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“PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE”

Our sponsored programs for May and June include:

1. A sold-out ADA seminar for the architectural license (more series expected in the coming months); this is a very affordable program sponsored by the chapter to provide the required licensure units to our members and the architects within our community.
2. The ACE Academy program; this mentorship in action helps inspire and shape the future of Architecture. This was a unique opportunity to participate in a mini charrette with high school students and the assistance of our chapter students from Harbor, LBCC, Cerritos and CSULB. The ACE Academy was developed in partnership with the City of Long Beach and aims to teach high school students real-world skills in the architectural, construction and engineering design fields. Students learn concepts from classes, field trips and professional mentors.
3. Open House Tour of the architectural department at Harbor College.

Design Awards Committee

Our committee chairman, Tony Micu, AIA, has been very successful getting sponsors for our Design Awards coming this fall at the Aquarium; information will soon be available including a new web site that will allow downloading of applications and electronic entry submittals. This is an excellent opportunity for the local firms, members and architects that either work or have completed work within our chapter boundaries, to receive recognition in several architectural categories. Vendors, consultants and local contractors are encouraged to participate in our most glamorous event (contact our chapter for additional information).

Advocacy Committee

The AIA-Long Beach/South Bay Chapter’s Advocacy Committee is recruiting new participants. This committee advocates at a local level for the benefit of the architectural profession through the following:

1. Advocating the use of local architects for local projects
2. Advocating for high-quality design in both private and public work
3. Advocating for design review of critical projects where appropriate
4. Advocating for master planning in our communities
5. Protecting great architecture and neighborhoods in our communities

If you are interested in participating on the Advocacy Committee, please contact Jonathan Glasgow, AIA at 562-438-0438.

Students Corner

For direct access to our student director, please e-mail to: aialbstudents@aol.com; for June they are planning an office walk tour of OBELISK Architects in Torrance and for July or August, they are arranging a meeting combined with the AIAS in Cal Poly Pomona.

Continue to participate and sponsor our local chapter; new business opportunities and leads are offered at our different meetings.

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