Hurricane Sandy leaves its mark on our region and our profession...
As the Outgoing President, this will be my last report to you and I would like to say thank you. It’s been an honor to serve as President of the Architects League of Northern New Jersey and I look forward to serving next year on the board in a new capacity.

As you are aware, Hurricane Sandy came through New Jersey and caused destruction in many parts of our state. I hope everyone made it through safely and, if not, we in the ALNNJ are here to help you in this time of need. This is a time where we can make ourselves heard with our expert advice and talents. Lend your support to those in need. This is a unique opportunity in many parts of our state. I hope through New Jersey and caused destruction in the future.

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Our 2013 events are currently being planned and I believe it will be an exciting year. It’s time to make a New Year’s resolution that you will attend, volunteer your time, be heard, and be seen.

Please come out and introduce yourself. We want to get to know all of you.

Steven B. Lazarus, AIA
ALNNJ President 2012

Although I look forward to a year serving as President of the Architects League, it is daunting. I have enormous shoes to fill. Not just the shoes of Steve, our Outgoing President, who is a pretty big guy but all the men and women who served before him — all of those who worked so hard to make our organization the thriving entity it is today. We are all lucky and I am humbled.

Was it 11, 12, or 14 years ago? I can’t recall exactly when I got involved in the League. I do recall how I began my journey: I answered the phone. Lynne Brady had her list of members that showed up at meetings and was calling us looking for new board members. I didn’t know Lynne or anyone else involved in running the League at the time and likely Lynne didn’t realize my history with the Architect’s League. I had won a scholarship from the League a few years before as a student at NJIT, attended the annual awards dinner where Eleanor Pettersen was the keynote speaker and thoroughly enjoyed my opportunity. So I accepted Lynne’s invitation out of a feeling of obligation to give something back. It has been a tremendous experience. I have learned a few things along the way, visited wonderful new and historical architectural landmarks, made some enduring friendships, worked with a few, gained some mentors and hopefully helped a few others as the need arose. A decade-plus later I’m answering the call again, this time to serve as the President of our organization. It is with a tremendous amount of pride and excitement that I accept that role and look forward to the coming year.

I view our organization as a microcosm of a much larger community. We are a component of AIA-NJ and AIA National. But, on a macro scale we don’t exist as an island, we are a member of the community that gets things built. This community includes architects, students, engineers, vendors, contractors, to name a few, and of course, members of the public who pay to have things built. Architects understand and appreciate the value we add to the built environment, but we are not always seen that way by the community-at-large. In the coming year I would like to see us begin to open up to the larger community and start to shift the perception of the value of the architect. To that end we will try to schedule interesting events and programs that will be open to not just to our members, but also to the public when possible. In addition to our regular events, thanks to Bobby Kaplan’s initiative, I am very excited to say we already have Daniel Libeskind scheduled to speak at one of our monthly meetings early this year and hope to secure another significant speaker for the fall. Additionally, we will continue to offer building tours and walking tours, and if you haven’t participated, you have missed out on a great opportunity. I would like to see us joined by our larger community on those as well. I have already spoken to AIAS members of NJIT about attending our meetings and volunteering support. They are willing. I look forward to welcoming them and getting to know them and perhaps working with them in the future.

As the New Year begins, we once again are looking for board members and people to participate. In the past I have asked, “Will you give your time?” I promise you that it does not hurt. We look for new blood, new thoughts, and a fresh way of looking at what we need to do in order to keep our League relevant. You come to monthly meeting, you eat, you learn something and obtain a credit or two, and mingle with your fellow architects. Make the effort. We need you.
New Jersey is not immune to named storms, whether it be Gloria in the ‘80’s, Floyd in the ‘90’s or Irene as recently as 2011. But these storms pale in comparison to the wrath of Superstorm Sandy which arrived on our shore last October 29th, impacting hundreds of thousands of lives throughout the Northeast. Indeed, Sandy was unprecedented. But with natural disasters seemingly occurring with greater frequency and ferocity, will we be prepared when nature strikes again?

In this issue of Leagueline, we investigate how storms like Sandy impact our individual businesses and our profession as a whole. Several of our members recount their experiences during Sandy and offer insight as to how to prepare when faced with the next catastrophic storm. As business owners and operators, we must consider how to best keep our firms prepared. Emergency plans, communications, and off-site file storage are major considerations to help a firm survive.

Another essential consideration is adequate business insurance coverage for when a natural disaster strikes. Michael J. Canning, Esq. of the firm Giordano, Halleran & Ciesia, P.C. offers us his insight on the types of business coverage needed to weather future storms.

Events like Sandy have also left their mark on our Profession. This edition features “The Role of Architects in Disaster Response”, provided by AIA National. As architects, we are uniquely qualified to assist in the aftermath of a storm, planning and designing to rebuild our communities to be stronger and better than ever before.

We in the Northeast are a resilient bunch, as our members’ own stories attest. We dedicate this issue to you and thank you for sharing your experiences.

Paul S. Bryan, AIA
Editor, 1Q Leagueline
The Role of Architects in Disaster Response

A major natural disaster occurs, on average, 10 times a year, with minor disasters striking as frequently as once a week. These include floods, tidal waves, tornados, ice storms, fires, landslides, hurricanes, and earthquakes, and the damage can range from a few uprooted trees to the near-obliteration of entire communities. In the aftermath, architects immediately contemplate how best to participate in the rebuilding. The question is: How can the AIA and its members best be of use?

Three Stages of Disaster Assistance

Disaster assistance typically occurs in three stages:

1. **Emergency:** The first response, it relies on quick action and involves providing emergency shelter, medical assistance, food, and other such services. This stage can last two to three weeks.

2. **Relief:** Short-term housing, health services, and employment counseling are provided. Formal assessment of damage begins with examinations of buildings, including analysis of historic properties and other structures. This stage may last up to six months.

3. **Recovery:** This stage is characterized by rebuilding, with an emphasis on long-term comprehensive planning to enhance the physical fabric of the community. Regulatory changes may be necessary to mitigate the effect of future disasters. This period may last three years or more.

Until 2005, it was believed that the AIA and its members were skilled to respond only to stages two and three, when the focus shifts from emergency response to making homes livable and workplaces functional; licensed building experts – architects, engineers, builders, and others – are often called to assist in evaluating post-disaster conditions and later to help in restoring a community. After Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, however, the AIA realized that an emergency-phase response was needed to provide for the security, safety, and rebuilding of AIA members’ lives and practices.

In 2005, the AIA developed an emergency response program. It included the immediate gathering of information on both members and the communities they serve. It included quickly communicating the status and needs of the architectural community to the membership so assistance could be coordinated nationwide. And it meant investigating the often shifting status of FEMA operations and initiating contact with the ESF-14 long-range recovery program.

In short, while architects are not directly needed to provide emergency assistance – and the AIA will continue to request that members and components resist the urge to travel to affected areas, and focus instead on coordinating locally – clearly there is a role to be filled.

Organizing a disaster assistance program

In areas vulnerable to disasters, AIA architects should develop a response strategy in advance of an occurrence. As we have seen, destruction can happen almost immediately, and a prepared architectural community will mean a faster, more effective response.

The most effective AIA programs have been organized at the state level, in part because:

- Most government agencies coordinating disaster assistance and long-term reconstruction are at the state level, and AIA components can most easily plug into this network.
- A state component is better able to examine to discern regional patterns and trends and tailor programs before disaster strikes.
- The local AIA component can most effectively marshal professional resources from nearby unaffected areas.

AIA local components should establish rosters of potential volunteer members; thus, each component needs to understand the capabilities and willingness of its members statewide. A directory of all human resources in the region or state promotes such an understanding and should include not only architects but also the allied professional organizations and trades that will need to be marshaled. If there is an overruling lesson that’s been learned from the Gulf Coast experience, it is that communication and coordination are vital—especially as affected areas may be without power, telephone, or public services for at least a week.

To avoid duplication of rescue efforts, a coalition must be formed by representatives from local agencies dealing with construction, code enforcement, general contractors, home builders, insurance industry representatives, other professional associations, and churches. A list of contacts in each of these organizations must be maintained and include cell-phone and e-mail information.

When disaster strikes

After a disaster, architectural expertise must be provided as quickly as possible to assess the nature and extent of the damage. The disaster team’s response should be patterned on the general plan formulated prior to the disaster, with any necessary emergency changes. State and local members of the AIA disaster assistance team will be called, depending on need and expertise.

DMR Architects is progressing with efforts to assist the Moonachie Board of Education recovery after Hurricane Sandy flooded the district’s only school and left the facility unable to accommodate school functions. The 54,000 sf Robert L. Craig School sustained damage to interior finishes and furniture in administrative spaces and a small portion of student furniture. The district’s more than 250 students are currently attending school in Wood-Ridge, N.J.

Working collaboratively with the Board of Education and their insurance company, DMR assisted the Board in securing temporary classroom space and placing 36 modules, enough space for 24 classrooms plus administrative space, on the school’s existing field. Within one day, the modules received approvals from the New Jersey Department of Education and New Jersey Department of Community Affairs. Currently, DMR is assisting the district with professional services for utility tie-ins and furniture selection. Students are expected to begin class in the new modules by December 10.

DMR’s second phase of work will include interior renovations to repair the damaged school. Renovations are anticipated to take between three and five months.

DMR Architects, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ

Our office is set up with a number of our staff able to work from home with remote log-in. The problem that developed with Sandy was that with no power in our leased office for one full week, our servers were down and information could not be gotten to via the internet. In the future, we will be looking into and interested in maintaining current files in a cloud location, so that if the staff have internet and power, but the office does not, we will be able to continue working over the internet.

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SNS Architects & Engineers, PC
A centralized headquarters will prove invaluable to communications, coordination, and training. A conference room at the local AIA chapter or an architect’s office can serve as the team’s “war room” and be readied with the appropriate equipment. Again, the collection of cell-phone numbers and e-mail addresses is priority number one. Adequate accommodations for out-of-town team members must be secured and can be problematic. It is therefore critical to rely on component members who can travel in and out of the affected area without need for housing.

A response team with one lead contact person should be assembled. Each member will be assigned a specific job from a list of responsibilities that includes field evaluation work; connecting with local, state, and federal officials; “Good Samaritan” on-site consultations; and press outreach. The team should consider both short- and long-term activities; though it may seem premature, the most important responsibility is planning for long-term recovery, which can be initiated by advising public authorities of their options. This will help provide affected citizens with an emotional outlet and a vehicle to restore hope.

**What to do after the crisis**

Architects with a reconstruction/redevelopment program can envision a positive and imaginative recovery opportunity. Since local and state officials need to make long-term decisions that will affect and may even significantly alter the built environment, it is important that they are made aware of the opportunities for change. Among these are comprehensive neighborhood redesign, urban redesign, landscape redesign, preservation, appreciation of little known assets, and utility relocation. The silver lining of a disaster is the opportunity to remedy underperforming aspects of a city.

The architectural community should visually and verbally articulate a positive potential future. Using established positive relationships with allied professions and local community leaders, the AIA disaster assistance team should be ready to suggest changes to a city’s comprehensive plan and building codes, and educate others in the community about the options available.

The AIA continues to develop a nationwide network of volunteers who are interested in providing disaster assistance, and many AIA components are establishing new programs or growing existing ones in both scale and expertise. Collectively, this national partnership can become a highly effective means of delivering the skills of the profession to devastated regions. Together the architectural community can become a clearinghouse for information, a source of the latest research and manuals on hazard-resistant design and planning, and a beacon of hope in the most dire of times.

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**BEFORE THE NEXT STORM...**

- Locate vital building systems, including computers and data, above the flood level.
- Consider off-site secure storage for critical documents.
- Backup your data regularly and store it off-site.
- Look into cloud services that will securely store and allow you to access to your company data systems from any location with an internet connection.
- Establish an employee communication plan. Utilize a phone tree, twitter account, facebook page, or smart phone instant messaging to keep everyone alerted in the event of an emergency.

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We did not expect our town (Hoboken) to flood so badly, we were not 100% equipped for this storm. We did have enough bottled water and food, batteries, gas in the car, but being on the 5th floor we tended to forget about our basement space and personal property. Our 5 story brick and wood frame walk up was flooded up to 5 feet in the basement, completely submerging anything in its path. The building’s mechanical systems were completely damaged. Everyone in our building did their part to mobilize a recovery and clean up plan. It was essentially to remove the water and contaminated elements out of the basement. A constant one on one contact was essential as there was no power or people with fully charged phones. We secured private contractors for the removal of water and used our own muscle and sweat to remove all debris from the affected areas. It was an amazing experience as people cooperated with each other as time was of the essence. It was a great experiment in social cooperation, and in that regard it was a success. Human beings can be resilient. Every building tenant worked to make sure everyone had the most current information in regards to finding water, cell phone recharging and local town activities.

Eventually word got around that FEMA and the National Guard had arrived with supplies. In another example, a local contractor lent us his pump and generator to pump 50% of the water from our basement and did not even want to take money. This kind of generous act is what gives faith to people to persevere and also inspire to help others. We were lucky that aid came within two days, others especially in Staten Island weren’t so lucky, as we have seen. Global warming is rearing its head, and the fact that weather patterns are so inconsistent now, we cannot sit back and assume we in NJ aren’t in a flood area. Any area can potentially be destroyed by this type of storm. No one can assume that these events won’t happen again for another 100 years. Planners, developers, politicians and architects must also give new consideration to how buildings should perform in this sort of event-what planning strategies can be applied to prevent or minimize destruction locally and between each community. Flood zones/plains need to be re-evaluated and special provisions improved upon whether new or existing construction.

Hurricane Sandy was a fantastical learning experience for me, my wife and my 8 year old son. It also brought all of us closer together than ever before!

Erick M. Urias, AIA
Hoboken, New Jersey
Business Insurance Coverage in the event of a “Superstorm”

Superstorm Sandy has devastated the New Jersey Shore and other parts of New Jersey, causing untold damages to personal residences and businesses. When a ‘Superstorm’ occurs, businesses fortunate enough to have insurance coverage, particularly flood insurance coverage, should take steps immediately to protect their rights under their insurance policies. As a business owner, the first step in the process is to identify what insurance policies you may have which may respond to the loss. Businesses should look primarily to their business owners or commercial property policies and examine any excess or umbrella insurance policies they may have.

Once policies are identified, claims should immediately be reported to your insurers. The fastest and simplest way of providing notice is through your insurance broker, who should be done in writing with the request that your broker provide notice to your insurer. Most insurance agents are extremely helpful in processing claims and assisting insureds with their claims. Notice can also be given directly to your insurer and many insurers set up mobile claim units at which claims can be reported.

While many policies contain standard terms and conditions, each policy has its own language and must be carefully reviewed to determine the specific coverage provided under that specific policy. The discussion of insurance policies below is based on fairly standard language which appears in many policies but it must be emphasized that you need to review the specific language in your policy which may significantly increase or decrease the coverage provided to you.

**Business Owners or Commercial Property Coverage**

A superstorm like Sandy can cause incalculable damage to businesses. These include damages to a company’s real property, its personal property and its loss of business. There may be coverage for such losses under a company’s business owner’s policy or commercial property policy, which should be carefully reviewed to determine what coverages are provided and what limits of coverage are available.

**1. Nature of Coverage Provided:**

There are generally two types of coverages provided under business owners or commercial property policies. The first is “all risk” coverage which provides coverage to the insured’s property for all risks of direct physical loss or damage. This is a broader form of coverage and typically is more expensive to obtain. Under an all risk policy, there will be coverage for direct physical loss or damage to the insured’s property irrespective of the cause of loss, subject to the exclusions in the policy.

The second form of coverage is “named peril” coverage. This provides more narrow protection than the all risk coverage and provides coverage for risk of direct physical loss or damage caused only by specifically listed perils in the policy. Under this more limited coverage, there is coverage for direct physical loss or damage only if caused by the listed peril in the policy. As in an all risk policy, the coverage provided is subject to the policy’s exclusions. A typical flood exclusion defines flood to mean a general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas due to: (a) flood, surface water, rising water, waves, tides, tidal water, storm surge, tsunami, overflow of any body of water or their spray, all whether wind driven or not; or (b) water that backs up from any sewer or drain, or water that leaks or flows from below the surface of the ground. Where a policy contains a flood exclusion, damage caused solely by the flood, as defined in the policy, may be excluded.

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If a dispute arises between you and your insurer as to whether damage to your property is caused by wind or flood, it may be necessary to retain an expert in the area of cause and origin of insurance losses to determine what damage was caused by wind compared to damage caused by flood. Additionally, eyewitness testimony will be helpful so you should speak with any of your neighbors, employees or other persons who may have witnessed how your business property has been damaged.

**2. Coverages Provided Under a Business Owner’s Policy or Commercial Property Policy:**

Business owner’s policies and commercial property policies typically contain coverages for damage to buildings, for business personal property, and for business income / extra expense. Other additional coverages may also be provided and the policy must be carefully reviewed for such additional coverages.

**a. Coverage for Buildings.**

The declarations page of the policy will identify which buildings owned by the insured are covered under the policy. Values are normally provided for the buildings. The policies may provide coverage for either the replacement cost of the structure or for the actual cash value of the structure. The policy should be reviewed carefully to determine what type of coverage is...
provided for damage to the property. If there is a covered loss, the insurer will pay the claim up to the policy limits for building coverage identified on the declarations page. Photographs or videotape should be taken of all damage to the structure.

b. Coverage for Business Personal Property.

Most business owners or commercial property policies provide coverage for personal property owned by the insured. The amount of coverage for such personal property is normally identified in the declarations page. Upon a covered loss, the insured should carefully document and inventory all the personal property which it has lost for which it will be submitting a claim. The insured will be required to submit a sworn proof of loss in which the insured must identify under oath all of the property it claims to have been damaged for which it is seeking insurance coverage. Photographs or videotapes should be taken of all damaged personal property. Unless required to do so for safety or health reasons, the damaged personal property should not be discarded until the adjuster appointed by the insurer has come to inspect your property. If you discard any damaged property for which a claim is submitted, the insurer may disclaim coverage. In New York policyholders can submit photographs of damaged property as proof of loss of the property.

c. Business Interruption Coverage.

This coverage protects the insured against loss of income resulting from damage to the insured property. Business interruption coverage is often subject to complex deductibles and co-insurance provisions which must be carefully reviewed. The insured should work carefully with its attorney and broker in presenting the business interruption claim. Outside professionals, including accountants or professional adjusters, may be of assistance in presenting such a claim to the insurer. Some of the costs incurred in calculating the business interruption loss by professionals such as accountants may be recoverable under the policy, but fees for attorneys and public adjusters typically will not be covered.

As an incentive to insureds to move quickly to restore the insured property so that business operations can commence as soon as possible, insurers will normally pay the insured’s reasonable expense to restore operations. If there is no direct physical damage to the insured’s property, then the business interruption coverage may not apply. However, some policies provide coverage for a business interruption loss resulting from damage to a utility service caused by a covered cause of loss. Many businesses lost power and were unable to conduct business without sustaining any physical damage to their property. If the business owners or commercial property policy includes a utility service – direct damage endorsement, or similar type of endorsement, there may be limited coverage for a business interruption loss caused by damage to a power supply service, including utility-generating plants, switching stations, substations, transformers and transmission lines, by wind damage. The policy must be reviewed to determine if such coverage exists and in what amount. Typically the amount is less than the coverage provided where there is direct physical damage to the insured’s property.

d. Coverage for Damage Resulting From Acts of Civil Authority.

Some policies provide this coverage which provides that when a covered cause of loss causes damage to property other than the insured’s property, the insurer will pay the loss of business income and extra expense caused by action of civil authority that prohibits access to the insured’s premises. This coverage, if it is provided in the policy, may require that: (1) access to the area immediately surrounding the damaged property is prohibited by civil authority as a result of the damage and the insured’s property is within that area but not more than five miles from the damaged property; and (2) the action of civil authorities is in response to dangerous physical conditions resulting from the damage or continuation of the covered cause of loss that caused the damage, or the action is taken to enable a civil authority to have unimpeded access to the damaged property.

e. Debris Removal.

Many policies provide additional coverage for debris removal in which the insurer agrees to pay the reasonable expenses incurred to remove debris from the covered property caused by a covered cause of loss. Typically there will be sub-limits of coverage for this additional coverage which will be identified on the declarations page or a separate endorsement to the policy. This may be a very significant coverage, as demonstrated by the substantial debris generated from Sandy’s destruction.

Claims For Benefits Under FEMA

In the event a business owner either has no insurance coverage, or the insurance coverage does not provide flood coverage, you may be able to obtain the benefits provided by FEMA through a loan administered by the Small Business Administration. It is important that anyone seeking FEMA benefits immediately register with FEMA and submit an application for a low interest loan through the Small Business Administration.

Lost Policies

When a natural disaster strikes, it is possible many businesses may lose records of their policies. In that event you should contact your insurance broker who should have some record of your insurance coverage.

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Like many of us, LAN’s business was significantly affected by Hurricane Sandy. Fortunately neither of our offices or employees’ homes suffered major physical damage, but our NJ office was essentially closed for the seven days after the storm. While both of our offices (and many of our employees) lost power and internet connectivity the night of the storm, our NJ office was back online fairly quickly. Unfortunately, all of our data resides in our NJ office, so all 70+ of our employees were unable to work. Fortunately, we maintained contact with our staff via text messaging those first few days until we were able to get our email servers relocated to a temporary location. Once we had email and cell phones, we were able to reach out to our clients and provide as much assistance as possible. We also utilized Facebook and email blasts to keep our clients up to speed with our progress. Thankfully, our friend Tony Lasaponara from TAM Enterprises was eventually able to send us a large generator to power our entire building and get us back up and running, three days before power was finally restored to our building. Disaster recovery efforts have been an important issue for us well before the recent storm, we definitely have a renewed sense of urgency. For 2013, we hope to have full redundancy between our two offices, which would allow our employees to work at either location, or remotely from home, should one of the offices suffer another shutdown.

Steven Ramiza, PE,  Vice President
LAN Associates Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Surveying Inc.
Midland Park, New Jersey
Our office building in Little Ferry was inundated with the storm surge from Hurricane Sandy. The water was two feet above the ‘levee’ system along the Hackensack River…none of us ever heard of there being a levee. When you look on a map it is hard to believe that a storm surge from the ocean can make it so far inland but it did.

Over the years we would occasionally get some ground water in our basement. Sump pumps and a good drain system would usually accommodate these occasions. We utilize the space for our record storage, building utilities, and as a tenant space. Like so many of our neighbors, we were not prepared for such a volume of water. The basement, which is about halfway in the ground, filled with seven feet of water. The water rose so quickly that the storefront wall at the basement stair had been ripped from the masonry wall and bend inward. All of our hard-copy records, samples, and library of materials were gone. Our tenant was washed out as were the building’s systems including the electrical service, water heater, alarm panel, phone panel, and two mechanical units.

While all of this is a significant disruption, we will survive. We were fortunate to find a temporary space in Dumont within a few days of the storm. The computers and key equipment were quickly gathered from the upper floor. With the help of our terrific staff the office was set up and running in a good capacity by Thursday of that fateful week.

As I write this, four weeks after the storm, we are about to return to our building in Little Ferry. The offers of assistance from many members of the League were welcomed, appreciated, and will always be remembered.

Anthony Iovino
Arcari+Iovino Architects, PC

On a lighter note…
A “natural disaster” of a different kind.

Luckily, I had no major damage from the storm, and yet I still experienced a “natural disaster” of sorts… It was Saturday evening around 8:00 PM two days before the storm. There were five of us standing outside on my driveway. My son’s pick-up truck was parked last in the driveway, my car was in front of his pick-up and my other son’s car was next to mine, diagonal from the pick-up truck. So we are talking and we see an 18- point buck charge from across the street out of my neighbor’s yard toward us. Suddenly the buck jumps over the pick-up truck, landing in the tight space between my car and my sons Audi. He turns his head into my son’s driver’s side window, smashing it to pieces, then kicks his hind legs into my car damaging the back panels. He cut himself, and with blood dripping, he walks over to a fence, rubs his blood on the fence, goes between the fence and another car then decides to take off. It seemed like it all happened in a matter of seconds. We were speechless! You can’t make this stuff up.

Steven B. Lazarus, AIA

ALNNJ 2013 BUDGET

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Total Income $114,500.  Total Expense $114,500.
**Fall 2012 Ted Kessler Walking Tour**

**November 10, 2012**

The League’s Fall 2012 Ted Kessler Walking Tour took place, between storms, on Saturday November 10th. The tour started at Grand Central Terminal and was especially ambitious, ending around 4PM on Roosevelt Island. The weather finally cooperated with sunny skies. Participants enjoyed another fact-filled tour while earning 5.0 AIA CEUs.

Thank you again to League member, Joseph E. David, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP of KCG Architects for all his efforts.

**Thank You from our friend Eleanor Kessler**

Joyce Raspa was kind enough to give me a copy of your beautiful “Leagueline” issue devoted to the first five years of Joseph E. David leading the Ted Kessler Walking Tours. It was a very well-designed magazine and clarified the varied routes very effectively. The layout and text were outstanding and it brought back wonderful memories of Joe’s fact-filled, lively tours.

I was particularly touched by your inclusion of a note from his son, Eric, regarding Ted and his tours and his love of the architectural profession. I really appreciated the League doing this edition and will treasure my copy. In fact, a friend suggested I frame the cover and hang it up next to Ted’s architectural license.

Sincerely, Eleanor Kessler

**Arthur Davis Lecture**

Having been postponed for three weeks due to Hurricane Sandy and the nor’easter that followed, the League’s annual Arthur Davis Lecture was held November 28th at the Portobello Restaurant in Oakland. Philip S. Kennedy-Grant, FAIA presented New Jersey’s 150 Best Buildings and Places, based on his book that documents the AIA 150 selections by AIA New Jersey members of significant Garden State architecture. The election for ALNNJ’s 2013 Board of Trustees was also held during the event.

**Ross R. Mamola, Past President ALNNJ**

Mamola, Ross R., B2, of Ho-Ho-Kus, formerly of Garfield, passed away Monday, October 22nd. Beloved husband of 60 years of Gladys (nee: Urgovitch). Loving father of Richard R. Mamola. Cherished brother of Joan Vagell and husband Ted and George Mammola and wife Ginny. Caring brother-in-law of Irene Norman and Ken Urgovitch and wife Barbara. Ross is survived by many nieces and nephews. Ross served as a First Lieutenant in the US Air Force during the Korean War. A graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Ross had his own architecture practice in Ho-Ho-Kus for many years. He was a Past-President of the Ridgewood Rotary Club and of the Architects League of Northern New Jersey. Ross was also a member of the American Institute of Architects, the NJ Society of Architects and the VFW in Ho-Ho-Kus.

He was a parishioner of St. Luke’s RC Church in Ho-Ho-Kus. “That man is a success who is happy with himself and gives happiness to others… who makes the world a better place simply by being a part of it.”

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**2012 DESIGN AWARDS**

List of Awarded Projects

I. Residential – Un-Built
   - Silver Medal: Kennedy-Grant - Valley House

II. Residential – Built
   - Silver Medal: Stonewater Architecture - Gardner Residence
   - Bronze Medal: Seth A. Leeb Architect - “New” Addition
   - Honorable Mention: Kennedy-Grant - Country House

III. Non-Residential – Un-Built
   - Gold Medal: Gruskin Architecture + Design, P.C. - Kean U Green Lane Building
   - Silver Medal: RSC Architects - Career Technical High School
   - Bronze Medal: Poskanzer Skott Architects - Mediacom Communications

IV. Non-Residential – Built
   - Gold Medal: Arcari & Iovino Architects, P.C. - Korean Presbyterian Church
   - Silver Medal: Pallante Design - The Pataki Center
   - Bronze Medal: The Sifers Partnership - Early Research Learning Academy

V. Non-Residential Interiors
   - Gold Medal: Gensler - Lola
   - Silver Medal: Gensler - Turner Construction Company

VI. Non-Residential Featured Element
   - Gold Medal: Marchetto Higgins Stieve AIA – Apse - Traction
   - Silver Medal: CTS Group Architecture/Planning PA - Music Court Pavilions
   - Bronze Medal: Fallon + Pacheco Architects – Weill Cornell Medical College – Main Corridor Improvements

Peer Vote – as voted on by event attendees
1. Marchetto Higgins Stieve AIA – Apse – Traction
2. Gensler - Hotel Lola
3. Arcari & Iovino Architects, P.C. - Korean Presbyterian Church
# Events

## January 2013

**1**

The World of D.D. and Leslie Tillet

Museum of City of New York

thru January 6th

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City of Gold:

Tomb and Temple of Ancient Cypress

Princeton University Art Museum

thru Jan 20th

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ALNNJ

No January Meeting

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ALNNJ Installation Dinner

Saturday, January 12, 2013

The Views at Mount Fuji

6:00pm

**Recommended**

Extravagant Inventions:

The Princely Furniture of the Roentgens

Metropolitan Museum of Art

thru January 27th

Patterns, Systems, Structures:

Abstraction in American Art

Monterial Art Museum

thru May 19th

Shinsuke's Shangri-La

Architecture, Landscape, and Islamic Art

thru Feb 17th MAO Museum

Recommended

Visit the beautiful new Parrish Art Museum just off the Montauk Highway in Watermill, NY

www.parrishart.org

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## February 2013

**4**

Princeton University Lectures

West, Feb 26

WHAT I DID NEXT

6 pm, Betts Auditorium

New Kids on the Block

toa.princeton.edu/news.html

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Dr. Shone Naka's Shangri-La

Architecture, Landscape, and Islamic Art

thru Feb 17th MAO Museum

Recommended

Henri Labrouste:

Structure Brought to Light


www.moma.org

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## New Members

The League is pleased to announce the New Members

Ian R. Siegel, Assoc. AIA

Mr. Jay F. Miranda, Assoc. AIA

Tina Gega, Assoc. AIA

Anushree Raina, Assoc. AIA

Anthony Gardner, AIA

Sherif ElGawly, Intl. Assoc. AIA

Mr. Philip D. Wells, Assoc. AIA

New Allied Members:

Katie Lytle, Tower Windows and Doors

Amir Bazargan, MechSys

Peter O'Connor, Andersen Windows

The League welcomes you and looks forward to your involvement and participation. Please make a point of introducing yourself at the next dinner meeting or event.

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