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Chapter Accreditation

WE ARE ACCREDITED!

For those following this exciting saga, AIA National now requires all chapters to submit lengthy documentation every three years to demonstrate that the chapter provides the basic Core Member Services they developed. This fun little exercise started last year and we came up a bit short on our end. We received a 1-year accreditation and had to resubmit this year for an additional 2 years. So now we're official until May 1, 2019.

To maintain chapter status, we'll have to do this every three years forever, or until national decides to change the requirement. I believe national has decided that small, unstaffed chapters like ours aren't good for membership. And truth be told, it's nearly impossible for us to meet the standards without a fulltime director our outsourcing many administrative tasks. We only got by this time based on the assertion form myself and AIA PA that we are working on an agreement that will establish that outsourcing support.

Soon, the chapter will need to determine how that will work and what it'll look like; not to mention what it might cost. Personally, I will lobby for a solution that doesn't add a financial or time burden to the membership to meet these onerous standards. Maybe we can get back to being a professional organization that can enjoy some goodnatured fellowship while promoting our profession within our communities, and leave the paperwork to the bureaucrats.

David B. Albright, AIA

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May 12, 2017

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President's Message

Spring is finally here! Well, sort of. As I write this message and look out my window, there is still some snow on the ground left over from our latest little snow flurry. But of course, as is the norm in western Pennsylvania, the weather is calling for seventy degrees tomorrow so I guess there is hope after all!

Springtime in our industry is typically a busy time of year with everyone gearing up for the new construction season and needing construction documents churned out yesterday; I'm sure you've all been there! While I too am extremely busy balancing work and home life, I am fortunate enough to be attending my second AIA national conference in Orlando from April 27-29. After my first conference in Philadelphia last year, I am really looking forward to this year's trip since I'll be a little more accustomed to everything. In addition to all of the excellent continuing education courses and tours I will be participating in, I will also have the responsibility and privilege to vote for national officers on behalf of our chapter. With that said, if anyone has any input or comments regarding any of the candidates I'd be happy to hear them.

Another event held recently that was a little closer to home was our annual joint meeting with ASHRAE Johnstown Chapter on April 11 at Marzoni's in Duncansville. This year's event featured guest speaker Kishor Khankari, Ph.D, an ASHRAE Distinguished Lecturer, He presented "Design and Analysis of Natural Ventilation Systems". The seminar was approved by both AIA and GBCI for continuing education credits and a more detailed article will be included in our next issue of this newsletter.

Finally, I am pleased to announce that our Chapter has received its accreditation through May 1, 2019! For those who are not aware, AIA National has imposed several new minimum requirements that individual Chapters must provide their members, and we were required to submit an application for accreditation detailing how we meet these minimum requirements. As you can imagine, it's not easy for small unstaffed chapters to meet some of these requirements, but overall I feel we do a great job utilizing the resources and volunteers we have available to provide the best possible service to our members. Once again, I would like to extend a huge thank you to Dave Albright for all of his efforts in keeping our Chapter alive. (Dave's article on accreditation appears on Page 1 of this newsletter.)

Until next time!

Brian Endler, AIA

AIA Associates Corner — 2016 Links

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<u>GOOD OF THE ORDER</u>

The Federal Department of Energy and Environment recently hired Perkins and Will to do a comprehensive plan and vulnerability study for Washington D.C. with regards to the effects of extreme weather. As part of the study, effects on individual buildings will also be completed. We, to a certain point, do this in our building designs by investigating the snow loads, the water table and flood zones, and relating climatic temperatures to our HVAC systems. Some of us do bring up to the Owner, during design development, the potential weather extremes and how the building design (should budget permit) can be adjusted for these extremes. It is good to know this value provided by architects is recognized on the national level and is yet another example of the importance of engaging an architect for building design.

Until next time,

Tom

20 YEARS!!!!



Save the Date!

20 Years of AIA-MPC Symposiums

Planning is underway for our 2017 Symposium, scheduled for **Thursday, October 26** at the Nittany Lion Inn on the campus of Penn State University.

As always, we'll have a strong line-up of presenters, exhibitors and special events planned to celebrate the 20th anniversary of our biannual conference. Plan to join us – and spread the word to colleagues, exhibitors and others who may be interested. Details will be announced shortly. Be sure to check your in-box and your mailbox for updates.

For more info or for any questions, please contact Anne McGrath at <u>annefmcgrath@gmail.com</u> or 814-242-6079. *See you on October* 26!



2017 Calendar of Events

January	
• 01.24	Joint Meeting with AIAS at PSU Architecture – Stuckman Building
	Executive Committee Meeting prior
<u>February</u>	
 No event 	
March	
• 03.02	Joint Meeting with AIAS at PSU Architecture – Stuckman Building 6:30pn
03.08-10	AIA Grass Roots – 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 Architect's Action Day – 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 Marzoni's
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• 05.19	Executive Committee Meeting at TBD (as needed)
June	
• 06.16	Executive Committee Meeting at TBD (as needed)
June	
• 07.20	Chapter Picnic at venue TBD
	Executive Committee prior if needed
August	
• 08.17	Data Center building tour at PSU University Park (to be confirmed)
September	
• TBD	Tour of Sheetz new Office Center, Claysburg, PA
October	
• 10.26	Symposium at venue near Nittany Lion Inn at PSU
November	
• 11.16	2018 Planning Meeting at Greenwood Marzoni's
11.77	AIA PA Architectural Excellence Awards(?)
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<u>December</u>	
 No event 	

AIAS Representatives Attend Annual Forum Conference

Over winter break, ten members from our chapter at Penn State attended the annual FORUM Conference held in Boston this year. For four days, students from Architecture schools all over the country attended workshops, lectures, firm tours, and walking tours of Boston, learning about the rich history and hearing from inspirational speakers about the most popular and pressing issues in the world of architecture today. Keynotes such as David Gamble and Ellen Watts talked about urban regeneration, carbon neutrality, and energypositive designs. During the conference, we got to explore Quincy Market, walk the Freedom Trail, and take a tour of Harvard's Architecture studio. We celebrated the new year at the Westin in Copley Square, where the conference was held, with a masquerade Beaux Arts Ball. As well, we voted on the 2017-2018 National AIAS Board of Directors.

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Harvard Yard



Harvard's Architectural Studio



Masquerade Ball



New Board of Directors

- AIAS 2016-2017 Board



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Penn State University AIAS Officers

Listed below are the officers and Advisor of AIAS at Penn State for this 2016/2017:

Mark McWilliams President Anna Zaat Vice President Taylor Conrad Secretary Mieke Kissick Treasurer

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AIAS Members Attend Northeast QUAD Convention

Over Penn State's Spring break, 14 AIAS members attended the AIAS Northeast QUAD convention hosted by Ryerson University in Toronto, Canada. During this convention, students took different workshops (Sustainability, Technology, Arts & Culture, Historical Preservation) and tours throughout the city pertaining to the workshop they chose. The tours around Toronto provided us with a different kind of architecture that we don't experience here in State College, and we were lucky enough to learn the key inspirations for several famous buildings in Toronto. We also learned about local architecture firms in Toronto and all about the studio program of Ryerson University. Among the tours and workshops there were several very interesting lectures and a Beaux Arts Ball to end our amazing trip. For many students, it was their first time visiting Canada, and while the weather was freezing (about 10° F the entire weekend) we still had a fantastic time!

We would also like to thank the local Middle PA AIA Chapter for their generous donation of \$1,000 to credit our org. This donation helps to fund trips like this.

- AIAS Penn State



Dinner in Toronto



Toronto City Hall

Middle Pennsylvania

Continuing Education Opportunity





April 28 - 29, 2017

About the Fair

The 2017 Old House Fair, in its second year, offers an exciting two day menu of workshops and bus facilitated tours of the Bellefontee Historic District that will kick off with banquet and internationally known authority on historic preservation, Ed McMahon. McMahon, along with over a dozen state and local experts will present programs about historic preservation and why it is good for our communities. Maintenance challenges of old houses, architectural styles, historic landscaping, and historic window repair, among other topics of interest will also be available to old house enthusiasts.

Where: The Pennsylvania Match Factory Website: www.centrehistory.org/ohf/

100 Match Factory Place
Bellefonte, PA 16823 Cost: Friday

When: April 28th—29th, 2017 \$70 - Programs & Banquet w/ Keynote

\$20 - Programs Only

Partners: American Philatelic Society \$60 - Reception, Banquet & Keynote Only

Bellefonte Historical & Cultural Association Saturday

Centre County Historical Society \$10 - Unlimited Sessions

Friday Agenda

9:00 am	Registration
9:25 am	Welcome
9:30 am	Historic Resources + Development = Economic Vitality + A Sense of Place (1LU HSW) Mindy Crawford, Executive Director, Preservation Pennsylvania
10:45 am	Using the Federal Historic Tax Credit (1LU) Bonnie Mark, Principal, Delta Development Group, Inc.
11:45 am	Lunch break
1:30 pm	From Quaker State to Maker State (1LU HSW) Glenn Vernon, Principal, Albertin Vernon, LLC
2:45 pm	Four things Your Municipality Can do to Accelerate Economic Development (1LU) Chris Brown and Mark Newman, Derck & Edson
5:00 pm	Attendee Reception
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:15 pm	Keystone Address - The New Formula for Community Revitalization (1LU HSW)
	Keystone Address - The New Formula for Community Revitalization (1LU HSW) Ed McMahon, Senior Fellow for Sustainable Development, Urban Land Institute



Minutes for General Membership Meeting

Time/Venue: December 15, 2016, 6:00 p.m.

Jethro's Restaurant, Duncansville, PA

Topics:

Anti-trust Statement

It is the practice of AIA Middle Pennsylvania, a Component of The American Institute of Architects, and its members to comply strictly with all laws, including federal and state antitrust law the apply to AIA Operations and activities. Accordingly, this meeting will be conducted in full compliance with those laws.

2. Review of Accreditation Status

President gave an overview of 2016 conditional 1-year AIA accreditation of chapter, and challenges to attain full 3 -year accreditation through 2018.

3. Appeal for Nominations and Volunteer Representatives

To date only David Macharola has consented to be put in nomination for the position of 2017-2018 Vice President/2019-2020 President Elect.

Ruchik Vyas has consented to fill another term as Secretary, and David Reasinger has consented to continuing as Acting Treasurer.

The following Leadership Team positions are open:

Government Affairs Representative

AIA PA Communication Committee Representative

AIA PA Awards Committee

4. Election of Officers

David Macharola, AIA was elected unanimously to the position of 2017-2018 Vice President/2019-2020 President Elect.

No volunteers for Leadership Team positions were forthcoming.

The 2017-2018 MPA AIA Executive Committee Officers will be:

Brian Endler, AIA – President

David Macharola, AIA – Vice President

Ruchik Vyas, AIA - Secretary

David Reasinger, Assoc. AIA - Acting Treasurer

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm. Brian Endler moved the motion and Dave Reasinger seconded; vote passed.

Submitted by David Albright

<u>Pennsylvania Architectural</u> <u>Registration Exam Study</u> <u>Materials</u>

We are happy to announce that Mr. Rick Karcher, AIA, has arranged for his firm, 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!



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Bruce Sekanick, FAIA Secretary of the Institute

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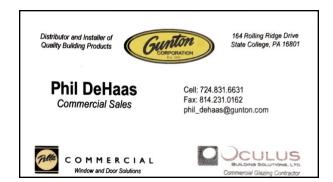
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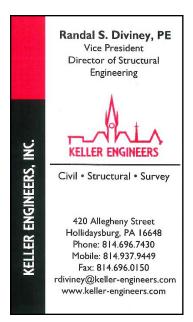


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