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Student Corner

PSU Students Study Abroad – Rome

The photo below are students that studied abroad during both the Fall and Spring. It is a mix of Penn State students, one University of Massachusetts student, and a few Parsons School of Design students. The left side is the fall group and the right side is the spring group. The are as follows:

Front Row (Left to Right): Ali Pugliese, Tyler Corbley, Paige Geldrich, Miranda Esposito, Bri Aveta, Kate Stuewe, Megan Ross, Elizabeth Rothrock, Jordan Swartz, Barbara Gudeljevic, Dave Ackerman, Ad-die Rabold, Bridget Novielli, Lili AIAli, Savannah Cranford, Allana Kapcsos, Megan Shrout, & Cristina Difazio.

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Fourth Row: Thiago Lisboa, Caroline Wilson, Ruhi Shah, Alexia Cavazos, & Sam Oztan.



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President's Message

Personally, I think the most rewarding part of our profession is to watch the structures that we design with our imagination and develop on paper, come to fruition and actually be constructed. Not many professions can boast that they create such beautiful, tangible products on such a large scale quite like we do on a daily basis. With that in mind, I'm sure you have all seen the flyer for the upcoming tour of the new State College High School. The event is hosted by the USGBC Central PA and Keystone Contractors Association on Tuesday, August 15 at 3:00pm and will include a presentation by the project team members and the school district, a walking tour of the construction site, and will conclude with a social happy hour. This is a great opportunity to see one of the area's most impressive new schools while earning continuing education credits and networking with our peers. I hope to see you all there!

And please don't forget about the upcoming tour of the new Sheetz Corporate Headquarters building being planned for September, and our bi-annual Chapter Symposium set for October 25 at the Nittany Lion Inn in State College. More details on both events will be sent out in the upcoming weeks, so be sure to check your emails.

Finally, with summer soon coming to an end, I hope you all have had a chance to get away and enjoy some form of vacation. In our business it's easy to get caught up in the hustle and bustle of our daily work regimens that we sometimes forget to take a step back and enjoy life. Just coming back from a weeklong trek to the beach, I truly realize the importance of taking a break from the grind to relax and enjoy some much needed family time. I feel totally refreshed and am now excited to get back to the office and tackle my next challenges.

So if you take anything away from my message this edition, I hope I can encourage you to make a little more time for yourself. I have every confidence that it will improve your health, your sanity, and ultimately make you more productive!

I Until next time!

Brian Endler, AIA

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GOOD OF THE ORDER

Are our buildings too clean? This was asked at a recent Environmental Conference. Numerous studies have shown exposure to dirt at a young age and while growing up gives a natural resistance to asthma, allergies, and other natural diseases. Dirt is good for you! (I remember seeing this on a T-shirt during my college days! LOL!). OK . so how does this tie into architecture and design? The short story is more studies show buildings utilizing operable windows that allow outdoor microbes in, keep indoor bad+microbes in check! Also in the same research, dark spaces in buildings have higher concentrations of bacteria as opposed to those with more natural daylight. Intuitively, as architects, I believe we are always cognizant of utilizing natural light and fresh air as much as possible which helps with the above. But, once again, these are more actions that tie in to our mantra, **protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the building occupants!**

Until next time,

Tom

Pennsylvania Architectural Registration Exam Study Materials

We are happy to announce that Mr. Rick Karcher, AIA, has arranged for McKissick Kasun, to house the study materials for anyone embarking on the registration process to use. The materials are archived at their Hollidaysburg office at 412 Allegheny Street, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648. Thanks, Rick!



20 YEARS!!!!



Save the Date!

20 Years of AIA-MPC Symposiums

2017 AIA-MPC Symposium...mark your calendars!

The 2017 Symposium will be held on Thursday, October 26, 2017. The day will consist of 75-minute AIA-approved seminars for CREDIT. Breakfast, lunch, and breaks in the vendor exhibition area along with optional dinner presentation will all be held at the Nittany Lion Inn on the campus of Penn State University.

The 20th Anniversary of the bi-annual conference will have an intimate feel with a great line-up of presenters, exhibitors, and special events. Some vendors who have already secured their spot include:

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ATAS
Bobrick/Arch Resources
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CFI Knoll
EB Endres
Keller Engineering
Modernfold of PA
Portico Systems
Sheaffer Stahl Engineering
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To secure your booth please contact Pamela Crooks. She can be reached at pennsylvaniacrooks@yahoo.com or 814.241.8379.

For overnight accommodations, please contact The Nittany Lion Inn at 800-233-7505 prior to September 25th. Reference the AIA-MPC Symposium and ask for the group rate.

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AIA Middle Pennsylvania

2017 Calendar of Events

January

- 01.24 Joint Meeting with AIAS at PSU Architecture ó Stuckman Building
Executive Committee Meeting prior

February

- No event

March

- 03.02 Joint Meeting with AIAS at PSU Architecture ó Stuckman Building 6:30pm
- 03.08-10 AIA Grass Roots ó Washington, D.C.
- 03.10 CANstruction entry drawings due
- 03.21 or 23 Executive Committee Meeting at State College venue TBD
- 03.22 AIA PA Architectø Action Day ó Harrisburg, State Capitol

April

- 04.20 CANstruction Build Day at the Nittany Mall, State College
- 04.27-29 AIA National Convention in Orlando, FL
- 04.28-29 Old House Fair in Bellefonte
- 04.11 Joint meeting with ASHRAE at Duncansville Marzoniø

May

- 05.09 ATAS Plant Tour

June

- 06.07 Executive Committee Meeting

July

- 07.20 Chapter Picnic at venue TBD
Executive Committee prior if needed

August

- 08.15 State College High School Tour

September

- 09/27 Tour of Sheetz new Office Center, Claysburg, PA
(Tentative)

October

- 10.26 Symposium at venue near Nittany Lion Inn at PSU

November

- 11.16 2018 Planning Meeting at Greenwood Marzoniø
- 11.?? AIA PA Architectural Excellence Awards(?)


December

- No event

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