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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jim Sarks, AIA



As President Elect last year 2015 loomed large for me as I asked myself what am I going to do as President? As with anything else in life, if we want to do something well we first need to determine what we want to do. The planning retreat in November helped me come to a very simple answer to the question; I want to make our organization better.

A lot of discussion at the retreat focused on AIA National's Repositioning initiative. While we are still waiting for the results of repositioning to fully emerge from behind the curtain in DC enough information has come out to provide us some insight on what's coming. AIA Ohio has identified two items coming out of the initiative that we are going to focus on this year; advocacy and member services.

Our profession largely flies under the radar. Advocacy is going to be a large component of the Repositioning effort and AIA Ohio needs to be a part of it. Our skillsets as architects are underutilized. We could affect community planning, development, transportation and many other social concerns if the collective knowledge of our members were engaged in meaningful way in these conversations. AIA Ohio has recognized this as one of our primary needs and started the "Getting the Word Out" initiative under Elizabeth's leadership last year and we intend to redouble that effort in the coming year.

I have been engaged with the AIA Ohio Board in various roles for the past ten years and have to say that all of our components are offering great services and opportunities to our members who choose to take advantage of them. That said we can always do it better. We have consistently looked for new opportunities for our members and will continue to. When National issues the Core Criteria requirements this winter, AIA Ohio and our local components will work to ensure are members are being served as intended.

These two initiatives also have a merging point we need to consider, how can we reach out to our members and encourage them to fully use the resources available to them? We need to reach out to our existing members and potential members to encourage participation in our organization. We need to become our best advocates.

I look forward to serving you all in the coming year. I encourage any of you to contact me with any thoughts you would like to share.

Best,

Jim Sarks, AIA
AIA Ohio President

AIA Ohio Honor Awards

It's time to begin planning for the 2015 AIA Ohio Honor Awards! These four awards recognize Ohio's best and brightest architects and firms. Nominations can come from individuals or from local components. The four awards are:

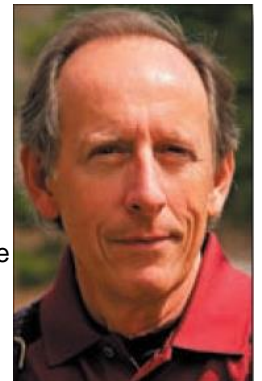
- [AIA Ohio Gold Medal](#) - the highest honor that AIA Ohio can bestow on an individual. It is conferred by the AIA Ohio Board of Directors in recognition of exemplary efforts and significant accomplishments.
- [AIA Ohio Gold Medal Firm](#) - the highest honor that AIA Ohio can bestow on an architectural firm.
- [AIA Ohio Mentor Award](#) - the AIA Ohio Mentor Award will be given to an individual who has demonstrated the ability to assist and mentor in their community.
- [AIA Ohio Public Service Award](#) - the AIA Ohio Public Service Award will be granted to an individual who has made a significant impact in their community through public service.

The deadline for each of these is June 19, 2015 - so there's plenty of time to put together a nomination packet. Consider an Ohio architect that you know - and plan to nominate them for an AIA Ohio Honor Award!

Absent "Good Samaritan" and LEED v4 Issues

131st General Assembly Gets Underway

David W. Field, CAE, Hon. AIA,
Executive Vice President



The 130th Ohio General Assembly adjourned on the last day of December 2014 without passing AIA Ohio's "Good Samaritan" Bill, HB 379. Despite passing the House of Representatives unanimously last April and being recommended for passage by the Senate Civil Justice Committee December 12, the bill failed to obtain a full Senate vote prior to adjournment. The bill was re-introduced as HB 17 January 28 by sponsors Rep. Louis Blessing III and Rep. Al Landis.

SCR 25, the Anti-LEEDv4 Bill also died with the end of the 130th General Assembly. After passing the Senate, the American Chemical Council successfully negotiated an agreement with the USGBC that ended its pursuit of SCR 25. Insofar as LEED is concerned, it's business as usual in Ohio.

The 131st Ohio General Assembly with thirty (30) new representatives and four (4) new senators got off to a smooth start in early January perhaps due to the fact that Republicans continue to control all three branches of government: the Senate (23-10), House (65-34) and Governor's office.

Leadership transitions have been made. In the Senate, Sen. **Keith Faber** was re-elected President; Sen. **Chris Widener**, FAIA, President Pro Temp; Sen. **Tom Patton** Majority Floor Leader and Sen. **Larry Obhoff** Majority Whip.

Sen. **Joe Schiavoni** returned as minority leader; Sen. **Charleta Tavares** was re-elected assistant minority leader; Sen. **Edna Brown** Minority Whip; and Sen. **Lou Gentile**, Assistant Minority Whip.

The Senate has created new committees that will work exclusively on school funding, Medicaid reform and tax reform. Faber said the new structure would help the Senate study these big issues in depth.

In the House, 33-year-old Rep. **Cliff Rosenberger** took the gavel from former House Speaker William Batchelder. Rep. **Ron Amstutz** was elected Speaker Pro Temp; Rep. **Barbara Sears**, Majority Floor Leader; Rep. **Jim Buchy**, Assistant Majority Floor Leader; Rep. **Mike Dovilla**, Majority Whip and Rep. **Dorothy Pelanda**, Assistant Majority Whip.

Rep. **Fred Strahorn** was elected minority leader; Rep. **Nicholas Celebrezze**, Assistant Minority Leader; Rep. **Kevin Boyce**, Minority Whip and Rep. **Nickie Antonio**, Assistant Minority Whip.

Speaker Rosenberger has announced that he's crafting an "Ohio 20/20" plan that will layout a strategic, long-term vision for Ohio on a variety of issues. Specifically, he talked about the need to reform Ohio's workforce development system and build and maintain a thorough and efficient education system.

Governor Kasich has re-appointed all Department Directors.

2015 Issues

This year will be a busy year in state government, as Gov. John Kasich and legislators focus on a 2016-17 budget, taxes, education, workforce development and health care.

Know your Ohio Legislators?

Ohio is updating its directory of members who know their Representatives and Senators. Please e-mail AIAOhio@AssnOffices.com with the names of the Ohio legislators you know... and how you know them!

OFCC Advisory Committee

AIA Ohio's OFCC Advisory Committee will meet again April 1 to continue discussions with OFCC officials relative to the OFCC A/E Agreements as well as the continuing implementation of construction reform. If you have subjects you'd like included on future Advisory Committee agendas, please send them to me in writing.

AIA Ohio members of the Committee include: Hal Munger, FAIA, Toledo; Hank Reder, AIA, Cleveland; John Rademacher, AIA, Cincinnati; David Brehm, AIA, Columbus and me.

Intern Development Program Firm Award Winners



If you're looking for an architecture internship with stellar supervisors, exposure to multiple projects, and financial support for the ARE, you've come to the right place. The Internship Advisory Committee (IAC) selected 20 firms for the [2014-2017 IDP Firm Award](#), recognizing practices that seamlessly integrate internship, examination, and career development into office culture.

To apply for the award, firms must demonstrate excellence in five categories: mentoring, supervising, training opportunities, commitment to IDP, and ARE support. And we're not just talking about providing study materials-these firms reimburse interns for passed exams, plus any fees associated with maintaining an [NCARB Record](#).

Firms that go above and beyond these criteria by embracing innovation are eligible for the Outstanding Firm Award. Several of these firms are hiring, so what are you waiting for?

2014-2017 IDP Outstanding Firm Award

- [BLT Architects](#), Philadelphia, PA
- [Eppstein Uhen Architects](#), Milwaukee, WI
- [Eskew + Dumez + Ripple](#), New Orleans, LA
- [Payette](#), Boston, MA
- [Seay, Seay, & Litchfield, PC](#), Montgomery, AL
- [VOA](#), Washington, DC

2014-2017 IDP Firm Award

- [Barham Architects, LLC](#), Tyler, TX
- [Grimm + Parker Architects](#), Calverton, MD

- [Kodet Architectural Group](#), Minneapolis, MN
- [The Thrasher Group, Inc.](#), Bridgeport, WV
- [Touchstone Architecture](#), Tallahassee, FL
- [Williams Blackstock Architects, PC](#), Birmingham, AL
- [Barcelon Jang Architecture](#), San Francisco, CA
- [Darden Architects](#), Fresno, CA
- [Design Collaborative](#), Fort Wayne, IN
- [Lionakis](#), Sacramento, CA
- [O'Connell Robertson](#), Austin and San Antonio, TX, offices
- [BLDD Architects, Inc.](#), Decatur, IL
- [BWBR](#), Madison, WI, and Saint Paul, MN, offices
- [Philips|Sekanick Architects, Inc.](#), Warren, OH

Governor's Appointments

- Christopher P. Meyers of Delaware (Delaware County) to the Ohio Architects Board for a term beginning Oct. 28, 2014 and ending Oct. 2, 2019.

Ohio Safety Congress- Save the Date

The 2015 Ohio Safety Congress & Expo is the largest regional safety and health conference in the nation bringing in more than 6,000 attendees annually. In addition to the 225 exhibitors showcasing their latest safety innovations, products and services, there are 170 educational sessions offered on a variety of the hottest topics in the industry. Sessions are led by experts in their respective fields and all sessions offer continuing education credits. The conference is free to attend. Whether you're a human resources professional, construction worker or small business owner, you can customize The Safety Congress and Expo to fit your needs.

The 2015 Ohio Safety Congress will offer practical solutions to:

- * Improve worker health and productivity;
- * Prevent workforce injuries and illnesses;
- * Reduce workers' compensation costs;
- * Identify solutions for hazardous situations;
- * Provide cost-effective, multi-disciplinary training & professional development.

The 2015 Ohio Safety Congress & Expo is scheduled for March 31 - April 2, 2015 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center.



Update from Ohio Architects Board

by Amy Kobe, CAE

Ohio Architects Board Members

Current members of the Ohio Architects Board are as follows:

Stephen Sharp, AIA	Springfield
Richard Bowen, AIA	Chagrin Falls
John Rademacher, AIA	Cincinnati
Monica Green, FAIA	Moreland Hills
Christopher Meyers, AIA	Columbus

Changes to Architects Board Rules

During 2014, several of the Board's rules were reviewed and changes made as a result of public input, statute changes, and policy updates by NCARB. Most of these changes went into effect in January 2015.

- Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 4703-1-04, Fees: Emeritus Architect fee eliminated
- OAC 4703-1-04, Examination: Board policy aligned with NCARB exam policy.
- OAC 4703-2-03, Educational requirements and credits: Board policy aligned with NCARB policy.
- OAC 4703-2-07, Continuing Education: Military exemptions have been moved to 4703-2-08.
- OAC 4703-3-01, Seal Requirements: Updated to align with building department requirements.

More rules will be reviewed in calendar year 2015. Rule review occurs not less than every five years and is required by statute. The rules that will be reviewed in 2015 are as follows:

- 4703-3-07 Code of conduct.
- 4703-4-01 through 4703-4-06 Personal confidential information.
- 4703-5-01 Meeting notice.
- 4703-5-02 Adoption of rules.

Architects and other stakeholders will have an opportunity to comment on the above rules. To receive a copy of the rule package, be sure your email address is up-to-date with the Board.

Rule changes are also available on the Board's website at www.arc.ohio.gov.

For more information, or a copy of the board's rules, contact Amy Kobe, Executive Director, at amy.kobe@arla.state.ohio.us or at (614) 466-1327.

About the Board:

The Ohio Architects Board of is dedicated to the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the State of Ohio by:

- Establishing and maintaining standards for architectural registration, practice and professional conduct;
- Enforcing the laws and rules governing the practice of architecture in the State of Ohio;
- Communicating with and educating the public and the profession concerning the practice of architecture.

AIA Ohio's Association Management Company Receives Re-accreditation



ACCENT ON MANAGEMENT ACHIEVES INSTITUTE RE-ACCREDITATION

AIA Ohio's association management company has been awarded re-accreditation by the AMC Institute, the global trade association representing the Association Management industry.

Among 500-plus Association Management Companies (AMC) worldwide, only 85 have achieved *AMC Institute Accreditation*, demonstrating the commitment and the ability to deliver the highest level of professional management services to association and not-for-profit clients. These AMCs are the recognized choice of association and not-for-profit organizations.

"We congratulate Accent on Management for achieving AMC Institute Re-Accreditation," stated AMC Institute Board President, Dede Gish-Panjada. *"The accreditation evaluation is the most demanding and comprehensive in our industry. Clients of accredited AMCs should feel assured that this exclusive group operates with the highest level of professionalism and responsibility, and consistently meets or exceeds all industry requirements."*

Administered by AMC Institute, AMC Institute Accreditation is recognized and supported by the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE) & The Center for Association Leadership and is based on the ANSI *Standard of Good Practices for the AMC Industry*. ANSI requires that the standard be reviewed and updated regularly to remain an approved standard. Measurable performance practices include contracts and service delivery; employee recruitment, training and professional development; and financial management and internal controls, among others. AMCs must earn re-accreditation every four years, demonstrating to an independent outside auditor that they continue to meet the standard.

"AOM's continuing accreditation assures our clients that our policies and procedures are the most comprehensive and rigorous in the nation and it justifies the faith they have in our professionalism," commented AOM President, David W. Field, CAE.

Currently managing twenty-six (26) client groups, AOM has provided association management to local, state, regional, national and international associations for over 50 years. It's professional staff helps association boards organize their resources, develop winning strategies and capitalize on opportunities.

As AMCs manage multiple association and not-for-profit clients, their experience and knowledge base are broad and substantial, positioning AMCs as the preferred choice for full-service and specialized management services. For more about AMC Institute accreditation, visit www.AMCInstitute.org/accreditation.

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