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November
2001

November Chapter Meeting - Wednesday, November 14, 2001

2001 AIA Northeast Illinois Honor Awards Celebrate Architecture

The jury has met. The votes have been cast, and the winners have been selected!

Want to know who the winners are? Join us on Wednesday, November 14 to see the results. The 2001 AIA Northeast Illinois "Celebrate Architecture" Honor Awards program will be held at The Lodge at McDonald's Corporate Campus, in Oak Brook. Help us recognize the outstanding ability of our membership and proclaim to our community that architecture can be the most significant form of art that enhances the quality of our lives.

All of the award submissions will be displayed throughout the evening. It's a great opportunity to celebrate the quality of work being produced by our chapter members; familiar names as well as some new ones. Make your own list of winners.

The award categories are: Distinguished Building, Preservation/ Adaptive Reuse, Residential, Interiors, and Divine Details/ Architectural Ideas. The awards will be given for Excellence or Merit in Architecture, at the discretion of the jury.

The 2001 jury consists of Ms. Janet Hahn Lougée, AIA, Mr. Edward Uhlir, FAIA, and Mr. Ben Suzuki (Baek S. Kim). See October's *Architalk* to read about their impressive qualifications.

In addition to our prestigious jury, our own Committee on the Environment has reviewed the submitted projects and

may present several Green Architecture Awards. This special award recognizes projects, which exhibit aspects of "Green Architecture" through its use of materials or concepts.

Chapter members are encouraged to invite spouses, clients, and anyone else interested in the celebration of architecture. For reservations, please contact Corda Murphy at the chapter office. Reservations for tables of ten are available. Hope to see you there.

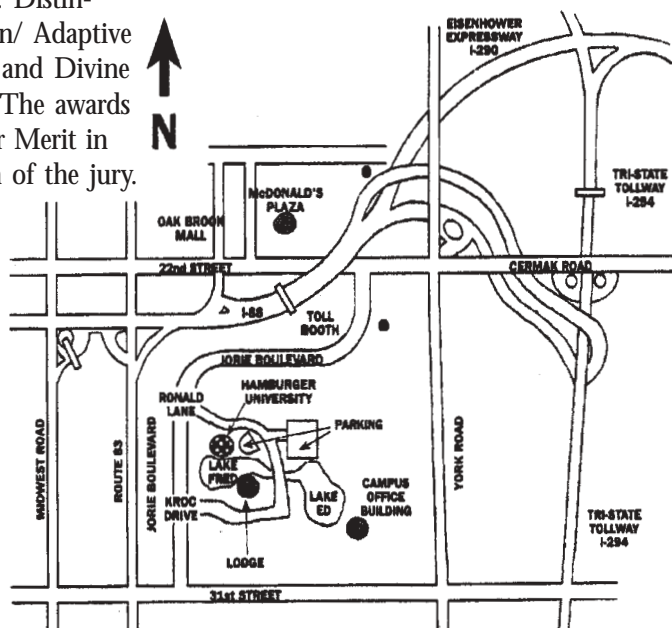
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President's Message



NOVEMBER FIRST

In search of quieter and more peaceful time, I suggest a backroad trip to Milwaukee. Actually, to the downtown to see and experience the latest addition – the Milwaukee Art Museum. Its lakefront location is the perfect backdrop to this architectural experience. Enjoy this entirely new perception of space and building. Plan it for a day of sunshine with a wind less than 19 knots to see the sunscreen in operation. And hurry, before they run out of 'brats'.

Our recent chapter meeting highlighted an interactive panel of Mayors and town officials as a part of the Public Awareness Committee's presentation on Livable Communities. They expressed that planning is of paramount importance, and that long-term persistence and dedication to the goal are key to the implementation of that plan.

Traveling throughout suburban Chicago I've noted town centers forming themselves. Sometimes, curiously enough, at retail establishments. McDonald's caters to that business. I see retirees hanging out at the Joliet location; in Naperville they have a morning bingo session. Early morning mall walking has long been a center for these underemployed people. Town centers are comprised of many activities, and usually a Starbucks. The point is, people need the town center. It's up to dedicated Architects to voice these community principles. Most important is the plan, the dedication and the tax dollars of a committed town.

While travelling I note some excellent design happening on small and midscale projects being constructed. I slow down, looking for signage to see which AIA architect has done the job. MidAmerica financed it, Sollitt built it, and Olsson did the roofing. While word of mouth is the best advertising, signage helps. On a recent project I put up a fun sign (\$400) and received calls that may have never been made without it. It's a cheap way to get your name out there.

Recently seen on Channel 59 Bravo was an advertisement for The American Institute of Architects. It was impressive. Nice to see our dollars at work.

And back to the question of, "What to I get for the dues I pay?" The opportunity to participate. To engage in a variety of architectural activities, to pursue an area of interest, to enjoy social and professional relationships. Don't sit back and wait for the mailings, wondering why. Join us at the meetings, help us with the operation of the chapter. Call any one of the board members listed on the back page of *Architalk* to get started. Call Corda at the chapter office. It's just a digital communication away.

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Relief Fund Organized

AIA President John D. Anderson, FAIA, wrote a letter to all AIA members announcing the opening of the World Trade Center Memorial Fund in response to the terrible events in New York. The letter has been posted on the AIA's website and for those members who may be without e-mail the letter is printed below.

September 21, 2001

Dear Friends:

The international community of architects has been profoundly saddened by the recent terrorist attacks in New York City and at the Pentagon. Since the disaster, AIA members, their colleagues, and related organizations across the United States and around the world have contacted The American Institute of Architects to express their concern and support for the architects and others affected.

We have also been asked how financial contributions can be best directed to assist relief efforts, especially in New York where several architecture firms were displaced by the disaster. Toward this end, the AIA New York Chapter and AIA New York State have identified the **World Trade Center Memorial Fund**, established by the AIA New York Chapter in full cooperation with the New York Building Congress, through its New York Building Foundation, as the recommended recipient of our financial assistance.

Many New York AIA members are actively involved with the New York Building Congress and attest to the credibility and organization of its foundation to appropriately administer the Memorial Fund. Under the direction of an advisory council comprised of leaders from the AIA New York Chapter and other design and construction organizations active in the New York Building Congress, **donations from the architectural community will be used to assist architecture firms whose offices have been destroyed or damaged and will help these firms address an array of relocation, cash flow, payroll and other immediate operational challenges.**

The advisory council will determine how contributions might also be used to aid the surviving families of the victims, firefighters, police, and rescue personnel.


To ensure that donations are immediately allocated to assist those architects in need, please ensure that checks are payable to **NYBF World Trade Center Memorial Fund/AIA**. Checks should be mailed to:

New York Building Foundation
44 West 28th Street, 12th Floor
New York, NY 10001

Contributions to the Memorial Fund are tax deductible under the New York Building Foundation's 501(c)(3) tax status. Any questions about the Memorial Fund may be directed to Rick Bell, FAIA, Executive Director of the AIA/New York Chapter, at 212-683-0023, Ext. 25.

I know you will make as generous and caring a contribution as possible to help our colleagues and others in need as we continue to keep them and all other victims and survivors foremost in our thoughts.

Sincerely,



John D. Anderson, FAIA
President

Think Green/Build Green Event Rescheduled for December

Due to the tragic events of September 11th, the Committee on the Environment's Think Green/Build Green event has been rescheduled for Monday, December 3. The event will still be held at The Diplomat West Banquets, 681 W. North Avenue, Elmhurst.

From a variety of half-hour seminars you will choose four to attend. These informative sessions will identify alternative environmentally friendly materials and services to standard construction methods, compare current practices to alternatives, and assess economic viability of alternative materials. Our presenters come from some of the familiar names in the construction industry including: *Celotex, Chicago Metallic, Corian, Forbo Lino-leum, Trex, and US Gypsum.*

You will earn 2 HSW/CES Learning Units for

attending four half-hour sessions. Seminars will be repeated so we plan to have 10 and 15 participants per seminar to allow for quality interaction with the presenters.

Check-in and social time will begin at 5:30 pm followed by a buffet dinner at 6:15 pm. Seminars will be scheduled up to four times between 7:15 pm and 9:30 pm. Cost will be \$25 for AIA members, \$30 for non-members, \$10 for student members of AIA, and \$15 for students who are not members of an AIA chapter.

Invite your co-workers, interns, managers, specification writers, and associates to join you in what we expect to be an informative and rewarding event.

To register return the reservation form on the next page or send an email to aia_nei@earthlink.net.

Judson College Architecture Lecture Series

Each year, Judson College hosts evening lectures featuring reputable architects from around the country. The Architecture Lecture Series intends to benefit the students, faculty and staff, as well as the greater architectural community with gifted practitioners in the discipline of architecture and the allied arts.

The schedule for the 2001-2002 school year is as follows:

- November 15, 2001, Charles Cook, AIA, Myekski Cook Architects
- January 24, 2002, Nader Tehrani, Office dA

- February 21, 2002, Calvin Lewis, FAIA, Herbert Lewis Kruse Blunck
- March 21, 2002, Paul Harding, AIA, Harding Associates
- April 4, 2002, Will Bruder, William P. Bruder, Architect

All lectures begin at 7:30 pm in the Judson College Fine Arts Performance Hall. For more information regarding the lecture series, contact Jack Kremers, Professor of Architecture at 847-695-2500 x3351 or jkremers@judson-il.edu.

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AIA/Northeast Illinois
Committee on the Environment
CHAPTER PROGRAM

CONTINUING EDUCATION: 2 hours HSW

Please check the box next to the 4 workshops you would like to attend.

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Dave Wickstrom, Chicago Metallic

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Julie Montrose, Celotex

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Scott Mauer, Corian

Alternative to Wood Decking
Tom Gorr, Trex

Gypsum – A Natural Mineral
Don Pool, USG

5:30 - 6:15 pm Registration and social

6:15 - 7:15 Buffet dinner

7:15 - 9:30 4 half-hour seminars

I will Attend: (please type or print)

Name: _____

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Phone: _____

Others attending with you: (Include Name & Company)

Cost:

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\$ 30.00 per Non-Member

\$ 10.00 per AIA Student Member

\$ 15.00 per Student (not AIA)

**Please send this
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Cancellations must be made no later than
12 noon, Wednesday November 28
to avoid being billed.

Architalk Calendar

November

- 2-3 AIA Illinois Annual Meeting
Springfield
- 2 *Lead-based Paint in Preservation and Modernization* *
8:30-4:30 pm, Illini Center, Chicago
Sponsored by The School of Architecture/
Building Research Council at the University
of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2 *Design of Reinforced Concrete Structures* *
1-6pm, Illini Center, Chicago
Sponsored by The School of Architecture/
Building Research Council at the University
of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 12 *Architalk* deadline
- 13 *Construction Management/Design-Build In Illinois*
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Oakbrook Terrace
Sponsored by Lorman Education Services
- 14 AIA/NEI *Celebrate Architecture* Honor Awards
McDonald's Lodge, Oak Brook
- 14 *Blair Kamin/Chicago Tribune Critic – "Why Architecture Matters"*
11:30am - 1:00pm, East Bank Club,
Chicago
Sponsored by Society for Marketing
Professional Services Chicago Chapter
- 15 *Judson College Lecture Series – Charles Cook, AIA*
Judson College Fine Arts Performance Hall,
Elgin
- 16 *Design of Wood Structures* *
1-6pm, Illini Center, Chicago
Sponsored by The School of Architecture/
Building Research Council at the University
of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 20 AIA/NEI Board Meeting

December

- TBA AIA/NEI Board Meeting
- 3 COTE Chapter Meeting
Think Green/Build Green
Diplomat West Banquets, Elmhurst
- 5-6 *The Architecture of Sustainability, Part I and Part II* *
10:00am – 4:30pm, Illini Center, Chicago

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AIA CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

The following programs offer CES credit to AIA members.

Lead-based Paint in Preservation and Modernization, Nov. 2, 8:30-4:30 pm, Illini Center, 200 S. Wacker Dr., Chicago. Sponsored by The School of Architecture/Building Research Council at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Topics for this course include the nature of lead, lead hazards, and lead poisoning; an overview of federal and state regulations; lead evaluation and testing; designing for lead safety; dust control, containment, treatments and cleaning; and historic preservation. By the end of the course participants should be able to: 1) understand paint failure; 2) demonstrate the dust wipe sampling technique; 3) plan and design rehabilitation projects for lead safety; 4) schedule to minimize impacts on cost and productivity. For additional information and to register call 888-633-3606 or email jshiffer@uiuc.edu. (6 HSW LUs)

Design of Reinforced Concrete Structures, Nov. 2, 1-6pm, Illini Center, 200 S. Wacker Dr., Chicago. Sponsored by The School of Architecture/Building Research Council at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. This course covers the design of reinforced concrete structural elements including beams, columns, and certain floor types. For additional information and to register call 888-633-3606 or email jshiffer@uiuc.edu. (6 HSW LUs)

Construction Management/Design-Build In Illinois, November 13, Oakbrook Terrace. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services. Topics to be discussed will cover issues of specific contract provisions, risk allocation and management, contract administration, design responsibilities, "fast track" construction, delays and the changes process. Speakers will also address the special contract and claims challenges raised by design/build and construction management methodologies. To register visit www.lorman.com, call 715-833-3959 or fax 715-833-3953. (6.5 HSW LUs)

Blair Kamin/Chicago Tribune Critic – "Why Architecture Matters," November 14, 11:30am to 1:00pm, East Bank Club, 500 N. Kingsbury Street,

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CES Opportunities . . . continued

Chicago. Sponsored by Society for Marketing Professional Services Chicago Chapter. Pulitzer Prize-winning architecture critic will discuss his new book, a collection of his Chicago Tribune columns. The columns offered the first comprehensive look at Chicago architecture during the 1990s. Kamin will also discuss how the newspaper architecture critic forms the essential link between the public and the public realm. For more information or to register on line visit: www.smps-chi.org or fax Robin Murphy at 630-574-9292. (CES LUs available)

Design of Wood Structures, Nov. 16, 1-6pm, Illini Center, 200 S. Wacker Dr., Chicago. Sponsored by The School of Architecture/Building Research Council at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. This course covers basic design of wood structural components including beam and column elements. Additional subjects such as connections and glue-laminated wood design will also be covered. For additional information and to register call 888-633-3606 or email jshiffer@uiuc.edu. (6 HSW LUs)

The Architecture of Sustainability, Part I and Part II, Dec. 5-6, 10:00am – 4:30pm, Illini Center, 200 S. Wacker Dr., Chicago. Sponsored by The School of Architecture/Building Research Council at the Univer-

sity of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Participants will be able to establish individual parameters for alternative design and technological solutions for reducing the environmental impacts of their buildings. To register or for additional information call 888-633-3603. (6HSW LUs each day)

Architalk Calendar . . . continued

Sponsored by The School of Architecture/ Building Research Council at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

10 *Architalk* deadline

January

10 *Architalk* deadline

16 Joint Economic Forecast Meeting
Co-sponsored by Fox Valley General Contractors, Aurora Chapter National Assoc. of Women In Construction and AIA/NEI

22 AIA/NEI Board Meeting

24 *Judson College Lecture Series –Nader Tehrani, Office dA*

Judson College Fine Arts Performance Hall, Elgin

* See "AIA Continuing Education Opportunities" for additional information.

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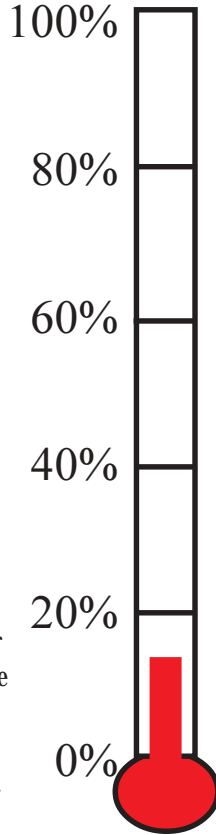
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Illinois Architects PAC Fund Growing

As related in last month's newsletter, the Illinois Architects Political Action Committee (IAPAC) has been in great need of funding by all AIA members in Illinois. To that end, the AIA Illinois Board has established a goal of raising \$10 per registered architect for IAPAC in the second half of 2001. Members of AIA Northeast Illinois have stepped forward and accepted the challenge. The NEI board members support



this goal and have pledged 100% participation. Other members in the chapter are also stepping forward to show their support. Help our chapter meet its goal of 100% participation of our registered architect members. If you have not sent in your contribution, we encourage you to do so now. Our goal can't be met without your help!

If you have any questions about IAPAC or its expenditures, please contact Mike Waldinger, AIA Illinois Executive Vice President at 217-522-2309 or mwaldinger1@springnet.com.

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Conventions and Expos

This column will include a list of conventions, conferences, and expos scheduled throughout the country that are of interest to the construction industry. Feel free to check out websites or use the phone/fax/email contacts to obtain more detailed information about specific events.

What: Performance Specifications

When: November 5, 2001

Where: Virtual Seminar

Details: Presented by the Specifications for Building Design PIA

Info: www.krm.com/aia/

What: Emerging Trends: The Changing Role of Juvenile Justice Facilities

When: November 19, 2001

Where: Virtual Seminar

Details: Presented by the Committee on Architecture for Justice PIA

Info: -HYPERLINK "<http://www.krm.com/aia/>"
—www.krm.com/aia/

What: RCI Building Envelope Symposia

When: November 29-30, 2001

Where: Orland, Florida

Details: Two-day intensive programs offering cutting-edge information regarding maintenance and repair of the building envelope. Topics offered include: moisture migration, concrete facades, curtain walls, masonry issues, legal concern, and more.

Info: Roof Consultants Institute at 800-828-1902 or visit www.RCI-Online.org

What: Enhancing Knowledge Management: Implementing the U.S. National CAD Standard

When: December 7, 2001

Where: Virtual Seminars

Details: Presented by the Technology in Architectural Practice PIA

Info: www.krm.com/aia/

What: IT Principles for Principals: Pursuing the Productivity Payoff

When: December 17, 2001

Where: Virtual Seminars

Details: Presented by the Technology in Architectural Practice PIA

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CHAPTER NEWS

A number of design firms and engineering firms have contacted the Institute to report recent or past requests for building plans that, in light of the attacks of September 11, 2001, appear unusual due to the structures identified in the requests or the type of information solicited. The AIA and the National Society of Professional Engineers, in conjunction with the U.S. General Services Administration, are coordinating with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to provide design firms with information on this situation. Please go to the follow website link (<http://www.aia.org/letter/>) or call Information Central at 800-242-3837 for details and for guidance on contacting the FBI if you or anyone in your firm has received unusual or suspicious requests for information.

The Institute is collecting and assembling information to make available to members regarding security and disaster issues. A new area on the AIA website, "Disaster News and Resources" is available. The AIA Home Page will link to a new site, the AIA's Security by Design Resource Center, which will provide the latest information and resources to address members' needs related to these issues. Also, "Safety Tips and Guidelines for Potential Bio/Chem and Mail Hazards" has been added to the front page of <http://www.aia.org>.

The American Institute of Steel Construction, Inc. (AISC) will release the Third Edition of the *Manual of Steel Construction, Load and Resistance Factor Design* on November 15, 2001. The 3rd Edition has been condensed back into a single volumn that has been reorganized and reformatted to provide practical and efficient access to the

President's Message . . . Continued

The trip for November? **Honor Awards.** Join us at the McDonald's Lodge in Oak Brook for a grand evening celebrating the art of Architecture. A great backdrop for the presentation of fifty projects submitted by our chapter members. Harpist included.

See you there.



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information needed to design and construct structural steel buildings. The manual is available for purchase at the AISC bookstore at www.aisc.org/bookstore.html or at 800-644-2400.

The AIA 2001 Component Survey of Business Conditions has been completed and the report is available at: <http://www.aia.org/aiarchitect/thismonth/1001stories/1001kermit.htm>. The survey yielded much interesting information; most noticeable were signs of a slowdown even before the events of September 11th.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We are pleased to welcome the following new members:

Architect Member: **Nick Honcharuk**

Unassigned Member: **Marty Serena, AIA, Prisco Serena, Sturm**

MEMBER NEWS


Burnidge Cassell Associates recently announced the appointment of **Richard McCarthy, AIA**, as principal. Rick is the library studio ream leader.

Two NEI member firms, Mizani & Associates Inc. and Matocha Associates recently announced the merger of their firms. Matocha Associates will continue to be at the same location in Oak Brook Terrace.

Dick Lehman, AIA, of Richard A. Lehman, Architect, recently announced that his firm has merged with Kurtz Associates Architects.

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Walker Parking Consultants, a leading international E/A consultant firm specializing in design of multi-level parking structures, has a Project Architect opening in its Elgin office. Prospective candidate must be proficient in AutoCAD 2000. Computer skills as well as written and oral communication skills are required. Must be able to work in team environment. B. Arch, & minimum of 2 yrs prof exp needed. Excellent compensation & benefits package. For confidential consideration, please e-mail resume to gary.koch@walkerparking.com or mail/fax to: Mr. Gary H. Koch, Vice President, Walker Parking Consultants, 505 Davis Road, Elgin, IL 60123, 847-697-2640, fax 847-697-7439



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