



# Great Lakes Design Line

American Institute of Building Design, Michigan Society

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## President's Message

### WEB SITE UPDATE

[www.aibdmi.com](http://www.aibdmi.com).

If you haven't been to our new site, make a point of checking out your personal link. There are several corrections still being made. If you note any item you want changed or have any suggestions email Jeannetta Carter [jcarter849@hotmail.com](mailto:jcarter849@hotmail.com).

If anyone has had response from the new site we would like to hear from you for any comments or suggestions.

Your clients can learn more about your affiliation with AIBD and the history and purpose of our Society. Keep a copy of this newsletter to pass along and encourage them to look us up.

### CIRTIIFICATION STUDY GROUP

All members interested in joining Jerry Carter's study group should order your study guide from NCBDC. Check your "Design Line" magazine for all details and costs.

Then call Jeannetta Carter at 248-625-8387 and place your reservation. If you leave a message please include your day time phone number. We will contact you if there are any changes.

Study group will meet on Wednesdays mid-month starting with January 23 at 6575 Dixie Hwy, Clarkston, at 6PM, and we'll order pizza for a nutritious dinner.

Thanksgiving has already passed and still the events of September 11 seem like last week. We were making final preparations to leave on Sept. 14 for the conference when 9/11 turned our world inside out. Listening to President Bush I felt we should follow his directive and continue with business, if not as usual. We poled the board members and all agreed to continue.

I was proud to see every member who had signed up in attendance. It was a mellow mood but a productive weekend with some great relaxation, solid design topics, in-depth membership meeting, and an opportunity to see Mackinaw from a different and very pleasant point of view.

Our trip to the island for a special lunch and historic lecture at the Grand Hotel was terrific. The ride to the hotel in the horse drawn antique coach set the stage as we stepped out on the red carpet and ascended the stairs to the magnificent view from the "porch". Our lecture was a one man show revealing historical and architectural details in a humorous and enjoyable fashion.

My thanks to Bob Lowe for a good update of TJI product and structural applications. Steve Sinacolar's new CAD edition 11 of Soft Plan even caught my attention. Software built with the designer in mind, now there's a concept.

Peace and health in the new year.  
Jerry Carter, President

### **Institute of Classic Architecture**

Stephen Wiseman is a member of this New York based institute and is watching with interest the plans for Florida to host a seven part instructional series . He would like to see Michigan take on a similar project.

The objective of ICA is to educate design and construction professionals in the proper use and application of the classical orders, elements, and proportions. The classical elements of architecture can and should be applied to all the different vernacular styles of architecture from Contemporary to French Raised cottages. This program address common problems to all the vernacular styles such as what to do with the garage, how to best layout kitchens and baths as well as windows, doors, pediments, arches, wainscot, symmetry, balance, and most important, proportions of almost everything in or on our houses.

This is very interesting, and a very big undertaking, should we decide to do it.

We will include this topic on the membership meeting agenda in March, come prepared to discuss the possibilities.

Information in ICA is available on the web at <http://www.isca-ny.org/>. Also watch for information in Florida as they complete the course at [AIBD@yahoogroups.com](mailto:AIBD@yahoogroups.com)

### **AIBD Internet Chat**

If you have not checked out the National Web site, [AIBDNAT@AOL.com](mailto:AIBDNAT@AOL.com), you probably have not signed up for one of the best connections. Join the group discussion at [AIBD@yahoogroups.com](mailto:AIBD@yahoogroups.com) Be prepared for some lively and informative dialog.

### **..thru the Grape Vine**

Ric White entered plans in the National AIBD Conference Competition.

Rick didn't win any awards this time around, but that's not stopping him. He's making plans to enter a completed project next year.

### **LIGHT UP THE NIGHT**

The good people at Morgan-Heller Asso and Custom Home Designs formed a team to participate in a very special walk for the cure for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Our team raised over \$3500.00 .

Nice work and thanks to all who participated.

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Spring Conference 2002

March 15 and 16, 2001 (Friday and Saturday)

Amway Grand Plaza Hotel

Grand Rapids, Michigan

Hosted by Rick White

Agenda still in the works, but will include items discussed at last general membership meeting, i.e. round tables on business operation, client relations, and generally related topics. Also included are a Heritage Hill tour by Limo bus, certification workshop, and limited quality corporate sponsors with CEU credits. Final agenda will be sent in the Spring letter or by separate cover.

Special room rates if reserved before February 22, 2002

Single/double \$105.00 3-4 persons \$115.00-\$125.00

(Normal room rates are \$210.00 for a double)

We are also locating suitable lodging at lower rates in the immediate area. Check with Jeannetta Carter before registering. 248-625-8387

Registration forms will be sent in the Spring letter with further details.

The Meijer-May Frank Lloyd Wright house is open to the public on Sunday from 1-4PM

Mark your calendars now for a great weekend of work and relaxation.

***ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Send your nominations for 2002 to Jerry Carter no later than January 31. Plan on attending the membership meeting to vote. If you can not attend you may send your proxy with a member in good standing. New officers will take office in July 2002***

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