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GUEST EDITORIAL

BONDS FOR VIRGINIANS

The continuing series on conservation which started in the May 1977 issue, will resume in the November 1977 issue. It is being interrupted in order that we may present this important message for your consideration.

In 1976, the construction industry, as noted in the February editorial, was predicting a bottoming out of the decline in building in Virginia and a slight improvement in 1977 with increases expected in the Washington, D.C. and Richmond areas. As viewed today, there has been some improvement in the Richmond and Roanoke areas. The picture is better around Charlottesville and in parts of Tidewater, but construction, and prospects for the immediate future, is "bottomed-out" or down in other areas of the state. It is with no surprise then that we find the Virginia Branch of the Associated General Contractors of America supporting by resolution the November 8 bond issue referendum.

The 1977 session of the Virginia General Assembly overwhelmingly approved five bond issues totalling $125 million to be submitted to the voters in a referendum. The Governor in a statement to the General Assembly pointed out that "every one of the projects included is critically needed, and needed now." The projects included are not primarily for more expansion of state services but were selected to help Virginia catch up in public services with the demand for them now. Some of the buildings involved were approved as much as seven years ago but there was no money for construction. This bond issue will not cover all of Virginia's catch-up needs but the projects included are the most urgent and can be built and in use at earlier dates. The bond issue projects cover five areas of service to the people of Virginia: Colleges, Community Colleges and Universities; Mental Health Facilities; Correctional Facilities; Ports; and State Parks.

In the first of these categories, funds are included for new buildings, expansion and renovation and classroom space at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, the College of William and Mary, George Mason University, the University of Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University-Medical College of Virginia, Old Dominion University, Mary Washington College, James Madison University, Virginia Military Institute, Longwood College, Virginia State College, Norfolk State College, Christopher Newport College, J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College, Northern Virginia Community College, Thomas Nelson Community College, Tidewater Community College, Virginia Western Community College, New River Community College and at The Science Museum of Virginia. In Mental Health, funds are included for a building at the new site of Western State Hospital and two regional training centers for the mentally retarded. For Correctional Facilities, projects included are a Medium Security Facility, Powhatan; Intensive Treatment Learning Center for Juveniles, Bon Air; Mecklenburg Correction Center; Processing and Industrial Facilities at the Powhatan Correctional Center; Youthful-Offenders Center, Southampton County; and a Regional Medical Installation at the Powhatan Correctional Center. For Ports, money included, together with other

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By Frederick E. Baukhages, IV, AIA

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grass roots input, the new, revised version of the advertising standards were presented along with the other proposed revisions of the Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct. Gone was the heated debate of the Philadelphia Convention over the prostitution of our professional ethic in regard to advertising; and no wonder, because the proposed changes proved to be so minor that it was almost as though no change had taken place. And indeed, the most significant change was to allow architects to indicate specialties in their telephone listings as long as the specialties were not graphically displayed or printed in bold typeface. Big deal! The changes were so minute as to not warrant the least bit of debate among delegates on the convention floor.

This proposed, and now adopted, advertising standard continues to put the AIA architect (big or small) at a disadvantage with the general public when compared to non-AIA architects, designers, and builders who regularly purchase advertising in trade publications, popular publications, newspapers, radio, television — you name it. The AIA member should be allowed, if he so wishes, to meet the challengers on a common ground and have the chance of explaining to the public what he can offer and how the public might benefit from his services.

Other professions are moving in that direction.

It is ironic that these by-law changes were being adopted almost concurrently with the Supreme Court's decision to strike down the ban on advertising for the legal profession. This decision allows attorneys to purchase advertising in the public media describing the types of services offered and the fees charged for those services.

And, one wonders if the Ethics Task Force were still meeting and discussing the advertising changes, would not they have been affected by the Court's decision regarding our fellow professionals — and might they not have proposed changes that would have made advertising a more integral part of the architectural profession of tomorrow.

The San Diego Convention theme was built around "TOMORROW." and yet, without being allowed to reach the public through the means of advertising, I wonder if tomorrow holds an expanding future for architects. Or will they serve an ever decreasing number of clients because "those potential clients whom they can identify by name and position," who are the ones that can be reached with brochures, pamphlets and newsletters, get fewer and fewer.

As long as the advertising ban exists, the architect must seek all existing and ethical means available to make the public aware of the quality of the products and services he is able to provide. The Virginia Record is just such a means. We, the contributing architects are not responsible for identifying the circulation list. The list can therefore be — and is — very much broader than one that an individual or a firm would be able to produce. Your participation in the Virginia Record allows subscribers in all walks of life to see examples of your work and thereby be made aware of the quality and variety of architectural services available. The circulation is broad, reaching clear across the country. We were recently made aware of a doctor on the West Coast who, after seeing a past issue of the Virginia Record has contacted a contributing architect about designing his house in Virginia when he moves into this area. This is what it is all about — taking the time to do a small amount of public relations in order to help build a practice. I know the effort will be worthwhile in the long run, the firms who regularly contribute, I feel sure, will agree.

The Public Relations Committee
Virginia Society, AIA

Richard L. Ford, Jr., AIA

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UNUSUAL triangular forms have created a dramatic identity for the Danville Branch of Virginia National Bank. By locating on the edge of the central business district, the bank was able to provide ample parking and to create a new focal point in an area which is undergoing redevelopment.

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Bid in June 1975, the project was completed at 16% below the approved budget.

John W. Daniel & Co., Inc., of Danville was general contractor.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
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Danville Landscape Nursery, landscaping; Thompson-Arthur Paving Co., paving contractor; Valley Steel Corp., Salem, reinforcing; Danville Concrete Products Co., Inc., block supplier; Acme Corp., Texas, brick supplier; Danville Lumber & Manufacturing Co., carpentry materials, cabinets & wood doors; E. M. Martin, Inc., Charlottesville, waterproofing, built-up roof & sheet metal; The Bonitz Insulation Co., Greensboro, N. C., roof insulation & wall insulation; Binswanger Glass Co., Inc., Greensboro, N. C., glass, glazing contractor, windows & storefront; Seybar, Inc., Martinsville, metal doors & frames; Tom Jones Hardware, Richmond, hardware supplier; Wrenn Tile Co., ceramic tile; J. W. Squire Co., Inc., acoustical tile & floor covering; Quality Control Co., painting contractor; Cates Building Specialties, Inc., Roanoke, special doors, toilet partitions & toilet accessories; Energy Controls, Inc., plumbing/heating contractor; and, Watson Electrical Construction Co., Wilson, N. C., electrical contractor.

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ALBEMARLE BANK & TRUST COMPANY’S proposed new permanent headquarters building, including bank and office facilities, is to be located on US 29 in Albemarle County near Charlottesville. ABT was founded by a local group of five business men, two of whom are Wendell W. Wood and Earl Eichen. The bank charter granted in 1972 under the name Cavalier-Country Bank has since grown to nine directors and two branch banks, the first at Charlottesville, the second located at Scottsville, opening on August 15, 1976, both under the new name of Albemarle Bank & Trust Company.

The new four-story bank and office facility is sheathed in brick and insulating bronze blass. The glass horizontal expressed openings are reflected throughout the facility. The first level contains the banking functions. An entrance plaza with plantings and benches provides a mini mall atmosphere, through which is the main entrance to the elevator lobby, access to the bank and, by elevator, to the three upper office levels. The brick
paved plaza and elevator lobby harmonize with the brick and walnut plank paneling throughout the bank. The banking lobby has plush carpet areas including the five-teller work area and five drive-up remote stations. Adjacent to the tellers' area is the 15' x 20' vault, three coupon booths, bookkeeping, president's office and two officers' rooms. The support facilities tower adjacent to the elevator lobby, contains the bank equipment room (after hour depository and walk-up banking facility), elevator machine room, janitor and electrical closets and stairway #1 to the upper levels.

The second floor support facilities tower contains the public toilets, janitor and electric/telephone closets. Adjacent to the elevator lobby is the bank lounge with unit kitchen and storage closet for bank employees. The rentable area of 4,600 square feet each — second, third, and fourth floors — is finished with wood paneling, vinyl wall covering, carpeted floors, acoustical ceiling, and movable partitions.

Stairway #1 extends to the roof and leads to a walkway and the helipad facility. The helipad is elevated four feet above the roof level for visual purposes.

The structural system consists of concrete foundations, structural steel frame, steel bar joist, metal deck 2-1/2" concrete floor system. The wall system includes exterior brick, insulating sheathing on steel studs, batt insulation, gypsum drywall or wood paneling interior finish. The support facilities tower is 4" concrete floor slab bearing on concrete block and brick exterior.

Each floor is heated and cooled by three electric heat pump units placed at calculated locations. The heat pumps are metered separately for each rentable space. The building utilizes automatic sprinklers for fire safety.

Days Construction Co., Inc., of Salem, is general contractor for the facility.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
(All Roanoke Firms)
Structural Steel Co., Inc., steel supplier, steel joists & handrails; L&P Roofing & Sheet Metal Co., built-up roof; Air-O-Matic, Inc., plumbing/heating/ventilating/air conditioning contractor; and Newcomb Electric Co., Inc., electrical contractor.
The Tuckahoe Medical Building is located on the immediate fringe of a major commercial complex in western Henrico County which contains three shopping centers, office buildings, theaters, a library, a junior high school and a high school.

Although this building is located in the immediate vicinity of all of this activity, the site was partially wooded and fronted on a street which was not a part of the major traffic flow for the area. These factors all contribute to a more serene character relative to the adjoining commercial area although as a result of county requirements for future street widening and storm sewer demands, many trees had to be removed from the front of the building.

The owner exhibited a high degree of sensitivity to the quality of the site which resulted in working around trees in the parking areas, a substantial landscape budget, and an irrigation system for the site in the immediate vicinity of the building.

The building contains medical offices of various types. The upper floor is occupied by one tenant practicing orthopaedic medicine and is a self-sustaining practice in that it has its own x-ray facilities. The bookkeeping department incorporates a computer system.

The lower floor is divided into four suites for general surgery, ENT and dentistry. Each floor has access to grade level so that patients do not have to use stairs upon entering or leaving.

Energy conservation was a consideration in the design which incorporates a heat pump mechanical system consisting of six zones. The building envelope utilizes masonry
cavity wall construction with rigid foam board in the cavity, windows are glazed with bronze-tinted insulating glass and the roof is insulated at the plane of the ceiling with six inches of insulation.

The building was designed as one story on the street side in an effort to maintain the existing streetscape of low profile buildings. The exterior incorporates the use of buff-colored split concrete masonry units and redwood siding. These materials permit the building to be less commercial in appearance and contribute to the transition from the high density area to some of the residential properties which still exist nearby.

Barker Construction Co., Inc. of Richmond was general contractor and handled foundations, concrete work, carpentry and part of the millwork.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
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Also, R. Willison Roofing Co., built-up roof, GAF® Mineral Shield roofing, & sheet metal; Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., roof insulation; Dow Chemical USA, wall insulation; SDG, Incorporated, glass, glazing contractor, windows & storefront; J. S. Archer Co., Inc., metal doors & frames; Miller Manufacturing Co., Inc., wood doors & millwork; Pleasants Hardware, hardware supplier; A. Bertozzi, Inc., gypsum board contractor; Oliva & Lazzuri, Inc., ceramic tile; Fendley Floor & Ceiling Co., acoustical treatment & resilient tile; Miller & Rhoads & Everett Waddey, carpet; City Wide Decorators, Inc., painting contractor & wall covering; Reames & Moyer, Inc., plumbing/heating contractor; and, R. L. Dixon, Inc., electrical contractor.

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The architects proceeded to perform a complete analysis of the existing structure and investigation of the cost of construction of a comparable new building. The investigations revealed that, because of the substantial reconstruction that would be required, renovation would not be significantly cheaper than new construction. However, because of the historic character at the 1905-vintage structure, the architects and board of county supervisors agreed on a renovation of the existing courthouse with an addition to provide much needed floor space.

The addition and renovation was designed to preserve the dignity and style of the original structure, while upgrading the building to comply with building codes and provide barrier-free access for handicapped persons. Construction was phased to permit a majority of the courthouse spaces to remain in use while renovation was taking place.

Both General District and Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courtrooms (Continued on page 24)
When Echols-Sparger & Associates were selected to design a Library-Occupational-Technical Building for Southwest Virginia Community College, the campus consisted of a single building. Officials from SVCC and the State Department of Community Colleges worked together to set up the educational priorities. The architects were then given the responsibility of taking the educational program and translating it into the physical facilities which would fulfill the needs of the growing college.

The site of the college is a steep hillside between Russell and Tazewell Counties.

Soil investigations revealed that the bearing capacity of the soil limited the location of the proposed structure to a small area along the top of the ridge. The architects investigated existing and proposed structures and parking areas, as well as circulation of pedestrian and vehicular traffic, before locating the building. This master planning enabled the architects to take maximum advantage of the site while providing maximum flexibility for future development of the college.

The Library-Occupational-Technical Building is a two-story steel structure with a brick veneer. The brick veneer was used with a limestone fascia to maintain the feeling of the existing building at SVCC.

The Library consists of a large reading area wrapped by bookstacks. A mezzanine level contains more stacks with study carrels, tables and work areas for small groups. Another feature

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were refurbished. Office space was provided for Clerks of the Court, Judges, and the Commonwealth Attorney. Fireproof storage for county records was expanded. An office for the County Administrator and a meeting room for the Board of County Supervisors were added. Existing office spaces were renovated and enlarged for maximum efficiency. Finally the basement of the existing building was reworked to provide an Emergency Operations Center for Civil Defense.

Lincoln Builders Supply Co., Inc., of Marion, was general contractor and handled excavating, sodding, seeding, etc., paving, foundations, concrete work, reinforcing, masonry work, mortar, steel erection, roof deck (other), steel gratings, handrails, carpentry, structural wood, wall insulation, foundation insulation, carpeting, special flooring, special wall finish and specialties.

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Williams Nursery, Marion, landscaping & landscaping contractor; Ellis Readymix, Marion, concrete supplier; General Shale Products Corp., Marion, masonry supplier; Al-Steel Fabricators, Inc., Roanoke, steel supplier, steel joists & miscellaneous metal; Nolen Products, Knoxville, Tenn., millwork, paneling, wood doors & windows; and Industrial Decking & Roofing Corp., Bristol, Va., waterproofing, built-up roof, other roofing & roof insulation.

Also, Tilley Paint Co., Pulaski, caulking, painting contractor/supplier (Sherwin-Williams Paints); D.W. Allen & Son, Inc., Hillsville, sheet metal, plumbing/heat/venting/air conditioning contractor; Central Glass Co. of Virginia, Inc., Bristol, Va., glass & glazing contractor; Trimble Co., Johnson City, Tenn., metal doors & frames and hardware supplier; Nolen Products, Knoxville, Tenn., wood doors & windows; A. & H Contractors, Inc., Roanoke, plaster contractor, gypsum board contractor, acoustical treatment, wall covering & resilient tile; Joe Rainero Tile Co., Inc., Bristol, Va., ceramic tile & terrazzo; and Southern Elevator Co., Inc., Greensboro, N.C., elevators.

Others were: Rowland Electric Co., Inc., Marion, lighting fixtures supplier, electrical equipment supplier & electrical contractor; Winebarger Corp., Lynchburg, pews; Everett Waddey, Roanoke, metal & fiberglass equipment; Standard Forms Co., Johnson City, Tenn., wood office & courtroom equipment; and Southeastern Waterproofing Co., Inc., Charlotte, N.C., exterior restoration.
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of the LOT Building is a large lecture room which can be sub-divided for the flexibility of use as two (2) classrooms. Laboratories were provided for occupational/technical training in such fields as electronics and mining technology. Conventional classrooms and faculty offices supplement those already existing at the college. Locker rooms for men and women were also included to permit students to participate in individual and intramural sports and athletic activities.

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Subcontractors & Suppliers
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found to be an unsatisfactory solution, particularly in view of the fact that a fine site for a new library was available on the campus and that the existing library could be converted to a use more in keeping with its size.

The new library site was well located in relation to the campus circulation pattern between dormitory and classroom areas. A sloping site presented some problems with access to the main entrance to the library but also afforded a good solution for a separate entrance on a lower level to a night-study room and a multi-purpose meeting room which could be used at different hours from the library schedule. Many of the academic buildings in the core of the Allegheny campus are of 19th century design and construction, but the newer buildings are of contemporary design. The architects of the new library were not forced into a particular style or concept of appearance for their building which therefore was allowed to grow out of its functional requirements. The new library was designed for a book capacity of 500,000 volumes and seating for 580 students. Facilities are provided for storage and use of microforms, phonodiscs, tapes, cassettes, filmstrips, slides and motion pictures. The library is a member of a computer-based network for catalog information and inter-library loans. The building is planned for future expansion of its collections of resources as well as its facilities for viewing and listening to the audiovisual materials. These materials are also available for use in group study rooms and the multi-purpose meeting room on the lower level. Total floor area of the building is 83,700 SF. Construction cost was $3,913,000; furnishings cost $325,000.

Engineering analysis of the load factors and optimum planning modules led to the adoption of post-tensioned concrete slab construction. The exterior design is brick and glass, with windows permitting views into the library from the bordering walks. The entrance corner is made inviting by a paved esplanade with raised planters containing trees and shrubs. Access of handicapped persons to the library is provided by level walks from the side street. Glass walls in the librarian’s office and the staff lounge provide a view over the entrance terrace to a magnificent Gothic chapel and the old campus which lies directly across the tree-lined street.

Allegheny’s new library building, dedicated in October 1976, assures the College of a facility which can be continuously kept up to date with the ever-changing materials and methods of higher education.

Associated Contractors of Conneaut Lake, Inc., Conneaut Lake, Pennsylvania was general contractor.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
Keibert Construction Co., Meadville, Pa., excavating; Ernest F. Donley’s Sons, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio, concrete contractor; O’Neil Construction, Inc., West Middlesex, Pa., masonry contractor; Metalcrafts, Inc., Hubbard, Ohio, miscellaneous metal & handrails; Moss Brothers Lumber Co., Conneaut Lake, Pa., carpentry & millwork; R. W. King, Inc., Erie, Pa., built-up roof; Brunot & Hollabough, Meadville, Pa., installation of Amarlite Anaconda windows; Builders Hardware & Specialty, Erie, Pa., hardware supplier; Erie Acoustical Corp., Erie, Pa., acoustical treatment, resilient tile & carpet; Linz Brothers, Meadville, Pa., painting contractor; The Mills Co., Cleveland, Ohio, toilet partitions; Seelar & Co., Inc., Erie, Pa., installation of Dover elevator; V. R. Yoder, Inc., Meadville, Pa., plumbing contractor; Renick Bros. Construction Co., Slippery Rock, Pa., heating/ventilating/air conditioning contractor; and Trico Electric, Inc., Erie, Pa., electrical contractor.

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A LOW, FLAT SITE, limited budget and tight schedule combined to pose a variety of challenges in the design of the Virginia Beach Campus of Tidewater Community College. Starting from scratch in March 1972, the campus opened in September 1974 with an administration building, two classroom buildings, a library and a man-made lake on a budget under $2.4 million.

Because it was operating in inadequate, temporary facilities, Tidewater Community College was anxious to move into a new campus as quickly as possible following approval of capital funding. On the other hand, officials wanted to plan for the anticipated long range growth of the campus. Williams and Tazewell reconciled these needs by developing the campus master plan and schematics for the first phase almost simultaneously.

The topography of the site posed a major challenge. It was low and flat with poor drainage. A man-made, storm drainage outfall lake solved the drainage problem while adding a badly needed aesthetic improvement. Basically, water drains from all parts of the campus into the lake. At a certain level, it flows over a weir and is carried under Princess Anne Road into the drainage ditch system serving that area of Virginia Beach.

The four buildings in the first phase were located in context with the lake and the five additional buildings anticipated by the master plan. With a significant portion of the budget committed to solving the site development problems mentioned above, cost control became a major design consideration. Thus the emphasis was on a functional no frills design with minimum maintenance requirements. Naturally material selection was also important.

Dan Dills, associate with Williams and Tazewell, said “Our cost control in this case was not a result of exotic new techniques. It was mainly the result of keeping especially close tabs on the construction market during production. This helped in material selection, but it also told us that the best way to save money then was to save time.” This, of course, had been a key reason for overlapping master planning and first phase schematics. It also led to development of very detailed production schedules to eliminate any wasted time. Working drawings were completed in four and a half months.

The campus presently has an administration building which also includes space for business classes, a science building with various fully equipped labs, a third building shared by the humanities department and the student commons, and the library. Except for the library, all the buildings are single story. The fenestration is accentuated by precast concrete window box units to add visual interest to the otherwise smooth, purely functional facade. A sunken, outdoor commons is located in front of the administration building, also to add interest to the flat campus. The campus’ central building is the library. Although two-story, it repeats
the fenestration used elsewhere. Its design is a function of its orientation to the lake and the layout of the stack system. The purpose of the latter was to provide good site lines of the stacks from the control desk for security. Within that constraint, the purpose of the former was to optimize the visual benefits of the lake. The library’s interior is dominated by a floating architectural stairway. Another important element of the building reflected in its exterior elevation is a large lecture hall seating approximately 150. It features terraced platform seating and complete audio-visual accommodations.

W.B. Meredith II, Inc. of Norfolk was general contractor and handled foundations, concrete work, reinforcing and carpentry.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
(Norfolk firms unless noted)

Also, Walker & Laberge Co., Inc., glass, glazing contractor, windows & storefront; Builders Manufacturing Co., metal doors & frames; Door Engineering Corp., hardware supplier; A.D. Stowe, Inc., Portsmouth, plaster contractor & gypsum board contractor; Jayen Tile Corp., ceramic tile; Bay Tile Corp., Portsmouth, terrazzo; and, Grover L. White, Inc., resilient tile.

And, Shaw Paint & Wall Paper Co., Inc., painting contractor (Pittsburgh Paints); Liskey Aluminum Co., Glen Burnie, Md., accessible floor; Flowers School Equipment Co., Inc., Richmond, equipment; W.W. Moore & Sons, Inc., elevators; Harry M. Brown Co., plumbing/heating/ventilating/air conditioning contractor; and Swing Electrical Co., Inc., Hampton, electrical contractor.
The School Board for the City of Roanoke has embarked on a program which tries to obtain the maximum usage of school facilities by encouraging community use after school hours. Having found that this arrangement worked satisfactorily in one previous newly constructed Gymatorium, the School Administration was anxious to implement the same type of program in another section of the city.

Since the architectural firm of Sherertz, Franklin and Shaffner designed the first new Gymatorium for the city, they were acquainted with the program requirements before beginning the design of the second facility. The concept would be the same, but the conditions were quite different.

The previous Hurt Park project had none of the construction limitations that the new Crystal Spring addition posed. The existing Crystal Spring School is located in a quiet, established residential neighborhood in the southwest section of the city. This, more than anything else, became the controlling factor in the design. The facility was to be constructed on a very limited site and directly fronting on two

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residential streets and the neighbors were afraid that “a gymnasium or auditorium” might be an overwhelming and unsightly structure in the neighborhood. Keeping this serious concern in mind, Rudy Jennings the Project Architect for this project created a structure with subtle, clean and simple lines. The exterior is of brick masonry with sloping metal roofs. Exterior landscaping provided an instant appearance of “belonging.” As it turned out, the neighbors are very pleased with the results and feel the facility has actually added to the neighborhood.

The interior in contrast with the exterior is much more dynamic and makes considerable use of bright colors throughout. Primary colors were used extensively to generate interest and involvement by the children.

At one end of the structure, there is a raised carpeted stage (with a soundproof operable wall) which doubles as a music room when the operable wall is closed. The other end is made up of storage rooms and toilet facilities.

The gymtorium is completely air conditioned by two rooftop heating-cooling units using electric power for all functions. Conditioned air is distributed throughout the area by a central duct system located in a dropped ceiling in the center of the gym floor area. The music room utilizes its own independent system for maximum efficiency.

Other features include a colorful synthetic floor of resilient polyvinyl chloride specifically formulated for multi-purpose activity areas; acoustical roof decking; mercury vapor lighting of the gym area and polycarbonate (unbreakable) glazing. Extensive use of insulation to obtain the optimum “U-Factor” in both walls and roof resulted in an energy efficient building.

Creative Construction & Development Corp. of Roanoke was general contractor and handled excavating, foundations, concrete, masonry work, structural wood, carpentry, waterproofing and weatherstripping.

Subcontractors & Suppliers


Also, McClung's, millwork & hardware; Mahone, Inc., steel doors & bucks; Engleby Electric Co., Inc., lighting fixtures & electrical work; Weddle Plumbing & Heating, plumbing fixtures & plumbing/air conditioning/heating/ventilating contractor; and S. R. Draper Paving Co., Inc., paving. Basketball backstops were supplied by Nissen Equipment.
LOEAT EIN Northern Henrico County at Penick Road and Staples Mill Road, the Dumbarton Library's site was chosen because the Henrico County Library Board decided to utilize the Dumbarton School Building already on the property. One of the important considerations was how to design an addition without it looking like an addition. The decision was
made not to try to match the "schoolhouse red" brick of the original building since the structure is such a large complex and the effect of the materials would be overwhelming. The architect chose to use, rather, a warmer reddish brown brick for the addition and tie it to the original by means of a wood covered connecting link.

The design theory for the whole complex is based on a public gallery that goes through the building, acting as a spine for the structure, with the major activity areas directly accessible for nighttime public functions after the library areas are closed.

The building's external massing expresses its three major internal areas; a children's reading room; an adult reading room; and the community

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The children’s area features an outdoor terrace for reading and relaxation. Here, exterior materials are also used inside to carry over an outdoor feeling. The adult reading room incorporates a skylight to help give definition to the reference area. The configuration of the adult area is a quarter-circle which is accented by the layout of the furnishings, lighting and mechanical systems, in a pattern radiating from the main control desk. The gallery is the major public space, planned to move people through the building. This area is designed to encourage exhibitions and displays. The staff supporting areas include a lounge, a kitchen, storage areas, and restroom facilities.

One of the special problems in utilizing the existing Dumbarton School building was the large volume of space given to work with; all of which was not needed. In order to reduce some of that volume, the architect recommended the duct work be exposed and painted. Between the duct work, pads of ceiling tiles are suspended with some open spaces creating a floating effect. Besides reducing some of the volume, the pads help to absorb noise, and distribute light.

Because the original plot of land was basically barren of trees, the landscaping solution has been to place trees in an irregular manner forming a natural-like setting, and to break up the parking areas with islands of trees. To give direction from the parking area to the building, trees are massed in a hypostyle, heading towards the main entrance. To further help the transition from the parking area to the building, a large brick plaza leads from the main entrance. Bicycle parking is available near the entrance.

The Dumbarton Library was completed in March 1977. Construction costs for the project were $679,000.00. Hendrick Construction Co., Inc. of Richmond was the general contractor and handled excavating, foundations, carpentry, wall insulation and foundation insulation.

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Also, Willard L. Council Roofing, Inc., built-up roof; PPG Industries, Inc., glazing contractor; Walter Smith Associates, windows & storefront; Pleasants Hardware, hardware supplier; Fairfield Tile & Marble Co., Sandston, ceramic tile; Consolidated Tile Co., acoustical tile & resilient tile; Miller & Rhoads, carpet; A. Bertozzi, Inc., painting contractor; The Interior Steel Co., Ohio, supplied steel lockers; Cates Building Specialties, specialties; Browzson Equipment Co., Inc., library shelving; Talley Neon & Advertising Co., site signs; Hungerford, Inc., heating/ventilating/air conditioning contractor; and Lang Electric Co., Inc., Glen Allen, electrical contractor.
THE NEW three-story IBM Corporation building, located on the fringe of downtown Roanoke, contrasts sharply with its surrounding environment. It is a strong study in black — black glass, black metal, black panels, all set on a contrasting white exposed aggregate base — making it a building that cannot be ignored. The structure is a pre-engineered modular space frame system, based on the use of a recently developed multi-story design. The heart of the system is a five foot modular grid coordinating all ceilings, walls, lighting, heating and air conditioning components. A central core houses the stairs, elevators and toilets, and is surrounded by flexible office space on all sides, divisible by movable vinyl-faced partitions. Under-floor ducts for telephone, electrical and communications equipment further supplement

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THE OBJECTIVE WAS SIMPLE: "Transform an ordinary industrial executive office suite into a modern, efficient and meaningful headquarters" representing Westvaco's operation in Covington. To accomplish this, the architect was directed to concentrate on three essentials: (1) replanning and refurbishing the main executive offices; (2) modernization of the building's exterior; and (3) creation of an inviting and generous reception space for visitors to the...
plant. Three floor levels at the front portion of the existing office building were involved in this renovation program.

The existing areas required major alteration — while the executive offices remained on the second floor (though in somewhat different arrangement), the reception space for visitors to the plant was relocated from its cramped quarters on the second floor to a more logical position at first floor level. In accomplishing this, the main access stairway to the upper floors also required shifting so that it could better function as an essential artery between reception area and the offices on the floors above. To satisfy all objectives, some new
space had to be created, although the bulk of project is alteration and renovation work.

The three main executive offices, formerly scattered, have been grouped around a secretarial-waiting area nucleus. A measure of privacy, so lacking previously, is now assured by screening the entry to the suite from the main corridor. Each office has completely new furniture and furnishings and bears little resemblance to its former condition. Also on the second floor, the nearby ladies lounge and toilet underwent a total face lifting. Several offices on the third floor required relocation and remodeling due to stair changes.

New construction, although limited to only 700 square feet, provides for central reception and waiting space for visitors. The receptionist is positioned to control all traffic — incoming and outgoing — to and from the upper floors. The room has slate flooring and one accent wall in which slate has been combined with bonded bronze panels. Featured at one end of the room is a tapestry of geometric pattern designed by Michael Mewborn, Lynchburg artist. Visitors enjoy a view of the esplanade along the Jackson River, the only green vista at the plant.

A new precast concrete facing for the upper two floors of the building addressing the esplanade is a very noticeable new element. The proportioning of the new facing was carefully worked out to fit the existing windows, most of which were retained. Applied directly over the existing brick wall, the precast concrete is deep-cut horizontally and vertically to provide shielding for southern and western exposures. Openings are glazed with deep-toned grey glass to achieve a double glazed condition with the original windows, left intact. Lettering identifying the plant is placed on a free-standing precast concrete wall to the left of the main entrance; the wall also serves as a screen for a parked rescue squad vehicle intermittently used in connection with the plant medical facility just beyond the main entrance. A small structure in front of the office building which housed pay check dispensing for the plant was demolished to provide an uninterrupted view of the main entrance from the visitors’ parking area. This pay function was moved to ground floor space vacated by the former stairway.

The project had a highly critical time schedule. Days Construction Company, Inc. of Salem, general contractors, delivered the job in exactly six months from groundbreaking. Days Construction also handled excavation, sodding, seeding, etc., landscaping, carpentry work.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
(Roanoke firms unless noted)

Economy Cast Stone Co., Richmond, precast concrete; Structural Steel Co., Inc., steel supplier, steel joists & frames; PPG Industries, Inc., glass, glazing contractor & metal doors & frames; Cates Building Specialties, window wall; Skyline Paint & Hardware, Inc., hardware supplier; and, Feather Tile Co., slate walls & floors.

Also, Contract Furnishings & Design, Salem, carpet; Hesse & Hurt, Inc., painting contractor & wall covering; Weddle Plumbing & Heating, sprinkler/plumbing/heating/ventilating/air conditioning contractor; Noland Co., lighting fixtures supplier; Johnson Controls, Inc., controls; Newcomb Electric Co., Inc. electrical contractor; Unijax Business Interiors, furniture supplier; Michael Mewborn, Artist, Lynchburg, wall tapestry; and, Architectural Millwork, Inc., Troutville, reception desk.

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IBM occupies the ground and first floor levels; the upper floor of approximately 13.000 square feet is available for short and long term leases. The building is all-electric, served by underground vault. Special power circuits are utilized for IBM computer and test equipment, and a central paging system is used for all IBM-occupied spaces.

Special attention was given to interior design. Existing furnishings were used to equip a combination of enclosed and open office spaces. Original fabric hangings, water colors and silk screen prints were commissioned to complement the tetrad color scheme of maroon, bright blue, yellow-green, and orange.

Frye Building Co. of Roanoke was general contractor and handled sodding, seeding, etc., landscaping, landscaping work, foundations, concrete work, masonry work, steel erection and wall insulation.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
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Also, Skyline Paint & Hardware, Inc., metal doors & frames & hardware supplier; Shields, Inc., gypsum board contractor; Feather Tile Co., ceramic tile & resilient tile; The Carpet Shop of Roanoke, Inc., carpet; Hesse & Hurt, Inc., painting contractor; Dover Elevator Co., Memphis, Tenn., elevators; Kohler of Kohler, plumbing fixtures; Valley Air Conditioning Corp., plumbing/heat/ventilating/air conditioning contractor; General Electric Supply Co., electrical equipment supplier; and, O.R. Chisom electrical contractor.
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For over fifty years visitors to Richmond's Maymont Park have enjoyed strolling along the many footpaths around and through the elaborate gardens, waterfalls, ponds and acres of natural foliage, once the estate of nineteenth century railroad magnate, Thomas Dooley. The old mansion there, ornate and exquisitely detailed, has been a focal point of the park. The mews and carriage house, although architecturally distinguished, have been mostly overlooked and relegated to service and maintenance areas.

In 1924 the hundred-acre estate was given to the City of Richmond and incorporated into the city’s park program. The mansion was turned into a...
museum, the extensive landscaped grounds became a nature center, and a small zoo of indigenous animals was added.

When rising maintenance costs forced a decline in the park's upkeep, a group of local citizens, concerned about its future, developed a plan to revitalize the historic estate. The Maymont Foundation, a non-profit organization, was formed in 1971 to undertake its maintenance and development, and a plan for extending and improving the park was prepared which won the approval of city officials.

As part of that long term effort, Glave Newman Anderson undertook the restoration of the carriage house and mews for incorporation into mainstream activities of the park. The simplest and most straightforward methods were sought, and the architect's task consisted largely of exposing and clarifying the buildings' essential qualities. The object was to totally transform the buildings' functions without substantially altering their physical characteristics. The architect has taken advantage of the many unusual structural features of each building, transforming them into attractive and interesting exhibit areas that entertain the visitor while maintaining the integrity of the structure.

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outfitted with modern heating, plumbing and electrical service. Ductwork is left exposed in both cases, as were lighting fixtures. These necessary intrusions of modern equipment provide an interesting contrast to the old ceilings without detracting from their overall appearance.

The entrance court of the carriage house is much the same as it was in the nineteenth century. Only now the carriage bays serve as galleries, and the vehicles parked there are antique relics of the Dooley era. Exhibits range from a child's goat-pulled cart to a surry with a fringe on top. Inside, a room that was once lined with horse stalls now serves as a meeting room. Although the stall partitions were removed years ago and that area is carpeted, the room is essentially the same as when horses hoofed the floor. An old stone walkway remains intact.

The tack room has been converted into a souvenir shop, its simple features resembling those of an old general store. Upstairs, the feed storage area has been extensively altered in order to provide office space for the Maymont Foundation's staff. Outside, an L-shaped part of the courtyard is now an open air nature center.

The mews, previously a combination of stables, living quarters and courtyard, is now a gallery featuring a variety of artwork and displays which are changed regularly. The base of the turret has been converted into a minitheater. The second floor is used for storage and also houses the heating and cooling plant. A small kitchen was added to serve the many meetings, brunches and luncheons held at the park.

Through careful planning and imaginative use of space, the mews and carriage house have been transformed into major attractions of Maymont — interesting, educational and functional.

Hermitage Construction Corp. of Sandston was general contractor and handled masonry work and carpentry. Landscaping was handled by Maymont grounds personnel.

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Rappahannock Forge, Fredericksburg, miscellaneous metal; R.A. Siewers, Inc., structural wood & wood doors; Kenneth Barker, roofing; Miller Manufacturing Co., Inc., windows; Pleasants Hardware, hardware supplier; F. Richard Wilton, Jr., Inc., gypsum board contractor; Acc-U-Rate Carpet Service, Inc., carpet; Hanover Decorating, Ashland, painting contractor; Virginia Paint Co., Inc., Benjamin Moore Paint supplier; Noland Co., plumbing fixtures supplier; Al Eatmon Plumbing & Heating, plumbing/heating contractor; Atlantic Electrical Supply Corp., lighting fixtures supplier; and Webb Electrical Co., electrical contractor.

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During the last two years, the First Baptist Church of Richmond has seen the growth of needs of young married couples, especially those couples who live close to this urban church. In response to these needs, First Baptist evaluated their existing educational programs and existing facilities. They discovered that once effective teaching techniques of lecture-style classroom approaches no longer applied to the modern newly married couple. Yet, the layout of the lecture-style classroom areas remained.

The ministerial staff at First Baptist also learned that small group techniques and round table discussions were among some of the best ways to facilitate involvement by young marrieds. As a result, First Baptist overhauled its Young Married Program by offering a format that would be conducive to small group sharing, fellowship, and Bible study. Renovations to an existing church wing were designed to respond to this remodeled education program.

The design solution is as fresh and contemporary as any young married couple who will use the facility. Bright springy colors and natural wood tones are used throughout. Floor to ceiling glass walls provide an open and airy feeling and dramatically increases the “visibility” of new young people in a relatively old church. Individual classroom spaces are designed as small group modules that are clustered around a central meeting area where the separate classes can come together as a department unit. A pantry, fully equipped for cooking and serving, is provided to allow the young couples to prepare snacks, coffee, and doughnuts on Sunday mornings and full course dinners for social gatherings.

Interiors were designed using furniture and other appointments that reinforce the classroom cluster concept. Light weight stacking chairs in natural oak are in the classrooms and they encourage flexibility and spontaneity of seating arrangements. Heavy, close-to-the-floor sofas in kelly green and natural oak trim in the grouping area suggest solidarity and non-movement — a place to come back to, home base.

The classrooms are distinguished further by light, wheat-toned carpeting and energy efficient fluorescent lighting for an up-beat and alert teaching environment. The central grouping and circulation areas use a deep blue carpeting and incandescent lighting for a restful, subdued atmosphere.

As a result of these improvements, First Baptist Church has had nearly a
50% increase in new young married members and has begun three new classes in the new wing. And the design of the space has successfully accommodated the new educational programs being used for this group.

Viking Enterprise, Inc. of Richmond was general contractor.

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Kitchen Center, cabinets; Walker & Laberge Co., Inc., glazing contractor & storefront; J.S. Archer Co., Inc., metal doors & frames; Pleasants Hardware, hardware supplier; Thalhimers Business Interiors, carpet; Goldberg Co., Inc., equipment; Dawson Electric, Hopewell, electrical contractor; and Contract Interiors, furniture.
THE RUDOLPH residence was designed for a very dramatic 80-acre site just outside of Blacksburg. The clients and their two children wanted a house which reflected their relatively informal lifestyle as well as their concern for nature and love of horses.

The house is sited on a pastoral knoll adjacent to three large oak trees. The exterior is finished in natural, untreated redwood lapped siding — with a cedar shingle roof which wraps down over the vertical surfaces in several locations.

The physical and visual relationship between the 2200 s.f. interior and the site itself is facilitated by strategically located windows and four eight-foot sliding glass doors. The interior is finished with white walls and redwood tongue-and-groove wood ceilings.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
Ray Carroll, Blacksburg, excavating; Webster Brick Co., Inc., Roanoke, masonry supplier; Andersen Corp., Bayport, Minn., Andersen windows; Dehart Tile Co., Inc., Christiansburg, ceramic tile & resilient tile; Myers, Blacksburg, painting contractor; Noland Company, Roanoke, plumbing fixture & lighting fixtures supplier; Air Control Corp., Pulaski, heating ventilating air conditioning contractor; and Larry Thomas, Blacksburg, electrical contractor.
THE SCHIFFERT residence, located in Blacksburg, was designed around a relatively large collection of antiques and personal artifacts, as well as the informal lifestyle of the owners.

The exterior is finished with brick at the lower level, diagonally applied 1x4 tongue-and-groove cedar board siding, and a cedar shake roof. The clients' love of wood is reflected on the interior through the use of random width wood flooring, and tongue-and-groove cedar wood ceilings, accented with white plaster walls.

Five stained glass windows, owned by the client, were also integrated into the scheme — one at the front entry and four in an indirect lighting application in the bar/recreation room. The interior consists of a series of balconies, a spiral stair and clerestory lighting.

William Akers, of Riner, Va., was general contractor.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
Paul Sault, Blacksburg, excavating; Laurel Creek Nursery, Christiansburg, sodding, seeding, etc., landscaping & landscaping contractor; Christiansburg Paving Co., Christiansburg, paving contractor; General Shale Products Corp., Richmond and Blacksburg Lumber, Blacksburg, masonry suppliers; Bower Brothers, Christiansburg, carpentry, millwork & cabinets; and Huttig Sash & Door Co., Roanoke, Andersen windows.

Also, Skyline Paint & Hardware, Inc., Roanoke, Schlage hardware supplier; Dehart Tile Co., Christiansburg, resilient tile; Cromer Furniture, Christiansburg, carpet; Reed Lumber Co., Christiansburg, Bruce prefinished flooring; Olympic, paint; Country Manor, Christiansburg, wallpaper; Pulaski Tinning Co., Pulaski, heating/ventilating/air conditioning contractor; and, Noland Co., Roanoke, American Standard plumbing fixtures, Prescolite lighting fixtures & electrical equipment supplier.
THE NEED FOR a distinct separation between private and public areas, as well as several important site features, were considered as major design determinants for the Doswell Residence. The house is to provide maximum privacy for a master bedroom wing which is separate from all other living areas. With this in mind, a two-zoned plan was devised which expresses the public and master bedroom areas. A connector links the two zones, and from this connector there is a view of a nearby lake. The view was enlarged by angling a side wall of the family room at 30 degrees. One enters the house at the connector and can immediately focus on the view of the lake through the family room.

Entrance to the public zone is by way of a gallery leading past a spiral staircase to the living room. Opposite the living room, and with a view of the setting sun through the woods, is the dining room. A breakfast room, with large windows and a barrel-vaulted skylight, is enhanced by early morning east light.

At the other end of the house is the
master bedroom zone with sleeping, dressing, and sitting areas. Above the sleeping area is “Bill’s Lookout,” a get-away place accessed only by a narrow spiral staircase. This location was chosen in order to provide a “climax-point” for the house. As a second story room at the highest point on the property it establishes itself as the anchor, with all other elements, being lower, leading up to it.

Cedar board siding will be used to help wed the house to the wooded lot. Also significant items from New Market Farm, the original quarters of the Doswell’s ancestors at Doswell, Virginia, are incorporated into the design.

R.E. Collier, Inc. — Builder of Richmond is general contractor and is handling painting.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
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Brookside Construction Co., excavating; Kevin Vickery, masonry contractor; Biltmore Welding, Ashland, steel erection; Griffith & Griffith, Fife, carpentry; Custom Kitchens, Inc. & Henry Zirkel, cabinets; Murphey’s Roofing & Sheet Metal Co., built-up roof; Cedar Roofs of Richmond, Inc., other roofing; W.H. Stovall & Co., Inc., Rusco windows & Arcadia sliding glass doors; Pleasants Hardware, hardware supplier; Earl Knapp Drywall, gypsum board contractor; J.M. Clements, Inc., plumbing/heating contractor; J.L. Minter Electrical Contractors, Inc., electrical contractor; and Colonial Iron Works, Inc., spiral staircase & ornamental gate.

Items from an 18th century farmhouse, incorporated in the design, were supplied by the owner.

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LOCATED ON a small lake-front lot in suburban Richmond, this 2700 sq. ft. residence for Mr. and Mrs. James F. Lispcomb, Jr. and their son is designed to take maximum advantage of water views and outdoor living opportunities, while providing privacy from neighboring dwellings.

The owner’s program called for minimal disturbance to the site and natural exterior materials. Inside, they requested plenty of natural light and that the living, dining, and kitchen areas be open to one another and have views of the lake.

Because of the close proximity of neighboring dwellings, the house is sited as far to the rear of the pie-shaped lot as possible, allowing for a circular driveway as well as utilizing existing trees as a screen and positioning the house closer to the lake. Additional privacy is achieved by massing the two-story house as one story toward the street and penetrating the front elevation only for the entrance and the
breakfast nook windows. The exterior is clad in cedar siding, cedar shake roof and redwood trim.

The interior planning solution was determined from the need to provide lake views to the south and west from the major living spaces and provide zoning between the adult and children's bedroom areas. Lake views were achieved by locating a large open living/dining area on the lower level to the south (rear) which is separated by a half wall from the kitchen on the west. The east end of the living area contains the fireplace which is flanked by built-in cabinets for the TV and stereo speakers. Glass shelves above the cabinets are topped by a skylight and may be closed off with louvered shutter doors. To articulate the living area, a two-story exposed beam and deck ceiling is employed in the central area between the dining and fireplace ends of the space which also acts as a zoning element between the adult and children's bedrooms on the second level. The result is a generous, flexible space — lofty and exuberant in the central area, more intimate and contained at the fireplace.

Full glass walls with double doors in the central living and dining area afford water views and access to a large deck facing the lake. Part of the deck is covered by the upper story which was achieved by the use of a diagonal wall at
the dining area creating a triangular “notch” in the lower level.

Taking advantage of the natural slope of the site, the entry level is three steps above the living area and contains the foyer, kitchen, playroom and garage. Brick flooring in the foyer extends into the kitchen which has a sloping exposed beam and deck ceiling and contains two large skylights, rendering the kitchen particularly airy and bright.

The upper level contains three generous bedrooms, laundry room, cedar-lined closet, and storage area. The master bedroom is linked to the other bedrooms by a bridge across the open living area below and is served by a small sewing area overlooking the kitchen and a bath with exposed wood deck ceiling containing a skylight over the tub. North facing clerestory windows emit soft, indirect light into the master bedroom by allowing the light to pass through a small attic area then entering from translucent panels in the sloping ceiling.

Reflecting on his new home, the owner exclaimed, “.... it works .... it fits us exactly .... its just what we wanted.”

James A. Ford Construction Co., of Glen Allen, was general contractor and handled foundations, concrete work, masonry work, handrails, carpentry, structural wood, roofing and glazing.

Subcontractors & Suppliers
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Thomas L. Browning & Son, excavating, sodding, seeding, etc.; Massey Concrete Corp., concrete supplier; Massey Builders’ Supply Corp., Cello-Stone & masonry supplier, mortar, millwork & wood doors; Buckingham-Virginia Slate Corp., Buckingham Slate supplier; Holmes Steel Co., miscellaneous metal; Custom Kitchens, Inc., cabinets; G.T. Duke Insulation Co., Inc., roof/wall/foundation insulation; and, PPG Industries, Inc., glass.

J.S. Archer Co., Inc., wood doors; Pella-Virginia, Inc., windows; Pleasants Hardware, hardware supplier; John DeGaetani, Inc., gypsum board contractor; Leo H. Bourne, Quinton, ceramic tile; Carpetland, carpet; Walden Painting, painting contractor; Virginia Paint Co., Inc., supplier of Olympic exterior stain & Benjamin Moore paint; Southern Decorators, wall covering; Goldberg Co., Inc./Custom Kitchens, Inc., equipment; Richmond Plumbing & Heating Supplies, Inc., plumbing fixture supplier; Styll Plumbing & Heating, plumbing contractor; Howell’s Heating & Air Conditioning, heating/ventilating/air conditioning contractor; General Electric Supply Co., lighting fixtures supplier; Graybar Electric Co., Inc./Dixie Electric Supply Corp., electrical equipment supplier; and R.M. Greene, electrical contractor.

Skylights were by WASCO Products, Inc. and fireplace was by The Majestic Co.
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The design professions should join with the construction industry in support for the bond issue for several reasons. Obviously, these projects are important to the services provided to the citizens of Virginia and thereby to the quality of life in Virginia. In addition, the stimulus to construction provided by these projects may well encourage other sectors to consider and plan for expansion and new facilities. Although the bond issue projects will be of great value to construction and its labor forces, the design fields, since the majority of the projects are already planned, must look to the possibility of renewed enthusiasm brought about by a pick-up in construction.

While we do strongly support the November Bond Issue, and urge others to do so, we do feel that some thoughts concerning the process should be mentioned and considered for future applications. It might have been better had the state proposed smaller bond issues over each of the last three years. This may be less viable politically but would have been, from an inflationary point of view, a better utilization of the money. A large concentrated building program is bound to be inflationary to some degree and the increase in inflation during the three year waiting period may off-set the advantage of a bond issue over a raise in taxes. Finally, to determine needs more accurately, perhaps state service institutions should employ professional space study analysis to test need for new space or be required to justify programs by total professional analysis, that is, to provide the state with a package including need study, program, construction cost, operational study and economic feasibility study, done by outside professionals.

In closing, it should be reiterated, however, that whatever course is taken in the future, the November 8 bond issue referendum is important to Virginia, the life of its construction industry, and to the lives of all its citizens. Let us join together and support passage of the referendum.

funds, is to expand dock facilities at Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News. Monies included for State Parks, which will attract additional money, will open up already owned park land at Caledon State Park, King George County; Chippokes Plantation, Surry County; Grayson Highlands State Park, Grayson County; Lake Anna State Park, Spotsylvania County; Mason Neck State Park, Fairfax County; Natural Tunnel State Park, Scott County; Occoneechee State Park, Mecklenburg County; Smith Mountain Lake State Park, Bedford County; York River State Park, James City County; and Sky Meadows State Park, Clarke and Fauquier Counties. These funds will also go to replacing worn out facilities at Bear Creek Lake State Park, Cumberland County; Claytor Lake State Park, Pulaski County; Douthat State Park, Bath and Allegheny Counties; Fairy Stone State Park, Patrick and Henry Counties; George Washington’s Grist Mill, Fairfax County; Goodwin Lake-Prince Edward State Park; Holliday Lake State Park, Appomattox County; Hungry Mother State Park, Smyth County; Pocahontas State Park, Chesterfield County; Sayler’s Creek Battlefield Park, Amelia County; Seashore State Park, Virginia Beach; Shot Tower, Wythe County; Southwest Virginia Museum, Big Stone Gap; Staunton River State Park, Halifax County and Westmoreland State Park, Westmoreland County.

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