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Good morning Everyone,



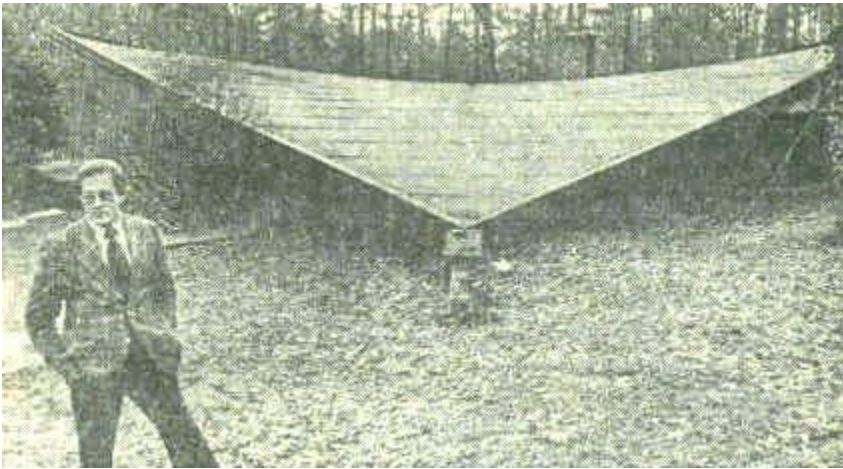
The world didn't end this weekend, so we're celebrating on **Wednesday, May 25, 6-8pm, Raleigh. Free drinks** and happy hour networking at **in situ studio**, the new Raleigh architecture offices of **Matthew Griffith and Erin Sterling**. We welcome architects, artists, designers, interior designers, realtors, engineers, contractors, property investors, building managers, Modernist homeowners, materials and furniture dealers – **or anyone with a huge crush on great architecture**. We focus on building relationships, generating passion about good design, creating strategic alliances, and connecting people that we know and trust to each other. There are no presentations or powerpoint slides -- come join the fun and make new friends and contacts! Details and directions [here](#).



Next House Tour: This Saturday, May 28, 10am-12N. Six-Sided Wonder: The James House, North Raleigh. 15.5 hexagons hooked together to form a 5000sf house! Dean [Henry Kamphoefner](#) of the NCSU School of Design used to bring his students, and now it's open to the public for the first time in 30 years! Details and advance discount tickets [here](#). [Mod Squad](#) members are free.

Southern Architect / NC Architect Magazine: Thanks to the generous contributions of LS3P, Aubrey Kirby, Jimmy Edwards, and others, we've scanned about 2/3 of the magazines published

since 1954. **See what we've got so far [here](#). We're still missing many issues from the 1970's and 1980's.** Architects -- please check your attics, basements, conference rooms, old fileboxes, and retired partners. Help complete this exceptional history of North Carolina architecture. Contact me for details; free pickup in the Triangle area. Donations are tax-deductible.



←TMH Exclusive: **Arch Lynch**, shown at left around 1979, was the last owner of the **Catalano House** in Raleigh before it was destroyed in 2001. On the occasion of that event's 10th anniversary, he has compiled a history of the storied residence and his ownership. Having a quirky, famous, misunderstood, iconic, and demanding home loved by so many was not easy. In detail never before published until today, Lynch chronicles the story of Raleigh's most famous residence,

the key events during his ownership, and how he and others tried to save it.

The **Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program** provides financial incentives for the rehabilitation of historic structures -- a 20 percent credit on federal taxes and a 20 to 30 percent credit on state taxes, depending on the use of the building. Now, owners can use a new Internet tool to determine whether their property is within a National Register Historic District and if renovation work to their home is potentially eligible for state and federal preservation tax credits. The North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office (HPO) has recently released an interactive, web-based mapping tool called HPOWEB. The map operates much like the well-known Google Maps by allowing users to zoom to an address, search for named places, and the like. The map contains data on some 35,000 resources statewide, with more being added every day.

Read the latest entry in our research series, **Pioneering Black Architects in North Carolina**: Williex E. Merritt, Jr. of High Point NC and Lansing MI.



←New video: Architect **Brian Shawcroft** talks about his new line of coffee tables, available exclusively at Nowell's Contemporary Furniture.

Congratulations - Ellen Cassilly's Cassilhaus is featured this month in Architectural Record!

Just added to the TMH archives is a huge feature story from Progressive Architecture, May 1957, on the work of A. G. Odell of Charlotte.

New on the Market:

1958 - 2712 Circle Drive, Durham. Designed by William Sprinkle. Sold to James E. and Lorraine S. Lowe. Sold in 1984 to Kay Gross and Richard Bias. Sold in 1987 to Henry Mezzatesta. Sold in 1987

to Nancy Kitterman and Michael Mezzatesta. Sold in 1994 to current owner Theresa Yuschok. For sale, \$239,000, [here](#).

1965 - The John and Vivien Dixon Residence, [216 Glenhill Lane](#), Chapel Hill. Designed by [Arthur Cogswell](#). One owner. Vacant, and needs some work. For sale, \$365,000, [here](#).



←Have you joined the **Mod Squad** yet? If not, you're missing out on some of the best architectural events, friends, and opportunities the Triangle has to offer. As an IRS-approved North Carolina 501C3 nonprofit, TMH promotes the preservation, knowledge and understanding of Modernist architecture with the help of generous supporters like you. Mod Squad donors receive a Mod Squad Limited Edition baseball cap; free admission to the Nowell's Architecture Movie

Series and to single-house tours; discounts off other TMH events; special early notice on TMH tours, lectures, movies, and gatherings! And finally, invitations to special Mod Squad-only tours, like the [Kenneth Hobgood's Bugg House](#) tour this past winter. Joining is just \$50 through the end of 2011, or easier yet, only \$9.95 per month. Details [here](#).

Kind regards,

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