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By choosing to donate new and saleable used building materials waste is reduced and the community benefits. The Habitat ReStore estimates the potential to save 50,000 pounds of building materials from Dane County’s landfills each year.

Donations assist Habitat for Humanity build more homes. In an average year, the ReStore allows Habitat to build one to two additional homes in Dane County.

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Established in 1953, the Wisconsin Architects Foundation remains committed to its mission of “building a better Wisconsin through architectural education.” This commitment is reflected in annual WAF tuition scholarships for Wisconsin architecture students and grants for educational programs that advance the profession and enhance the public’s awareness of architecture.

Achievements
Thanks to the support of Wisconsin’s architectural community and allied design and construction industry leaders, the WAF has achieved many significant goals.

- **Tuition Scholarships** – The WAF has provided over $305,000 in scholarships to hundreds of Wisconsin students pursuing degrees in architecture. As a principal of a Wisconsin firm noted, “The [WAF] grant allowed me to finish my formal education... I have often thought about the opportunity provided me by the forward looking architects that administer the Foundation. They believed in promoting the profession through education.”

- **School of Architecture** – Initial efforts by the WAF focused on the establishment of a school of architecture in Wisconsin. The School of Architecture and Urban Planning at the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee was founded in 1969. With an accredited school now within our borders, it is sometimes difficult to recall when Wisconsin students had to travel outside of the state to pursue a degree in architecture.

- **Archives** – The WAF, through a generous gift by Mary Eschweiler, also assisted in the development of the Wisconsin Architectural Archives. It is now a major repository of architectural documents and is used as a resource for both practicing architects and scholars.

- **Stoner House** – In 1983, the WAF received a gift of the Joseph J. Stoner House in Madison. In 1984, the WAF successfully completed substantial restoration of this National Landmark. The Stoner House now serves as the permanent headquarters for the WAF and AIA Wisconsin.

- **Allied Organizations** – The significant contributions to the WAF’s scholarship endowment by the Milwaukee Chapter CSI have enabled the WAF to increase the tuition scholarships provided to architecture students at UWM SARUP. AIA Southwest Wisconsin established an endowment to provide scholarship assistance to visual, hearing or otherwise physically disabled architecture students in the graduate program at UWM.

- **Memorial Scholarships** – In 1991, the WAF established memorial scholarship endowments in the names of architect Elmer Johnson and construction industry leader Richard Hunzinger. These WAF funds support annual tuition scholarships for students attending the UWM School of Architecture and Urban Planning. These WAF memorial scholarships now total over $12,000.

- **Student Chapters** – The WAF has for many years provided annual program grants for student chapters at UW-Milwaukee, MSOE and vocational colleges in Green Bay, Madison, Milwaukee and Rice Lake. This WAF support helps to build a strong foundation for the future of Wisconsin’s architectural profession by providing educational resources for students throughout the state.

- **Continuing Education** – The WAF Board has a special grant program to help underwrite quality continuing education programs offered by the four local AIA Chapters in Wisconsin. This program reflects the WAF’s commitment to life-long learning and professional development. WAF grants support examination preparation programs for interns, continuing education opportunities for architects and informative displays and programs for the public.

- **Public Awareness** – The WAF has assumed an important role in helping to enhance public awareness of architecture. An educational display, featuring photographs of the Wisconsin State Capitol, is available for use throughout the state. With WAF support, a book on the architecture of Frank Lloyd Wright has been published and distributed to elementary art teachers throughout Wisconsin, an “Architecture Summer Camp” is offered for high school students, and UWM architecture students designed and built a ticket kiosk for Engelmann Field. Other recent examples include WAF support for
students participating in the “Art of Architecture” program at the Milwaukee Art Museum, the “Building Block” educational program at the Monona Terrace Community & Convention Center, a book on Frank Lloyd Wright and Monona Terrace, and a community leadership initiative by architects to help provide affordable shelter for the working homeless in our communities.

Fiscal 2000-01
The strong and consistent financial support received from architects and allied industry leaders has enabled the WAF to help build a better Wisconsin. Your continued support of the WAF’s mission of advancing architectural education and public awareness is vital to its successful scholarship and grant programs.

In the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2001, the WAF received income from all sources totaling $40,609. Expenditures for scholarships, grants, membership, administration and depreciation totaled $52,792. WAF net assets totaled $457,403 at the end of the fiscal year.

The WAF relies on annual contributions, investment income and rental income for its scholarship and grant programs. In fiscal 2000-01, the WAF received $14,327 in contributions. These contributions included $12,517 in regular contributions to support ongoing programs, $920 in memorial gifts and $890 in contributions for special funds. (A list of contributors to the WAF in fiscal 2000-01 is included elsewhere in this Annual Report.)

Investment income of $20,432 and rental income of $6,000 accounted for the balance of WAF revenue.

This strong financial support enabled the WAF Board of Directors to award a record amount of $47,670 in scholarships and grants in fiscal year 2000-01. Other WAF expenses included a total of $5,122 for depreciation, accounting, administration, printing and program expenses.

The Future
Wisconsin’s architectural profession depends on well-prepared students who are able to meet the challenges of the future as well as on clients and consumers that have a greater understanding and appreciation of the value of architectural services. The WAF is uniquely positioned to address these important issues through its commitment to architectural education and increased public awareness.

As the cost of higher education continues to spiral upward, the role of the WAF becomes more critical and significant. With your continued support, the WAF will be able to encourage the most talented Wisconsin students to pursue careers in architecture.

The WAF Board of Directors encourages you to support the goals and efforts of the Wisconsin Architects Foundation. As a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization, gifts to the WAF are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. You also may want to consider a specific bequest to the WAF as part of your estate planning. Your continued financial support is very much appreciated.

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State law dictates who may practice architecture. State building codes establish minimum design requirements. Wisconsin’s statute of repose limits your professional liability. State tax policy affects your bottom line. State government is the largest building owner and client for architectural services in Wisconsin. It is vitally important that state officials understand and appreciate the impact of their policy decisions on your profession.

With your support, the Wisconsin Society of Architects/Political Action Committee (WSA/PAC) helps elect candidates for state office who share the goals of the architectural profession.

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By contributing to the WSA/PAC, you will help elect public officials who care about architects and architecture.

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Your support for the WSA/PAC helps the voice of architects be heard in the State Capitol during the debate on issues affecting your profession and your livelihood.

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EDITOR: The author chairs the AIA Wisconsin Legislative Committee. Mail your personal contribution to: WSA/PAC, 321 S. Hamilton St., Madison, WI 53703.

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Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya, meaning "Place of Friends" in Oneida dialect, is located on Chute Lake in the Nicolet National Forest about 75 minutes from Green Bay.

This 800 square-foot open-air chapel called for a space conducive to individual contemplation as well as small group presentations, while maintaining harmony with the natural wooded setting of Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya.

The wood pavilion structure is situated in dense woods, offering the users shelter from the weather with minimum obstructions of view into the surrounding woods and pond.

The style of wood construction, similar to other camp buildings, achieves its character from its proportions and refinement of detail.

The log columns and wood truss roof structure and crushed gravel floor reduced the disruption to the site during construction and creates a Thoreau-type setting for worship.

Photography: Eric Oxendorf
Located on a city block in the heart of Sheboygan, the Center is on the edge between commercial and residential properties. An existing art center includes the 1882 Italianate Kohler Mansion and a 1970s addition, the remains of the Carnegie Library, outdoor sculpture and perennial gardens and addition.

The architect designed a visible “arts precinct” to create a strong identity for the John Michael Kohler Arts Center. A home that was welcoming to the community was needed for a nationally recognized permanent collection of art by self-taught artists. Another challenge was to take the existing buildings and architectural styles and tie them together in an inviting, cohesive, exciting and functional space.

Visitors enter the building along a patterned brick walkway that leads to a prominent, inviting entrance. At the center of the arts center is an innovative multi-disciplinary educational and performance space, known as The Matrix, that highlights the artistic process and collaboration between artists and visitors. Exposed structural systems of large steel beams support wooden purlins. This allows theatrical and exhibit lighting to be highly flexible and adaptable to a wide range of performances and installations.

New galleries have been added, including a permanent space for the collection of Arts/Industry work, the self-taught art collection and temporary exhibits. Classrooms, visible at street level, reinforce the strong educational programs and link to the community.

The outdoor display areas and garden areas link the building with the neighborhood.

The public areas of the Center are balanced by more private, contemplative spaces such as the Glass House Gallery, which also provides year-round viewing of the outdoor sculpture and perennial garden.
The client requested an adaptive reuse of the eight interconnected former canning factories to house the town’s new arts and activities center, while working within a limited budget. The two-story, 58,000 square foot community center houses facilities for both fine and performing arts, including a gallery, a 580-seat theater and performance stage complete with a choir loft, several balconies, control booths and lighting catwalks.

The state-of-the-art lighting and sound system allows for a wide variety of performance types. Backstage support spaces include dressing/makeup rooms and rehearsal halls. The lobby features exhibition space, reception, a box office and concessions. In addition, the new space includes classrooms and studios for the Center’s School for the Arts, providing the community with increased opportunities for arts education at every level.

In a unique, yet practical method of maintaining the historical feel and character of the former canning factories and to keep costs at a minimum, all materials were created from recycled parts of the existing structure. This includes a new grand staircase, benches and furniture throughout the auditorium, screen walls for the rest rooms and the entry box office. The architects recycled glass samples to create shelving throughout the bathrooms. All auditorium seating was salvaged from a local hospital and high school and later refurbished.

Due to the stage and auditorium location in the building, crane access to set long span trusses was not possible. Trusses were designed that could be constructed in small pieces to allow for manual movement and installation. The existing structure featured heavy timber post and beams. All of these 9-by-9-inch and 12-by-14-inch timbers were removed to create the cavernous opening needed for the three-level theater. Without changing the roofline, the architect created the new steel trusses using the existing structure.

In the lobby, existing timbers now frame an 8-foot-wide wooden staircase leading from the rear of the center’s lobby to a second floor theater entrance and art gallery. All 4-by-12-inch and larger joists were saved and stacked to create a corridor wall near bathrooms on the first floor. The design also maintains an industrial atmosphere throughout the facility by exposing ventilation ducts and piping.

Photography: Edward Purcell
Architectural Photography
A recreation and fitness destination for the entire family was the vision of the Village of Pleasant Prairie as they planned the 130,000 square foot Lake View RecPlex. The 60,000 square foot Field House accommodates a variety of sporting activities.

Its wide suspended 1/6 mile running track provides spacious accommodations for runners, walkers and kids in strollers.

Children safely enter the Aquatics Center’s pool by way of the zero depth entry to enjoy the 150-foot water slide and water play structures, while adults take advantage of the adjoining lap lanes and whirlpool. The current channel provides therapeutic exercise for adults and a “lazy river” experience for children.

A large Fitness Center overlooks both the Field House and Aquatics Center and features commanding views of the surrounding park and lake. Even the youngest visitors are accommodated with an indoor playground for small children.

The Field House and the Aquatics Center are enclosed in precast concrete panels consistent with similarly scaled buildings in the adjacent Lake View Corporate Park.

The dormers are glazed to allow views to the surrounding park areas. The spaces between the precast structures are enclosed in glass and a rustic split-faced concrete block following a vocabulary established in existing park structures.

*Photography: Edward Purcell  
Architectural Photography*
The lifelong dream of a local resident of the greater Wittenberg area became a reality with the construction of the Darwin E. Smith Community Aquatic Center. The project was completely funded through private donations, with a significant portion coming from the Smith family in remembrance of Darwin E. Smith.

To recognize the numerous donors, "Legacy Hall" was developed within the facility identifying all levels of contributors. The goal of the project was to add recreational and lap pools, men's, women's and family changing locker rooms, a multi-purpose room, and classrooms to the existing high school.

The project includes 30,000 square feet of space that is utilized by the community as well as the school district. The natatorium, which features abundant natural lighting, accommodates three pools, including a 6-lane lap pool, a zero-depth recreational pool with a waterslide, and a whirlpool. The large lobby provides a viewing area into the natatorium. This entrance creates a separate entry to the aquatic facility that can remain open after school hours.

Photography: Eric Oxendorf Studio
The natural history and decorative and fine arts museum boasts over 65,000 artifacts and specimens in significant and internationally diverse collections in geology, biological science, anthropology and the arts. Permanent exhibits, temporary shows, art, history and science classes, lectures and a community outreach program will reach 250,000 people annually through the facility.

The building design is an architectural metaphor of a glacier cutting through the Wisconsin landscape, representing the geological history that formed the landscape. The 49,000 square foot stone building is “cut” by a copper and glass lobby structure towering 60 feet high. The “glacier” lobby exposes a glacial till wall as it cuts through the stone building. The two-story open atrium lobby provides a dramatic space to welcome visitors and a second story overlook offers stunning views of Lake Michigan.

Permanent galleries are on both the first and second floors; and a temporary gallery is on the second floor. Four classrooms plus a large multipurpose hall provide flexibility for a huge range of activities. Also included in the design are a gift shop and collection storage for the secure preservation of the museum’s artifacts and specimens.

Visitors walk through the galleries as if on a timeline and experience the flora, fauna and people of the region through millions of years of history.

The new museum is part of a lakefront redevelopment project that includes residential, recreational, cultural and commercial venues.

*Photography provided by firm.*
Over 30 years after Kemper Hall housed Kenosha’s turn of the century Episcopalian girls school, a unique public/private partnership was instrumental in rescuing the 22,000 square foot South Building from neglect and converting it into a unique conference center and banquet facility.

Owned by Kenosha County and maintained as part of the Kenosha County Park system, the renovation of the South Building is the largest renovation project undertaken at the complex, which comprises over 66,000 square feet of historic structures on the western shore of Lake Michigan.

The South Building project resulted in the renovation of the ground floor and second floor into conference/banquet facilities and the renovation of the third and fourth floors for future tenant space. The 5,300 square foot ground floor saw the renovation of the original dining room into a conference/banquet room with a capacity of 200 people.

In addition, the original kitchen was renovated to a fully operational commercial kitchen capable of serving 400 meals at one time. Another conference/banquet room, meeting facilities and a commons area occupy the 6,600 square feet on the second floor.

A new exterior ramp and elevator make this entire area handicapped accessible. Energy efficient replacement windows replicate the building’s original windows.

Photography: Studio B
The restoration and rehabilitation of the East Wing of the Wisconsin State Capitol represents the culmination of a fourteen-year effort to preserve and rehabilitate this majestic National Landmark building. The project team's effort extended from preliminary research and programming through design and construction activities.

The Capitol restoration returned all public spaces to their 1915 appearance, while rehabilitating general office space and integrating new mechanical, electrical, plumbing and communication systems into the historic architecture. Intensive survey, documentation and research were key components to the successful planning and execution of this complex project. The scope of work included space for eight occupant groups located on six different floors. A major challenge was the restoration of two of the most significant spaces in the Capitol, the Governor's Conference Room and the Supreme Court Hearing Room. Space for the Attorney General, the Governor's private offices and the Legislative Joint Finance Committee were rehabilitated. A 150-person multimedia center for the use of all occupants was inserted into the fourth floor space that previously housed a portion of the State Law Library.

In the restoration and rehabilitation of the East Wing, the goal of balancing the needs of a significant historic landmark with those of a modern functioning seat of government has been met. With the completion of the East Wing project, there is a great sense of "mission accomplished," as fourteen years of continuous planning, research, design and construction by a multidisciplinary team of professionals draws to a close.

EDITOR: Eastwing Architects, LLC, is a joint venture between Kahler Slater, Inc., and Isthmus Architecture, Inc.

Photography: Nels Akerlund
Consultant Directory

Working collaboratively with consultants helps architects provide their clients with the expertise necessary for successful projects. This annual Wisconsin Architect Consultant Directory was developed to aid architecture firms, clients and the public.

To be listed, the consultant must offer services to design and construction professionals in Wisconsin. The companies listed welcome the opportunity to discuss your projects.

The Wisconsin Architect Consultant Directory is organized by category and includes the following information on each company: company name, web address, mailing address, telephone and fax numbers; email address, contact person and description of the company’s services. The information was provided by the companies.

You are encouraged to keep the Wisconsin Architect Consultant Directory handy for reference throughout the year. Contact the consultants listed for further information about their practice and the professional services/products they can provide for your projects. If you have any suggestions for improving the Consultant Directory or wish to be included in future editions, please contact: AIA Wisconsin 321 S. Hamilton Street, Madison, Wisconsin 53703; (608) 257-8477/1-800-ARCHITECT or email: wiarchitect@aiaw.org.

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Seasons Greetings to all our architect colleagues.
The Department of Commerce recently adopted the International Building Code with a large number of Wisconsinisms, requirements not included in the IBC or changes to items in the IBC. One of the changes, or interpretations, is to the Soil Lateral Load Table 62.1610 where both an "active" and "at-rest" condition are included.

What do the terms "active" and "at-rest" mean? These terms have to do with the way the top of the wall is supported, and determines the "rigidity" of the wall. This does not require additional soil testing. The design professional determines which soil classification the backfill material falls under and then decides, based on the wall support condition, which column of the table to use.

How does a designer determine the deflection and if it is greater than, equal to or less than 0.001 times the retained soil height? As guidance, the Department of Commerce will generally accept certain conditions, during plan review and inspection, as meeting either classification.

Examples considered an active condition would be:
1. A wall supported at the top by a wood floor system
2. A wall supported at the top by a light frame steel floor system
3. A wall supported at the top by a precast floor system set on bearing pads and allowed to rotate at the ends.

Examples considered an at-rest condition would be:
1. A poured concrete wall tied at the top to a poured concrete floor system
2. A masonry wall system supported at the top by a precast concrete floor system that is tied into the wall to resist rotation.

The vertical steel sizes and spacings given in Tables 1805.5(2, 3 & 4) for Reinforced Concrete and Masonry Foundation Walls are based on an "active" condition and would not be adequate for an "at-rest" condition. If a design is based on the "at-rest" condition, the vertical steel size and spacing would have to be calculated by the designer.

The Department of Commerce recognizes that questions will arise regarding the above situation and is planning to include the above explanations and examples in related technical structural training given by the department. One reason why the Department has set a year between adoption and implementation, I'm sure we will need that year.

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In writing and administering building and construction contracts, one important objective is to protect the property from liens.

A construction lien is a claim by a contractor, laborer, or materialman against the property on which the project is built. If an unpaid claim meets the statutory standards for being "lienable," and the claimant follows the correct procedural steps, he has a direct claim against the real estate. He can foreclose on that claim just as if he held a mortgage on it. And this will be true, even if he has no contract with the owner, and even if the owner may have paid the full contract price to its general contractor.

So how does an owner avoid paying twice?

Avoidance is fairly easy on jobs where the owner is a government, because there are no lien rights against public property. On public jobs, potential claimants are protected by required surety bonds.

On jobs for private owners, liens are most commonly avoided by requiring lien waivers from persons who would otherwise have lien rights. For a "lien waiver" program to be effective, the duty to provide waivers should be defined by contract, and administered by persons who are knowledgeable, competent, and honest. The knowledge required includes the range of persons who may have lien rights and the likelihood they have potential current charges. A competent administrator, most often an employee of the architect or a title company, will apply that knowledge to request lien waivers from the necessary persons in the necessary format. Honesty on the part of the contractor is necessary to identify and disclose the actual claimants and to provide authentic authorized waivers from those claimants.

Even when these conditions are satisfied, the lien waiver program will not eliminate all risks. For example, lien waivers are rarely provided by individual workmen. The assumption is that if they weren’t paid, they would quit. Thus, it’s not worth the effort to secure waivers. But there is a risk. Another risk is that, in many cases, for administrative convenience, lien waivers are provided for the previous month’s work rather than the current month’s work. So there may be a one-month gap, for which an owner may have a double exposure, if the job suddenly collapses.

Despite these defects, a lien waiver program is well worth the effort. Usually, the major trades (for example, HVAC, plumbing, electrical) and the major suppliers (for example, concrete and lumber) will be identified and waivers obtained for the great majority of the costs. So the risks will be minimized. Also, inability to produce waivers may provide an early warning of a distressed job, before the owner would otherwise know.

An alternative to minimize lien claims is to require the contractor to provide a payment bond which, if carefully written, may automatically eliminate most lien rights. To accomplish this, the bond must conform to the requirements of an enabling Wisconsin statute (Section 779.035). The American Institute of Architects has a bond form (Wis. A311) specifically written to meet this requirement. Once provided, the bond eliminates the lien rights of all subcontractors, laborers and materialmen who have contracted, directly or indirectly, with the bonded general contractor. It does not, however, eliminate the lien rights of the general contractor himself, nor the rights of separate claimants employed directly by the owner (such as, frequently, the architect).

Of course, the use of a bond to eliminate lien rights also has some offsetting costs. The most obvious is the

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cost of the bond itself, which will ultimately be absorbed by the Owner. Also, the bonding requirement may exclude small unbondable contractors from bidding, and thus limit competition and increase costs.

So both the use of a “lien waiver” program and the use of a payment bond have their advantages and disadvantages. It is important, however, that the owner use one or the other.

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Bringing Design Home in Assisted Living

Putting a “face” on the typical resident in an assisted living facility adds a human dimension that can make the building come alive. A well-designed residential setting can make all the difference in residents’ mental, physical and social well-being. So, it pays to get to know them better before planning the facility.

According to the National Center for Assisted Living (NCAL), the “typical” assisted living resident is an 83-year-old woman (currently the male/female ratio is 74% women and 26% men, although men will tend to live longer in the future) who stays in a residence for an average of 35 months and needs help on average with 1.7 activities of daily living (ADLs), such as bathing, dressing, toileting and eating.

If the profile is unfamiliar, it won’t be for long as the demographic bulge caused by the Baby Boomers surges past retirement. Currently, the NCAL reports there are 28,000 assisted living residences in the United States with more than one million residents. Over the next 20 years, a 1999 General Accounting Office report predicts the number of people needing long-term care will grow to 14 million.

The NCAL definition of assisted living is part of continuum of long-term care services that provides a combination of housing, personal care services and health care designed to respond to individuals who need assistance with normal daily activities in a way that promotes maximum independence. While “assisted living” is the most common term used in our nation, assisted living settings may be known by as many as 26 different names. No matter what you call it, the following is true of all facilities in this category. Assisted living is:

• a congregate residential setting that provides or coordinates personal services, 24-hour supervision and assistance (scheduled and unscheduled), activities and health-related services;
• designed to minimize the need to move;
• designed to accommodate individual residents’ changing needs and preferences;
• designed to maximize residents’ dignity, autonomy, privacy, independence, choice and safety; and
• designed to encourage family and community involvement.

However, a place to call “home” is more than a list of features to the future residents of a planned assisted living facility. Inviting residents’ input using focus groups can be an important resource in designing a new facility.

In planning Oakwood Village East, the architect connected with the local senior association to form focus groups. Those who will make Oakwood East their home wanted to shop and visit friends in the complex without having to brave the harsh weather outdoors. Thus, attractive corridors featuring large windows that overlook landscaped green areas connect the two 103-unit, four-story buildings to Main Street, which is complete with a restaurant, pharmacy, convenience store, library, wellness center, chapel and beauty parlor. The facility’s homelike residential character is in every detail of the design, making the project the prototype for the future of successful full-service retirement communities.

Resident-driven design solutions like those at Oakwood East may be part of an evolution in the industry. Assisted living facilities have changed a great deal as America ages, according to Walter J. Orzechowski, Director of Consulting Services at Americor Management Services, a senior...
Ten to fifteen years ago, when assisted living facilities were first designed, the facilities were small, independent, individually-operated "mom and pops."

The industry grew as hospitality corporations began to build larger facilities, with the eager support of investors. There was a slowdown in the industry five years ago when the supply of assisted living beds exceeded the demand, creating financial problems and bankruptcies, and ultimately a slowdown on investment, Orzechowski said. "There is currently a chill on investors," Orzechowski added, "They are more cautious and the industry is growing more prudently."

Once these challenges are met and the building is being designed, the only consideration is the comfort and well being of the residents. The "institutional" concept is being replaced with making the assisted living facility "home" for residents in every design detail.

EDITOR: The author is an architect with HSR Associates, Inc.

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Architects Respond

On September 11, terrorists attacked America, but they did not conquer our spirit. On this tragic day, associations fought back against an elusive enemy in the way they best know how—by mobilizing an army of volunteers from their industries and professions. As citizens wondered “What next?” associations played a large part in the response to a shocked nation’s cry for help.

When faced with clear and present danger, Norman L. Koonce, FAIA, executive vice president, The American Institute of Architects (AIA), Washington, D.C., knew his priorities. First, ensure that the chapter staff members in New York City were safe. (They were.)

Second, determine how the national organization could help in massive, ongoing recovery efforts. The result: The national association, coordinating with the New York chapter, called on the national disaster-response team, which consists of architects with specialized training who can move into disaster areas to ensure on-site civilians get to safety, as well as assess the dangers that may exist in damaged structures.

“We did not try to go in and take charge of things,” Koonce clarifies. “The local architects and their leaders know the current situation there, and they are the logical ones to take the leadership initiative. We felt it was appropriate to support them in any way we could through resources, money, and logistical help. That’s how we volunteered our assistance. I think they appreciated it.”

The AIA New York Chapter took charge of registering volunteers to evaluate or assess damage to existing buildings, providing pro-bono space-planning services to help displaced firms and organizations occupy new space or reoccupy damaged space, and assisting with development of temporary zoning and code regulations to expedite business recovery.

Working together, the AIA New York Chapter, the AIA New York State, and the national headquarters organized the World Trade Center Memorial Fund, which aids families of World Trade Center victims who served in the construction industry, as well as rescue and recovery personnel.

Koonce believes that architects feel a special responsibility for the attack on the twin towers “because it was really the architectural icons that were being attacked, rather than the people in the buildings. These structures, designed by architects, became a symbol of our nation’s success.”

In light of these terrorist atrocities, Koonce is already rethinking member education programs. “Our world has really been changed. Our expectations for the public’s safety and welfare are not guaranteed, as in the past. We’re developing education programs on new technologies and design strategies. In the future, we know our members will be facing a large number of different problems—being able to design security and protection in buildings that we’ve never thought about before.”

[Editor: This article is an excerpt from “The Response” published in the November 2001 issue of Association Management, the magazine of the American Society of Association Executives. On behalf of Wisconsin’s architectural community, the Wisconsin Architects Foundation and AIA Wisconsin both contributed $1,000 to the World Trade Center Memorial Fund established by the New York Building Foundation to assist victims of the tragedy. AIA Wisconsin also assisted the Wisconsin Division of Facilities Development in hosting an AIA virtual conference on building security issues.]
2002 Convention
The 2002 AIA Wisconsin Convention & Expo, *Elevation*, will be held on May 1 & 2 at the Monona Terrace Community & Convention Center in Madison. Please reserve the dates and plan to participate.

The Convention Committee, chaired by Melissa Destree, AIA, Oregon, has been hard at work since this summer in assembling a remarkable program of speakers, seminars and special events. The Building Products Expo will feature the latest products and services available to Wisconsin’s design and construction industry.

The theme for the 2002 AIA Wisconsin Convention & Expo is *Elevation*. "It’s the belief of most architects that to be successful we must raise above the ordinary," Destree explains. "As architects, we have the gift to raise from the ground an image that seemingly is suspended in time and has the power to raise spirits, exhilarate moods and heighten consciousness. *Elevation* will refresh for us all what we love about architecture."

Director-At-Large
Members of AIA Wisconsin have elected Michael Clark, AIA, Sheboygan, Henry A. Kosarzycki, AIA, Greendale, and Carl J. Scott, AIA, Appleton, to two-year terms as Directors-At-Large on the AIA Wisconsin Board of Directors.

The results of the election were announced by AIA Wisconsin President Allyson Nemec, AIA, Milwaukee, at the October meeting of the Board of Directors in Green Bay.

Clark, Kosarzycki and Scott begin their duties in January, joining fellow Directors-At-Large Kent A. Calloway, AIA, Middleton, and Cherie K. Claussen, AIA, Wauwatosa, on the 2002 AIA Wisconsin Board of Directors. A "Mini-Grassroots" orientation for new state and local AIA Chapter leaders will be held in December in Milwaukee.

Foundation
The Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Architects Foundation (WAF) has elected the following officers for 2001-02: Michael K. Kadow, AIA, Green Bay, President; James W. Miller, FAIA, Madison, Vice President; and Frederick E. Zimmermann, AIA, Madison, Secretary/Treasurer.

The other members of the WAF Board of Directors for 2001-02 are: Christine M. Ahl-Ludwig, Waukesha; Mark A. Cullen, Janesville; Gary D. Davis, AIA, Eau Claire; David T. Kahler, FAIA, Milwaukee; Andrew J. Pace, Genesee Depot; and James W. Shields, AIA, Milwaukee.

At its most recent meeting at the historic Stoner House in Madison, the WAF Board of Directors approved a 2001-02 budget that includes $36,355 for educational scholarships and public awareness grants. The majority of WAF scholarship and grant funds are used to provide tuition scholarships for students pursuing architecture degrees at the UW-Milwaukee School of Architecture & Urban Planning, with $22,055 in such scholarships approved for 2001-02.

The WAF Board of Directors also approved a $1,500 educational grant to help underwrite the Architecture Registration Examination Preparatory Program being coordinated by AIA Southwest Wisconsin. Over 80 interns are participating in this 9-month 15-session program in Madison, Milwaukee and Green Bay.

The WAF Board of Directors approved a $1,000 contribution to the World Trade Center Fund established by the New York Building Foundation, Inc., to assist architects impacted by the September 11 tragedy. This was matched by a similar contribution by AIA Wisconsin.

In addition, the WAF budget includes $1,000 for a tuition scholarship to encourage an AIA Wisconsin member to participate in the AIA Leadership Institute. This special three-day program at Georgetown University will take place in March. The application deadline is January 18 for the 2002 AIA Leadership Institute.

Leadership Institute
The American Institute of Architects, in partnership with Georgetown University, is accepting applications for the 2002 AIA Leadership Institute. This intensive three-day program will be held on March 21-24, 2002, in Washington, DC.

The goal of the Leadership Institute is to enable architects to exercise greater influence outside the profession through participation on civic and community boards, through elected or appointed office, or in volunteer activities that demonstrate the important contributions that architects can make. Topics will include the role of vision and mission in leadership, demographic and economic changes that will affect the political environment, and the architect’s role as community leader.

Participation is limited to 25 candidates. The $2,000 tuition for the program includes meals and lodging. A $1,000 tuition scholarship is available from the Wisconsin Architects Foundation if an AIA Wisconsin member is selected to participate in the Leadership Institute.

Applications for the AIA Leadership Institute are due January 18, 2002. It can be downloaded from the AIA’s Web site: www.aia.org. For more information, contact AIA Director of Communications Phil Simon at (202) 626-7463 or psimon@aia.org.
How Buildings Speak
AIA Wisconsin's Architects in Schools Committee, chaired by Horst Lobe, AIA, Madison, has produced an excellent 18-minute video that is available to members for use in presentations to elementary and middle school students.

The video explains how architecture is an art and science that involves the successful combination of these five elements. Students are encouraged to listen to buildings as they talk to us in a visual language that affects our feelings and enriches our lives.

How Buildings Speak is adapted from a successful program developed by the Iowa Architectural Foundation. It was made possible by the support received from AIA Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Architects Foundation, and the Monona Terrace Community & Convention Center, as well as by the countless hours contributed by numerous volunteers.

This educational video is available for loan from the AIA Wisconsin library. Members and teachers wishing to purchase a copy of How Buildings Speak may do so for $25 plus shipping and handling.

State Capitol Display
An exhibit of photographs of the Wisconsin State Capitol is available from the Wisconsin Architects Foundation. The display, created by James T. Potter, AIA, Madison, and funded by J.P. Cullen & Sons of Janesville, showcases the outstanding architecture of Wisconsin's most recognized building.

The exhibit currently is on display at the State Capitol. For information on how you can bring the exhibit to your community, contact the WAF office at (608) 257-8477.

Fall Workshop
Following a day of presentations on the impact of technology on the practice of architecture, Milwaukee futurist David Zach asked 2001 Fall Workshop participants to identify what will remain the same and what will be different about the profession in 5-10 years.

The following are things that AIA Wisconsin members believe will remain the same about architecture:

- Personal relations
- Using bumwad
- Face-to-face human interaction with each other and with clients
- Architects are visionaries
- Produce construction documents
- Licensed profession with Intern Development Program (IDP) requirements
- Spend more than you'd like on IT
- Teaching and mentoring responsibility of architects
- Compensation
- Increase in specialization
- Demanding clients with greater sophistication
- Create the environment
- Designers
- Services based on local model for personal service
- Architects will be sued
- Retention of paper documents
- Pace of practice will continue to accelerate
- Difficult to find and retain staff

Architects at the Fall Workshop expect to see the following changes in the profession in the next 5-10 years:

- Technology as the fourth utility
- Increased responsibility
- Wireless technology
- 3-D videos and walk-throughs
- Earlier participation in client planning process
- Outsourcing more of our services to concentrate on what we enjoy
- Architects working at home may eliminate need for firm offices
- Different level of competition based on firm size
- More information for approval
- More specialists
- Increase in e-files and sharing of information

- Proximity of architects less important to client
- Increase in marketing through Web sites rather than Yellow Pages
- Different perspective on professional liability
- Client perceptions and expectations will change because of technology
- Aligning compensation with new services
- Clients will want architects to take over life-cycle planning
- Greater difficulty in collecting fees
- Increased emphasis on designing building security
- Decline in quality of construction
- Cost shift from bricks and mortar to technology

Zach noted that all professions are grappling with similar technology issues and suggested that the real benefit is in continuing the "conversations" and changing the terms of the debate.

People & Places
David A. Lund, AIA, Oregon, and D. Eric Wheeler, AIA, La Crosse, have been approved for Emeritus membership in The American Institute of Architects. Congratulations!

Russell R. McLaughlin, AIA, Milwaukee, has joined Eppstein Uhen Architects, Inc., as a senior design architect. He will be part of the senior living, residential and retail studio.

Robert L. Hoffmann, AIA, Green Bay, has joined Martinson & Eisle, Inc., as a project architect.

Cheryl A. McKinney, Assoc. AIA, Middleton, has joined the Zimmerman Design Group.

Richard A. Gilbertsen, AIA, Watertown, has joined Potter Lawson, Inc. Michael E. Whaley, AIA, Oregon, was recently named a principal of the firm.

Harry Van Oudenallen, AIA, Milwaukee, announced that his firm, Arquitectura, has moved to 1200 E. Capitol Dr., Shorewood.
Marliission Architects, Inc., has moved to 2413 Hazelwood Lane, Ste. A, Green Bay, WI 54304. The phone number remains the same.

Craig R. Eide, AIA, Milwaukee, has been promoted to quality control manager at Plunkett Raysich Architects in Milwaukee.

Richard F. Ahl-Ludwig, AIA, Wauwatosa, has joined Engberg Anderson Design Partnership.

Kahler Slater Architects, Inc., announced the promotion of staff members Gene A. Wells, AIA, Madison, Roger Retzlaff, AIA, Shorewood, Katherine A. Schnuck, AIA, Whitefish Bay, Kohy Scheel, AIA, Grafton, and Stephen L. Steen, AIA, Elm Grove, to associates of the firm.

Thomas M. Grove, AIA, Madison, and Mark A. Corey, AIA, Verona, have been named principals at Flad & Associates.

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