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The Society of American Registered Architects (SARA) was founded in 1956 as a professional society that includes the participation of all architects, regardless of their roles in the architectural community. SARA was founded on the principle of "Architect Helping Architect".

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CCSARA General Meeting:

This month's meeting will be a presentation by Sasha Nielsen of 3-Form material solutions. 3-Form is a decorative translucent panel system available in a multitude of shapes, colors, and screening materials. Please visit their web site at 3-form.com for further information. We look forward to having you join us for this product presentation.

Our thanks to Charles Almack, ARA for organizing this meeting.

Meeting Info:

Wednesday, October 28, 2009

Petrini's Restaurant

610 W. Ash Street (between Kettner Bl and India St on W. Ash St)
San Diego, CA 92101
5:30 PM Social Time
7:00 PM Dinner & Program

Note that 2 hours of free parking is available at the 610 Ash Street parking garage if you purchase dinner at Petrini's. Parking entrance is in the middle of the 1400 block of India Street.

Change Is Good: You will notice a new look to our Newsletter, which goes along with a new name. We will no longer be three Chapters of SARA, but instead combine to become the California Council of the Society of American Registered Architects (CCSARA) and will now represent the entire state of California's membership. With a new Board of Directors, including, new Regional Directors to help better take the pulse of our three geographic regions, will now have monthly meetings and newsletter to keep the membership better informed. Please see a brief message from our new president on the second page of this newsletter.

Membership Info:

For membership inquiries, please visit the Society of American Registered Architects (SARA) website at <http://www.sara-national.org/join/join.html/> or contact any board member. A listing of available memberships is included towards the end of this Newsletter.



DID YOU KNOW:

Reminders:

**Next CCSARA
General Meeting will
be Wednesday, October
28th.**

**Next CCSARA Board
Meeting will be
Tuesday, October 7th.**

**National SARA 2009
Design Awards
10/9 – Awards
Presentation.**

SARA has a Group on LinkedIn. LinkedIn is a professional social networking site and can be accessed through the following address: <http://www.linkedin.com/home> . The groups name is "Society of American Registered Architects" and is managed by Ken Hess ARA. The group was formed to allow architects and other interested persons a forum to discuss issues and topics relevant to the practice of architecture, for group members to stay in touch with each other, and to make architects aware of The Society of American Registered Architects (SARA) as an organization. If you are currently a member of LinkedIn you can join this group by clicking on the groups link and asking to join. Any questions, please contact me at khess@fpbarch.com .

New legislation signed by Governor Schwarzenegger requires that all California architects complete coursework on disabled access requirements. Senate Bill (SB) 1608 also requires that licensees provided the California Architects Board documentation from the course provider as a condition of license renewal. I have included a copy of the form provided by the Board (found on their website) showing the information you will need to obtain. Generally, we will be required to take 5 hours of coursework for a two-year registration cycle. I would expect other courses to become available on-line to help fulfill this requirement. I have found the following links to online continuing education credits for accessibility (I haven't used them so please let me know if not beneficial or if you find others):
<http://www.access-board.gov/adaag/about/AIAcourse/menu.htm>
<http://www.architectces.com/>

A Message From The new CCSARA President

Ladies and Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you as the 2010 officers of the restructured CCSARA. I am comforted by the experience surrounding me in my tenure as president for next year, as most of you are seasoned officers and directors and I know I will rely on you for support and guidance. I wish to express my gratitude for your service and commitment to our state council and to the society as a whole. Your involvement is what makes us a great group.

I look forward to leading our council in making it exemplary across SARA and need every one of you to contribute by giving me your thoughts by any means you wish to communicate them. Keep in mind that we have several great conduits to allow excellent communication including our national SARASCOPE and our (now statewide) newsletter.

These are exciting times, with many things changing in our profession and in our lifestyles. We can dwell on the dark clouds above our heads or we can look for the shaft of sunlight breaking through to a bright horizon. I opt for the light. I hope you do too.

Best,
Manuel Oncina, FARA
2010 CCSARA President

*CCSARA meets the 4th
Wednesday of every
month for dinner and a
program.*

*CCSARA Board meets
the 1st Tuesday of every
month for breakfast at
Mimi's Café, 5180
Mission Center Rd. in
Mission Valley. All
members are welcome
to attend.*

Congratulations to new SARA National President

Special congratulations go out to California SARA Member and incoming National President John Maple, FARA. At the 2009 National Meeting in Minneapolis this month John was presented the Society's highest award for service to SARA and the profession, the Gold Medal. John was well deserving for his active years with the San Diego Chapter, the California Council and the National Board. John's first SARA National Board meeting will take place in January in San Diego. All members will be encouraged to participate in an evening dinner and function that will honor members who have worked with many of the former state chapters. Watch for upcoming information in this newsletter and plan on attending. Photos and further information on the Minneapolis Meeting can be found on the SARA National Web Site.



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<http://www.sara-national.org/>

Professional Member and Associate Member

Membership is open to registered or licensed architects in any state, territory or possession of the United States and in any country in the North or South American Continents and the Islands of the Western Hemisphere.

Associate Membership is open to persons working towards architectural registration and working for and under the direct supervision of a registered/licensed architect, in any state, territory or possession of the United States and in any country in the North or South American Continents and the Islands of the Western Hemisphere. Memberships shall be open to registered or licensed architects in good standing primarily in any state, territory or possession of the United States as well as in any Country in the North or South American Continents including the Islands of the Western Hemisphere as well as any such other Country. Professional & Associate Member Application

International Members

International Membership shall be granted to registered or licensed architects in good standing in any country outside the North and South American Continents and the islands of the Western Hemispheres. International Member Application

Student Members

A Student Membership, on application and approval, shall be granted to persons attending full time studies at an accredited school, college or university of architecture. Student Member Application

Affiliate Members

Professional Affiliate and Industry Affiliate

An Industry Affiliate Member shall be any person, firm or corporation that provides goods or services to the construction industry. This membership would include materials suppliers, contractors, sub-contractors, product representatives and any other firm or individual acceptable to the judgment of the membership committee.

A Professional Affiliate Member shall be any person engaged in professional activities which support the design and construction industry, and/or Federal Authority. This membership would include structural, civil, mechanical, and electrical engineers, attorneys, accountants, landscape architects, interior designers, etc. Affiliate Member Application

Please contact any board member (listed on the first page) should you have any questions about SARA.
