

NCARB Past President Honored

Former NCARB President Peter Steffian, FAIA (2002-2003) received an Honorary Doctor of Public Service degree from the Boston Architectural College (BAC). The degree was awarded at the BAC's 118th Commencement exercises on Saturday, May 26, 2007. A past member of the BAC's board of directors, Steffian currently serves as chair of the college's External Affairs and Development Committee, overseeing the work of cultivating major gifts and soliciting annual fund donations.

Steffian is a former NCARB officer and regional director as well as a member of the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Architects, on which he has served since 1989. He is the visionary behind the develop-

ment of the NCARB Prize for the Creative Integration of Practice and Education in the Academy, a competition inspired by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching report, *Building Community*.

His long-time contributions to and volunteer leadership within the architectural profession were recognized upon his nomination to the AIA College of Fellows in 1988. Steffian currently serves as chairman of the board of Steffian Bradley Associates, one of the oldest architectural firms in Boston. He holds a bachelor's degree in architecture from the University of Pennsylvania and recently completed a three-year term on the board of directors for the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB). **DC**



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NCARB Director Retires

NCARB's Director of Education and International Services, Michiel M. Bourdrez, AIA, retired after 17 years of service. In 1990, Bourdrez began his career at the Council as the Director of Operations and Services. In this new position created by then-Executive Director Samuel T. Balen, FAIA, Bourdrez provided day-to-day management and coordination for records, transmittals, IDP and Certificate evaluations, and publications.

When the Council was restructured in 1997, Bourdrez's responsibilities shifted and his work related to international activities increased substantially. Over the past 10 years he has attended every International Union of Architects Professional Practice Commission (UIA PPC) meeting and triennial UIA Congress and has helped the Council reach international agreements with China, Mexico/Canada, the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), the European Union, Australia, New Zealand, and the Czech Republic.

In addition to his international responsibilities, Bourdrez stayed heavily involved with Certificate evaluations and the Education Committee. He has been an integral part of the development of the Broadly Experienced Architect (BEA) and Broadly Experienced Foreign Architect (BEFA) Programs, the NCARB Prize for Creative Integration of Practice and Education in the Academy, and the NCARB Grant.

In 2001, Bourdrez was awarded the President's Distinguished Service Medal for his significant contributions to the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare through service to NCARB and the practice of architecture by then-President Peter Steffian, FAIA. At the presentation, Steffian said, "In his various roles as architect, linguist, diplomat, and administrator, Bourdrez is a quiet, effective leader who has overseen improvements to the Council's customer service information system. He has been a dedicated staff liaison to a number of committees and was twice elected president of the Federation of Association of Regulatory Boards." **DC**



MICHEL M. BOURDREZ, AIA

Member Board News Round Up

The **Alabama Board for Registration of Architects** recently donated \$7,000 to Auburn University for payment of initial Council record application fees for students who have completed their third year in Auburn's B.Arch program.

Renis Jones, Board Chair, was recently reappointed by the Governor to a sixth term as a board member representing the Central District of the state. Kristine Harding, board member representing the Northern District of Alabama, was recently elected Secretary of the Southern Conference of NCARB. Cindy McKim, Executive Director, was appointed by NCARB President Engbretson to serve as MBE Observer to the NCARB BOD for the FY08 year.

Mary "Teeny" Simmons, Board Executive to the **Louisiana Board of Architectural Examiners**, was awarded the President's Distinguished Service Medal at the 2007 Annual Meeting in Denver, CO. Simmons has been the MBE of the Louisiana Board for over 30 years and has been an integral part of numerous NCARB committees including the Disaster Response Task Force this past fiscal year.

On June 29th, the **Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects** voted in favor of a board policy to allow candidates, who have completed their accredited degree program and signed up for the IDP through NCARB, to start taking the ARE. This follows the vote during NCARB's Annual Convention in Denver where the Council voted to allow consecutive timing of the ARE and the IDP. The Nebraska policy will take place when the revised Rules and Regulations become effective. Approval was received from the Attorney General's office on July 19, 2007. After approval by the Governor, the regulations will be forwarded to the Secretary of State and will become effective five days following the filing date.

The **New Hampshire Board of Architects** voted unanimously on July 12, 2007 to allow candidates who possess a NAAB-accredited degree in architecture to sit for the Architect Registration Examination prior to completion of the NCARB Intern Development Program.

Candidates will not be able to sit for the ARE in advance of IDP until administrative rules outlining the change in procedure are adopted. The administrative rules process can take from six months to one year. The Board is in the process of drafting administrative rules to facilitate this change in procedures and expects the rules to be adopted in 2008.

In order to qualify for licensure candidates must pass the ARE, complete IDP and meet all licensing requirements prior to being approved for licensure in the State of New Hampshire.

The **North Carolina Board of Architecture** elected new officers in early July. Charles Boney, Jr. was elected president, Barbara Field was elected vice president, Cheryl Walker was elected secretary, and Kiki Teague was elected treasurer.

The Board is also happy to announce that Thomas P. Turner, FAIA, of Charlotte has been appointed to the Board. Mr. Turner brings a wealth of experience in architecture, and has served on AIA's committees for many years. Sadly, that also means that Dan Knight's tenure has come to an end. The Board thanks him for his 10 years of service to the citizens of North Carolina.

The **Tennessee Board of Architectural Engineering Examiners** has awarded grants totaling \$175,000 to seven state-funded universities. These grant funds allow Tennessee colleges to purchase essential and modern instructional, computer and laboratory equipment to enhance education for students in accredited architecture, engineering, and interior design programs.

The **Texas Board of Architectural Examiners (TBAE)** recently reduced registration fees for the three professions they regulate. The fee reduction is \$5 per in-state registration and will take effect in September.

TBAE Executive Director Cathy Hendricks said, "Five dollars isn't a wheelbarrow full of money, we know. But, when was the last time you paid less this year for your cable TV bill or a postage stamp than you did last year? We're pretty proud of what we've done for our customers, and it's all a result of more agency efficiency."

Ann Whipple, Executive Director for the **South Dakota Board of Technical Professions**, received a certificate of recognition and appreciation from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. She also received a certificate from NCARB Region 5 for her dedication to the registrants in South Dakota and her state board. She has selflessly mentored the Regions' Executive Directors and applied her expertise to various national and regional committees over the years. She will retire on January 8, 2008, after serving 22 years with architects, engineers, land surveyors, landscape architects, and petroleum remediators. She has always approached her responsibilities with insightfulness and dedication.

The **Vermont State Board of Architects** has moved. The new address is: National Life Building, North FL2, Montpelier, VT, 05620-3402. All other contact information remains the same.

The **Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR)** has moved. The new address is: 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 400, Richmond, VA, 23233. All other contact information remains the same.

West Virginia Board of Architects' board member William E. Yoke Jr., AIA, and his firm WYK Associates Inc., won two Merit Awards at AIA West Virginia's 85th Celebration in April. The event marked AIA WV 85th anniversary and coincided with AIA's 150th Anniversary celebration.

The **Western Conference's (Region 6)** Executive Director Carmen Westberg retired following the 2007 Annual Meeting in Denver, CO. Prior to Westberg's eight years as executive director, she was the bureau chief of the Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses for eight years. She was honored by President Luke at the Annual Meeting for her leadership and outstanding service to the Council over the last 16 years. **DC**



Council Celebrates Staff Milestone Anniversaries

PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT:
STEPHEN NUTT, AIA; THERESA DUNCAN; SONIA WOOLF; CHRISTINE OPALENIK; DARYLE CUNNINGHAM

In July 2007, five NCARB staff members were honored for their milestone anniversaries. Sonia Woolf, manager of quality assurance, celebrated 15 years of service. Stephen Nutt, AIA, Vice President of Programs; Christine Opalenik, assistant controller; and Theresa

Duncan, monograph customer service representative, all celebrated a decade of service. Daryle Cunningham, Record evaluator, celebrated 5 years with NCARB. **DC**

IN MEMORIAM: SIR C. J. "PAT" PADEREWSKI, FAIA (July 23, 1908–July 9, 2007)

Past NCARB President Sir Clarence Joseph "Pat" Paderewski, FAIA passed away July 9, 2007 in San Diego, CA. Paderewski was first appointed to the California Board of Architectural Examiners in 1956. He served in all of the Council's offices, culminating as president for the 1965 fiscal year. His wide-ranging contributions to the Council include being instrumental in the development of a national registration exam for architects, and standards for reciprocal registration.

Paderewski was born in Cleveland on July 23, 1908, and didn't speak English until age 6. In 1920, his family moved to Los Angeles. He spent one year at UCLA, before graduating with a bachelor's degree in architecture from UC Berkeley in 1932. After completing his architectural apprenticeship, Paderewski passed the California State Board Exam in 1944, and became a registered architect. At that time, he moved to San Diego and set-up his own practice.

In 1948 he founded Paderewski, Mitchell and Dean AIA Architects with partners Delmar S. Mitchell and Louis A. Dean. He soon became known as both a civic leader and one of San Diego's outstanding architects. Paderewski's architectural contributions are many. Some of his most notable projects are a forward-thinking Buckminster Fuller-esque geodesic dome on the Palomar College campus, the first exterior all-glass elevator on the El Cortez Hotel (1956, now demolished) and San Diego's Lindbergh Field Terminal.

Paderewski, who was a second cousin to Polish composer-statesman Ignace Paderewski, received many accolades throughout his lifetime. In 1962 he was elected to the American Institute of Architects College of Fellows. In 1982, he was invested in the "Order of Polonia Restituta" by the Polish Government in Exile, for his service to the architecture profession and for a lifetime of service to Poles in the United States. **DC**

NCARB Member Board Members and Executives

Plan Now to Attend NCARB's Annual Meeting and Conference

Omni William Penn Hotel
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
June 25-28, 2008

You will be amazed at the city Pittsburgh has become! The skyline that was once dominated by smoke stacks is now filled with skyscrapers that are home to several Fortune 500 companies. The riverfront that was once one of the most polluted waterways in the country is now so clean other riverfront cities are hoping to emulate its transformation.



Today, Pittsburgh is a leader in building green and sustainable architecture while also preserving its treasures from the past, such as the Allegheny County Courthouse, and this year's conference headquarters at the Omni William Penn Hotel. At the 89th Annual Meeting and Conference, Member Board Members and Executives will see for themselves all that Pittsburgh has to offer!

Mark your calendars now!

Your vote counts! Members' attendance makes the meeting an effective forum to conduct the business that strengthens your profession. The Annual Meeting is June 25-28. Look for more information in your mailbox in April.