

February 17, 2010 | Wed. 11:45

This month's luncheon will be held in the Colonial Room at **The Montgomery Country Club**.

All attendees will have an opportunity to be awarded a **\$50 gift card** to **SaZa's** Serious Italian Food.

Speaker | ●●●●●●●●●●

ABIMINATION or BIMTASTIC ??

Why do we need **BIM (Building Information Modeling)**? What are the benefits? What is it all about? And if it's so hot, how do I implement it in my office? These are several of the questions that will be addressed at our next meeting. **Applied Software** out of Atlanta will be speaking on the implementation of Building Information Modeling (BIM) into your office workflow, and why BIM is important to you as a firm.

Applied Software, founded in 1982, is one of the nation's leading providers of BIM services including BIM modeling, analysis, training, integration and mentoring. Many companies return to Applied Software time and time again for implementation services, project migration assistance, BIM modeling, analysis, training and systems integration.

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The January meeting is being sponsored by **Capital Brick Company** of Montgomery.

Capital Brick Company is located in Montgomery Alabama and provides service to Chilton, Tallapoosa, Autauga, Elmore, Lowndes, Wilcox, Bullock, Butler, Macon, & Montgomery Counties. The Company was established in 1992 in as a brick, mortar mix, and glass block supplier. Capital has since expanded the product lines to include ceramic tile, tumbled marble, cultured stone, blue stone, granite, cobblestones, architectural pre cast and autoclaved aerated concrete. Capital offers the Boral Brick Imaging system. With this, customers can change brick, mortar, and roof and trim color with the click of a mouse.

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Just arriving from **Grassroots**, I have to say it has been quite an adventure. My arrival back was delayed 48 hours due to the "Blizzard of 2010". Even though finding a way out of D.C. was tasking, the opportunity I had to walk around a Washington D.C. that was shut down by snow was quite memorable.

As most can testify, I'm not a fan of politics and would prefer government staying as much out of my life and business as possible. The only problem with this philosophy is that today politics is a business and quite a few people have taken it on as their career and profession. These people understand that the more policies and laws they can enact into your business than the more business they will have. Washington is an ever-growing law-enacting machine aimed to tell you how you should be running your business and living your life. That being said, I always leave Grassroots feeling less encouraged with our political system.

However, as the Chapter President, it is my responsibility to show the Chapter's support for the AIA government advocacy policies and to assist in presenting it to our Congressmen in Washington. While at Grassroots, Platt Boyd and I met with several of our Congressmen and assisted in presenting the AIA blueprint for Economic Recovery which consists of five planks to help rebuild and renew our nation. I have included these on the Chapter web site in the sidebar under "2010 Grassroots" for everyone to read. Our message to Capitol Hill was that America's architects are ready to help our nation recover from the ongoing economic crisis and to lay the foundation for long-term economic growth.

Stephen B. King A.I.A.
AIA Montgomery President



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January Meeting Recap | ●●●●●●●●

January's meeting was our Chapter's Annual Past President luncheon and business meeting. Preceding the luncheon everyone had the opportunity to socialize with each other and the Chapter's past presidents in attendance, while enjoying the open bar. With 31 in attendance, Chapter President **Stephen King** opened the meeting by recognizing the past presidents in the assembly, and by welcoming members, affiliates, sponsors, and guests. Stephen also announced the 2010 Montgomery Chapter AIA Executive Committee and Board of Directors. Our recent Past President, **Freddie Lynn**, was recognized for his years of service to the Chapter and was presented, in absentia, with the Chapter's Appreciation Certificate.

The agenda for the Chapter business meeting was provided by President **Stephen King**, which was followed by the presentation of the 2010 Proposed Budget. After budget presentation and discussion, the 2010 budget was passed by a unanimous vote. The President also presented the 2010 Committees being formed, including those for the Design Awards Gala, Intern Fair, University Relations, AU Benefit Golf Tournament, and August CEU Event.

Gary Greenshields provided an update on the state legislature schedule, and a reminder of the Feb. 12 Florida AIA CEU opportunity provided by the Alabama Council AIA. **Alex Alkire** provided a reminder for the Feb. 4th USGBC Seminar. **Jim Seay, Jr.** encouraged all architects to consider supporting and participating in the upcoming Auburn AIAS Annual Internship Fair.

Chapter Secretary **Mark Lee** introduced our luncheon sponsor, **Alabama Graphics**, who were represented by **Jeff Davis** and **Terry Crook**. Jeff concluded the meeting by drawing for a \$50 Starbucks gift card, which was awarded to **Lance Bellenger**. With all January business accomplished, we were adjourned by the President.



Jeff Davis, of sponsor Alabama Graphics, at our January luncheon

Condolences | ●●●●●●●●●●●●●●

The Montgomery Chapter AIA offers sincere condolences to the family of **Mr. William (Bill) Pearson**. Mr. Pearson was an original founder of PH&J Architects, and a Past President of the Montgomery Chapter AIA.

Mr. Pearson also served as President of the Alabama Council AIA, President of the Alabama Architectural Foundation, and as a member of the Advisory Board for the School of Architecture at Auburn University. During Pearson's term as President of the AAF, the Foundation granted its first scholarships, and he later received the Alabama Architectural Foundation's Distinguished Architect Award in 2008.

Announcements | ●●●●●●●●●●●●●●

We are proud to announce our Montgomery Chapter AIA **Board of Directors** for 2010:

Stephen B. King	Brown Chambless Architects
Platt Boyd	Seay Seay & Litchfield Architects
Mark Lee	Payne & Associates Architects
Stacy Norman	Stacy Norman Architects
Amy Bell	Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood Inc.
Freddie Lynn	Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood Inc.
Doug McNab	Cherry McNab Architects
Scott Williams	R. Scott Williams & Associates

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The Montgomery Chapter AIA Executive Committee is pleased to welcome and congratulate our newest Committee members for the 2010 year:

Mark E. Lee was elected the Chapter's Secretary. He is a graduate of the Auburn University School of Architecture, and has been a registered architect since 2004. Mark is Vice President of **Payne & Associates Architects, LLC** of Montgomery.

Stacy Norman was elected the Chapter's Treasurer. Stacy is a graduate of the University of Florida and Columbia University, and has been a registered architect since 2001. In 2006, he established **Stacy Norman Architects, LLC** located in Auburn, AL and currently teaches as an adjunct professor at Auburn University's School of Architecture.

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The **Alabama Council of the American Institute of Architects Design Awards Gala** is scheduled for Thursday, February 11th 2010 at Work Play in Birmingham, Alabama. For additional information contact the Council at 334.264.3037 or visit www.aiaalabama.org.

