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CALENDAR of EVENTS

AIA : MAY 3 - State Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Anchorage Captain Cook Hotel - Easter
Island Room.

MAY 26 - Anchorage Section Meeting -
12:00 noon (Tentatively at The Wood-
shed).

APDC: MAY 2 - Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m. at
2515 "A" Street.

ASCE: MAY 10 - Juneau Section Meeting -
noon at Sally's Kitchen.
MAY 17-19 - Cold Regions Specialty
Conference - Anchorage Westward Hilton
(see ASCE page for specifics).
MAY 19 - Fairbanks Section Meeting -
12:00 noon buffet at Travelers Inn.
MAY 23 - Anchorage Section Meeting -
12:00 noon at Westward Hilton in the
Kenai Aleutian Room. Speaker will be
Thomas Greisen, CPA. His topic -
"Taxes of the Engineer". (Contact Mel
Nichols at 278-1551 for reservations.)

ASPE: MAY 10 - Juneau Section Meeting -
noon - joint meeting with ASCE at
Sally's Kitchen.

MAY 11 - Anchorage Section Meeting -
noon Luncheon at Bull Shed. Menu -
steak sandwich, \$5.75. Breakthrough
Committee will provide speaker to dis-
cuss their projects.

ASPLS: MAY 19 - Anchorage Meeting - 12:00
noon at Bull Shed Restaurant.

PEPP: MAY 10 - Anchorage - 7:00 a.m. at
Denny's Restaurant.

NPPA: (Northwest Public Power Association)
MAY 30 - JUNE 2 - holding a 5-day
technical conference on Engineering &
Operations at the Anchorage Captain
Cook Hotel. Registration is through
NPPA, P.O. Box 1307, Vancouver, Wash-
ington 98666. Fee is \$85.00.

SBR : (State Board of Registration)
MTG. MAY 11 & 12 - Fairbanks

TEST: JUNE 12, 13 & 14 - Architectural
Qualifying Test.

UofA: MAY 7 - Fairbanks - Commencement

NOTES FROM THE EDITORS DESK

This issue of our as-yet-unnamed publication marks the fruition of an idea which is several years old. John Clark and I tried to get something like this together when we were working together with the newsletter of the Alaska Section of ASCE, of the Alaska Civil Engineer in 1973. It took the men behind the Alaska Professional Design Council--Earl Korynta, Jim Clark, Art Barkshire, et. al., to finally bring this idea to life.

The idea we all thought so much of and which provides my motivation is that of communication among professional groups of similar interests and concerns. Cross communication is what I like to call it. It is really quite simple. We all feel that the problems we face are quite similar. If we knew of our similar concerns, we could work out any differences and/or unite to present a stronger force to overcome them.

That's why I am convinced of the need for and value of this type of publication, and why I have volunteered my time to make it work. Won't you assist me in this project? Your letters, comments and suggestions are always welcome. Mail can be sent to our business office, or call Charlene Huhndorf at 276-2834.

Some of the ways we feel we can bring Alaska's design professionals together can be seen in this first issue. Our monthly calendar is an attempt to inform our readers of the member groups' meetings and activities throughout the state. We hope members of all the professional groups attend the meetings of the other groups in their own city and when they are visiting elsewhere. (Note: Call the secretary of the society concerned for reservations, if possible. They might run out of food!)

Also, Don Dent has signed on to provide us with an up-to-date picture of what is happening in the State Legislature that concerns our respective professions. I feel this is an exceptionally valuable feature. The way we shape legislation which effectively deals with our concerns is by informing our representatives in Juneau of our positions on the issues. Before we can do that, though, we must become informed on the issues ourselves. Don has promised to provide that information.

We also plan to provide the status of the Board of Registration from Gordon Unwin and news from the engineering schools of the University of Alaska. This month's contri-

bution came from their Dean, Charles Behlke.

Along with special features and a column from myself and our A.P.D.C. president, Earl Korynta, we also have provided each member society with a page of their own. This space can be used in any manner the individual society wishes. We hope this will serve as a conduit through which we can all gain an idea of what other design professionals are doing and what their concerns are.

That's where we plan to head. We welcome your suggestions and help in this effort. In fact, we need a name for this publication, and a logo. Send your ideas in to Charlene prior to next month's deadline--May 15--so we can have a name next month.

Guest Commentary: Alaska Economic Picture

by Robert R. Richards,
Executive Vice President,
Alaska State Bank

(Editor's Note: We hope to make this guest commentary column a permanent feature of the newsletter. The editorial staff intends to solicit varying comments from a wide cross section of talents, both within the A/E field and out. Your letters in response to this column are encouraged.)

With the first quarter of the year now behind us, the early returns for 1978 are starting to trickle in, and they tell a rosey story. The surprisingly strong economic momentum of 1977 is carrying over into 1978.

Anchorage building permits are up an astounding 74% over the level of last winter. Air and water freight has increased substantially. In January twice as many drilling permits for developmental wells were issued as in January of last year. The shrimp and crab harvest is up 12%. And finally, this winter, Anchorage realtors have again been reporting record sales volumes.

Despite all of the foregoing optimistic, positive data, there is a growing uneasiness throughout Anchorage about what is in store for the future. This uneasiness is supported by an equally impressive set of data. The Anchorage apartment vacancy rate is continuing to climb, reaching 14% in February. The flow of air passenger traffic through Anchor-

age International Airport has decreased 1%. Retail sales appear to be off by 15%. New construction contract awards are one-third lower than last winter.

Frankly, I have never seen so many mixed signals about the state of health of our economy.

After giving this information and an array of other economic data an intensive analysis and, combining that analysis of statistical facts with considerable discussions with business representatives of all of Alaska's industries, I have come up with two conclusions regarding our economy for this year. First, economic performance is and will continue to vary considerably from industry to industry, and second, Alaska's overall economy, as measured by general indicators such as employment and freight volumes, will subside as the year progresses. That is, although in certain respects we have come in like a lion, I still expect us to go out like a lamb.

I think the most revealing indication of a slowing year ahead is found in the construction industry statistics. Although building permits for the first three months of the year were up substantially, new construction contract awards -- which give some idea as to construction work which will commence in the future -- are off by one-third. Additionally, contractors are reporting an expanding list of bidders on any given project being put out for bid.

A forthcoming slowdown in construction activity, combined with moderating increases in state and local government spending as a result of election year pressures for fiscal responsibility, will cause a dampening effect on the wholesale and retail trade sector of the economy which already is being felt. These negative forces will more than offset gains in Alaska's other basic industries. The net result, then, will be, at best, a general flattening in the economy this year and, at worst, a slight downturn.

APDC PRESIDENTS COLUMN

by Earl Korynta

On January 28, 1976, a group of architects, engineers, and land surveyors crowded around a table in the Kobuk Room at the Travelers Inn in Anchorage. (As I recall, the table was set

up for 6 or 8 but several more people were present). Present were appointed representatives from the statewide organizations of AIA, ASCE, ASPE and PEPP. This was the first "official" brainstorming session for an undefined concept loosely relating to an executive secretary for the various professional groups.

The subject had been the theme of many, many prior bull sessions over the past several years. Many questions were raised at that session but few were answered. Was an executive secretary what the groups wanted? Could a non-profit umbrella corporation be formed to provide services? How would such an organization be funded? How many professional societies and how many total people would be involved? What should this organization do? What shouldn't this organization do?

Work sessions continued through the following months and on November 23, 1976, the Alaska Society of Design Professionals filed Articles of Incorporation under the Alaska Non-Profit Corporation Act. The Articles named an initial Board of Directors consisting of 11 members representing the AIA, ASPE, ASCE, PEPP and ASPLS. Sometime shortly thereafter the Articles were amended to change the name of the organization to the Alaska Professional Design Council.

On April 5, 1977, the Alaska Professional Design Council held its initial meeting in the conference room of the Division of Aviation Building in Anchorage. Tentative by-laws and a first year operating budget had been prepared. The directors were instructed to carry the by-laws and budget to their respective societies for adoption.

This process went relatively smoothly for some societies but others felt the need for substantial and careful consideration. For all of the societies, the annual assessment from the Council cut deeply into the normal operating budget. In any event, this process occupied most of the second summer. However, by the fall of 1977, all of the initial member societies had made their decision to join the Council. Since that time, the Board of Directors has been holding regular open monthly meetings.

All of the above is history. I wanted to go through all of this mainly for two reasons. First, it is good to air the wash once and for all as to how the Council was developed and how we got to where we are today. Second, because time is one measure of performance, I feel it is important to discuss this with our supporters. Total time from that initial

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brainstorming session in January of 1976 to the present, the inauguration of the Council's monthly newsletter is 27 months. From this viewpoint, the Council's performance to date has not been good. We intend to do better.

In my next column, I plan to speak to the following issues: How can the Council meet the members' needs? What are the goals of the Council? How will the Council affect the member societies?

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Don Dent, P.E.

(Author's Note: With this first issue and subsequent issues, any opinion or interpretation entered herein are the author's alone. Each reader is urged to obtain a copy of the bill piquing his interest and drawing his own conclusions.)

The Tenth Alaska Legislature (1977-1978) has seen the introduction of 1487 bills, as of March 31, 1978, with 172 passed into law. Many issues, of interest to, or impact on, the design professions are seen in the Legislature -- several of which have been passed into law.

1. New Capital Site--SB 27 (CH67 SLA77) establishing the Capital Planning Commission, an appropriation bill for the Planning Commission, HB 121 (CH 110SLA77), and a bill for indemnification for Juneau as a result of the move, HB 403 (CH 65SLA77) are the only measures of the 30 introduced, debated, and studied, which are law. The debate goes on.

2. Coastal Zone Management--HB 342 (CH84 SLA77) establishes Alaska Coastal Policy Council, State and District Coastal Management Programs, with attendant procedures, compliance and enforcement standards. Ostensibly, the main duties of the Council are, in conformity with the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, to develop guidelines and standards for the Coastal Management program, program for Coastal resource planning for each geographic region, and to assist the coastal resource districts in carrying out their planning and management functions. This measure is recommended reading for the full impact of its ramifications.

3. Sunset Law--HB-1 by Gruening (CH 149 SLA77). This measure calls for the termination on June 30, 1980, of the State Board of

Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors together with 21 other licensing Boards. The bill provides for Legislative review of the activities of the Board prior to dissolution with the burden of proof lying with the board to justify its existence. Five other State Boards and Commissions, e.g., State Parole Board, Alaska Transportation Commission, etc., are named under the measure also, in a general manner, and agency programs and activities. It's interesting to note the absence of the many pork barrel boards and commissions which are "so vital" to making the state go.

Sunset Law activities all over the Lower '49 are in full swing. N.S.P.E. is assisting boards with information. If our readers know of specific instances reinforcing the necessity for continuance of the A/E Board, or problems in Board operations because of state administrative interference, please pass this information on to the State Board for their use.

4. Application for Use of the State's Air, Land and Water Resources--SB 227 (CH60SLA77). This bill is quite long, but recommended reading. The main purpose as described in this bill is to (1), establish a simplified procedure in obtaining permits when such permits are required for Federal, State and local governments by a coordinated administrative process, (2), to provide applicants a greater degree of certainty of permit requirements, (3), increase coordination among the various level governmental agencies in administration of programs effecting the State's resources, (4), public input to the process by their views, and in obtaining information.

5. Suits against Local Governments--SB 249 (CH37SLA77). Portions of this measure remove a citizen's right to bring suit against a municipality, its agents, officers or employees for damages although the municipality, its agents, officers or employees had performed or failed to perform a discretionary function or abused that discretion. In other words, the municipalities are not responsible for their acts or the acts of their employees, as other persons or employees are under common law. Tort liability does not apply now. I'm sure that eventually this will have to be tested in court.

So much for past actions. Now for the present.

1. Landscape Architects Registration (HB 655 and SB 416). The proposed bills have used the vehicle of revising the present A/E/

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LS Registration Act, to include "Landscape Architect" in its phrasing and including:

- a. Changing size of the registration board by adding two Landscape Architects;
- b. Providing for Comity Registration upon application;
- c. Providing for registration of current practitioners (Grandfather);
- d. Defining the practice of Landscape Architecture.

The main objections this author has to these two bills are:

- a. The addition of two new members on th Board of Registration;
- b. Registration at lower standards than that required for the other design professions;
- c. Under the grandfather clause any combination of education and experience amounting to six years prior to July, 1978, will qualify anyone for registration as a "Professional Landscape Architect",
- d. The definition in the present bills would allow Landscape Architects to act as prime professionals on land development projects, perform all types of site work, and, by inference, perform hydraulic and hydrologic engineering and soils work.

2. Materialmen and Mechanics Liens--(HB 739). Problems under present state law perpetrated an effort on behalf of several legislators, business, bank, professional and labor representatives to review the statutes and introduce a measure which will produce a more efficient approach in the courts to the Materialmen and Mechanics Lien problem. Some aspects of the bill are:

- a. A Notice of Intent to Lien must be recorded after entering into the contract and must be effected or a Claim of Lien will not be valid. The Claim of Lien must be filed not later than 90 days after completion or, if the owner has recorded a Notice of Completion, a Claim of Lien shall be filed within not more than 10 days. This should be required reading to get all the details.

3. Architect-Engineer-Land Surveyors Selection--(HB 227). The "Committee substitute for sponsor substitute" measure has been supported by the Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors and concerns reviews of the selection process used by state agencies. It has languished in Senate State Affairs Committee since April, 1977, with no action.

4. Use of Section Line Rights-of-Way-- (SB 33) by Orsini, would allow a person to use a section of line right-of-way if the use of his land is dependent on the right-of-way for access.

State Registration Board Activities

by Gordon Unwin, P.E.

As secretary of the Board of Registration, I was asked by the Professional Design Council to prepare a monthly column for their publication in order to disseminate information regarding the Board's activities as it affects the general public and those professionals operating within its statutory authority. Accordingly, at the onset I thought it wise to initaly begin by listing names, addresses, dates and places. Using this approach, I hope to begin acquainting all of Alaska's design professionals with the board members and board activities throughout the year. Therefore, without further introduction, let me proceed with the listings:

<u>MEMBERS:</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES JULY 1</u>
Mr. Douglas Ackley, AIA, President (Architecture) Box 310 Juneau, Alaska 99802 (586-1070)	1978
Mr. Jim Bridges, AIA (Architecture) 4789 Business Park Blvd. Anchorage, Alaska 99503 (272-5488)	1980
Dr. Don J. Cook, P.E. (Mining) Box 80093 College, Alaska 99708 (479-7388)	1981
Mr. Wallace DeBoff, P.E. (Mechanical) RR 5, Box 5521 Juneau, Alaska 99803 (364-2121)	1982
Mr. James Lake, P.E., Vice President (Electrical) 543 Third Avenue Room 206 Nerland Building Fairbanks, Alaska 99701 (452-1441)	1981

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by Art Barkshire

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Mr. Loren Lounsbury, P.E.L.S. 1982
(Land Surveying)
723 West 6th Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
(272-5451)

Mr. Paul Stutzman, P.E. L.S. 1978
(Civil)
Box 1429
Fairbanks, Alaska 99707 (452-4094)

Mr. Gordon D. Unwin, P.E.L.S., 1980
Secretary (Civil)
2515 "A" Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99503 (276-4245)

Mr. Wallace J. Wellenstein, AIA 1983
(Architecture)
325 Barrow Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99501 (279-3941)

Erma Norlund, License Examiner
Board of AELS
Division of Occupational Licensing
Dept. of Commerce & Economic Development
State of Alaska
Pouch D
Juneau, Alaska 99811 (465-2540)

MEETINGS: 1978

May 11 & 12 Fairbanks
July 27 & 28 Juneau
September 21 & 22 Anchorage
December 8 & 9 Anchorage

TESTING:

April 15 & 16, 1978-P.E.,E.I.T.,L.S.& S.I.T.
June 12,13 & 14, 1978 Arch. Qualifying Test
November 4 & 5, 1978-P.E.,E.I.T.,L.S. & S.I.T.
December 11 & 12, 1978- Arch. Prof. Exam
April 7 & 8, 1979 - P.E.,E.I.T.,L.S. & S.I.T.
June 11,12 & 13, 1979 - Arch. Qualifying Test
November 3 & 4, 1979 - P.E.,E.I.T.,L.S.&S.I.T.
December 10 & 11, 1979 - Arch. Prof. Exam

Please note that completed applications must be received in Juneau at least 60 days in advance of the exam dates.

Additionally, as this column develops, I would like to present information that affects the design professionals in Alaska. Items such as Sunset Legislation, Board regulations and complaint procedures will be discussed as time permits.

Initial funding for the Alaska Professional Design Council came from \$250.00 "seed" monies provided by the member societies to meet early expenses such as mailing, acquiring non-profit corporation status, and copying. An annual \$1,500.00 contribution has been established for membership to the APDC. As organizations have paid varying amounts of this to date, the Board has established January 1, 1978 as the beginning date for contributing memberships.

While early expenses were low, they are expected to increase now with the employment of a part-time secretary and publication of the joint newsletter. These costs will be closely monitored to review and plan the APDC budget.

A non-profit organization (no cost) checking account has been established at the National Bank of Alaska and the balance presented at the APDC meeting in April was \$2,533.20. A Treasurer's report is made at the regular meeting of APDC on the first Tuesday of each month and the records are always available through the Treasurer.

Computer List Service

The APDC is presently setting up a computer membership list service to be offered to our membership organizations.

Initially, we have concentrated on compiling a master mailing list for our first publication. Now that our master list is in, we will be working on breaking it down to offer the following services to the participating societies:

- Full alphabetical lists
- Alphabetical list by code (your organization)
- Alphabetical subcode list (officers, board members, assoc. members, interested party, etc.)
- Full zip code list
- Zip code list by code
- Zip code list by subcode
- Mailing labels for any of above.

For the present time, since Bill Tucker is donating time on his Wang Computer, the only cost will be for the printing supplies--paper, mailing labels, etc.

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News From The University of Alaska Engineering Department

by Charles Behlke, Dean

We will soon be mailing a master list to all the organizations with coding instructions. It will then be up to them to provide the information necessary to make the lists useful to that organization. When the lists are returned to us, the coding information will be entered in the computer and the lists available for use.

Please give us at least one week's notice for providing the lists as we use the computer on an "as available" basis.

It will take cooperation on the part of the societies for us to keep the lists current, so any corrections or changes should be called or mailed to the Council office as soon as possible.

Lighting Efficiency Committee Formed

by Terry Dale

In late February, the Division of Energy & Power Development (DEPD) of the Alaska Department of Commerce and Economic Development, held the first meeting of the Lighting and Thermal Efficiency Standards Committee. This Committee is composed of representatives from various professional and civic organizations, as well as individuals from rural Alaskan communities. The Committee's goal is to develop recommendations for the Governor and Legislature to adopt in order to establish statewide lighting and thermal standards for energy conservation in new buildings.

The Committee divided into three subcommittees: Standards, Incentives, and Enforcement, and recommendations have been made in each area. DEPD will soon take these recommendations to public informational meetings in selected communities.

ASHRAE 90-75R has been recommended as the statewide standard. Additionally, recommendations for methods of enforcement and various kinds of incentives were made.

This effort is all part of a larger energy conservation program being managed by DEPD with funds from the U.S. Department of Energy. If you would like a copy of the recommendations, please call Terry Dale or Tom Graham at 274-8655, or write DEPD, 7th Floor Mackay Building, 338 Denali Street, Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

The Alaska Professional Design Council is to be congratulated on initiating this combined forum for communication among Alaska's engineers and architects. This intersociety publication has the potential for bringing designers together in a variety of ways to the benefit of the design profession, clients, and the public.

Though editors of this monthly publication will find it a task to attempt to get contributors to do so in a timely and regular fashion, the efforts of the editorial staff will be greatly appreciated by the professionals throughout Alaska. I hope each of us who takes on the responsibility to provide information for publication will not let the staff down.

As Dean of the University's School of Engineering, I jump at the opportunity to inform the engineering and architectural communities about our various activities, undergraduate programs, graduate programs, continuing education courses, seminars, and research. In the months ahead, you will hear about our plans for engineering education development in Alaska and of our various research projects. You'll learn about our students and of their exploits! You'll also be made aware of difficulties in our programs where the concerted support of design professionals throughout the State is needed.

The School of Engineering's programs should reflect the needs of Alaska. We should especially be training novice engineers and practicing professionals for design practice in Alaska. Often, university administration, the Board of Regents, the legislature, and the Governor do not believe these needs if they are voiced by we who propose to meet these needs. That is as it should be. However, if the professionals also perceive the needs, timely letters or phone calls to those farther up the line on the money chain can make the difference between moving ahead or standing still (or worse yet, moving backward).

The most important product of the School's efforts is the graduating of young engineers. It is fitting that this first edition of your newsletter contain the names of those who will



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Alaska Chapter AIA

This is the first issue of what is intended to be a monthly publication by the Alaska Professional Design Council, Inc. As is the Council itself, the newsletter is in a shake-down period, and just what role this publication and its parent council will play is not yet defined.

My name is Jon Kumin, and I am Assistant Editor on behalf of the AIA. Hopefully, this will be the first and last issue of this page I will write, for the intent is that the assistant editor merely assemble articles forwarded by each of the three section components and by the Chapter officials, not act as a reporter.

Elsewhere in this issue you should find a definition of the goals of the Alaska Professional Design Council, and a description of the benefits which accrue to the individual societies. In talking to members of the AIA, and to people who have worked on the formation of the Council, it has become clear that the general membership is not familiar with the Council. This issue is a first step in rectifying that situation.

There has been some debate as to just what this newsletter will be used for. Should it replace the individual section newsletters?

One feature is the master monthly calendar listing of all activities for each constituent society and section, provided of course the relevant information is forwarded in time to be included. If the AIA is not represented, it's because the data did not arrive.

One thing to keep in mind are the dates and deadlines this publication is subject to. I have to turn in the final copy by the 15th of each month. In order to keep the whole process reasonable, all copy should be to me by the 10th preferably, or the 13th at the latest. The entire publication is then assembled, printed and mailed by about the 1st. To some extent this limits the flexibility. On the other hand, there are advantages of low bulk mailing rates, computerized address lists, efficient printing and so forth.

If this page is not to replace the newsletters, it must supplement them. It would be pointless to repeat them, so another function must be found. It might for example address issues of common interest that cannot be covered in section newsletter--subjects of interest to all areas of the state.

It is also debatable whether we should attempt to address only issues of interest to all the design professions, e.g. legislation affecting A/E contracts, etc., or should indulge as well in issues only architects care about. This page might be a good forum for debate about ideas which get lost in the shuffle of daily business.

For example, at the last Anchorage section meeting, Henrik Bull spoke about his firm's work on the new capital site. He made a point about initially searching for a unique Alaskan design idiom to adopt, but finding none. He evidently found the typical Anchorage split level insufficiently stimulating to latch on to. He did raise a good point. Is there such a thing as "Alaskan design"? Should there be? What characteristics might it have? Would this be a suitable topic to debate in a publication such as this?

Mike Plunkett, who along with Jim Clarke represents the AIA in the Alaska Professional Design Council, has suggested that each section submit 250 words, and the Chapter also submit 250 words. This makes sense to me (especially as editor--hold it to 250 exactly

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The Alaska Society of Professional Engineers



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ASPE MINUTES

April 13, 1978

President Dan Dougherty opened the business meeting at 12:15 with the introduction of the new officers and guests.

It was moved, seconded and passed to destroy the ballots. Jay England agreed to do so.

Minutes of the February meeting were approved as published.

The Treasurer's report was not presented pending yearly audit.

The following standing committees and committee chairmen were appointed:

Audit : Bud Adams
Program : Steve Brown
Budget : Dave Shephard, Steve Brown
Scholarship: Allen Corthell
Education : Jan Van Den Top
Legislation: Don Dent
Ethics : Jan Hansen

Old Business - None

New Business -

1. Due in part to the Hilton's latest demand of a \$50.00 room charge, if less than 40 lunches are served, it was decided a new meeting place should be considered. Jay England provided a list of possible alternative places with sufficient facilities and a desire to host our meeting. After a brief discussion,

it was moved, seconded and passed in a vote by the membership to hold the May meeting at the Bull Shed.

2. John Lambe provided a brief description of the newsletter to be published by the Alaska Professional Design Council. The board of directors decided to use this media to publish our meeting notice and minutes.

3. It was announced that Art Whitmer is seeking proctors for the P.E. exam.

4. Bucky Tart talked briefly about the "Cold Regions Specialty Conference" sponsored by ASCE at the Westward Hilton May 17-19, 1978. Detailed information was provided in a pamphlet distributed to the membership.

5. Don Dent voiced his concern over the lack of attendance by chapter members at the State Annual Meeting. He and Mr. Dougherty prepared a poll to help determine the cause of this problem. This poll will be mailed to the membership.

The speaker for the April meeting was Tom Miller, a geologist from USGS, who spoke about their efforts in evaluating the geothermal potential of various volcanically active areas.

Special thanks goes to Bernard Bruss for volunteering for the Hospitality Committee.

Attention PEC & Juneau & Fairbanks Chapters of ASPE!!!

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COLD REGIONS SPECIALTY CONFERENCE APPLIED TECHNIQUES FOR COLD ENVIRONMENTS

ANCHORAGE WESTWARD HILTON
MAY 17th-19th
REGISTRATION BEGINNING MAY 16 - 5:00 P.M.

Wednesday, May 17th

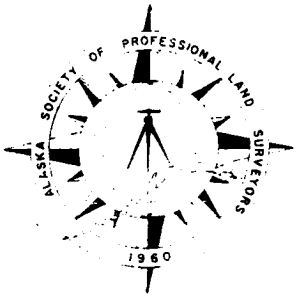
9:00 a.m. George Sullivan, Mayor
William R. Gibbs, ASCE President
Dale Nelson, Section President
9:30 a.m. Keynote Address
12:00 noon Luncheon
2:00 p.m. Technical Session - Theme: "Land,
Coastal, and Resource Development"
7:00 p.m. Cocktail Hour
8:00 p.m. Conference Banquet

Thursday, May 18th

9:00 a.m. Technical Session - Theme: "Mater-
ials, Manpower, Equipment, and
Methods"
12:00 noon Luncheon - Topic: "Construction of
the Alaska Highway--A Historical
Perspective"
2:00 p.m. Technical Session - Theme: "Com-
mercial, Institutional, and Ind-
ustrial Facilities"
7:00 p.m. Reception

Friday, May 19th

9:00 a.m. Technical Session - Theme: "Sup-
port Systems"
12:00 noon Luncheon
2:00 Conference Summary Statements



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ACC Curriculum Revisions

As a result of a meeting last fall, the Advisory Board for the Anchorage Community College Surveying Technology Program and the teaching staff there have recommended curriculum revisions which they hope to implement by the fall semester. These changes return the program to full-semester courses and add courses at a higher technical level.

Stan Sears, Program Coordinator, reports that the changes were felt to be necessary because of the impending requirements for registration, and also because of the declining market for technicians with limited training since the completion of the oil pipeline.

Stan states that the program changes are still flexible, and he solicits your suggestions.

Mat-Su Platting Advisory Committee

Ronald Thiel, Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Mat-Su Borough Subdivision regulations, has recommended that the committee temporarily cease functioning since the re-writing of Title 16 will not be completed until late fall or winter.

Mr. Thiel reports that his committee endorsed "...a preliminary plat procedure where by a conceptual plan is approved by the Platting Board and the final plat requirements would be handled by the Borough staff." He feels that this would expedite plat approvals and would allow for sanctioned building of roads prior to filing the final plat.

SUMMER HIRE

Employers are urged to call Anchorage Community College to obtain recommendations concerning students they are considering for summer hire.

Reports have been received at the school regarding applicants who falsely claim to be affiliated with the college.



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PEPP Meeting Minutes

March 8, 1978

The first item of business was a report on the Landscape Architects Bill by Don Dent. It was introduced as HB 655, sponsored by Miller and Sackett. The Bill, as introduced, has a number of drawbacks, therefore information on what other states are doing was to be solicited and a report made to PEPP.

It was moved and seconded that PEPP write a letter indicating opposition to the Landscape Architect Bill and indicate why. The motion carried.

Don Dent reported that proposed Lien Law HB 739 eliminated Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors from filing liens. A substitute bill now includes them. Parties must file, within 10 days after getting a job, a form to pre-qualify who would be eligible to file.

Ken Walsh discussed new engineering law regulations. Wording breaking out the various disciplines was dropped. He also noted that the Registration Board terminates as of July 1, 1980, and will have to be re-qualified when the Sunset Law takes effect.

A request was made to have someone from the State Division of Design, Department of Transportation, at the next meeting.

PEPP Meeting Minutes

April 12, 1978

No one from the State Division of Design, Department of Transportation, was available to speak at our meeting, therefore the meet-

ing was devoted to internal business and it of interest to the chapter as a whole.

The first item of discussion evolved around the dues problem and the confusion that exists between the Chapter and the National as to how dues are to be billed and paid.

A request was made that the meeting minutes and/or other items of news be incorporated in the newsletter to be published by the Design Council. It was decided that our minutes would be submitted as written, as they were not formal minutes and therefore would be adaptable to the newsletter.

Don Dent then discussed legislative matters. Discussion followed regarding the status of the Landscape Architects Bill and the fact that we had obtained a considerable amount of information regarding Landscape Architectural Bills from other States. One of the general comments is that the Landscape Architectural approach in the majority of the states takes a less professional tack than the bill currently being proposed, and in many states the Landscape Architect Board is totally different from the Architect/Engineer Board.

A discussion of engineering matters regarding policy within the Municipality of Anchorage ensued. The principal objection voiced was the manner of solicitation by the Municipality which is not conforming to the Municipal regulations, i.e., professional bidding, as opposed to selection prior to negotiation. In addition, a problem was voiced concerning personnel within the Municipality soliciting private work while on the job. Thus, in effect, utilizing their office to promote private work from clients.

A nominating committee was selected to pick new officers for PEPP, with Harry Lee volunteering to chair the selection committee.

The next regular PEPP meeting will be held at 7:00 a.m., May 10, 1978, at Denny's Restaurant. Elections of new officers will be held at this meeting.

1978 Surveying and Mapping Awards

please), and it is possible that one section may choose to use this as its newsletter and another for supplemental information only.

These are the questions that must be discussed in the next few weeks, and decisions made.

Some AIA members feel it may not be cost effective to send information of limited interest, such as AIA section executive board meeting dates, to nearly every design professional in the state. Others feel the promise of increased efficiency and interaction offsets any drawbacks. In any event, we will only benefit from this organization to the extent we utilize it.

What I am really hoping is that this monologue, prepared out of deadline desperation and several beers the night before it's due, will stimulate some healthy debate as to exactly what we expect from the Alaska Professional Design Council and its newsletter, and what we are prepared to commit to it. This debate should occur soon and conclusions, if any, forwarded to the two AIA representatives.

I'd like to thank Harry Geron, Mike Plunkett, Merle Jantz, Jim Clark, Jeff Wilson, Bob Mitchell, Alan Marugame, Chris Roust and all others who have taken the time to discuss this with me. I apologize for still not understanding exactly what this is all about. I'm not sure who does.

In the meantime, let's start those cards and letters coming. My address is c/o Wrang-Kumin, Inc., 241 E. Fifth, Anchorage, 99501. Office phone is 276-4311; home phone is 333-4004. I don't intend to write this whole thing again, so let's hear something, pro and con.

Three students from Anchorage Community College were honored with the presentation of special awards during the recent Surveying and Mapping Conference.

Dagmar Mikko, a second-year surveying student, received the A.C.S.M. Surveying Student of the Year Award for academic excellence. A similar award in drafting, the Frank F. Martin Award, was presented to Linda Rees. The Sidney Henderson Jr. Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Brian Coyle, a first-year surveying student who plans to continue his studies at A.C.C. next year.

Other awards presented included the Surveying Project of the Year to D.O.W.L. Engineering for the Petersville Mining Claims Project, and the Photogrammetric and Mapping Project of the Year to Air Photo Tech for the Mt. Wrangell Project.

Dorothy Olmstead, coordinator of the conference for the past three years, was given a special award for dedicated service.

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receive their B.S. degrees at Commencement, May 7, 1978 in Fairbanks. They are: James L. Bennett, B.S.C.E.; James M. Childers, B.S.C.E.; Jan C. Dabney, B.S.C.E.; George S. Ferree, B.S.M.E.; Roger R. Galliett, B.S.C.E.; Robert A. Gross, B.S.M.E.; William C. Gryder, B.S.C.E.; Ian A. Hegdal, B.S.E.E.

Also, Charles B. Isley, B.S.E.E.; James F. Johnson, B.S.M.E.; Joseph H. Keeney, Jr., B.S.C.E.; Lorraine A. Kincaid, B.S.C.E.; Laurie M. Kozisek, B.S.C.E.; Robert H. Lundell, B.S.C.E.; Rosemary Matt, B.S.C.E.; Lawrence R. Miller, B.S.E.E.; Bernard Nidowicz, B.S.C.E.; David A. Oliver, B.S.E.E.; Marcus K. Olson, B.S.E.E.; Dean T. Orbison, B.S.M.E.; Nisai Palanukorn, B.S.C.E.; Ralph W. Rohwer, B.S.C.E., and Herman A. Schouten, B.S.E.E.

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The faculty at the School and I commend these new colleagues to you.

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