

## AIA MIDDLE PA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### Annual Middle Chapter Picnic A Great Success!!

Once again, members and guests were able to spend a lovely evening surrounded by colleagues, friends, fine food and wine . . . all while enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kimball. The beautiful Klein Immergrun estate was breathtaking with green rolling hills and an array of colorful flowers in every direction.

Our meal was a luscious buffet of chicken and salmon. The accompanying side dishes presented a selection of mouthwatering possibilities. And, of course, the entire feast was topped off with a delightful desert of sweet pound cake and summer berries.

President Rick Cyman welcomed all with a brief review of the Chapter's activities during the past year. While continually offering members various programs and educational opportunities to accumulate those required credits, the



Chapter also has participated in many building tours throughout the Middle Chapter region.

Tom Columbus gave an update of this year's Symposium. Held on a bi-annual basis, the Symposium will convene in State College, PA on November 5, 2009, at the Penn Stater Conference Center. (See Pages 5 & 6 for more information)

Mr. Patrick J. Endler, President, AIA PA, provided an overview of the work performed by the state organization on behalf of members across the Commonwealth. Mr. Richard Deyoung, AIA Regional Director, also spoke about AIA activities. The Middle Chapter is always fortunate to have officials from our State organization attend our annual function.



▲ AIA members and guests enjoy the beautiful surroundings of Klein Immergrun

And last, but certainly not least, Dave Reasinger presented the AIA Middle Chapter Medal of Distinction to Dallas Miller. Dallas has been very active with the AIA and served for many years on the AIA State Board as well as investing countless hours during development of the state-wide building code.

***Congratulations, Dallas!!!***

◀ Patrick Endler, President AIA PA addresses those gathered at the Middle Chapter's annual picnic

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▲ Dallas Miller displays his Medal of Distinction presented for his many years of dedicated service to the Chapter as Dave Reasinger looks on

## NEXT MID POINTS

Deadline for articles and information for the next newsletter is:

**October 23, 2009**

Please contact Dee Columbus,  
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## Message From the President

Rick Cyman, AIA

Penn State Football, Pittsburg Steelers, World Series, wedding anniversary, autumn foliage, AIA Middle Chapter Symposium, Sheetz Commissary Tour and the Habitat for Humanity Project.... I'm looking forward to the fall season.

The Chapter has many activities coming your way this fall, so keep your calendars open. Starting out in early October, we plan to hold the Sheetz Commissary Tour. This event is tentatively scheduled for October 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM. The facility should be in full production mode at this time, so come join us for a presentation, facility tour, and lunch (probably commissary food). The tour is free of charge and we anticipate that you will be able to earn two learning credits. A flyer will be forthcoming as soon as we can finalize the exact date and time.

The bi-annual Chapter Symposium is scheduled for November 5<sup>th</sup> at the Penn Stater. Come join your friends and colleagues, obtain your required learning credits, visit the product show, and enjoy a day out of the office.

Our Habitat project is also continuing to progress. After working all summer on the purchase and subdivision of the property, we are finally awaiting the approval of the building permit. We anticipate starting in September and plan to have a volunteer day on a Saturday in October or early November. As soon as we can identify the day, we will send out a flyer with all the details and information.

I hope you enjoy the fall season and I look forward to seeing you at these events....hope you can make it!

Regards,

Rick

## AIA Associates Corner — 2009 Links

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### ***For the Good of the Order***

Comments on the Profession of Architecture by Tom Columbus Jr., AIA

Green design continues to morph into the design community in yet another way. The International Code Council, mother of our state-wide family of Building Codes, is currently developing the International Green Construction Code. This separate Code will join the current family of Codes to promote (actually assure) sustainability and safety (protecting the health, safety, and welfare) of the building users. It compliments and ties together sections of the other family of Codes such as efficient plumbing fixtures, efficient light fixtures, energy saving HVAC units, etc. Utilizing this Code will also help designers in achieving LEED points for certified buildings. Timing for release of this new Code, to the best of my knowledge, has not been made public. However, based on current literature on the subject, it sounds like it should be ready within two years. So, make room on your reference shelf for yet another Code book!



# AIA Middle Pennsylvania



## COMMISSARY TOUR

(Sheetz Brothers Kitchen)

October 7<sup>th</sup>  
10:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Earn 2 AIA Learning Units

Come and enjoy a presentation,  
facility tour, and lunch on us!



### Directions from I-99 South/US-220 South

Take the Sproul/King Exit (Exit #15)

Coming off the Exit, you will bear to the Right onto Appalachian Trwy/Old US-220

Proceed Straight until you come to a Signal Light (approx. 1.1 miles), you will  
turn Left here onto Quarry Road.

Proceed Straight until you come to another Signal Light (approx. 500 feet)

Proceed Straight, go down a slight hill and across the railroad tracks

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**Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**

## SYMPOSIUM UPDATE

### Earn Up to Five HSW Credits

Architects and engineers can earn up to five continuing education credits at this year's Symposium. You'll get up-to-the-minute info on changes to the LEED process and the IBC; learn how to identify and manage risks associated with green building; and have the opportunity to get a glimpse inside the only building in Pennsylvania to earn Platinum LEED EB certification – and the first one outside of California to achieve this impressive distinction. Here's a quick look at our seminar agenda:

- **Make LEED Changes Work for You – And Your Clients**

Aurora Sharrard, Ph.D., LEED AP  
Research Manager, Green Building Alliance

- **Risks and Rewards in a Greener Pennsylvania**

Anthony Potter, Esq.  
Powell, Trachtman, Logan, Carrle, Bowman & Lombardo

- **The IBC – What to Expect in 2010 – Parts I and II**

Walter Schneider, Ph.D.  
Executive Director, Centre County Codes Administration

- **Walking the Walk – The Greening of a Corporate Campus**

James Baker, LEED AP – Director, Facilities Management  
Anita Snader, LEED AP – Environmental Sustainability Manager/Commercial Ceilings Systems  
Armstrong World Industries

Register today to reserve your seat. See you there!

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### Exhibitors to Showcase New Products

Up to 35 companies are expected to exhibit at this year's Symposium and many of them will be offering great prizes to guests who visit their booth. You'll see familiar faces and several new companies, too. To date, nearly 60% of booths have been reserved and we continue to take exhibitor reservations for the event. To date, our exhibitors include:

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| - Architectural Clay Products | - National Shelter Products            |
| - Architectural Resources     | - New Holland Concrete                 |
| - Automated Entrance Systems  | - Pella Windows                        |
| - Avail Business Systems      | - PA Aggregates & Concrete Association |
| - CAD Research                | - Poole Anderson                       |
| - Centria                     | - Sherwin Williams                     |
| - CJL Engineering             | - Solitex                              |
| - Comfort Supply              | -Supply Source                         |
| - Construction Supply Centers | - Zurn Corporation                     |
| - Fierst Distributing         |  |

If your company is interested in exhibiting or if you know a company that might be interested, please contact Anne McGrath, event coordinator, at 814-539-1317 or [annefmcgrath@verizon.net](mailto:annefmcgrath@verizon.net). A copy of exhibitor registration materials is also available at [www.aiamiddlepa.org](http://www.aiamiddlepa.org).

*Our many thanks to our exhibitors whose support helps make this event possible.*

**\*\*\*See Page 6 for important on-line Symposium Registration Information\*\*\***



## **On-Line Symposium Registration Now Available** ***Register Today On-line or By Mail***

Check your mailboxes, your email in-boxes and [www.aiamiddlepa.org](http://www.aiamiddlepa.org) for our hot-off-the-presses 2009 Symposium registration brochure. The event will be held **Thursday, November 5** at the Penn Stater Conference Center in State College.

For the first time ever, guests can register on-line at [www.aiamiddlepa.org](http://www.aiamiddlepa.org). Visa and MasterCard are accepted at the site. The site should be live and operational by **Friday, September 19**. You can also register by mail by completing the registration form and sending in your check – whatever option is most convenient for you.

Don't delay – early bird registration ends **Monday, October 19!**

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### **Important Symposium Dates**

Today – 10/30 – Open registration  
Friday, 9/19 – On-line registration goes live  
Monday, 10/19 – Early Bird registration deadline  
Tuesday, 10/27 – Refunds are no longer available  
Friday, 10/30 – Registration deadline  
Thursday, 11/5 – 2009 Symposium

### **Symposium Special Thanks**

A special thanks to CAD Research, which is ***sponsoring the buffet lunch*** during the Symposium.



Additional sponsorship opportunities are currently available.  
Please contact Anne McGrath for more information.

## **Hayes Large Architects Selects S. Dwight Knouse II, AIA, LEED<sup>AP</sup> As New Executive Partner**

After 39 years with Hayes Large, Robert E. Wedge, AIA, will be retiring. Mr. Wedge will be succeeded by **S. Dwight Knouse II, AIA, LEED<sup>AP</sup>**, a 30 year veteran of **Hayes Large Architects, LLP**, as the firm's new Executive Partner. Additional partners G. Randolph Hudson, AIA, LEED<sup>AP</sup>, and James R. Thompson, AIA, remain active with Knouse in the operation of the firm.

Knouse joined the firm in 1979 and has held various project and management positions prior to becoming a general partner in 1996. Known for integrity and exceptional service, Mr. Knouse has forged many successful long-term relationships with the firm's clients. Abington School District, Hollidaysburg Area School District, Tyrone Area School District, and Mifflin County School District are among the clients that he has served for ten to twenty years or more through multiple building projects. His current work includes the new Indian Valley High School and multiple campus reorganization projects for the Altoona Regional Health System, a fifty year Hayes Large client formerly served by retired partner Ronald Miller and Mr. Wedge.

When asked to reflect upon his career and many notable projects, Mr. Wedge remarks that he is most proud of Hayes Large's dedication to providing extraordinary value to its clients. He recounts many stories of how the firm's creativity benefitted its clients' bottom line --saving \$11 million dollars through concept redesign of the Altoona Regional Health System's New Outpatient Center, converting an old-roller rink into administrative and support spaces for less than \$12 per square foot, saving Westmoreland Hospital a million dollars by renovating an old coal bunker to house a cancer treatment linear accelerator. Mr. Wedge provided twenty-nine years of service to the Department of Veterans Affairs, including the design of the Heinz Medical Center in Pittsburgh and major clinical additions to several other Veterans Medical Centers. He spent eleven years working on additions and alterations to the Philadelphia Veterans Medical Center. Among his recommended "must see" projects is the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg.

Looking forward in an uncertain business climate, Mr. Knouse sees opportunities for Hayes Large to build upon a strong tradition of service while forging ahead in new technologies and markets. "We are very proud of our reputation for providing our clients with excellent service and high-quality construction documents. We are committed to treating our clients with integrity and to doing what is right. That is our foundation and it won't change."

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