

Member Board News Round Up

Terri Sims Williams, a long-time member of the **Mississippi State Board of Architecture**, recently completed her third and final five-year term. Williams also provided her professional knowledge and expertise as a member of several ARE-related subcommittees. Mississippi Governor Haley Barbour named Leroy "Buddy" McCarty from Tupelo, MS, as Williams' replacement.

The **New Mexico Board of Examiners for Architects** is pleased to debut a completely redesigned web site. Among the many resources provided by the board is its ground-breaking on-line continuing education course. Visit nmbea.org to learn more.

The **Ohio Board of Examiners of Architects** reports the following news:

Ohio now has a mandatory continuing education requirement. Effective January 1, 2006, registered architects must earn 24 hours every two years, of which 16 must be health,

safety, and welfare. Credits earned by architects licensed in another state also will be accepted, provided that state accepts Ohio's requirements.

Ohio's Board now has fining authority, which was granted by the legislature effective July 1, 2005. The board can fine registered architects up to \$1,000 per incident, with a maximum fine of \$5,000 for multiple infractions. Electronic seals and signatures on plans will be permitted (not required) under Rules that will be effective in October 2005.

Architects may renew their Certificate of Qualification (license) on-line for the first time this fall. All licenses in Ohio are valid for two years.

Ohio has adopted the NCARB five-year rolling clock for the Architect Registration Examination (ARE), effective January 1, 2006.

The **South Carolina State Board of Architectural Examiners** reports that in May 2005 the legislature approved a bill to delete its four-year rolling clock language. ARE candidates in South Carolina now will be subject only to NCARB's five-year rolling clock, which will go into effect January 2006.

The **South Dakota Board of Technical Professions** is pleased to welcome three new board members: David B. Stafford, an architect with Thurston Design Group LLP in Rapid City; Randy D. Bacon, LS, a land surveyor with Helms & Associates in Aberdeen; and Leonard (Len) C. Neugebauer, PE/LS, the vice president and project manager/engineer for DeWild Grant Reckert and Associates in Sioux Falls. Stafford and Bacon will serve through April 2008 while Neugebauer will serve through April 2009.

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Kansas Executive Directors and Board Attorney Have Surprise Reunion at NCARB Annual Meeting

by Betty Rose

At NCARB's 2005 Annual Meeting and Conference in Miami Beach, FL, two former executives from the Kansas Board of Technical Professions (BTP) enjoyed a surprise reunion with the current executive and board attorney.

A little history is needed in order to understand the evolution of the Kansas BTP. While there had been a Registration Board for Professional Engineers since 1931 and an Architectural Registration Board since 1949,

there was movement in the 1970s to combine them into one board. Previously, the land surveyors had been combined with the professional engineers' board; the Board for Landscape Architects was established in 1968. Legislation was passed and these four professional groups were combined into the Board of Technical Professions in 1976. Geologists were added in 1997.

Charlotte Wilcox was the first executive director, serving from April 1976 until November

1979. In late 1979, Jean Barbee took over as the position and served until September 1984. Current Executive Director Betty L. Rose was hired in 1984. Mark L. Bennett, a private attorney in Topeka, was hired by contract in 1977 as the BTP's attorney, a role in which he continues to serve. All four enjoyed their mini-reunion during the June 2005 NCARB Annual Meeting. DC



LEFT TO RIGHT: CHARLOTTE WILCOX, MARK BENNETT, BETTY ROSE, JEAN BARBEE



NCARB Staff Corner

SPOTLIGHT ON THE COUNCIL RECORD EVALUATIONS DIVISION

In an office where a multitude of forms is received on a daily basis, the Council Record Evaluations (CRE) division is always busy. The 10 staff members comprising this division are responsible for pre-evaluating incoming Council Record applications, transcripts, employment verification/IDP training unit report forms, architect reference forms, and examination/registration history forms. And that's just the beginning of their tasks.

CRE staff are fully involved in the evaluation of IDP Council Records, including the initial review of education and training qualifications, the ongoing evaluation of IDP training status, and the final verification of completed IDP training.

In addition to working with interns, CRE staff help architects seeking NCARB certification

through the traditional route or through the Broadly Experienced Architect Program; maintain jurisdiction-by-jurisdiction requirements for initial registration; and answer telephone, letter, and e-mail queries related to the status of Council Record evaluations and NCARB evaluation criteria.

NCARB CELEBRATES STAFF MILESTONES

In July 2005, four NCARB staff members were recognized for their milestone anniversaries. (Pictured above) Celebrating a decade of service with the Council were Sonya Davis-Johnson, Assistant—Renewals; Susan Lee, IDP Record Coordinator; and Zerrin Sayar, Assistant Director, Human Resources and Administration. NCARB's indefatigable Meeting Planner, Cheryl Fortineau, was honored for five years of service. Congratulations! **DC**

LEFT TO RIGHT: ZERRIN SAYAR, SUSAN LEE, SONYA DAVIS-JOHNSON, CHERYL FORTINEAU

Design Competition News and Update

Fourth Annual PCI Architectural Design Competition

The Precast Concrete Institute (PCI) awarded more than \$40,000 in prize money through its Fourth Annual Architectural Design Competition. Among the winners were two Intern Development Program (IDP) teams that submitted plans for a new Fisheries and Illinois Aquacultural Center that highlights fish and wildlife from the Upper Mississippi Delta region.

Darren Schretter, an intern at PHN Architects in Wheaton, IL, and his IDP supervisor, Daniel T. Nicholas, received first place. Chandni Patwa and Wayne Frank, interns at SMPC Architects in Albuquerque, NM, and their IDP supervisor, J. Chris Willadsen, received second place.

PCI also honored outstanding entries in student and student/total precast solution categories.

The Institute is one of the first organizations to establish a separate category for those completing the Intern Development Program. In its introductory materials for the competition, PCI noted, "Since the project details with the Fisheries Building, this design competition will enable interns to complete community service credits as well as possibly winning the IDP [portion of the] competition."

For more information about PCI's Fifth Annual Architectural Design Competition, visit the Institute web site (www.pci.org) or contact Paul Johal, PCI's research director and coordinator of student education programs (pjohal@pci.org). **DC**

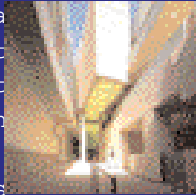
DIRECT CONNECTION

NCARB Member Board Members and Executives

Plan Now to Attend NCARB's Annual Meeting and Conference

Hilton Netherland Plaza
June 21-24, 2006

Centrally located and easily accessible to more than half of the nation's population, Cincinnati is a vibrant, prosperous city with a rich array of architecture. Cincinnati is affordable, safe, and blessed with small-town charm, big-city excitement, mild weather, and its own famous brand of chili.



Beyond an enriching professional experience, NCARB Member Board Members and Executives will enjoy all that Cincinnati offers. Recently placed ~~Money~~ magazine's Top 20 List of Most Fun Cities, Cincinnati fans can be found from first-time and repeat visitors alike.



Mark your calendars now!

The Annual Meeting is June 21-24. Members' attendance is important; it makes the meeting an effective forum to conduct the business that strengthens your profession. Look for more information in your mailbox in April.

