Young Architects Forum
Regional Director Report

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Blue Ridge
J.B. Anderson, AIA, NCARB

Current Quarter Accomplishments:

• “Microphone – Speak and be Heard” session with Chris Morrill, City Manager of Roanoke. This municipal dialogue presented a conversational forum to create and foster the connection between design professionals, city/community officials, and developers.

• The AIA Blue Ridge YAF, as a group, submitted an RFP for the graphic design of the solar-powered “big belly” trashcans throughout Roanoke. If awarded the project, any funds would go to back to the YAF.

Next Quarter Look Ahead:

• Design charrette with the City Manager’s office of Salem that will focus on 1 to 2 ideas from the City’s recently adopted comprehensive plan.

YAF Service Goals/Year-End Plans

• Increase the Chapter’s Intern Development Program (IDP) preparation and outreach. This will enable the Chapter to fully prepare interns with the necessary tools for successful registration in the challenging market environment.

• Investigate the possibility of video teleconferencing with other state chapters for ARE preparation.

Hampton Roads
Damian Seitz, AIA, LEED AP BD+C

Current Quarter Accomplishments:

• (4) ARE prep seminars from May - June
• Architecture Week – Shadow Day, Volunteer to be a Mentor
• Architecture Week Hard Hat Tours
• Architecture Week Downtown Norfolk Firm Crawl
• Hard Hat Tour – South Norfolk Jordan Bridge

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Next Quarter Look Ahead:

- (3) ARE prep seminars from July - August

YAF Service Goals/Year-End Plans

- Drawing Competition
- NCARB informational event
- Potential mentoring presentation by Mary Bailey

Northern Virginia
Anna Barbour, AIA, LEED AP BD+C

Current Quarter Accomplishments:

- 360 Mentoring Kick Off— a 10 month event that will incorporate all levels of professions into a mentoring/collaborative effort to learn from all stages of career. Groups were divided by locale and will gather for 7 unofficial group discussions; 3 AIA sponsored events will occur throughout the year. Co-sponsored by Women In Architecture, School Connections, and College of Fellows
- ARE Prep – Structural Systems, Building Systems, Site Programming + Design, Programming Planning + Practice

Next Quarter Look Ahead:

- Apply for Emerging Professional Component Grant for Young Architects
- ARE Prep Series – Schematic Design
- ARE Prep Series: Now What? From Associate to AIA
- WIA and YAF Joint Happy Hour

YAF Service Goals/Year-End Plans

- YAF Volleyball team will play in DC ACE league for summer
- DC/NOVA Young Architects Networking Event
- Architect/Engineer/Contractor Networking event

Richmond
Maggie Schubert, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP

Current Quarter Accomplishments:

- Collaborate with the Virginia Center for Architecture in advertising the Young Architects of Spain exhibit
- “The Three Core Charges of Leaders Today” presentation given by President of marketing and strategic planning firm
- Monthly networking mixers
Next Quarter Look Ahead:

- Attend minor league baseball game as YAF group
- Host “Welcome to Richmond” event for recent architecture graduates to provide a vehicle for networking and firm introductions
- Continue monthly networking mixers
- Host next “Leadership in Architecture” series presentation

YAF Service Goals/Year-End Plans

- ARE preparatory classes

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Richmond
R. Clayborne, AIA, LEED AP BD+C

- A communications and planning teleconference will be held in August with myself and the Chapter YAF Leaders.
- Martin Smith (NCARB) and I will be giving a YAF Summit20 Outcomes presentation at Architecture Exchange East 2012. This is the annual statewide AIA conference. The presentation abstract was accepted in June.
- We are still attempting to establish a YAF in Central Virginia. This is the only chapter in Virginia without a YAF.
- I met with Regional Director, Mary Cox, FAIA this quarter. We are strategizing the framework for ARE preparatory scholarships. A rough draft of this framework should be complete third quarter.
- A task force, led by Philip Donovan, AIA is researching how to implement a statewide mentoring program with the funds awarded by an AIA Knowledge Community for Emerging Professionals grant.

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