THE AIA APPOINTS ROBERT IVY, FAIA, AS THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Board of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), the premiere organization representing licensed architects and professionals in the design and construction industry since 1857, appointed Robert Ivy, a Fellow of the AIA, as the new Executive Vice President/Chief Executive Officer effective February 1, 2011.

A greatly recognized figure in the architectural profession, Robert Ivy, FAIA, is the Editor in Chief of Architectural Record, a position he has held since 1996. He is also the Vice President and Editorial Director for McGraw-Hill Construction responsible for the efficient management of a large editorial organization as well as the editorial quality of a family of publications in design and construction. Robert was a principal with Ivy Architects and the managing partner with Dean/Dale, Dean and Ivy for nearly 14 years before moving to corporate executive positions. He is a recipient of the Crane Award in 2009, the American Business Media’s top award for lifetime contributions to business media. In 2010, he was recognized as Master Architect by Alpha Rho Chi, an architectural fraternity, for communicating the value of design to a new generation.

Robert has been an advocate for the profession on many of the most important social, political, and environmental issues affecting the built environment. He is a dedicated member of the AIA having served on the AIA Board of Directors in the 1990s.

In his new position at the AIA, Robert will manage the national office in Washington, DC with a $56 million annual budget and 206 employees. He will direct organizational focus on design and practice issues within the Institute, enhance the voice of the AIA to demonstrate the value of design and the public’s understanding of architects and architecture, and work collaboratively with over 300 chapters nationwide and overseas to support AIA members.

AIA 2010 President George H. Miller, FAIA, said “We are excited to have Robert join the AIA as EVP/CEO. He has the combination of seasoned industry experience and corporate leadership skills sought by the Board and we welcome him to the Institute. The Board is unanimous in its view that his passion for the profession, his experience in the industry, and his leadership style will enhance the AIA.” Miller continued, “On behalf of the entire Board, I would also like to thank Paul Welch, Hon AIA, for his leadership as the interim Executive Vice President/Chief Executive Officer. Paul’s unwavering loyalty to the AIA and his steady and diligent management of the Institute were highly valued during the transition. He has my deepest respect and gratitude.”

Clark Manus, FAIA, 2011 President, commented that, “This is a pivotal time at the AIA and in the industry. There is no denying that the profession has recently faced significant economic stress but, as the economy rebounds in the US and the world, we must be vigilant and responsive to emerging opportunities. Our members are looking to the AIA to focus its efforts and resources while facilitating growth. I am thrilled to be working with Robert in the coming year.”

“The AIA is a stellar organization, one that I have always been proud to be a part of,” Robert said. “The brand represents the highest standard of design and professional ethics. It serves as a powerful message to clients and communities that design matters. I look forward to working with the Board, the staff and the components to enhance this valuable resource on behalf of all present and future members. I am committed to the profession and the success of our members and their practices in this transformed economy.”

Robert received his Bachelor of Arts in the University of the South in Tennessee and his Master’s in Architecture in Tulane University, Louisiana. He was elevated to the AIA College of Fellows in 1993.
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Let me take a brief moment to introduce myself. My name is Rob Filary (pronounced Fa-Larry), and thanks to the persuasive ways of Randy Lavigne, I will be the 2011 Las Vegas AIA President. I was born and raised in Michigan, went to Lawrence Technological University for my undergraduate studies and then graduated with my Masters of Architecture from North Carolina State University (go Wolfpack... of the south!). I’ve worked for architectural firms in North Carolina, Maryland, Michigan, and Massachusetts. I moved to Las Vegas in 2005, and I now call Pugsley,Simpson,Coulter Architects my home. I can say without a doubt, the Las Vegas architectural community has welcomed me wholeheartedly, and I am honored and excited to serve our extremely talented AIA members.

Although the 2010 year has been an economic free-fall for our industry, I am hopeful that as an organization we can come together and persevere to make 2011 a year of positive change. In 2011 AIA Las Vegas will work to strengthen and celebrate our “Architectural Alliances” – those relationships that have sustained, reinforced and enhanced our Chapter, our community and our members over the last years. We will be the host city for the 2011 Western Mountain Region (WMR) Conference, and by re-connecting to our WMR components and to the Las Vegas cultural and arts communities we will revitalize relationships that have been the foundations of our design community. We will also engage our most experienced and senior members, and use their wisdom and knowledge to strengthen and fortify our emerging professionals for a challenging and changing profession.

I am excited about the events planned for 2011. We will start off the New Year by acknowledging our local architects with a Slide Slam—it will be fast and furious, so hold on tight! Then we will reach out to one of our regional Starchitects, Eddie Jones, who will be speaking at our February membership meeting. Other highlights for the year include, Architecture Week that features the High School Design Awards, the annual AIA Golf Tournament, WMR Conference, Mob Museum tour, and an Art by Architects event in May that will also be combined with wine tasting (basically, it’s another excuse to drink!).

As I embark on the New Year, I would be remiss if I did not make one final plea. Like our own firms, the AIA has been hit hard by the economy. Membership is down, sponsorships are dwindling, and the overall participation is lacking. Therefore, whether it is through attendance or financial contributions, the AIA needs your support in order to persevere. Therefore, I ask for the following:

- Attendance: there’s safety in numbers! We NEED you to attend our membership meetings and events.
- Community Ties: spread the word about AIA and all of our exciting programs. Get involved in our community by building alliances with the UNLV School of Architecture, the AGC, the art community, etc.
- Sponsorships: no good deed goes unnoticed. Personally, my office has started to recognize and use the services of consultants, products reps, and companies that support the AIA.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Remember to party hard this New Years... we could all use it!
JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
AIA SLIDE SLAM

Join us on January 19th when we kick of the year with an invigorating look at design with eight of Las Vegas' most outstanding architects. The evening will feature Rick Sellers, AIA – Carpenter Sellers DelGatto Architects; Eric Strain, AIA – Assemblage Studio; Brandon Sprague, AIA – Aptus Architecture; Rick Van Diepen, AIA – PGAL; Jeff Roberts, AIA – Lucchesi Galati; and David Baird, AIA – UNLV School of Architecture.

Each designer will present 15 slides of their most exciting work and provide comments for each, followed by 3 minutes of questions and comments from the audience. When all of the presentations are completed, we’ll have more time for discussion and questions for all the designers.

Reception at 5:30PM, Presentation at 6:30PM – No charge for AIA members - $30.00 for non-members. You MUST RSVP to attend. RSVP online at aialasvegas.org - select Events/ select Calendar /select Date and Event – RSVP.

FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
EDDIE JONES, AIA – THE JONES STUDIO

Some of the most exciting design work in the region is being produced by The Jones Studio in Phoenix. Our February meeting will provide an opportunity for us to see first-hand the projects designed by Eddie Jones, AIA and the Jones Studio.

Edward (Eddie) Jones, with his business partner and brother Neal founded Jones Studio, Inc. on June 8, 1979. For the past 30 years the Jones Studio family has grown to include 20 highly motivated and enthusiastic individuals. They enjoy an unusually broad list of building types ranging from a “2 hofer” outreach trailhead located on a remote desert site to the 57-acre Mariposa Land Port of Entry in Nogales, Arizona – the third busiest land port in the United States. The list includes museums, research facilities, performing arts centers, golf club houses, an NFL training facility, town halls, softball-soccer stadiums, and an entire college campus.

Having been honored with over 183 design awards, the small studio was exceptionally recognized during the summer months of 2006 when they were asked to be an exhibit in the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art. To the best of anyone’s knowledge it was a precedent setting first time example of an architectural exhibit involving the relocation of an entire firm to a museum gallery. They were the exhibit... fully functioning, on public display for 4 months! Eddie has the privilege of lecturing frequently around the United States and abroad. His love for discussing architecture is represented by an impressive list of Conference commitments, lectures, and exhibits.

We are fortunate to have this opportunity to meet Eddie Jones, and invite all members to attend the February meeting. The meeting will begin with a reception at 5:30PM, program at 6:30PM. There is no charge for AIA members, $30.00 for non-members. You MUST RSVP to attend. RSVP online at aialasvegas.org

MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
COVERINGS 2011 – THE ULTIMATE TILE + STONE EXPERIENCE

You are invited to attend COVERINGS 2011, the Ultimate Tile + Stone Experience. AIA Las Vegas is a key co-sponsor of Coverings, which comes for the first time to Las Vegas, Sands Expo and Convention Center from March 14-17. The AIA Las Vegas March Membership Meeting on March 16 will be hosted by Coverings, and will be held at the Coverings Show. We will begin with a reception at 5:30PM (meeting room TBD) – so be sure to arrive before 5:30PM in order to walk the show and visit with the exhibitors prior our reception. (Show hours are 9AM to 5:30PM... so visit the show then attend the March Meeting afterwards.)

Attending the show is one of the most efficient ways to keep up with the latest tile + stone products and trends. With 1,000 exhibitors from 50 countries, Coverings provides you with a trip around the world of tile + stone.

For 2011, Coverings is featuring several exciting programs both on and off the show floor!

Installation/Design Showcase – An interactive live demonstration area where designers will be paired with installers to create five custom tile and stone bathroom spaces. Attendees will experience the creation from inception to completion.

Happy Hours – Taking place everyday on the show floor to enable you to continue to peruse the latest tile and stone trends while networking with peers.

New Product Showcase – An open competition to all contracted Coverings exhibitors will showcase the industry’s cutting-edge products and trends.

Green Project Showcase – Green projects over the past two years will be displayed on the show floor to view and inspire.

Educational Sessions at Coverings are FREE

Over 70 FREE educational sessions will reveal what’s new in both products and trends in tile + stone. Learn from masters in the field about the latest in techniques and standards for specifiers while earning CEU and educational credits for AIA, ASID, IIDA and NKBA.

AIA Las Vegas is pleased to be part of the largest tile and stone event in the Americas. As a member of the Chapter, we know Coverings is a valuable experience and we hope that you’ll attend. Take a look at the enclosed brochure and visit the website for additional information and to register at www.coverings.com.

We look forward to seeing you at the Sands Expo and Convention Center, March 14-17, 2010. Visit the Expo during the day anytime from 9AM to 5:30PM. Meeting Reception starts at 5:30PM. No charge for AIA members - $30.00 for non-members. You MUST RSVP to attend. RSVP online at aialasvegas.org - select Events/ select Calendar /select Date and Event – RSVP.
ARCHITECTS’ SPEAK
A NEW SERIES OF LECTURES BY AIA LV ARCHITECTS

Architects are interesting people. That's because they are people who are interested in a wide variety of things. By education and, certainly by their own personal curiosity, they are problem solvers. Many are artists, writers, musicians, and sculptors. Some are researchers, teachers, civic and business leaders... all come to the profession of architecture to “make a difference”, to share their knowledge and their experiences and to create, to improve, to advance, to enrich our communities.

AIA Las Vegas is tapping into the rich resource of our members talents and experiences — by presenting a series of programs in which “Architects’ Speak”.

Join us for the Opening Presentation on Thursday, January 27th at 5:30PM when we kick-off this series with Craig Galati’s presentation of “The New Economy - Rise of the Right Brain” followed by a reception and discussion.

Then beginning in February, we'll hold the programs as “Brown Bag Lunches”. Bring your lunch (we'll provide the beverage) and join us at 11:30AM in the auditorium of the Historic Fifth Street School. Open to the public, no charge for attending. Learn more about architects and the world we live in when “Architects’ Speak.” All programs are registered for AIA LU credits. RSVP online at aialasvegas.org to attend.

ARCHITECTS’ SPEAK:

Thursday, January 27
CRAIG GALATI, AIA - “The New Economy - Rise of the Right Brain”
5:30pm Reception – Auditorium, Historic Fifth Street School

Thursday, February 24
WILLIAM SYNDER, FAIA - “To Haiti and Back”
11:30am Brown Bag Lunch – Auditorium, Historic Fifth Street School

Thursday, April 21
ED VANCE, AIA - “The Citizen Architect”
11:30am Brown Bag Lunch – Auditorium, Historic Fifth Street School

Thursday, May 25
DAVID BAIRD, AIA - “The Architect Artist”
11:30am Brown Bag Lunch – Auditorium, Historic Fifth Street School

Thursday, June 23
ERIC ROBERTS, AIA - “The Political Animal”
11:30am Brown Bag Lunch – Auditorium, Historic Fifth Street School

Thursday, September 22
JESS HOLMES, FAIA - “Design in the Desert”
11:30am Brown Bag Lunch – Auditorium, Historic Fifth Street School

Watch for additional programs to be added throughout the year.

HEADS UP

AIA Las Vegas is hosting TWO (2) GOLF TOURNAMENTS in 2011: The 38th Annual AIA Las Vegas Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, May 6th, at the National Golf Course. Then.... As a part of the WMR Conference, the WMR Tournament will be held on October 8th, at National Golf Course. Plan to have a team in each tournament. Sponsors get both tournaments when they buy one sponsorship for the spring tournament. For team and sponsor information visit www.aialasvegas.org /select Events or contact klavigne@aianevada.org

RE-THINKING
AFFORDABLE
HOUSING

2010 – 2011 HIGH SCHOOL DESIGN COMPETITION

HSDA Chair, Yissa Renteria, AIA has crafted an excellent challenge for Clark County High School students. It will encourage them to think “outside the box” with regard to home design, and it provides inspiration by acquainting them architects and designers who have created successful affordable housing that is also unique and beautiful.

This year's competition focuses on the re-thinking of affordable housing in the Las Vegas Valley. Habitat for Humanity is just one of many non-profit organizations that seek to build better communities by revitalizing and stabilizing neighborhoods in the community that cannot support private development.

The challenge for this year's competition is to design a Masterplan that revitalizes the neighborhood by creating a sense of community without the stigma associated with affordable housing. The design solution should respond to the surrounding context but also address the needs of the families and hundreds of children that will reside in the neighborhood.

This year's program also includes a list of architects and architectural projects that should serve as inspiration. Each student is responsible for selecting an architect or firm and researching those projects. The student should then apply any design theories/concepts into their own residential design in a way that is appropriate to the residents and Las Vegas. Students are encouraged to borrow their selected architect or design firm's aesthetic style, drawing techniques, floor and spatial arrangements and interpret them into their own designs. The complete challenge program is available for download at www.aialasvegas.org / Events.

The students will need advisors, so if you are interested in being a part of this very important AIA program, and acting as an advisor to a high school class, contact Yissa Renteria at Yissa@pscarchitects.com
CREATING PLACE: REMAKING AMERICA GREEN
DR. ROBERT A. FiELDEN, NCARB, FAIA

If you are interested in the future of this planet and how we make it sustainable, and make our lives here on earth more meaningful, this book is for you. If you love your hometown and want to make it a better place to live, this book is for you. If you embrace change and view it as a new opportunity to open your life to a wider realm of knowledge, experience and humanity, this book is for you. If you are a communicator, this book is for you; and, if you have children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews you adore, and you want them to have great futures – this book is for you. So begins the introduction for Dr. Bob’s “Creating Place: Remaking America Green”. We might add, if you are an architect or a designer – this book is for you.

“Creating Place” provides readers with a wealth of knowledge and history pertaining to the evolution of America’s path towards an urban culture. It also demonstrates that sustainability, from a local to a national scale, is possible by providing examples of how it can occur.

To purchase your copy of Creating Place; Remaking America Green go to amazon.com or contact RAFL Communications Group.

AIA LAS VEGAS MEMBER NEWS

THOMAS J. SCHOWMAN, AIA, principal JMA ARCHITECTURE STUDIOS, will be honored on Thursday, February 24th by being inducted into the Nevada Entertainer/Artist Hall of Fame.

Congratulations to Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects for 50 years of design excellence. TSK celebrated their 50th anniversary in October, 2010.

Also celebrating an anniversary is NOVUS ARCHITECTURE, who reached their one-year milestone in December, 2010.

And last, but hardly least, we would like to congratulate GARY GUY WILSON, AIA and his beautiful wife, CAROLINE, for their 50th wedding anniversary.

SPONSORSHIP & ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

In 2011, the meetings and events we have planned offer maximum visibility and marketing opportunities across the state for our Sponsors. Also available for your consideration are advertising opportunities in our statewide publications. Whether you decide to advertise in our “NEVADA FORUM” newsletter or our online Directory and Resource Guide, you will reach your targeted audience by working with the AIA in Nevada.

For your convenience, sponsorship agreements and advertising forms are on our website (www.aielasvegas.org) or you can contact Debi Raffi at draffi@aielasvegas.org.

NEW POLICY / NEW EVENT PAGE

The AIA LV office receives dozens of requests each week from individuals, businesses, organizations, conferences and conventions, — all wanting us (AIA) to send their information to you by “blast e-mail”.

While in some cases this might be beneficial for you to know about their events, it is simply impossible for your Chapter to act as the conduit for their services. AIA Las Vegas has, therefore, instituted a policy governing these requests.

Email Communications With AIA Members Policy:

Only notices initiated by the AIA (national, state and local) will be sent to AIA members via “blast email”. These emails will be identified by use of the AIA logo.

Requests for notices of meetings, events, conferences, lectures and CE opportunities, from affiliated organizations and others where there is no charge for attendance, will not be emailed to the membership. But, instead will be posted to the “Community Event Connection” page on the AIA Las Vegas website (under “Events”). There is a fee of $25 payable in advance to the AIA Las Vegas Chapter for this service. Where there is a charge for attendance there is a fee of $100 payable in advance to the AIA Las Vegas Chapter for this service.

If you are looking for local CE events or other community events, please refer to the Community Event Connections page on www.aielasvegas.org.

2011 DUES

If you have already received your E-mail Renewal Notification and paid your dues online — Thank You Very Much!! The Notification provides a Link to access YOUR Invoice through YOUR personalized URL so that you can pay your dues conveniently and immediately online.

As a back-up, in a few days, you will also receive your Invoice by Mail. This will include a Renewal Letter from President Manus, and a business reply envelope for paying your dues.

Please keep in mind that you are requested to pay your dues in full by January 31, 2011. And, of course, your Chapter needs all members to renew their membership as early in the year as possible. If you need to set up a payment plan, this service is available to you. There is a Payment Plan Enrollment Form included in your Email Renewal Notification.

Your membership in AIA is vital to the future of the profession, and an essential part of your own plans for the future. Renew Today! so that we can continue to build a stronger profession and better communities.

NEVADA PUBLIC RADIO

Have you joined Nevada Public Radio yet? If you are not already a member, please consider joining and supporting NPR. As you know, the Las Vegas Chapter of the AIA is a proud supporter of NPR. Please join and thank you for supporting Nevada Public Radio and the design and architecture community.
AIA NN MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to Brad Van Woert, AIA and Angela Bigotti, AIA for 35 years of moving forward without losing their roots. They have also announced their new firm name, Van Woert Bigotti Architects. We are sure there are big things to come for them!

ANNUAL POST HOLIDAY PARTY

The annual Post Holiday Party will again be held at the Coney Island Bar in Sparks. Mark your calendar for January 11th, 5:00 p.m. for cocktails, 6:00 p.m. for dinner. A great time is guaranteed and no one will leave hungry. The “Coney” was established in 1927 by Ralph Gallettis, an immigrant from Genoa, Italy, where he produced his famous tamales for sale to local restaurants in Northern Nevada. In 1945, he built the existing structure to house the tamales factory in back and a bar in the front. He called it the Coney Island, which was the name of the amusement part across the street from his new building. A dining hall now replaces the tamales factory and third generation Gallettis provide good food and friendship to all who come in the door. And, as always - - “Free Beer Tomorrow.”

TRUCKEE MEADOWS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE / CONSTRUCTION / RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAMS

The Truckee Meadows Community College Department of Architecture / Construction / Renewable Energy Programs end-of-year projects were juried on December 13th by members of the AIA Northern Nevada. First-year students addressed the correlation between musical composition and architectural design, analyzing scale, proportion, rhythm, timing, and harmony and how each contributes to our well-being. Second-year students were asked to design a sustainable wellness center, focusing on how design and the environment join together to create positive healing principles in our every day lives. The results were creative and the discourse was lively. Our young designers have a very bright future ahead of them.

NEW ERA IN NEVADA
THE FORUM GOES STATEWIDE

This is the first official issue of the “Nevada Forum” our new expanded statewide newsletter. In the past the newsletter has been shared with AIA Northern Nevada members, however this publication is now officially a benefit of AIA Nevada. It will not only be distributed to AIA members across the state, it will include articles, events, calendars and information on issues, programs and events that are provided by and for AIA Northern Nevada members as well as AIA Las Vegas.

The NEVADA FORUM will also be available to members via email, and made online at the AIA Nevada website. www. aianeveda.org. For Advertising and editorial content contact Debi Raffi, Communications Manager, AIA Nevada, draffi@ aianeveda.org.

CANSTRUCTION

Construction will again be held this year at Meadowood Mall in Reno, where thousands of people will stroll among a dozen or so creative Canitcure projects. Local architectural firms team up with schools and other civic groups to produce themed “sculptures” built of canned foods and later donated to the Northern Nevada Food Bank. Nearly $30,000 in food is donated from this event and it has become the Food Bank’s second largest event of the year. The dates are March 31 – April 3, 2011. To form a team or find out more about the event, call Fred Graham at The Worth Group, 775.852.3977.

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AIA Nevada 2011 Legislative Actions

The 76th Regular Session of the Nevada Legislature will begin in Carson City, Nevada on Monday, February 7, 2011.

While our representatives will be struggling with balancing the state’s budget and resolving the necessity of tax increases, AIA Nevada will be continuing to work to create jobs in the design and construction industry. Getting our state’s economy back on an even keel is a complicated matter that requires major changes in how revenue is generated through the state, but one of the key elements is a strong and working design community. If architects are not working, then jobs are not being created in the industry.

The AIA Nevada Legislative Committee is aggressively addressing this issue on several levels. The committee has joined with Senator Steven Horsford to produce a plan that will help to create a diversified economy.

The committee is currently researching four key areas:
(1) Multi-modal Transportation (2) Healthcare Tourism (3) Research & Development, and key to them all (4) Education, and will provide a presentation for Senator Horsford that illustrates and expands on the ideas presented in the “Envisioning Nevada’s Future” report, which is based largely on the AIA Blueprint for Nevada.

Senator Horsford has established a Select Committee on Economic Growth and Employment, and shortly after the Legislature convenes in February, AIA Nevada will present the results of their work to the Select Committee.

AIA Nevada is also a member of the BUILDING JOBS COALITION, organized in partnership with other affiliated organizations in the industry. The Coalition has researched and produced the first edition of “Creating 100,000 Nevada Jobs – A Summary of Legislative Strategies”, and has also created a website to at www.buildingjobscoalition.com.

The strategies provided in the report and on the Coalition’s new Web site are broken down into two groups: immediate, infrastructure-related strategies; and other longer-run job creation strategies. Combined, the estimated direct and indirect economic impacts of these strategies total more than 100,000 person years of employment (i.e., one person employed full time for one year).

The Building Jobs Coalition was formed to identify, research, vet and advocate on behalf of job creation strategies throughout the state of Nevada. While the Coalition’s origins are in the design, development and construction industries, its focus is broad-based. Being that design, construction and development workers account for roughly 1 in every 3 unemployed Nevada jobseekers; infrastructure and related undertakings leave the state with the assets essential to grow the economy; and Nevada’s state and local governments have immediate infrastructure needs, the near-term solutions focus more heavily on capital investment-related strategies.

A complete copy of the “Creating 100,000 Nevada Jobs – A Summary of Legislative Strategies” can be downloaded from the www.buildingjobscoalition.com website, and also through the www.aianevada.org link.

The Coalition plans to update its report on a recurring basis and will be using its Web site to develop new ideas as they emerge and to track the state’s progress in terms of passing key legislation aimed at getting Nevadans back to work and lowering the state’s nation-leading rate of unemployment.

We encourage members to stay informed on the actions of the AIA Nevada Legislative Committee and participate whenever possible. Legislative Affairs Day in Carson City will be announced and members are welcome to make the trip with the committee.

And, don’t forget the AIA Nevada PAC. In order to be effective we need to build our PAC funds. All contributions are welcome. www.aianevada.org

SPECIAL DEAL FOR AIA NEVADA MEMBERS
SUBSCRIBE TO ARCHITECTURAL RECORD

Attention, members of AIA Nevada, Your subscription to Architectural Record is about to expire! As of January 1, 2011, you will no longer receive Architectural Record as a benefit of membership in the AIA. The next issue you receive will be your final issue. Architectural Record is offering a special discounted rate for AIA Nevada members to renew their subscription. You’ll save nearly 60% off the newsstand rate, and if you act today you’ll also get the digital edition of Architectural Record included at no extra charge. The digital edition allows you to access the Architectural Record app on your iPhone or iPad, completely free! To take advantage of this special deal go to www.aianevada.org/publications

GOVERNOR APPOINTS KIMBERLY CIESYNISKI TO BOARD

GOVERNOR JIM GIBBONS appointed KIMBERLY CIESYNISKI, a Reno registered interior designer, to serve on the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design (NSBAIDRD). The governor also reappointed WILLIAM E. SNYDER, FAIA an architect, and LARRY TINDALL, a residential designer. All appointments are for three-year terms.
AIA NEVADA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
SEAN COULTER, AIA

For my first AIA Nevada President’s message, I would like to thank each of you who have participated in AIA over the years and especially the past two (you know what I mean). Your continued support has helped our organization become stronger and more cohesive.

Having served both on the AIA Las Vegas and AIA Nevada boards, I know that the board we have this year is committed to excellence and making AIA Nevada a component to be envied. One of my goals will be to work closely with AIA Northern Nevada and AIA Las Vegas to have one voice that expresses the concerns of our profession. This voice will be heard at the Western Mountain Region and the National levels.

In February the State will be sending a contingent of members to Washington D.C. for the annual AIA Grassroots Conference. I have been told that we shouldn’t get snowed in this year like some people did last year, although, a few extra days in D.C. may not be too bad (ok, maybe it would be for us desert dwellers) Grassroots is a great opportunity to meet with our State and Federal Legislators. Having the ability to meet with all of our legislators in the Capitol over a two-day period, we will be presenting to them opportunities that will enhance our profession and the communities in which we live. These meetings also give us face-time to let them know how important architecture is to the wellbeing of our society. Having heard stories from AIA members from other states, we seem to have greater success with meeting with our representatives compared to the more populated states, therefore, AIA Nevada has the ability to be a guiding force for the future of our State and we aim to succeed.

A great event that is put on by AIA Nevada is the annual AIA Nevada Design Awards program. This event is the only truly statewide event for AIA Nevada members. It is a great time to meet old friends and make new ones (as long as you like architects!) The awards program has been the premier event of the year for AIA Nevada and this year will prove no different. This will be a great opportunity to recognize leaders in our profession and highlight exciting projects that make a difference in our communities. I hope that each of you will participate when the time comes.

Again, I want to thank everyone for being part of a great organization and I hope everyone has a prosperous and happy 2011!

JACOB SNOW HONORED
AIA NEVADA LIVABLE COMMUNITY AWARD

Jacob Snow, Director of the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada was honored at the AIA Las Vegas Holiday Celebration, for his contributions to building a more livable community. As Director of the RTC Jacob has worked to create and implement transportation systems that provide safe, efficient and convenient mobility for all citizens. He has advocated for energy efficient transportation and has moved Las Vegas to the forefront of progressive transportation in the country. He is an ambassador for Nevada and a spokesperson for Las Vegas and is dedicated to making Las Vegas a more livable community.

The Livable Community Award is presented by AIA Nevada in recognition of those individuals and organizations, outside the architectural community, who are working to improve the beauty, safety, livability and future of our communities and who have made Nevada a better place for all citizens.
2011 WMR CONFERENCE
HOSTED BY AIA LAS VEGAS

AIA Las Vegas will host the 2011 Western Mountain Region Conference on October 5-8, 2011 in Las Vegas. The theme of the conference is "CONNECTIONS: Physical Abstract Creative" and was created to explore the tangible and conceptual ways in which the states and components of the Western Mountain Region are associated.

We are connected through the physical concerns for water, energy, transportation and through the abstract unions of culture, traditions and philosophy, as well as through the creative visions of resourceful and imaginative design.

The Conference will be a celebration of all that unites us, and will open discussion on our shared potential, values, expectations and future.

WMR CONFERENCE LOGO

As a part of the preparation for the WMR Conference, AIA Las Vegas held a logo design competition based on the theme.

We received about two dozen entries, and after much deliberation, the committee selected the entry (seen here) that they feel best exemplifies the theme graphically.

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Thursday, March 3, 2011
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To be held in the Auditorium of the 9th St. School.

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If you would like more information on scheduling a CE Presentation through AIA Las Vegas, please contact Kelly Lavigne at 702.895.0936 or klavigne@aianevada.org.

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