



WORDS FROM THE INTERIM PRESIDENT,
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We sure are breezing through the year! Summer will be here before we know it! The cold and icy weather shifting to warmer weather right, I am reminded of our Board Transitions and shifts happening on July 1st. We have already experienced several shifts already due to the economy, personal situations, and even a baby boom! Through all of this, we want you to know that the board is working very hard to keep our membership strong and continuing our efforts to be the solid professional resource that you deserve!

In July, the following positions will become available: Secretary, VP of Communications, and Director of Student Affairs. I encourage you to reach out to the current Board members holding these positions to learn about their positions, responsibilities, and what serving IIDA has meant to them. Of course, there are other important ways that you can serve IIDA as well! We have several committees and sub-committees that are in need of your help also! You can find these opportunities on our website at <http://iida-indiana.org/involved.php>.

On a personal note, my involvement with the IIDA Indiana Board over the past five years has meant a great deal to me and has helped my professional and personal development in many ways. The networks, connections, and friendships I have made through serving our local board have been invaluable and I wouldn't trade it for anything!



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Member Update: Denise Wilder

Our beloved IIDA member and former IIDA board member Denise McAllister Wilder needs our help. Denise was involved in a serious car accident this past January. While driving in Kokomo a teenage girl's car slid on a slushy road, crossed the double yellow line, and hit Denise head on. Both cars were estimated to be traveling at about 40mph. At the scene Denise had to be cut out of her car, which was totaled. She was first sent to Howard County Hospital in Kokomo, IN, where the doctors were afraid she might have internal injuries so they life-lined her to Methodist Hospital, in Indianapolis, IN

By some miracle Denise lived, with no internal or brain injuries! However, she does have 3 fractures in the back of her neck, which requires a neck brace for 3 - 6 months, a broken right ankle, a broken elbow on her left side, a broken left hip and a pulverized knee cap. The only extremity she can use is her right hand... but she is Left Handed! The doctors predict at least 3 months before she can even try to walk.

Thankfully, Denise was released from the hospital on Saturday, February 12, to her sister's care. She still has a long road ahead of her, it is anticipated that she will have 5 to 11 more months of rehab and will be in a wheelchair and neck brace for several more months. Prior to this accident, Denise had lost her job and had just enrolled to go back to school at Ball State. The insurance of the driver that hit her has already run out and she is just getting started. Denise is in desperate need of assistance, she not only needs a new car but she also will be burdened with extensive medical bills.

Those of you involved in IIDA have most likely had the opportunity of knowing Denise and what a fun-loving generous person she is. She was very involved in Samantha's House recently and has shown great care towards others in terrible situations. She has a long road to recovery ahead of her, and needs help from our IIDA family.

COE is holding a Fat Friday fundraiser next Friday with proceeds

Editors Comments-

Just as we get the feeling that Spring is almost here...BAM 3 more inches of snow!!! I hope you all make it safely to the IDEA awards tonight! **Tanya Woodward** and her committee have been working very hard for many months to bring back one of our most loved IIDA events!

Thank you IDEA Committee!!!

In this edition of our Spring Newsletter I hope you find many ways to get involved and stay connected with fellow designers through IIDA. We have IIDA and Indianapolis community members that are in need of your help, legislation that could use your involvement, and many board positions opening up on our IIDA -IN chapter board. Amanda Medlen and I recently met in Chicago at CLC - our bi-annual IIDA meeting with chapter leaders from across the nation. We learned many insightful "lessons learned" from other chapters that we are hoping to implement locally. One of the main topics was how to maintain membership and ensure everyone gets the professional development and networking opportunities they deserve. As we turn the page in a new chapter of IIDA leadership please take the time to share your concerns and ways to improve our chapter. We welcome any and all feedback. And as always please check out the updated IIDA Google Docs Calendar for upcoming events!!! Thank you!



No new members this quarter.

going to Denise. If you would like to support Denise or help in anyway please click the link to her Care Page for ways in which you can be involved! Thank you!!!!



http://www.whatfriendsdo.com/everybody_loves_denise/team/

**Just a reminder (as if you could forget!)
that IDEA awards are tonight!!!**

you're *Invited*

JW Marriott Indianapolis
Grand Ballroom & Foyer . 10 South West Street
Friday, February 25th, 2011

7:00-8:00pm Cocktails & Hors D'oeuvres/Entrant Gallery
8:00-9:30pm Awards Presentation
9:30-11:30pm After Glow

————— **Keynote Speaker: Allison Melangton** —————
President and CEO of the 2012 Super Bowl Host Committee



WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!!!

Let us know how IIDA Indiana Chapter is doing. Send your comments to: dterhorst@csoinc.net

The deadline for submitting articles for the next issue is **May 30th, 2011**.



Who's Who & What's What

by Brenda Gerst Capuano

Who...

Congratulations to the newly engaged **Erin Rossier** with Cripe Architects & Engineers. Maregatti's **Dana McNutt** welcomed her baby girl Kinley Josephine on 12-16-10. Congratulations to **Pam Gamble** at PBI in Ft. Wayne for passing all 3 sections of the NCIDQ Exam! Maregatti Interiors welcomes two new designers,

Cocktail Attire
Spouses and Significant Others are encouraged to attend.

Please RSVP by February 4th, 2011

\$50.00 IIDA Members
\$60.00 Non-Members
\$460.00 Reservation for Ten

Includes Hors D'oeuvres, dessert,
& two complimentary drink tickets.

Please visit http://iida-indiana.org/idea_celebr11.php
for payment, RSVP and Parking Information.

iDEA AWARDS
interior design excellence awards

Continue the IDEA Awards celebration red carpet style by joining us for an exclusive

After Glow Party

JW Marriott Grand Ballroom Foyer overlooking Victory Field

9:30-11:30pm

Music, Dancing, Drinks, Desserts & More!

Please bring cash and your generous spirit, don't miss out on raffle prizes with ticket sales benefiting the

Susan G. Komen Foundation

JW Marriott Indianapolis is currently accepting room reservations at a discounted rate for this special evening.

For reservations, please visit
www.marriott.com/indjw
include group code DESDESA

Questions? Tanya Woodward 317.577.3557

Karisa Voreis and **Lisa Tillman**. The new Fashion Wallcovering rep is **Jessica Cook**, the new Mannington Carpet rep is **Dawn McDonald** and **Vanessa Ryan** is now with the Binford Group.

What...

CSO Architects recently moved into their new office in the Keystone area!

AFTERGLOW
exclusive after party



DID YOU KNOW?...

Walter Knabe, whose design studio is now located in the Indiana Design Center in Carmel, has designed for such luminaries as Madonna, Bill Cosby, Richard Gere, Michael Jordan and Caroline Kennedy.



Click to view upcoming IIDA events on our Google Calendar!



IIDA House Bill No. 1118

by Erin M. Rossier, Assoc. AIA, Associate IIDA

IIDA, in conjunction with the Indiana Chapter of AIA, believe that school facilities should be designed and built to fit the environment. House Bill No. 1118 has been introduced recently in the State of Indiana, and it is our professional responsibility as designers to help educate our law-makers in why this is a BAD BILL.

The synopsis of House Bill No. 1118 will require a school corporation to use standardized plans and specifications for construction, alteration, and repair of school buildings, athletic facilities, and other facilities. School corporations would have to go through an appeal process to the State in order to use other plans and specifications. Architects and designers have had the opportunity in the past to keep construction costs low with attention to changing market conditions, use of new materials, and adoption of the latest construction techniques. While the intention is to standardize school plans, the use of stock plans would NOT eliminate the need for design services. The site still has to be considered! Stock plans also do not take into

consideration specific curriculum requirements, vocational schools, or community needs. With other cost and financial impacts, there is evidence that stock school plans have FAILED in other states!

Help support AIA and IIDA in refuting House Bill No. 1118! *Please feel free to email your state representative on this matter - we have the ability to make a positive difference!*

Go to: <http://www.in.gov/cgi-bin/legislative/contact/contact.pl>



Samantha's House Reveal
February 10, 2011

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT
PARTICIPATED IN THIS YEARS EVENT!!!**

Click on the image to view photos from the event!



If you are interested in becoming more involved

with Samantha's House please click image above.



CEU Poll

The IIDA Continuing Education Department still has a poll open to find out how many CEUs our Members have completed during the first year of our current compliance period. The results are still coming in! [Click here](#) to take the one-question poll.

I would like to reach out to our leaders for some assistance. Part of the IDCEC course submission process is to have any new ongoing courses reviewed by IIDA, ASID, IDC and IDEC. We are looking for members that would be interested and qualified to do this for IIDA. Please send your name to [Amanda Medlen](#) if you would be interested in participating!



**Congratulations to our 2011 STEP class participants!
Good Luck on passing the upcoming NCIDQ exam!!!**



Please mark your calendars for

April 21, 2011

to honor

as the **2011 Legends IN Design**

Details for the luncheon to follow

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