

AIA Akron Elects 2011 Board Officers, Directors

Jack Baumann, AIA, LEED AP, named president of local architecture organization

AKRON, Ohio – The American Institute of Architects, Akron Chapter (AIA Akron), recently announced its officers and board of directors for the 2011 program year.

Serving as president will be Jack Baumann, AIA, LEED AP, associate with Braun & Steidl Architects, Inc. and a resident of Cuyahoga Falls. Other officers are president-elect Don Funk, AIA, with TC Architects, Inc. and resident of Canton; past president Brandilyn Fry, AIA, CSI, CDT with the firm of FMD Architects, Inc, and a resident of Akron; treasurer Todd Westover, AIA, LEED AP, vice president at TC Architects, Inc. and a resident of Copley; and secretary Brian Miner, AIA, of Hasenstab Architects and a resident of Cuyahoga Falls.

Named board directors are Rob Habel, AIA, vice president of Braun & Steidl Architects, Inc. and a resident of Cuyahoga Falls, Phil Steinberg, AIA, CSI, principal of Braun & Steidl Architects, Inc. and a resident of Stow; Paul Waltz, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP of Branch Architectural Lab, LLC and a resident of Akron; Marty Caruso, AIA, LEED AP, principal of Caruso Architecture, Inc. and a resident of Copley; David Sommers, AIA, principal of David Sommers & Associates, LLC, and a resident of Kent; Don Rife, AIA, with the firm Ruhlin Co. and a resident of Sharon Center.

The AIA Ohio delegate is Bob Chordar, AIA, and president of TC Architects, Inc. and a resident of Green; the alternate is Jeff Barber, AIA, principal of Barber Architectural Studio and a resident of North Canton; Kent State University liaison James Dalton, FAIA, a professor at KSU and past dean of the College of Architecture and Environmental Design and a resident of Twin Lakes; and associate liaison Sarah Markley, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP, with the firm of David Sommers & Assoc., LLC and a resident of Cuyahoga Falls.

The AIA was founded in 1857; the Akron chapter was founded in 1968. Through education, government advocacy, community redevelopment and public outreach activities, the AIA and its more 80,000 members work to achieve a more human built environment and a higher standard of professionalism for architects. AIA Akron has a membership of 170, serving an 11-county area from Summit County to Belmont County along the Ohio River.