

ELEVATIONS

NEWS FROM AIA MONTGOMERY

October 2011

Meeting Recap September 2011

Montgomery Country Club in Montgomery on Wednesday, September 21st.

Last month Platt Boyd presented Stephen King the Past Presidents Award in recognition of his service to the chapter last year.

Thanks again to **Blackburn Daniels O'Barr, Inc** for sponsoring our **September** meeting and to Cheryl Morgan, Director of Auburn's Urban Studio in Birmingham, AL for presenting the work of the Urban Studio's Small Town Design Initiative Program.

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Announcements

AIA Montgomery is proud to recognize excellence in architectural design work of its members through its Design Award program.

The goal of the Design Awards is that of the Alabama Council: to elevate the quality of architecture in our region, and to establish a continually progressive standard of excellence by which architects can assess their own work. Awards are presented at the Montgomery Chapter AIA Awards Gala in December. Please visit the Montgomery Chapter Website for additional details that will be posted soon



Auburn University

In the fall of 2010, the Elmore County Economic Development Authority approached the School of Architecture, Planning, and Landscape Architecture for help envisioning design options for a new interpretive center at the site of a five-mile wide meteor impact crater in Wetumpka, Alabama. Today the remains of this crater create one of the only accessible ocean impact craters in the world, and the ECEDA hopes the facility will one day become part of a “trail” of science and space related attractions that would begin the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama.

Sixty second-year architecture students, under the direction of **Professors Justin Miller, Ryan Salvias, Bob Faust, and Robert Sproull** developed design proposals for the facility as part of an annual competition sponsored by the Alabama Forestry Association and the City of Wetumpka. The students’ designs were judged by a panel of architects and special guests from Elmore County who included Wetumpka Mayor Jerry Willis. The winning model, belonging to student Ryan Zimmerman, was unveiled at a press conference and reception at the City of Wetumpka Administration Building on August 23. The City of Wetumpka and ECEDA are currently working with Auburn University Montgomery’s Center for Government to complete various grant applications for the project and hope to break ground on the crater center by January 1, 2015.

Andrew Freear, Wiatt Professor in the School of Architecture, Planning, and Landscape Architecture and Director of the Rural Studio, was included in the Oxford American’s “The Most Creative Teachers in the South” (August 2011, Issue 74).

One of thirteen educators chosen from throughout the region, Freear was included among “Influential educators admired by their students and colleagues, whose classrooms serve as forums for social change, whose homes become their classroom, and in some cases, whose assignments become homes.”

Professor Christian Dagg, Associate Professor and Program Chair of the Interior Architecture program, has been named Acting Head of the School of Architecture, Planning, and Landscape Architecture while Professor David Hinson completes a sabbatical leave.



Next Meeting October 27, 2011

The fun begins at 4:30 pm and will extend until 9:00 pm or so, at the **Capitol Oyster Bar** (former location of the Marina Bar and Grill), 617 Shady Street near the **Montgomery Marina**. Show up when you can, as this informal event will serve as our October "Luncheon".

Speakers & Sponsors

Our sponsor for this event is **Southern Sash Supply of Montgomery, Inc.** and **Weiss Flooring, Inc.** Peyton Mathis, Robert Weiss and the good folks there have planned to treat you to your favorite bottled beverage, finger foods and a special delicacy from the Capitol Oyster Bar. For those allergic to hops and barley, a cash bar will also be on hand.

Please consider saying thanks to our sponsors by turning out for this event. If you can't stay, stop in for a beverage and say hello. Come on by and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere on the river with good times, food and fellowship.

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Upcoming Events

October 27

Montgomery Chapter AIA Fall Party

Begins at 4:30PM
Montgomery Marina
Montgomery, AL

November 16

Montgomery Chapter AIA Luncheon

The Montgomery Country Club
Montgomery, AL

December 7

Montgomery Chapter AIA

Annual Design Awards Gala
129 Coosa Street
Montgomery, AL

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