to change this. In addition to addressing climate change, participants will also learn about ‘The 2030 Challenge’ and ‘The 2010 Imperative’.

In response to the climate-change crisis, Architecture 2030 issued The 2030 ‘Challenge’ in January of 2006. The Challenge calls for all new buildings and major renovations to immediately reduce their energy consumption by 50%, and all new buildings to be ‘carbon neutral’ by 2030. As The 2030 ‘Challenge’ spreads across the country and around the globe, it will be the professionals and young designers who will be asked to implement it. Yet today, climate-change science, mitigation and adaptation strategies are virtually absent in many professional offices, as well as US and international professional design schools.

To address this situation, a rapid transformation of the entire design and design education community must begin immediately. The 2010 Imperative, a challenge and strategy for transforming design education, will be issued to all schools during the Teach-in, and participants will be asked to adopt, support and implement its targets.

During the Teach-in, participants will be able to interact with leaders at the forefront of design and climate change. Panelists include Susan Szenasy, editor in Chief of Metropolis Magazine; Dr. James Hansen, Director of NASA’s Goddard Institute for Space Studies; Edward Mazria, AIA, Founder of Architecture 2030; and Dr. Chris Luebkerman, Director of Arup’s Global Foresight and Innovation Initiative. The event will feature presentations by the panelists and an extensive question and answer session, where participants around the world can query the expert panelists in real time. There will also be an action-oriented discussion on implementing The 2030 Challenge and The 2010 Imperative. This highly interactive approach will allow participants to learn from and educate the panelists and each other. The Teach-in will take place in New York City before a live audience, translated into Spanish and Portuguese and simultaneously web-cast.

The Global Emergency Teach-in, which is free, is sponsored by The American Institute of Architects (AIA), U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), New York Academy of Sciences, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, AIA Large Firm Roundtable and the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). Supporters include Metropolis magazine, AIA Committee on the Environment, Campus Climate Challenge, Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, American Institute of Architecture Students, and the Society of Building Science Educators among others. The Teach-in will focus on professionals and schools of architecture, planning, engineering, landscape architecture, interior design, industrial design and other design disciplines, but is open to all. To register for and/or participate in the web-cast, please visit www.2010imperative.org.
A COVENANT BETWEEN THE AIA & ITS MEMBERS

The purpose of this document is to describe what we, as members, may expect of The American Institute of Architects, and how we can contribute to the success of the organization. We count on receiving value through opportunities and services, whether accessed through the local, the state, or national component of the AIA. Those in leadership count on the active participation of members to sustain the AIA in its mission to be the voice of the profession and the resource for its members in service to society. This reciprocal relationship is ultimately grounded in shared values, mutual trust, and a commitment to working together. By forging a good-faith partnership among members, the AIA accomplishes things no single architect can do alone.

The Commitment of the AIA

The members of The American Institute of Architects create a community to share knowledge and advocate a shared vision to have a positive impact on the direction of the profession, the shape of our neighborhoods, and our world.

- The American Institute of Architects is a democratic organization, representing members’ interests in the selection of leaders, the setting of priorities, and the carrying out of programs.
- The American Institute of Architects is dedicated to the highest standards of professionalism, integrity, and competence as embodied in the AIA’s Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct.
- The American Institute of Architects represents the highest values of the profession in establishing public policies and advancing positions.
- The American Institute of Architects offers opportunities for members to become more knowledgeable as professionals, increasing their value to clients and society.
- The American Institute of Architects supports the advancement of knowledge that leads to a more capable profession, a better built environment, and a brighter future for all people.
- The American Institute of Architects creates opportunities for its members to gather in fellowship and to advance areas of common interest.
- The American Institute of Architects embraces the full spectrum of practitioners in membership and encourages the development of those who would like to offer their talents to the profession of architecture.

The Contribution of Members

Members of the AIA can realize the most value from their membership and contribute to the success of the organization by:

- Taking time to become informed about AIA services and programs. Informed members are most able to benefit from AIA membership and to acquaint others about opportunities for professional advancement and influence on the profession and society.
- Participating in decisions. Broad participation by a diverse membership assures that the AIA is relevant to its members and effective in its decisions.
- Participating in the planning and carrying out of AIA programs and initiatives. Collectively, AIA members can accomplish more when many professionals with their own ideas, experience, creativity, and energy work together.
- Contributing to a culture of inclusion, mentorship, and support for AIA members and pride in the organization. Together, architects can translate the passion they feel for design into a culture of pride and support for one another and the AIA as the voice of the profession.
- Contributing to the advancement of knowledge in the profession. With every project unique, architects create innovative solutions that can inspire others and advance the profession when shared through documentation and education.
- Responding as a citizen/architect to community needs. When members take part in civic dialogue as volunteers, communities become better places, architects gain perspective, and the profession is more highly valued.
- Shaping the organization and the profession as a leader in the AIA. Members of AIA rely on those who step forward as leaders to articulate the profession’s values and to advance a shared vision.
SUSTAINABILITY AT THE AIA

The recommendations of the AIA Sustainability Task Group were approved by the AIA Board in September 2006 on the overall direction of sustainability for the AIA. Three key initiatives of the recommendations are the AIA Sustainability Education Initiative, the Green Cities Toolkit, and 50x50. The overall theme of the AIA 2007 National Convention in San Antonio will be sustainability.

Current Status of AIA Sustainability initiatives November 2006:

Green Cities Toolkit
In December 2005, the AIA adopted the High Performance Building Statements promoting integrated/high performance design including resource conservation resulting in a minimum 50 percent or greater reduction in the consumption of fossil fuels used to construct and operate new and renovated buildings by the year 2010. In addition, the AIA states that all new and renovated buildings should be carbon neutral by 2030.

The US Conference of Mayors positively responded to the AIA statement, and last June the mayors approved both Resolution 50: “Adopting the 2030 Challenge for All Buildings” and Resolution 83: “Establishing a New Municipal Energy Agenda to Help Address the Nation’s Energy and Environmental Challenges and Improve Local Communities.”

To help mayors carry out these forward-thinking actions, the AIA is developing an initial toolkit of guides and resources that will help cities in the implementation of Resolution 50. The toolkit provides an overview of green building related issues, contains model language that can be modified for quick implementation, and provides real-world examples of what other communities are already doing.

A draft of this toolkit was distributed to selected individuals—such as mayors of representative cities and key AIA members—for their feedback. After incorporation of this feedback was, the toolkit was made into a CD, which was formally introduced at US Conference of Mayors’ Summit on October 26.

A further, more comprehensive toolkit is in the process of being planned. This toolkit will incorporate responses to both Resolutions 50 and 83, and will provide guides and resources for the greening of buildings, communities, and infrastructure within cities. The AIA will be joined in this endeavor by contributions from other planning, construction, and development groups. Sections of the toolkit are planned to be issued at the US Conference of Mayors Annual Meeting in late January 2007 and at the AIA National Convention in May 2007.

50x50
The American Institute of Architects is in the process of putting together a set of 50 best practices to help architects in the design of integrated/high performance building design with a goal of reaching a 50 percent fossil fuel reduction by 2010 and carbon neutral buildings by 2030.

Progress is underway to establish the specific criteria underlying the choice of these practices, for example the choice of a common energy baseline and the framework into which these practices can be placed and linked. The Sustainability Discussion Group of the Board will finalize these criteria and determine the most appropriate practices to use.

It is anticipated that a draft of the content and framework will be presented in early February 2007 at the AIA Grassroots Conference. The final set will be presented at the AIA National Convention, in May 2007, most likely on the AIA Web site and in a graphic format.

AIA Sustainability Education Initiative
The AIA is working with its collateral organizations, the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB), and the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA) and the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS), and others to develop a an outline for sustainability curriculum that may be used at the collegiate level. Although the focus of this initiative will be education for architecture students in NAAB-accredited programs, collaboration with educators from related disciplines will be essential. In addition to a curriculum for architecture students, recommendations for a survey course for non-architecture majors will be considered.

The first stage is to perform an environmental scan, to determine where the gaps are in the sustainability curriculum at all schools of architecture. An Issues Forum, to include members of the collateral organizations, will use the results of the environmental scan as a starting point for a discussion. The goal will be to develop priorities for sustainability in architecture education, including an outline for a sustainability curriculum.

In addition, the AIA position paper for the 2008 NAAB Accreditation Review Conference will incorporate recommendations for sustainability in architecture education.
OUR MOST POPULAR COURSES

AIA eClassroom

HEALTH CARE 2020: A VIEW OF THE FUTURE
The U.S. health care system is entering a new era of expansion characterized by explosive growth in demand driven by an aging population, advancing technology, multiplying options, and continued obsolescence. This course explains how these forces will place increasing strain on hospitals and health care facilities, leading to an eventual retooling and replacement of the system.

MANAGING RISK: THREE CASE STUDIES OF ARCHITECT LIABILITY
Sit around the “campfire” and listen to three terrifying tales of architect liability. This course will help you identify the omens of doom that gathered around these high-risk situations. You will learn to anticipate and solve liability issues that may arise; identify risk factors associated with recurrent themes in architect liability claims; evaluate the risk inherent in every practice; and design strategies for managing, transferring, or avoiding that risk.

MULTICULTURAL MODERNISM: LOS ANGELES, THE INCUBATOR OF CHANGE
This course gives you the chance to explore the evolution of Steven Ehrlich’s distinctive multicultural Modernism, including numerous examples from recent work in the United States, Asia, and elsewhere. You will analyze anecdotes and views on factors influencing modern architecture at the beginning of the 21st century.

21ST-CENTURY URBAN DESIGN: SECURITY AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
Achieving balance between security and openness in the civic environment continues to challenge design professionals, public officials, and building owners. Using case studies of significant public projects, this course explores how best practices, civic engagement, and design excellence inspire innovative security solutions in the urban landscape. You will also examine the philosophy and techniques behind transparent security.

THE IBC: A STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS
This course sets out a procedure to apply the building code to any project. By following this step-by-step process, attendees will be able to apply the building code and more successfully comply with basic building code provisions. The process helps to clarify provisions of the code that might otherwise be overlooked or misapplied.

HOW DO I REINSTATE MY MEMBERSHIP IF I LAPSE DUE TO CES NON-COMPLIANCE?
The AIA/CES Reinstatement Policy allows members who have been lapsed for non-compliance to reinstate at any time. Those applying to be reinstated must report 9 previously unreported LU hours in addition to their annual 18 LU hour (8 HSW) requirement. The 9 LU hours above the usual yearly number must have been completed within one year of the date of applying for reinstatement. The Reinstatement Form must be completed for reinstatement consideration.

To reinstate your membership, go to http://www.aia.org/cesfaq_default&Find=2

Or contact María Sigillito, Program Manager, AIA/CES, 202-626-7436 if you have any questions.
UNLV SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

2010 Imperative Teach-in Feb. 20 9AM - 12:30PM

Previous AIA Forums have had articles on the 2030 Challenge, as well as the 2010 Imperative which addresses changes in architectural education among other things. There will be an international online "teach-in" on the morning of Feb. 20. Campus locations have not yet been finalized to beam the presentation - but the Architecture Studies Library may be one. If you would like to attend call the ASL information desk at 895-1959 for location information.

Latest LEED titles in the Architecture Studies Library Reference section
LEED--CI for commercial interiors: reference guide TH 880 L44 2005
LEED--EB for existing buildings: reference guide TH 880 L44 2005
LEED-NC for new construction: reference guide, version 2.2 TH 6025 L44 2005

Urgent request for floor plans and plans for lighting/electric for student use
The Architecture Studies Library has received requests for building plans from students seeking to learn from the real thing! If you have plans, in particular floor plans and lighting plans, that you are willing to share, they would be a most useful addition to the library.

Blog postings
Recent postings on the ASL blog http://blogs.library.unlv.edu/arch-studies/ include a listing of the Best-of-Jury student projects on display until January 31, and an entry on 2007 trends (including the web site for Green Trends for 2007).

Upcoming exhibit
The ASL plans to have a February art exhibit of the work of full and part time School of Architecture faculty. We hope both students and the community will find it of interest.

AIA DENVER PRESENTS ARE REVIEW SEMINAR WITH PROFESSOR NORMAN DORF, AIA

Join AIA Denver for an eight-hour, comprehensive Architectural Registration Exam (ARE) review session with renowned professor Norman Dorf, AIA on Saturday, April 28, at the University of Colorado, Denver. Due to a limited schedule in 2007, it is likely that this will be Dorf's only seminar in the AIA Western Mountain Region and space is limited; so register today to secure your spot.

The seminar will cover all three graphic divisions of ARE: building technology, building planning and site planning. Dorf will provide attendees with an in-depth analysis of preparation recommendations, fatal errors and time-saving techniques. The seminar will include discussions on what candidates must know to pass the examination and ways of improving scores. Additionally, the best approach for arriving at an efficient passing solution for each vignette type will be discussed. Handouts and other study materials will be provided to all attendees. Dorf will also provide take-home, electronic mock exams. Completed exams can be sent via e-mail to Dorf for grading and suggestions for improvement.

For additional information or to download a registration form, visit the online calendar at www.aiacolorado.org, or contact Programs and Membership Coordinator Robin Hickey at AIA Colorado at robin@aiacolorado.org or 303.446.2266, ext. 21.

Schedule:
Saturday, April 28, 2007
Registration 8:30 – 9 a.m.
Building Technology 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Building Planning 2 – 4 p.m.
Site Planning 4 – 6 p.m.

Fees:
Full Day Registration
$325 Associate AIA Members before 3/2 ($375 after 3/2)
$425 Non-members before 3/2 ($475 after 3/2)

Single Session Registration
$120 Associate AIA Members
$170 Non-members

About Norman Dorf, AIA

For the past 17 years, Dorf has conducted seminars for interns wanting to gain confidence in solving the graphic division vignettes of ARE. For 15 years, he worked closely with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and the Educational Testing Service, writing and grading exams, and was instrumental in the development of the new computer-testing format. His seminars are held in various cities in the United States, Canada and abroad and can help keep preparation costs down and allow interns to interact or discuss concerns on the various vignette problems.
EVENTS

UPCOMING NATIONAL EVENTS

February
7 - 10
Grassroots Leadership and Legislative Conference Washington, DC

April
9 - 14
Launch of National Architecture Week

13 - 14
AIA Founding Celebration at Delmonico’s New York, NY

May
3 - 5
AIA 2007 National Convention and Design Exposition San Antonio, TX

September
12 - 15
WMR Conference Lake Tahoe, NV

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February 2, 2007 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Las Vegas, NV Nevada Power Rooms A, B and C – Fourth Floor 6226 West Sahara Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89146

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NEW AIA ARCHITECT AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OFFERED FREE REGISTRATION TO 2007 CONVENTION

The AIA 2007 National Convention and Design Exposition will be held May 3-5 in San Antonio. With hundreds of continuing education programs, dozens of architectural tours, and the chance to discuss ideas with colleagues around the world, attendees are sure to find the three-day event informative and illuminating. This year’s theme is Growing Beyond Green, and the convention will explore the growing influence of high performance design and the effort to reduce the energy footprint of the built environment. Scheduled speakers include David Suzuki; Christina du Plessis; William G. Reed, AIA; Raymond Cole; and The Honorable Al Gore. (98)

There is a free registration offer to those new associate and new architect members to the AIA 2007 Convention May 3-5, San Antonio, Texas. New members were notified of this offer in their new member email they received from national. When a new member registers for the meeting on-line, they will be automatically identified for receiving a free registration.

Eligible for FREE Registration to AIA 2007 Convention
*new architect (join date between 4/1/2006 and 5/5/2007)
*new associate (join date between 4/1/2006 and 5/5/2007)
*New members joining after April 18th will register at the convention, not on-line.

If you have any questions please contact Suzanne M. Rogers at 202.626.7441

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BRIEFS

Long-time AIA member and past president of AIA Las Vegas, ED VANCE, AIA, NCARB, has established a new architecture firm in Las Vegas. ED VANCE AND ASSOCIATES is a specialty design firm serving hospitality, commercial and health care clients with new offices located at 900 Pavilion Center Drive. As President and Design Principal of EV&A, Ed is joined by JONELLE VANCE, Vice President, SCOTT CARTER, Senior Associate, and a growing staff.

"The firm was established to provide a wide range of architectural services," said Ed. "We are dedicated to personal involvement with each client through the entire design process and into construction."

Ed is the recipient of the AIA Nevada Young Architect Citation, the AIA Nevada Service Award and most recently, (2006) the AIA Nevada Silver Medal, which is the highest honor that can be bestowed on an architect in the State.

THOMAD ENGINEERING is proud to announce the successful completion of the Findlay Chevrolet New Auto Dealership on 215 & South Rainbow Blvd. Designed by YWS ARCHITECTS, THOMAD Engineering provided full Structural Engineering services for the project which consists of a one-story showroom, 2-story administrative offices, service garage, and parts storage as well as a 3 level inventory parking garage with approximately 214,000 square feet of framed area.

JESS HOLMES, FAIA – NEW PROFESSOR AT UNLV

Architecture students at UNLV School of Architecture will have the great opportunity to learn from an exceptional architect and teacher. JESS HOLMES, FAIA has accepted a faculty position and will be teaching 3rd Year Design and Graduate Studio.

After 40 years of practice, Jess retired from Dekker & Perich Holmes Sabatini Architects (now Dekker Perich Sabatini) in 2005. He earned a Fellowship in the American Institute of Architects in 1992, and was honored as being one of the top 100 most influential people to shape the City of Las Vegas by AIA Las Vegas, Las Vegas Centennial Committee, and Architecture Las Vegas magazine. In recognition of Holmes’ service to the profession, the firm established a scholarship fund at the UNLV School of Architecture in his name. Jess currently serves on the “Honors and Awards Committee” for AIA Nevada, to help identify and encourage AIA member architects for recognition and elevation to fellowship. Congratulations to Jess and to the UNLV School of Architecture.

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February

7-11 Grassroots Leadership & Legislative Conference – Washington, DC

21 Membership Meeting – “The Architect as Legislator” – 2007 is a legislative year in Nevada. Bills are being drafted on the state and federal levels that impact how architects practice, as well as the future of the profession. Architects can no longer ignore the importance of taking an aggressive and assertive role in the political arena.

March

14 Membership Meeting
“The Future of AIA Las Vegas” - This meeting will be a special celebration and launch of the Strategic Plan for the Chapter. It will be held in an exciting (architectural) location, and will feature a special guest speaker. The specific plan for the Chapter will be presented to the members.

April

9-14 Architecture Week
Officially designated as National Architecture Week and AIA LV will offer a variety of events and activities to celebrate.

Alan Hess Lecture – “Mid-Century Architecture” Community center directly across the street from the Morelli House.

11 AIA Las Vegas High School Design Awards – 2nd Floor Ballroom at the Gold Coast Hotel. 5:30PM

13-14 24-Hour Town Hall Meeting – More information coming soon.

27 Spring Putting Tournament 6PM – Angel Park Golf Course