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President's Message

Happy Spring!!!

2019 marks the beginning of a new three-year period for AIA chapters nationwide. All chapters were required to submit substantial documentation for accreditation this past January and are now awaiting the results. The accreditation process covers the various aspects of what AIA does and stands for, although many of our members might not be aware of the extent of all AIA endeavors.

There are seven basic core services that each chapter or component must provide their members to be accredited as a chapter. The requirements for governance cover all the federal and state laws that the component has to comply with as well as all the policies by which members and, especially, board officers abide by. Board meetings begin with an acknowledgment of anti-trust laws going back to the Sherman Act of 1890 prohibiting anticompetitive agreements. Each chapter must also develop a five-year strategic plan which states the mission and vision of the component as well as the strategic goals and initiatives of how those would be accomplished.

Education is one of the main core services that chapters strive to provide great value. Continuing education courses, especially health, safety and welfare seminars that appeal to members are always a priority in meeting agendas. The process of organizing the event, selecting the correct presenter and submitting to national for credit approval take great effort. Public outreach and advocacy require engagement with the public at large and on the other hand, with regulatory entities. Promoting public awareness of the value of the profession and advocating on issues of importance to architects are main goals of AIA. Member communications; recruitment and retention of membership as well as member feedback; and financial operations are the last three core services that all American Institute of Architects chapters need to provide.



Image Credit: Health, Science, & Technology Building, looking north from the Lehigh campus at Asa Drive (Image Credit: Wilson HGA)

Upcoming Events

Lehigh University's 10-year Master Plan

Lehigh is in the midst of one of its most ambitious capital building campaigns, in support of the University's growth and addition of a new College of Health. This presentation will provide an overview of the various projects currently underway at Lehigh, and how they will transform the University's architecture and landscape moving forward into the 21st century. [See image above, right]
1 AIA credit pending

Thursday, April 25

Presented by:
Brent Stringfellow, VP of Facilities
Location: Lehigh University
Iacocca Hall, 111 Research Dr,
Bethlehem, PA 18015

2030 Initiative in Philadelphia

Join AIA EPC, CSI, & Green Building United for the '2030 Initiative in Philadelphia'

What is the Philadelphia 2030 District?

It's a public/private partnership that brings together property owners and managers, utilities and energy service companies and community organizations to pledge to achieve substantial reductions in energy and water use and transportation emissions by the year 2030.

Why is this initiative important?

With buildings accounting for 60 percent of carbon emissions, the 2030 District presents a great opportunity to reduce the region's impact on climate change. In addition, Philadelphia's benchmarking and disclosure law requirement that buildings of 50,000 square feet report their energy and water use has created a wealth of data and awareness as to how the city's largest buildings are performing. The Philadelphia 2030 District seeks to turn this awareness into action by supporting some of the city's largest buildings in voluntary efforts to reduce their environmental impact while saving money.

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Wednesday, May 22

Presented by:
Alex Dews
Location: Homewood Suites 3350
Center Valley Parkway
Center Valley, PA 18034

Architect's Action Day

Join AIA Pennsylvania and your colleagues across the state for Architects Action Day! Meet with your state legislators to discuss state policies impacting your profession. Earn CEU's by taking a behind-the-scenes tour of the Capitol building. You do not want to miss this event.

Click here to see a recap from Architect's Action Day 2018:

<https://aiapa.org/event/architects-action-day-2018/>

Tuesday, June 11

240 N. 3rd Street, Harrisburg, PA,
17101

Go to <https://aiaeasternpa.org/calendar/> to view our full calendar and see all our upcoming events!

A'19

AIA Conference on Architecture 2019
June 6-8, Las Vegas

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Updating to the 2015 IBC Code – Jan 2019

Considering becoming an Emeritus Member of the AIA?

The primary benefits for members in good standing, who qualify for Emeritus Status, include a waiver of AIA, AIA PA and AIA EPA membership dues while allowing them to continue their membership and active participation at the National, State and Chapter levels and to identify themselves as AIA members.

According to the current AIA Bylaws:

Architects & Associate Members

Any Architects or associate members may apply for Emeritus Status who has been in good standing in the Institute for fifteen successive years immediately prior to his or her application, and either (i) has attained the age of 70, and is retired from the profession of architecture, or (ii) is so incapacitated as to be unable to work in an occupation related to the profession of architecture.

Emeritus status members must certify that:

- They have resigned from their previous firm and relinquished their practice.
- They no longer sign or seal architectural drawings.
- They no longer market their services as an architect or consultant.
- They will refrain from establishing a firm or business name that will imply a continuation of architectural or consulting practice.

Rights and Privileges of Emeritus Members - All Architect and Associate member rights, interests, privileges, titles, liabilities, and obligations shall remain unchanged upon advancement to Emeritus status, except that:

- Provided the member continues to maintain their architectural license
 - Emeritus Members shall no longer be required to pay either regular or supplemental dues; and
 - Architect Members Emeritus shall no longer be required to maintain the right under law to practice and use the title Architect.
 - Architect Members Emeritus are required to complete 1 LU (continuing education) credit annually. Other Emeritus members are exempt from the continuing education requirement.
 - Architect Members Emeritus may use the title Member Emeritus written in full after the initials AIA, or after the initials FAIA if they have been granted Fellowship.
 - Associate members holding Emeritus status may use the title Member Emeritus written in full after the title Associate AIA
 - Architect Emeritus members may use the Gold AIA lapel pin and Associate Emeritus may use the Silver AIA pin.
- The AIA symbol may be used within the limitations set by the AIA Board.

Rather than having a rigorous system of monitoring of Emeritus activities, the AIA assumes that a member, in good standing, who retires will continue to maintain the previously high level of ethical behavior and will comply with the criteria set forth to the best of his or her ability.

Emerging Professionals, Did you know? By: Megan Henry, Assoc. AIA

Whether you are an undergraduate student searching for internship opportunities abroad, an emerging professional tackling the ARE's, or a you professional seeking networking opportunities - there are scholarships available!

Last year I was selected as a recipient for the 2018 Emerging Professional Paula Maynes ARE Grant. Through AIA Pennsylvania, this grant honors Paula Maynes and her dedication to the profession. This grant includes study materials as well as a scholarship to assist in covering some of the exams. For more information, visit aiapa.org.

The AIA and the Architects Foundation offers a scholarship to minority students pursuing an architecture degree with an accredited NAAB school. For information on this scholarship and others available for students, visit aia.org.

The Architects Foundation, offers a variety of grants for research, continuing education, undergraduates, and conferences. For more information, visit the Architects Foundation at architectsfoundation.org.

Did you know AIA Eastern PA offers a scholarship for local students pursuing an education in architecture? Contact us for information and to help spread the word!

Grassroots 2019 – Washington D.C.

By: Megan Henry, Assoc. AIA

Gray portfolios with the slogan "I am a citizen architect" were scattered across tables at the opening session of AIA Grassroots 2019. Without any hesitation, we picked up these portfolios and carried them along as over 600 architects, AIA members, and advocates swarmed Capitol Hill to meet with Congresspeople, Senators, and State Representatives. Our goal was simple: to educate our representatives on school safety and energy efficiency, and to offer our professional expertise as a resource for pushing these issues.

This theme of advocacy, activism and education continued throughout the variety of sessions offered in the following days at Grassroots. I had the opportunity to hear from inspiring architects such as Pascale Sablan, Jeffrey E. Huber, and Sean M. Stadler on the work they are doing to tackle social justice and inequality, involvement of young professionals, and disaster preparedness within our communities. The stories that were shared by speakers and fellow attendees provided me with immeasurable inspiration and admiration for our profession.

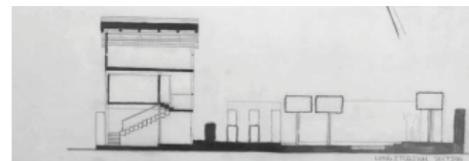
I am so appreciative for the opportunity to represent the AIA Eastern PA Chapter at this conference and urge all of our members to be "citizen architects". Whether on a local, state or national level, WE are our professions most valuable tool in educating the public of the work we do, advocating for the built environment, and being activists of change. I am eager to share and implement some of the insights from Grassroots 2019 throughout our chapters upcoming events!

To learn more about how you can take action on a local level, visit AIA PA's website for District Days and Architects Action Day: <https://aiapa.org/district-days-architects-action-day-2019/>.



AIA Student Scholarship

Joy Cohen, AIA



The American Institute of Architects Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter (AIA EPC) awarded the 2018 Architectural Student Scholarship to one resident of Eastern Pennsylvania. The winner, Julia Leigh Campbell of Easton, PA is a student at the University of Maryland. Ms. Campbell received an award of \$1,000. Her application was selected based on submission of a portfolio of her student projects, academic accomplishments, and financial need. The scholarship was officially presented to the recipient at the AIA EPC President's Night, Design Award, and Scholarship Dinner in December 2018.

The 2019 Scholarship application, available in June, will allow applicants to submit most documents electronically. Two \$1000 scholarships will be offered for the 2019 Scholarship Application. Funding for the scholarship was provided by AIA EPC members with a matching grant from the AIA Foundation.



President's Night -Dec 2018



Panel Discussion 'Future of the Profession' -Nov 2018

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