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O Give Me A Home, Where the Buffalo Roam...



Last spring Jim Clark's Landscape Architecture 371 class auctioned off items they created to benefit the Red River Children's Advocacy Center (RRCAC). It turned out to be a tremendous success for such a good cause.

The auction proceeds were matched by the Dakota Medical Foundation and a check for over \$3,100 was sent to further the important work of the RRCAC.

But, we have an orphan buffalo/bison wood sculpture that is life-sized and still needs a home. Jimmy Billups, our studio technician, refinished his base/pasture in fine cherry wood.

Your donation will be matched by Dakota Medical Foundation. Do I hear \$1,000?

If interested in 'giving it a home,' bids may be submitted to Mary.Ekstrom@ndsu.edu.

More information on the auction can be found in the Student News section on page 2.

Stories Wanted

We had an overwhelmingly positive response to the last newsletter. It has been wonderful hearing from you and getting your feedback on our first issue.

Each time I talk to our alums, however, they have a funny story to relate about their time here at NDSU.

Let me get you started with stories I remember from the early 1990's:

"A group of us 'picked up' Dennis Colliton's Fiat and put it in the quonset on the day he was to do 'crits' on our projects."

- Dan Noble, FAIA, SACHA
Director of Design,
HKS, Inc. ('81)

◆ Did you race a cardboard boat at Detroit Lakes?

◆ Did you ever sneak into a locked building to finish a project?

◆ Did you almost miss the Ferry in Greece and had to leap from the dock?

◆ Did you ever take a spill off of a Mo-Ped in Europe?

◆ Were you hit by a taxi in Athens and lived to tell about it?

Tell us your story – I promise that the statute of limitations has long since expired.

Student News

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE STUDENTS GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

The auction held by the Landscape Architecture 371 class benefited some very worthy recipients of the Red River Children's Advocacy Center.

RRCAC is a non-profit organization that provides help to children who are victims of sexual abuse or assault. RRCAC houses all law enforcement and medical personnel needed so a child doesn't need to re-tell his/her story a number of times. This reduces the trauma to the child.

The following is an excerpt from the Letter to the Editor in the June 25, 2006 *Forum* newspaper from Beth Tjon Wosick, Executive Director of RRCAC:

"...The unique wood objects were products of a class assignment, but what the students did next were products of the heart when they donated their creations for an auction to benefit the Red River Children's Advocacy Center.

We want to thank in a big way all who made the auction a reality and a success, especially the students and the enthusiastic bidders. Just to name a few of the many who helped put it all together from NDSU were Judy Graff, Student Services Coordinator; Mary Ekstrom, Jim Clark, Jim Billups, Tami Eklund, Kelly Larson, Matt Serra and Adam Torkelson. Auctioneer Dave Miller donated his time and talent...

Although the items are now in gardens, sunrooms and porches. One item of interest and mystery remains at NDSU for a future auction that Bison fans and alumni, especially, will love... [the Bison, page 1]

Again, from the Red River Children's Advocacy Center, we express our gratitude."

COMPETITION PRIZES AWARDED TO ARCHITECTURE STUDENTS

Judging was recently completed for a design competition sponsored by Grand Forks precast concrete manufacturer Concrete, Inc. The regional manufacturer of prestressed concrete products sponsored an award program to recognize third-year students in architecture at North Dakota State University.

Alex Gore won top honors for a project for a new concrete products sales office and showroom. Sara Runia and Anthony Wolf each received Merit Awards. Cole

Johnson, Justin Miedema and Nicole Weum were recognized with Honorable Mention awards. A panel of four regional architects from JLG Architects and Richard Rude Architects juried nine submitted projects and evaluated the work.

2006 ASLA STUDENT AWARD

Congratulations to Lance Schuer and Benjamin Johnson on their Honor Award in Collaboration for Moorhead Center for the Arts.

From the limited information in our records, this is a **first** in NDSU's Landscape Architecture Program to win a national ASLA award. If you, as an alumni, have won this award, we would appreciate your letting us know so we have that information available for the future.

Each year the American Society of Landscape Architects holds a competition for all student members. "[It] was the most competitive year in ASLA Student Awards history with more than 250 submissions representing all but four U.S. accredited programs, all of the Landscape Architecture schools in Canada, and programs as far away as Israel and Iran." This was a quote from Ann Looper, Director of Public Relations for ASLA.

ASLA will announce the awards publicly in September when all the schools are back in session. The awards will be presented on Monday, October 9, at the awards ceremony during the ASLA/IFLA Annual Meeting in Minneapolis.

"We are planning to take the entire Landscape Architecture program, students and staff, to the ceremony and plan to arrange an event including our alumni," said Jim Clark, Program Director.

If you are interested in assisting with this event, please contact Mary.Ekstrom@ndsu.edu or James.Clark@ndsu.edu.

2006 FIFTH YEAR STUDENT AWARDS

NDAIA Award: Awarded for excellence in architecture. The recipient's name is engraved on a stone plaque displayed in Ehly Link. This year's winner is Adam Peterson.

ALPHA RHO CHI Medal: Since 1914, Alpha Rho Chi, the National Professional Fraternity for Architecture and the Allied Arts, has promoted the profession of

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Alumni News



R.L. Engebretson, a Fargo, North Dakota/Mankato, Minnesota Architectural, Interior Design & Construction firm, is working on two projects in the NDSU Research & Technology Park.



As Architects and Construction Managers, R.L. Engebretson just completed the construction of an \$8.6 million, 45,000

sq. ft. Alien Technology research and production facility for radio frequency identification tags (RFID) and currently under construction the NDSU Center for Technology Enterprise, a \$6.0 million, 45,000 sq. ft. technology incubator.

R.L. Engebretson has also completed the architectural and construction work on the \$26.0 million, 250,000 sq. ft. Scheels sporting goods store and corporate office, in Fargo, and is currently working on five additional Scheels stores in Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana and Nevada. The Reno, Nevada store will be \$30.0 million and 250,000 sq. ft. of all retail space. The Fargo and Reno stores are designed as “not your father’s Scheels” with the world’s largest selection of sports, sportswear and footwear, and equipped with a Ferris wheel, shooting galleries and interactive sporting equipment.



R.L. Engebretson started in 1992 and has grown to a staff of fifty-four. Three of R.L. Engebretson’s principals are NDSU Graduates: Rick Engebretson, Arch ‘72; Rich Wiemken, Arch ‘84; and, Kim (Blake) Manual, Interior

Design ‘97. The firm’s staff includes nine licensed architects, five interns, 3 NCIDQ interior designers, and four construction managers who graduated from NDSU. It also has six interning students, two each from NDSU’s architecture, interior design and construction management programs.

Rick Engebretson is also serving the architectural profession as a member of: North Dakota State Board of Architecture & Landscape Architecture; NCARB’s Region V Treasurer; and NCARB’s Professional Development Committee. Rick also participates as a member of NDSU’s Architecture & Landscape Architecture Advisory Board and serves as an adjunct professor during the Fall Semester teaching the seminar “Reality, the Next Step in Professional Training.”

POSITION CHANGE

Wayne Perlenfein (‘74), AIA has moved from his position with the Office of the Architect of the Capitol in Washington, DC to Vice President, Managing Principal, Leo A. Daly, 730 Second Avenue South, Suite 1100, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

FIRM NAME CHANGE & 30 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Jim Ferguson, AIA (‘85) finally has his name on the front door of his firm. They’re celebrating their 30 year anniversary at Ferguson Pape Baldwin Architects in San Diego, California.

Some of the projects done by the firm are the San Diego Wild Animal Park’s Center for the Reproduction of Endangered Species (CRES), which looks like a scene out of Africa. Also, biotech giant Genetech’s sprawling Oceanside manufacturing center of green-tinted glass and steel which they designed much of the lab space used by region’s biotechnology.

Other projects that have been worked on by the firm over their 30 years are the Carlsbad Library, Poway City Hall and Murrieta City Hall.

Known for three decades as McGraw Baldwin, the firm changed it’s name in conjunction with the anniversary. McGraw was dropped when he died over 10 years ago and added the name Pape who was promoted in 2001 and Ferguson who has been a partner since 1996. “It properly

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architecture by encouraging students to excel. The recipient has to show an affinity for leadership, performed willing service for the school, and given promise of professional merit through attitude or personality. This year's winner is Ben Johnson.

HENRY ADAMS Medal and Certificate: Each year the American Institute of Architectures awards an engraved medal to the top-ranking graduating student in each accredited architecture program. A certificate of merit is awarded to the second-ranking graduating student. This year's winner of the Henry Adams Medal is Sara Bremer. And the winner of the Henry Adams Certificate is Andrew Holmgren.

DETAILING Award: This year's architectural detailing class visited the ALA Days thesis show and selected the design thesis project that best communicated the technical information a thesis project is expected to display. This year's winner is KC Krumwiede.

LHB Sustainability Award: LHB, a major interdisciplinary firm of architecture, landscape architecture and engineering, makes an award each year to the outstanding design thesis project in landscape architecture or architecture that best demonstrates the principles of sustainable design. This year's jurors were:

- ◆ Bruce Chalupsky, NDSU BLA 1986, currently with LHB
- ◆ Nick Vreeland, NDSU B. Arch. 2005
- ◆ Rhet Fiskness, NDSU B. Arch. 2002

This year's winners were:

- ◆ First place: Tia Thomas
- ◆ Second place: Melinda Wargo
- ◆ Third place: Jessica Johnson

PETER F. McKENZIE Memorial Award for Outstanding Design Thesis in Architecture: Peter McKenzie was a student in the NDSU architecture program who completed his design thesis in 1986, but was to return in the spring of 1987 to complete some non-academic courses for his B. Arch. Degree. Prior to doing so, Peter tragically died. He was awarded his B. Arch. in the spring of 1987 posthumously. The following year, the McKenzie family established an endowment to make an annual thesis award in Peter's Memory. This year's winner was Adam Peterson.

DENNIS C. COLLITON MEMORIAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE THESIS AWARD: Dennis Colliton founded the NDSU landscape architecture program in 1983 and served as program director until his untimely death in 2003. He was a major influence on landscape architecture education and a Fellow of the American Society of Landscape Architecture. The Colliton Award is granted each year, by vote of landscape architecture faculty, to the top design thesis project in landscape architecture. This year's winner was Sam

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reflects the true role played by his partners for several years." said Kennon Baldwin.

Much of Ferguson Pape Baldwin Architects reputation is built through its long involvement with the region's biotechnology industry. Their ability to listen and use diplomacy has helped the firm get repeat business with the San Diego Zoo.

The firm is now designing a new, 5-acre elephant exhibit at the zoo that will require a staged-building plan so that animals can be moved around as construction proceeds.

The design of the CRES building at the Wild Animal Park landed helped them land the new project. Even though such a project was outside the scope of projects they've done before, "They were very good at meeting with us, and talking with our scientific staff," said Steve Fobes, zoo architect.

The result was a building that receives 20 percent of its power from solar panels and was built with recycled materials and energy-efficient cooling, heating and lighting.

The building recently won a national award from the U.S. Green Building council and officially recognized as a building that is environmentally responsible.

Sustainability is the firm's core value.

[Article from signonsandiego.com, Terri Somers, Union-Tribune, 6/29/06]

Employment Opportunity

TCF Architecture

Tacoma Architectural firm with significant civic, educational, industrial and multi-family housing projects under contract is seeking Architects, Intern Architects, and a Construction Administrator. Licensed Architects or Construction Managers with public sector project experience preferred for Construction Administration position. CA position could also involve specifications writing and quality control review with the appropriate experience. Salary DOE. Excellent benefits and bonus program. Fax, mail or email cover letter and resume with references to: TCF Architecture, PLLC, 902 North 2nd Street, Tacoma, WA 98403. Fax: 253-572-1445, Architect@tcfarchitecture.com or www.tcfarchitecture.com.

Where Are They Now?

The NDSU Development Foundation has done an excellent job maintaining contact with Alumni. Every so often, however, one of our graduates moves away and we lose touch with them.

To that end, we need your help. We need a valid address for the individuals listed below. If you know where they are and how to contact them, we will make sure that they begin to receive this newsletter and other publications from the Department. Thank you for your assistance.

Ernest Lloyd Andre, '51	Fatima Aziz, '99
James Chaffee, '67	Amarendra Datta, '68
Adedeji Desalu, '77	Michael Eidem, '73
David Leroy Gess, '58	Ann (Englert) Hayes, '67
Robert P. Holmes, '61	Glenn Russell Johnson, '49
Ellis Robert Jones, '53	Mohammed S. Kahn, '60
Koresh Khatai, '03	Farahnaz Kourourian, '80
Ching Swee Loo, '89	Dipak Majumdar, '68
Harvard Markussen, '97	Donald D. Martin, '60
Edwin Meyers, '48	Majid Moinzadeh, '76
Dennis K. Nelson, '52	Roger Saccoman, '68
Glen R. Schauer, '54	Edgar Al Semchenko, '68
Jerome C. Shaw, '60	Arthur Skadeland, '54
Ian Strachan, '63	Zamani Bin Supartin, '89
Richard L. Travis, '49	Dr. Robert E. Wright, '53
Robert L. Ziola, '67	

Name the Newsletter Contest

We appreciate all of the suggestions for the newsletter, but have yet to choose one that best fits.

We are still looking for more suggestions.

We are offering a prize of an NDSU Architecture or Landscape Architecture sweatshirt to the winner.

You may send your submissions to Mary.Ekstrom@ndsu.edu and a winner will be chosen soon.

Quotes, Comments, Blurbs

We would like to take a minute to share with you some of the comments received from you:

"Good work by all...want to read it cover to cover..."

- John R. Klai II

"This is GREAT! Thank you for your hard work in putting it together for us." - Josa Rivas, AIA B.Arch (1989)

When asked why do you contribute?

"NDSU architecture alumni bring a pragmatic, functional, and cost-effective attitude to projects. They are helpful, open and non-judgmental employees. This is what we want from those who are just beginning their professional careers in Architecture." - Peter

Rand, FAIA (Advisory Board Member)

For Your Information

- ◆ If you have any news you would like us to be aware of or if you are looking for a classmate, let us know and we will do what we can to facilitate the process.
- ◆ If your firm is looking for help, we would be happy to post that in our next newsletter.
- ◆ If you would like to know more about a certain faculty member or would like to hear from them, let us know.
- ◆ Let us know what you think of our newsletter.
- ◆ All information can be sent to Mary.Ekstrom@ndsu.edu.

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WAYS YOU CAN HELP THE ARCHITECTURE & LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE PROGRAMS

We are always looking for ways to enrich the educational experience for our students.

Look at your schedules:

Will you be in Fargo during the Fall or Spring (2006-2007)?

Would you like to participate in a design jury?

Would you like to present a lecture?

Or

Would you host a social event for Alumni in your area?

Or

Are you looking for architecture or landscape architecture interns? If so, you can participate in our annual Design Expo.

Class Agents Needed

Would you like to catch up with your classmates? Become a class agent and help us locate alumni.

If you aren't interested in becoming a class agent but know that your classmates would enjoy this newsletter and know where they are now, let us know.

You Can Make A Difference

We appreciate your past generosity to the college and/or the department. Due to the continued growth and expansion of the department as well as our efforts to keep up with the continuing change of technology, we are asking for your support.

You can earmark your donation to the Friends of Architecture or Friends Landscape Architecture. By doing so, your gift directly benefits the department. Many alum are unaware that they are able to do so. We would like you to consider giving to your department to further our efforts in providing the best program, technology, and facilities for the future. When we asked our Advisory Board Members why they give to the department, it was a resounding "...to make a difference."

Again, thank you for your generosity.

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