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calendar

october 23:

Efficiency Vermont Program at Northern Power in Waitsfield, 6:00p.m. 2 HSW LU's will be credited. Finger food buffet will be provided by Efficiency Vermont. Wine & beer will be available for a suggested donation.

october 31:

Design Award entries due at Chapter Office by 5:00p.m.

december 3:

Annual Meeting and Design Awards Presentations. ECHO, Leahy Center for Lake Champlain, Burlington. 6:30 p.m.

welcome

Jack Meunier, AIA of Burlington
 Jason LaCombe, AIA of Middlebury

1014.11

Interior stairway enclosures:

Interior exit stairways shall be enclosed with five separation assemblies having a fire resistance rating of not less than 2 hours except that such stairways in occupancies in Use Group A, B, E, F, H-4, I, M, R, or S which connect less than four stories shall be enclosed with fire separating assemblies having a fire resistance rating of not less than 1 hour. An exit stairway enclosure shall not be used for any purpose other than means of egress. Openings in exit enclosures, other than unexposed exterior openings, shall be limited to those necessary for exist access to the enclosure from normally occupied spaces and for egress from the enclosure.

The BOCA National Building Code 1996/1014.11/p. 120.

a sustainable new home

stewart I. sutcliffe, aia

This fall, on October 23rd, AIA Vermont and Efficiency Vermont will present a six o'clock evening tour and program centered around the newly completed Northern Power Systems building located in Waitsfield, Vermont.

Northern Power Systems is noted as an international leader in providing alternative systems for power with a strong basis in utilizing renewable energy sources; whether it be by cogeneration in a metropolitan area or stand alone systems in remote areas such as the Andes and Antarctica. Therefore, as part of the architectural and engineering programming for its own facility, they included the requirement that sustainable and energy efficient systems be utilized throughout the project.

The evening will include a tour of the facility's research-development areas and assembly areas as well as its office spaces. Therefore we will not only be able to view the energy efficient strategies used in the design of the building, but also some of the solar, wind and biogas systems produced by Northern Power Systems for their clients.

In addition to the tour, representatives of the Owner, Bast and Rood as the Architects, GWR as the Engineers and Efficiency Vermont will present a program, in a panel type format, which will explain not only their individual roles but also how those roles have interacted to the benefit of the overall project from concept to completion.

Please save the date, but as it draws closer, AIA Vermont will be sending out additional information by means of its web site at aiavt.org and via its e-mail list. A food buffet will be provided by Efficiency Vermont and wine & beer will be available. We think that you will find this an interesting and informative evening and, of course, health, safety, welfare continuing education credits will be given for attendance.

the library is now open

lauren adrian davis, associate aia

The Vermont AIA chapter has recently established a library of study materials available to all aiaVT members. The resources include a set of Archiflash cards and the first five home study courses through "Architectural License Seminars". The Board hopes to purchase the remaining guides within the next financial year.

The Archiflash cards these cover Pre-design, General Structures, Lateral Forces, Mechanical & Electrical Systems, Materials & Methods, and Construction Documents & Services.

The five sections from ALS are: Pre-design 1&2, Site Design 1, Site Planning, Building Technology & Planning, Structural Technology 1 & 2, and Materials & Methods.

The librarian is Hanne Williams, Executive Director for aiaVT. The circulation desk is located at the Vermont Chapter Office and study materials can be reserved by emailing Hanne at aiavt@madriver.com. Materials will be on loan for a one month period and circulate via the Postal Service.

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We are happy to announce that Andrea Murray, an architectural intern working at Breadloaf Corporation has agreed to be our next newsletter editor. She is "nearly" licensed and has genuine qualifications for this new job. She is joining us just in time for our change over to a digital publication. Congratulations and thank you, Andrea.

(graf 'ik):

interpretive image of interpretive sculpture, (Patrick Cane, "monument no. 7") of a WPA painting by

The Wood Gallery at Vermont College is currently exhibiting artwork produced by the WPA

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our website is so up to date...

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Recently, while updating some new member information to the web site, I decided to use a link to check a web address. I do this a lot since any time I find a useful web page, I put it on our Web Resources list. It didn't work. I soon discovered that nearly all of AIA National's web links now have different addresses. Their new web site re-design had caused more changes than I had expected. By the time I went through all the web links I had found perhaps ten that didn't work.

First, I want to apologize for being asleep the wheelmouse (Whoa, a bad pun, and used in a worn cliché, too). Second, please feel free to let me know if you find a bad link or incorrect information on the web site. This was not a problem when the site launched as I checked most stuff reasonably carefully and I received several notes telling me when links didn't work. What can I say? I was learning. Third, send me any useful links you find that could be useful to members or the public.

Now, with some passage of time, let me make a suggestion. Check your web listings and information. I

have recently received more than one request to be listed from firms already listed on the site. I'm sure some forgot. Some didn't see their listing because of the "Burlington Factor." I just made this up, of course, but it is probably fair to say that one third of our members consider themselves within the Burlington area. We tried to arrange the member listings so that not all of the Burlington area would be on one, very long, page. They are arranged by zip code number. There are the true Burlington addresses, then the North West Region with Colchester, Essex Junction, South Burlington and some others. So please check both areas if you don't see your listing. Also things change, like email addresses, web pages and even locations.

You might as well take advantage of this member benefit. Also remember you can include an image with your listing (see Stewart Sutcliffe's listing in the North Central Region for an example). There is an additional charge for this, but it does stand out. The Job Bank and included For Sale page is still pretty active. I sold my White Pine Monographs Collection there.

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