

Monthly Meeting •••••

May 21, 2008 | Wednesday 11:45

Our May luncheon will be held at **The Montgomery Country Club** in the Colonial Room.

Speaker and Sponsor | ••••

Our guest speaker for the May luncheon is **Daniel Bennett, FAIA**. Dan Bennett has held the position of dean of the College of Architecture, Design and Construction at Auburn University since 2000. A 1968 graduate of Auburn's School of Architecture, Bennett received a Master of Architecture in Urban Design from Rice University in 1974. He accepted the Auburn position after having served as dean of the School of Architecture at the University of Arkansas for nine years; for two of those years he also served as Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. Bennett has held prior architectural academic appointments at Louisiana State University, Mississippi State University, and at the University of South Florida. In 1986 he was invited to participate as a Visiting Scholar at the University of Cambridge in England.

Bennett's professional expertise is in the area of urban design and residential architecture. His practice has been recognized with over a dozen state, regional, and national design awards. Dean Bennett will provide our Chapter with an update on the College of Architecture, Design and Construction at Auburn University.

Our sponsor for the luncheon is **Christian Testing Laboratories, Inc.** (CTL). CTL supplies geotechnical services to a variety

of clients. CTL has worked with private owners, architects, engineers, contractors and public owners (including municipal, county, state and federal levels). Services include subsurface investigations, geotechnical report, foundation & pavement recommendation, site earthwork construction monitoring and testing, foundation construction monitoring and testing, pavement construction and monitoring and testing, concrete and asphalt mix design, quality control services and quality assurance services.

President's Message | •••••

Due to the lack of time to write a president's message for this month I thought I would take this opportunity to reflect back to May of 1987 and let you read the news letter from that month. Many of you will recognize some of the names that were introduced as new members to our chapter.

Douglas McNab, AIA
President

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NEWSLETTER

THE MONTGOMERY CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

1987 Montgomery Chapter AIA



MONTGOMERY COUNTY'S AD VALOREM TAX!

A.I.A. Members are encouraged to vote YES on May 28, 1987.

The passage of this tax would enable the Montgomery County Board of Education to start a larger building program that will directly return our tax dollars to the local design community and construction industry.

The Montgomery County Board of Education needs private funds to support an advertising campaign in support of the tax. Anyone interested in contributing to this fund should contact Mr. Robert Jones with the Montgomery County Board of Education at 264-0450.

Please see the enclosed information sheet (and share it with other voters)!

NEW MEMBERS:

Montgomery Chapter welcomes the following new members.

Ms. Lorna C. Anders	Ms. Rhonda K. Posthauer
Mr. Bert Wilkins, III	Miss Anne Jones
Mr. John Roquemore Chambliss	Ms. Connie Lennox Lewis
Mr. John Chambliss, Jr.	Mr. William Edward Nash
Mr. Robert E. O'Pelly, Jr.	Mr. David L. Bullen
Mr. Aslam Mohammed Bano	Mr. Donald F. Buehler
Mr. Robert E. Troy III	

Attachments:

Announcement of May Meeting
Information Sheet on Ad Valorem Tax

April Meeting Recap ●●●●●●●●

The April monthly luncheon was held at the Montgomery Country Club and sponsored by **Epic Metals Corporation**.

The meeting was opened by the Chapter President, **Doug McNab**, with guests and new affiliates being welcomed. Doug announced that the Board was looking for volunteers for a committee to review and provide recommendations for updating the Chapter's bylaws. Volunteers were also requested for the Award Gala Committee that is currently being organized. Doug recognized **Richard Meinert** whom announced the annual Auburn University College of Architecture, Design & Construction Benefit Golf Tournament. **Don Brown** provided an update on grassroots. Doug notified the members of the upcoming Draw Montgomery award ceremony and offered a personal invitation to each to attend. Freddie Lynn introduced the speaker, Mary Kathleen Murphy, product specialist for Epic Metals Corporation.

Mary Kathleen presented a very informative presentation on the use of structural decks as multi-functional architectural ceilings.



Mary Kathleen Murphy, Product Specialist for Epic Metals Corporation and guest speaker for the April Chapter Luncheon.

After Mary Kathleen's presentation, Doug officially presented to the Chapter members their new website with a short discussion of the site's features and future plans.

Announcements | ●●●●●●●●●●

The Montgomery Chapter AIA web site is currently live. You will be able to access the site at <http://www.aiamontgomery.org>. Please visit the site and provide us with your thoughts and suggestions. Future plans for the site includes an archives section for maintaining historic documents of the Chapter and the inclusion of contact information on local architectural firms. Please submit your thoughts & suggestions to Stephen King at sking@brownchambless.com.

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Mark your calendar for the August Chapter monthly luncheon and the opportunity to obtain 4 HSW CEU's. The luncheon is being organized with Elite Meeting Concepts and will include four 1-hour presentations that meet AIA HSW accreditation. Along with these presentations are 16-18 vendor booths that will display some of the latest building products. The presentations will be scheduled to maintain our regular 11:45 – 1:00 luncheon with a 1-hour HSW credit being provided. Afterwards, three additional presentations will be offered. More information will be provided at a later date including an agenda and the topic of each presentation.

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The Montgomery Chapter AIA Design Awards are currently being organized for 2008. The Awards Gala is being planned in conjunction with the Chapter's annual Christmas Party in December. Committee members are needed to assist in developing the program, organizing the event and to provide overall creativity to the gala. If you are interested please contact **Douglas McNab** at dmcnab@crcarch.com.

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The 2008 **Draw Montgomery Art Competition** sponsored and organized by the Montgomery Chapter is currently on display at the Armory Learning Arts Center in Montgomery. The art competition is a juried art exhibition open to all students of the River Region enrolled in the 7th through 12th grades. The student art work will remain on public display through the month of May.



The history of the Montgomery Chapter AIA is being compiled for inclusion on the Chapter's website upcoming archive section. If you have any information, documents or pictures please contact the President, **Douglas McNab** at dmcnab@crcarch.com.

Upcoming Events | ●●●●●●●●

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Draw Montgomery Art Display

Armory Learning Arts Center
Montgomery, AL

May 15 - 17

National AIA Convention

Boston, MA

May 21

Montgomery Chapter AIA Luncheon

The Montgomery Country Club
Montgomery, AL

June 18

Montgomery Chapter AIA Luncheon

The Montgomery Country Club
Montgomery, AL

June 19 - 22

Alabama Council Annual Convention

The Battle House
Mobile, AL

July 16

Montgomery Chapter AIA Luncheon

The Montgomery Country Club
Montgomery, AL

August 20

Montgomery Chapter AIA Luncheon

Elite Meeting Concepts – 4 HSW CEH
The Montgomery Country Club
Montgomery, AL

December

The Montgomery Chapter AIA

Design Awards Gala

Montgomery, AL

Please take Special Note:

Please send event listings, announcements, and acknowledgements for inclusion in the newsletter and web site to Stephen King at sking@brownchambless.com.