Middle Chapter Enjoys Evening of Fun, Food, and The Curve

PLAY BALL!!!!!

Our annual Chapter picnic was a little different this year. The day began with a series of seminars sponsored by Fierst Distributing covering different aspects of tile installation. Mr. Bob Duffy and Ms. Amber Britton from Fierst, along with Mr. Pat Bachle, AIA, Programs Director North, organized and coordinated the subjects and presenters. A great deal of useful and important information was obtained in these sessions, and members were able to earn educational credits as well.

Following the seminars, Mr. Duffy and his wife hosted members of the Chapter and their spouses for an evening at PNG Park in Altoona to watch the Altoona Curve baseball team battle their opponents. Although the game was slightly delayed because of rain, the night was a great success.

Fierst graciously provided the ballgame tickets as well as the delicious dinner.

Everyone gathered at the picnic area down the third base line to partake of all kinds of picnic fare from hamburger and hotdogs to melt-in-your-mouth cookies and desserts. We then settled in to our field level, front row seats to watch an exciting game and enjoy great conversation.

A very special thank you to Bob, Amber, Pat, and Fierst for such a great evening. If you haven't done it already, we highly recommend you go and enjoy this terrific ball park and the always-exciting Altoona Curve!
AIA PENNSYLVANIA

The Paula Maynes AIA Pennsylvania ARE Grant

AIA Pennsylvania Announces its first ever ARE Grant for Associate Members in honor of our dear friend and colleague, Paula Maynes, AIA. The submission deadline is 5PM on August 31, 2015.

Email Application to amahrouki@aiapa.org
Subject: "Paula Maynes AIA Pennsylvania ARE Grant Application."
Download a PDF Application: http://files.ctctcdn.com/462a2937001/f968e71a-a523-4f37-86bf-b531eb34e424.pdf

AWARD
Seven $210 awards, the cost of each ARE exam, will be given to eligible candidates in the form of reimbursement upon receipt of passing an ARE division.

CONCEPT
The AIA Pennsylvania Associates Committee has identified a need to provide assistance to Associates throughout the Commonwealth, who are taking the Architect Registration Examinations (AREs). Due to the lingering impacts of the recession on the architectural, design and construction fields, many emerging professionals are still underemployed, and struggling to pay off school loans. The AIA PA Associates Committee believes it is essential for the future success of our profession to retain as many young professionals and Associates as possible and aims to facilitate their path to licensure. An important component of our commitment to emerging professionals is our initiative to provide more financial assistance to pay for the AREs.

ABOUT PAULA MAYNES
This grant is dedicated to the remembrance of Paula Maynes, AIA. She was an ardent supporter of the creation of this grant, and she inspired us with a legacy of mentorship, service to the profession, a stellar work ethic and a unique calm, collaborative nature. These qualities that embodied Paula are what we seek to develop in ARE candidates in Pennsylvania. We aspire to become more like her, with a healthy work-life balance. Paula graduated from CMU's Architecture Program and worked for several architectural firms before starting Maynes Associates Architects for the past 20-plus years. She served two terms on the AIA Pittsburgh Board of Directors and two terms on the AIA PA Board of Directors. She was the President of AIA Pittsburgh in 2008, Secretary of the AIA PA Board in 2012, and she chaired the Government Affairs committee in 2010 and 2011. Paula mentored new graduates and volunteered as a panel judge at the Carnegie Mellon University School of Architecture. This award aims to recognize aspiring architects in Pennsylvania, who follow her footsteps through their dedication to achieving licensure and towards positively impacting their profession and
GOOD OF THE ORDER

As part of the repositioning of AIA, National is moving towards having every Chapter provide the same "service" or "benefits" to each member. As you can imagine, Chapters that have paid staff such as Pittsburgh or Philadelphia, can easily accommodate various services that small unstaffed Chapters cannot do. Our able President, Dave Albright and able Vice-President Brian Endler are working and following this movement with National and with the State offices. We are hoping to work out some sort of agreement with the State to accommodate small Chapters (we are not the only ones in this boat) to assist in providing these "services" to each of our members. Stay tuned for further developments which will be broadcasted in our email blasts and within the Newsletters.

Until next time,

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2015

SYMPOSIUM SET FOR SEPTEMBER 23!

Less Than 60 Days Until the Symposium!!

The countdown is on! This year’s event will be held on Wednesday, September 23, 2015 at the Penn Stater Conference Center in State College. Earn up to six continuing ed credits at the following presentations:

Irvin R. Spoonhour, ICC Master Code Professional, Approved Code Services, Inc.
2016 PA Accessibility Code

Anthony Potter, Esq., Powell Trachtman Logan Carrle & Lombardo
Avoiding common legal mistakes

Mark Dietrick, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP, Case Technologies Inc. and Drew Weinheimer, AE7
Design Strategies for the BIM Workflow

Stephen M. Swarney, JD, Exec Director, AIA PA
Learning the Process: Being and Effective Voice in Harrisburg

James L. O’Donnell, Director, PA Department of Community & Economic Development, Tax Credit Division
Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program (in partnership with PMHC)

Check your in-box for more e-correspondence about the event in the coming weeks.

Registration Now Open

Visa, MC accepted through PayPal

Online registration for the Symposium and the dinner tour of the Bryce Jordan Center is now open to AIA-MPC and other AIA members, as well as non-members. Visit http://aiamiddlepa.org/symposium/2015/guest_2015.html to register. A hard copy of the registration form can also be downloaded and sent in.

Visa and Mastercard online payment option can be made through PayPal on the site. Early bird registration discounts end August 21 so register today!

NOTE: If you plan to attend the always popular cocktail reception and dinner presentation (featuring a behind-the-scenes tour of the Bryce Jordan Center) please be sure to choose both the Symposium AND the reception/dinner option when you register. The reception, dinner and tour are an additional $45 per person.

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Behind-the-Scenes Dinner Tour of Bryce Jordan Center

Have you ever wondered about the inner workings of a major arena? Join us for the cocktail reception and dinner after the Symposium and wonder no more!

After dinner, guests will get a behind-the-scenes tour of the BJC, complements of Michael Facente, BIS, and Brian Hamilton, CCS, Automated Logic. The duo, whose firm implemented the Center's intelligent building automation system, will talk about how it's used to gather, store and analyze data that help the building's energy managers, facility managers, end users/occupants, financial planners, technicians and others make strategic decisions about the building's design, renovations and usage.


**Be sure to choose both the Symposium AND the reception/dinner option when you register.**

More Companies Sign on for Exhibition Fair

Great news! Several more exhibitors have signed on for the exhibition fair since June. Several hours are devoted to the exhibition each year so that guests can learn more about the latest products and services, and meet one-on-one with industry specialists. Be sure to say 'thanks' to these companies that have recently joined us!

- CIL Engineering, Damien Lawrence, 814-536-1651
- Daltile, Dave Mosovsky
- Fishman Flooring Solutions, Rowan Brosam, 412-303-0078
- Mohawk Industries, Kort Isenberg, 412-855-5995
- Patcraft, Bill Ludwig, 412-302-1751

They join these companies that also have reserved booths as 2015 exhibitors:

- Appleridge Stone International, Steve Doyle, Don Broadbent, 724-459-9511
- Architectural Clay Products, Duke Bope, 412-322-0700
- Bricks and Stones Supply (formerly CH Mason Supply), Byron Singer, 814-364-1688

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Brodwill ï Randy Kania, 412-515-0504
EB Endres ï Todd Speck, Larry Shontz, Rick Sheffield, Richard Endres , 814-643-1860
Fierst Distributing ï Amber Britton, Bob Duffy, 800-242-1614
Glen-Gery ï Bill Raab
Keller Engineers ï Diana McClure, Randy Diviney ï 814-696-7430
Mastic Home Exteriors ï Dan Moore ï 412-559-9527
Modernfold of PA ï Mark Kennedy, Mark Nattress, 610-682-0700
Van Gelder, Inc./Portico Systems ï Sam Stein, 443-545-6364

If you know any companies that would be interested in exhibiting, please have them contact Anne McGrath at annefmcgrath@verizon.net for more information or to reserve space.

Exhibiting companies can also join the chapter as 2015 affiliates at a reduced rate when they sign on as a Symposium vendor.

Welcome New Affiliates!

Please join us in welcoming two new affiliates who recently joined the chapter after signing on as Symposium exhibitors. We’re glad to have you!

Rowan Brosam
Fishman Flooring Solutions
412-303-0078
rowan.brosam@lfishman.com
www.lfishman.com

Bill Ludwig
Patcraft
412-302-1751
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FISHMAN FLOORING SOLUTIONS

Fishman Flooring Solutions represents the evolution of a full-service, broad-spectrum flooring distributor. Our solutions cover the substrate up through the finished floor, focusing on logistical support, preventative design strategies and practical problem-solving for all members of the design and installation team.

We offer a diverse selection of attractive high performance commercial floor coverings. We have partnered with many of the top names in substrate prep, moisture control, sound deadening, crack isolation, tile setting materials, finishing accessories, stairwell solutions and more.

Fishman works with the end user, design team and floor covering service provider to assist with all aspects of the process; from design conception to material staging and logistics, to installation materials and even post installation scrap recycling. Our broad palette of beautiful and long-lasting commercial floor coverings work for every space in the facility, no matter how challenging.

With an entire team devoted to the Architecture, Design and Facility community, Fishman brings a holistic approach and extensive knowledge of the design and installation process to the project. Employee owned and operated, Fishman Flooring Solutions was founded in 1919 and is headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland. We are proud to provide our unique distribution approach in 14 states.

Automatics on the Upswing

By Mike Clancy
Architectural Resources, Inc. – Bobrick Representatives

The use of automatics are on the rise in the public washroom. Auto faucets, soap dispensers, paper towel dispensers and hand dryer are everywhere. No one wants to touch anything in the public washroom. Can’t blame them!

Owners need to know that when automatic soap dispensers and paper towel dispensers are used, they are often locked into buying the soap and/or paper from the manufacturer of the accessory. This in not economical. In fact, it can be downright expensive.

In 2014, Bobrick introduced new automatic soap dispensers, the B-824 (liquid) and the B-828 (foam). Both dispensers let the owner purchase bulk soap from whatever source they want. The money they save on soap can pay for the dispensers in less than a year. As a bonus, the dispensers are top-loading so no one has to get under the counter to service them. They are available with a battery pack or an AC adapter

For more info, contact Mike Clancy, Architectural Resources, Inc. – Bobrick Representatives at mike@archres-inc.com. Stop by Booth #29 at the upcoming Symposium to talk with Mike and get a first-hand look at the products and services offered by Architectural Resources Inc. — Bobrick Representatives!
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ELIGIBILITY
In order to be eligible for the Paula Maynes AIA Pennsylvania ARE Scholarship, interested applicants must be a Pennsylvania Associate AIA member and a NCARB record holder in good standing.

CRITERIA
Applications will be reviewed by the AIA Pennsylvania Associates Committee, and winners will be presented to the AIA Pennsylvania Board of Directors* for approval. Applicants should demonstrate one or more of the following attributes:
1. Significant contributions at an early stage of career to the profession and/or community
2. Demonstrated passion for pursuit of registration
3. Demonstrated financial need

APPLICATION PROCEDURES
The submission deadline is 5PM on August 31, 2015. Email the PDF to amahrouki@aiapa.org, with the subject heading "Paula Maynes AIA Pennsylvania ARE Grant Application." Winners will be announced 18 September 17, 2015, at the AIA Pennsylvania Leadership Conference at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh.
Completed scholarship applications must include the following as one bundled PDF document:
1. Paula Maynes AIA Pennsylvania ARE Grant Application Form
2. Statement of contribution to the profession (limited to one page, 500 words)
3. One professional biography and/or résumé (limited to two pages)
4. One recommendation letter
   Applicants must provide a signed recommendation letter from an IDP Mentor or Supervisor, an AIA member in good standing, or an AIA Component Executive. This recommendation letter is limited to one page and must be collected by the applicant and supplied with the additional supporting materials.
5. Proof of eligibility to sit for the ARE, and/or receipts of passing divisions of the ARE within the 2014-2015 calendar year
   This includes your Authorization to Test Expiration Date, and your NCARB IDP number
6. Proof of Pennsylvania AIA membership by providing your AIA member number and local chapter affiliation

CONTACT INFORMATION
If you have any questions about the program, please contact Amal Mahrouki, AIA Pennsylvania Manager of Member Relations. You may email her at amahrouki@aiapa.org or call 717-236-4055. You may also contact the AIA Pennsylvania Associate Director, Joanna Beres, at joannaberes@gmail.com.

*Grant recipients are approved by the AIA Pennsylvania Board of Directors. All results are final.
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