

AIA Michigan Monday's Minutes

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Happy Monday!

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving! The light snow added a festive touch to the parade and signaled that the holidays are here!

We are adding the final festive touches to the Beaubien House for the **Holiday Open House** this Thursday, December 5th! This year we are hosting the festivities in conjunction with AIA Detroit and this year's charitable focus

is **Camp Hayo-Went-Ha!** Please view the flyer (also below) for more information about the Holiday Open House and click [here](#) if you would like to donate. This year we have wonderful sponsors, (Brick Tech Architectural, Inc., Harley Ellis Devereaux and Testing Engineers & Consultants, Inc.), who have generously contributed to the event and we will also feature a select number of impressive prize baskets for a live auction during the Open House!

Have a great week and we hope to see you all at the Beaubien House for the Holiday Open House following the Board Transition Meeting on December 5th!

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Email christine@aiami.com for more information

AIA Michigan Job Board

Have you checked the [Job Board](#) lately? New positions and resumes are added every week and we collect opportunities from across the state to help you find the right fit for your career.

If you have questions or are interested in placing an opening or resume, email christine@aiami.com.

Upcoming Events

-December 5, 2013: AIA Michigan Holiday Open House co-

JOIN AIA MICHIGAN & AIA DETROIT FOR THE ANNUAL



Holiday Open House

THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 5, 2013

4:30 - 7:30 PM

Join us for food, drinks & entertainment!

Beaubien House
553 E. Jefferson
Detroit, MI 48226
RSVP - evelyn@aiami.com

Donations will be collected for Camp Hayo-Went-Ha
(Home of the AIA Michigan Design Retreat for 25 years!)
If you would like to donate in advance, click [here](#)



For more information about the Holiday Open House and Camp Hayo-Went-Ha, click [here](#).

APAC Update!

In 2012, the AIA Michigan Board approved the establishment of a separate Architect's Political Action Committee to provide financial support to those Michigan lawmakers that support legislation beneficial to Michigan Architects. APAC takes a non-partisan approach: we support Democrats, Republicans and Independents who have demonstrated their support for our goals and objectives. The APAC By-Laws require that we focus on state elections only- not local or national elections. This is because state law affects the practice of Architecture, not local laws.

A key goal of APAC is to be very responsive to campaign funding requests that come in from State Legislature candidates and incumbents. Under the APAC approval system, an independent APAC Steering Committee can poll their four members by e-mail or phone and respond with an approval in a matter of one day. APAC financially supported 25 State legislative campaigns in October, 2012. Donations to state legislator campaigns were typically \$150 or \$250. APAC spent a total of \$4,850 to support friends of Michigan Architects.

Kelley-Cawthorne, AIA Michigan's lobbyist in Lansing, provides recommendations to the APAC Steering Committee members. The key contact person at Kelley-Cawthorne is Melissa Yutzey. She advises us on legislators we should support financially based on action they have taken on legislation supported by AIAMI, or who have voiced their support for AIAMI goals during their campaigns. Melissa maintains records on all legislators and which bills they have supported in the past. Those of us who have attended Legislative Day in the past know the depth of knowledge of Melissa Yutzey and her ability to guide us in our support of AIA Michigan's friends at the State level.

Architect's Political Action Committee (APAC) coordinates their financial support efforts with the AIAMI Government Affairs Committee (GAC). In 2012, the Government Affairs Committee

hosted by AIA Detroit, Beaubien House

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worked to support HB 5466 (now public Act 468). This law prohibits public entities from requiring design professionals to indemnify the Owners from the Owner's own negligence. GAC also was successful in stopping the Interior Designers Practice Act. In 2013, GAC has supported a HB4585 that allows design professionals to submit drawings electronically, including electronic seal and signature. This bill currently awaits the Governor's signature. GAC will also introduce a bill that sets up a single State Fire Code, without exemption, and without modifications by local governing bodies.

Funding of the Architect's Political Action Committee is made possible by the personal (not corporate) donations made by AIA Michigan members. We need your commitment and support to make the APAC system work. Please help APAC by making a pledge at future AIAMI meetings, or by just writing a personal check to Architect's Political Action Committee. A pledge form is included in this issue of Monday's Minutes. If you have any questions, please contact APAC Board Chair Ralph Moxley, AIA, at: Ralph.Moxley@comcast.net.

Engineering Society of Detroit Holiday Open House on Tuesday, December 3rd!



THE ENGINEERING SOCIETY OF DETROIT
FOUNDED IN 1915

Holiday Party & Open House

A Fun Time for the Entire Family

Tuesday, December 3, 2013 5-8 p.m.
ESD Headquarters, 20700 Civic Center Drive, Suite 450, Southfield

If you're looking for a family-friendly way to kick off the holiday season, then do we have the party for you! Food, fun, networking, and of course, Santa—all this under one roof at the ESD Holiday Party and Open House. Bring the whole family and get into the holiday spirit. The event will feature a light dinner, holiday treats, beverages, kids' activities, and professional pictures with Santa himself. Plus, get a jump on your holiday shopping with our silent auction and toy raffle.




For adults, our member benefit vendors will be on hand to share their products and services and help you make the right decisions in 2014.

Cost: \$15 per adult; children are free.

Register: www.erd.org or 248-353-0735

Bob Hammerschmidt, AIA: 1928-2013

Bob Hammerschmidt, AIA was a University of Michigan alumni and served with the United States Army Corps of Engineers 656th Engineer Topographic Battalion as a Senior Cartographic Draftsman, while stationed in Germany.

Bob practiced architecture, one of the joys of his life, for over sixty years. He worked for Glenn "Red" Beach and Alden B. Dow Associates. In 1976, he started his own architectural firm and actively continued working through 2012. He was an active AIA and NCARB member. His civic service included the City of Midland Building Board of Appeals and the Midland County Planning Commission. Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider The Lutheran Hour Ministries, 660 Mason Ridge Center Dr., St. Louis, MO 63141.

RIP: Jack Yorke, friend of AIA Michigan

It is with great sadness we acknowledge the passing of Jack Yorke on Saturday November 30th. He was diagnosed with esophageal cancer less than a month ago. Jack was a Mechanical Engineer who worked with many Detroit and Michigan AIA members on a variety

of commercial buildings including Airports, Pharmaceutical and Bio-medical Labs and Research Centers in a career spanning more than 50 years. Jack also taught the Mechanical Systems class at UDM's School of Architecture in the 1970's. Jack retired from Smith Group JJR in 2008, after 31 years of service. Jack is survived by his wife, Jane Everhart, six children including ESD member Beth Yorke, seven grand children and 2 sisters.

There will be a gathering to celebrate his life at Sindbad's (in Detroit, East of downtown, off Jefferson on the river) next Saturday, Dec. 7. 2:30 - 5:30 with a short program at 3:00 pm. If desired in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Detroit Housing Coalition or a charity of your choice in Jack's name.

AIA + 2030 Professional Series

The AIA+2030 Professional Series begins Sept 26th and helps design professionals create buildings that meet the ambitious energy efficiency goals of the 2030 Challenge. Ten, 4-hour sessions offer strategies to reach 60% reduction in fossil fuel greenhouse gas emissions, giving design professionals the knowledge and leverage to create next-generation, super-efficient buildings and provide firms with the skills that will set them apart in the marketplace.

AIA Huron Valley has arranged for this year's AIA +2030 sessions to be held at Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn. Please view the full description and registration information [here](#).

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