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This Week's Speaker:

Allen Eskew

Allen Eskew, FAIA has been involved in downtown development and waterfront revitalization efforts in Louisiana for over 30 years. Four years of directing the 1984 Louisiana World's Fair Exposition design and working with regulatory agencies gave Eskew an early understanding of the interactions of key planning issues and the regulatory complexities facing the redevelopment of downtown riverfront property, such as the Riverwalk Festival Marketplace, a key residual use of the World's Fair infrastructure. Eskew as Project Director coordinated the design and adaptive re-use of the facility following the close of the World's Fair. Central to this project was the challenge of creating a public mixed-use facility integrating a cruise terminal within the context of a working waterfront under the authority of the Port of New Orleans. Eskew also led a large multi-disciplined team for both Phase 1 and Phase II of the Aquarium of the Americas and Woldenberg Park on the New Orleans Riverfront. Pre-Katrina Eskew was spearheaded master planning efforts for Tulane's RiverSphere Campus on the Henderson Wharf properties, an academic complex dedicated to river research.

Following Katrina Eskew was heavily involved with the Bring New Orleans Back (BNOB) committee and the Unified New Orleans Plan (UNOP). Since February of 2007 he has focused on managing the planning process for "Reinventing the Crescent," the New Orleans Riverfront Development Plan which involves a distinguished team of international and local expertise.

Eskew is also involved in numerous endeavors in the non-profit and cultural sectors of New Orleans. As a long-time resident and ambassador for the city, he has served on the boards of the Contemporary Arts Center, Unity for the Homeless, and the Council for a Better Louisiana, among others.

Allen engages communities with his spirit of collaborative design. At countless community workshops and design charrettes across the country, he has earned a reputation as a gifted facilitator and first-rate strategic thinker. Unafraid to challenge the status quo, he offers compelling incentives to action.

He advocates for social engagement and uses strategic planning as tool for focusing ideas into concrete steps leading to a broad vision. Finding opportunities for community outreach are integral to Allen's design process. He often augments an initial project program by identifying interpretive elements that inspire and become agents for change. Using the informal workshop format, Allen is a highly skilled facilitator of discussions in a variety of contexts, from client groups to community forums, business executives and government leaders.

He earned his Masters of Architecture from the University of CA, Berkeley and his Bachelor of Architecture from Louisiana State University

Upcoming Programs

Sept 26	Kurt Weigle, DDD
Oct 3	Scott Cowen, Tulane University
Oct 10	No Meeting
Oct 17	Mark Singletary, NOPG
Oct 24	Julie Catellier, VA New Orleans

New Member Proposal

In accordance with Article X, Section 1(a) of the By-Laws, I hereby submit the names of these proposed members, together with their proposed classifications, for your consideration.

According to the above mentioned Section, the person on this list will be invited to membership, under classification stated, unless written objection, signed by a member is filed with the Secretary within fourteen (14) days of this issue:

Renee Marie Merrant
"Jewelry- Retail"
Proposed By: Ryan Berg

A. Hammond Scott
" Investments - Financial Advisor"
Proposed By: Craig Wroten

Upcoming Event

The Fellowship Committee has organized an event for Saturday October 6, 2007 (the night of 'Art for Art's Sake') from 5:30 to 7:30 at Byron's building at 625 St. Charles Avenue. Hors d'oeuvres and beer and wine will be served; students from NOCCA will provide musical entertainment. The cost is \$30 per person, with all proceeds to benefit NOCCA. Great opportunity to socialize and make a donation to NOCCA at the same time and then proceed on to the rest of the organized Art Scene!

Dick McCarthy Elected Governor Designee

From: Milton Wheeler,
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Dear District Leaders,

As reported in the Governor's Weekly Newsletter of August 25, the Nominating Committee to choose a Governor Designee (Governor 2010-2011) selected Richard (Dick) McCarthy of the Rotary Club of New Orleans.

The District Policy Manual directs the Governor to announce a date by which time clubs may challenge the selection of the Nominating Committee. The date set was September 14, 2007.

There has been no challenge to the selection and, consequently, we can declare Richard (Dick) McCarthy Governor Designee (Governor 2010-2011). We further pledge our support in staging a fun-filled international convention in our beloved Crescent City in May 2011.

Congratulations, Dick! District 6840 stands beside you and Tish.

Rotary Shares!
Milton Wheeler, DG6840

Golf Tournament

The 61st Plaquemines Parish Orange Festival 2007 Golf Tournament is being sponsored by the Bell Chasse Rotary Club and will take place on Friday, September 21, 2007, at the Bayou Barriere in Belle Chasse. Registration is from 10:30 a.m. and tee time is at 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$90 per individual or \$350 for a foursome. Checks should be payable to the Belle Chasse Rotary Club. Questions or reservations: 504-931-7749.