

**C A L E N D A R**

May 19-21  
 AIA National Convention  
 Las Vegas, NV

June 14, 2005  
 EXCOM Meeting  
 11:30 AM  
 AIA office

June 16, 2005  
 AIA Birmingham Design  
 Awards Gala  
 Birmingham Children's Zoo

July 31-August 2, 2005  
 Alabama Council Convention  
 3rd Quarterly Meeting  
 Perdido Beach, Florida

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**2005 dreamArchitecture**

"My dream for a downtown is a huge new hotel complex called The Magic Hotel, named after the magic city of Birmingham. Birmingham needs a huge hotel and a big park to bring people and money to the city." One would think this was a quote by a city official, city planner or even the mayor of Birmingham, but it was not. This is the dream of PJ Callahan, a first grader from Deer Valley who won first place overall at this year's dreamArchitecture contest. PJ understands architecture can change a downtown and make it a better place to live and work.

The 8<sup>th</sup> annual dreamArchitecture was held May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at Architectureworks and was a huge success. Our goal was to stimulate children to think about architecture and their built environment. Children are more aware of their built environment than we think. Three out of four of the entries included parks with ponds and bridges for families to enjoy in their dream downtown. They envision downtown as a place to work, but also a place to enjoy playing in the park with their families. These children are not only aware of architecture, they understand that architecture has the power to bring communities together to live and work in a better environment.

The ceremony was held at Sawworks, a place that brings education, students, business professionals, local officials and people who normally would not be in the same setting together. Dick Pigford, owner of Architectureworks, was our master of ceremonies for the evening and tour guide. Children, parents, grandparents and teachers all enjoyed the tour of where "real architects" work.

We would like to thank our sponsors: "Accent on Architecture Grants" program, Imaging Technology for printing our dreamArchitecture note cards and a special thanks to Dick Pigford for hosting the event. We would also like to thank our judges who had the most difficult job of all, choosing the winners. Our judges were Nez Calhoun, Jefferson County Board of Education, Cathy Yarbrough, Cultural Alliance, Ty Cole, Giattina Fisher & Aycock Architects and Susan Strickland, The Birmingham News.

**dreamArchitecture Facts:**

- \*started as Draw Your Dream contest eight years ago
- \*176 entries this year
- \*15 schools participated
- \*25 children were recognized
- \*11 teachers were recognized
- \*140 parents, grand parents, siblings, teachers and architects attended
- \*EVERYONE HAD A GREAT TIME!

## 2005 Chapter Sponsors

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## Historic Masonry Workshop

Saturday, May 28 9a.m. – Noon, \$40 registration fee

“In historic masonry buildings the two most problem-prone areas, as they relate to the strength and breathability of historic masonry are: repointing joints with the wrong mortar formulation and incorrect trades practices.” Join Charles Mason for a hands on Masonry Workshop. Mason, owner of Eagle Eye Masonry, has 30 years of masonry experience and has spent the last four years focusing on the study of mortars and historic masonry. Historic Shirley Place 512 Main Avenue, Northport

## 2005 Design Awards Entry

Many members received the 2005 Design Award Entry ten times and others did not receive it at all. This is a notice for everyone. Each entry is \$100 for the first entry, \$75 for each additional entry. All entries and fees must be received by June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2005. The deadline to have your entry submittals and project displays turned in is June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005 to the AIA office.

## Alabama Architectural Foundation Outstanding Building Award

A call for nominations of existing publicly owned buildings in the State of Alabama for the AAF Outstanding Building Award shall be distributed in January of each year by utilizing the Executive Committee of the Alabama Council, AIA. The Executive Committee with public input as appropriate will be requested by the AAF to nominate one building from each of the Council's Chapter's geographic area. The nomination package will require completion of a one page application form and ten 4" x 6" color prints (5 interior, 5 exterior). The nominee will be identified in the award presentation material which will consist of a plaque, to be mounted on the building and recognition facsimiles to be awarded to the architect of record and to the owner/public entity.

*Building Eligibility:* Any existing building constructed and currently owned by a public entity in the state of Alabama.

*Nomination:* A building must be nominated by the executive committee of the Alabama Council AIA. Nominations are limited to one per Alabama Council AIA Chapter.

*Nomination Form:* The AIA Chapter shall complete the appropriate nominating form by May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

Contact the AIA office for more information.

## ARE Study Group

I have had several calls and emails regarding a study group for ARE. If anyone is interested please email the AIA office.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### Karlsberger Laboratory and Technology Group

Karlsberger Laboratory and Technology Group, a growing national practice, is seeking a senior level project architect with ten years experience and a recent graduate architect. Send resumes to KLTG via e-mail (birmingham@karlsberger.com); fax (205-252-9191); or mail to 2509 7th Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35233. EOE