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The Lives of Three Great Local Planners

Dr. Joel Goldsteen

By Lori Lee, Editor (his student)

Joel Goldsteen's students loved him. Everyone seemed to love him. He was altruistic, and he worked tirelessly. And when he wasn't working, he was reading everything planning-related that he could get his hands on. He devoted his life to planning and architecture, and to his students. It all began when Joel Goldsteen was awarded a scholarship to the University of Pennsylvania to obtain a Bachelor of Architecture. He would later move to Washington University to earn his Master of Architecture. He worked a number of odd jobs while attending college, but was able to teach at the University of Detroit while studying at Michigan State, as he worked on his Ph.D. in Urban Planning and Social Science. Early in his career, he traveled around the country designing state prisons until it became too much being away from home. He was also musically talented, and *in his spare time*, through it's hard to imagine that there would have been any, he played trumpet with some of the greats--Franky Avalon, Bobby Rydell and Fabien. In 1975, he started the Master of City/Regional Planning program at UTA and continued as Founding Chair/Director until May of 2009.

Four years ago, he was diagnosed with Melanoma, which generally stems from sun exposure at an early age, usually 10 and under—(Joel grew up in Atlantic City and was out in the sun a great deal during that time of his life.) He continued to teach at UTA until his doctor forced him to stop due to his illness, but he continued in character to work from home, coaching students on theses and professional reports. Dr. Goldsteen died on May 19, 2009. The funeral was held on May 24, where his wife, Eileen, and his two children, Jill and Robert, gave the most beautiful of speeches. Dr. Goldsteen was a great man, living and contributing to society to the greatest extent possible, through his work and through his teaching. We thank you, Dr. Goldsteen, for the time that you devoted to us and to the planning profession. You will be missed.

Dr. Goldsteen was awarded the Gold Medal for Architecture, President's Award from the American Institute of Architects Dallas, and the American Planning Association Charter Member 25th Year Recognition. He somehow managed to publish 12 books, including the ABC's of Environmental Regulation: Understanding the Federal Programs (2003, Government Institute, Inc.), Designing America: Creating Urban Identity (1998, John Wiley and Co), and Danger all Around: Waste Sites of the Texas and Louisiana Gulf Coast (1993, University of Texas Press).

Dr. Goldsteen's daughter Jill, who is a local nurse, assisted me in writing this story.

Marina Sukup

By Gene Lewis, AICP

Longtime Texas planner Marina Sukup, AICP died on April 11, 2009, in her home in Houston at the age of 61. Marina was born in 1947 in Washington D.C. She grew up in Buenos Aries, Argentina, as the oldest of two children and is survived by her brother Douglas. She moved to Nebraska when she was 16 and attended the University of Nebraska in Lincoln where she met her husband Dwight. She earned a Master of Public Administration And Public Finance, as well as a Doctorate of Jurisprudence. In her long career, she worked as an urban planner for the Texas Cities of Sugar Land, Houston, Laredo, Dallas, and Allen. In her last great adventure, she worked in Spokane Valley, Washington, before returning to Houston at the age of 59. She is survived by her husband, Dwight and six children as well, as three grandchildren. A memorial was held at the Rose Garden on the West Side in Hermann Memorial Park Garden Center in Houston on April 16, 2009.

Vernon Henry

By Gene Lewis, AICP

Vernon G. Henry, FAICP, 74, died April 19, 2009, after a short battle with cancer. He was born in Houston on December 18, 1934. He attended Texas A&M University, and received two degrees from the University of Houston. He also served as an officer in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, attaining the rank of Major. He continued his life-long interest in education by taking numerous graduate courses at several institutions, including Georgia Tech, Yale, Harvard and Rice, and by serving as a visiting lecturer and critic at Rice, Texas A&M, U of H, and UT Austin. His professional career began at the Houston Planning Department, where he conducted the public hearings for the failed zoning effort in 1961 and was Senior Planner in charge of Comprehensive Planning,

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before leaving to become a partner and head of the Planning Division of the firm of Neuhaus & Taylor. In 1967 he started his own planning consulting firm, Vernon G. Henry & Associates. The firm merged with TBG Partners in November 2008.

Vernon was a Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners. He received numerous other awards and recognitions, including an award for life-time achievement from the Texas Chapter of the American Planning Association. He was honored as the Houston Section Director of APA and President of the Gulf Southwest Chapter, which included Louisiana and Texas. In 1995, he was selected as one of the 50 outstanding graduates of the first 50 years of University of Houston College of Architecture and served on their Advisory Board. He was a C.R.E. – American Society of Real Estate Counselors and a member of the Urban Land Institute.

His interest in Houston and his love for the city was expressed by his involvement in many local civic organizations, such as Trees for Houston, the Houston Chamber of Commerce/Greater Houston Partnership, the West Houston Association, the Zoo Advisory Board, and the Greater Houston Builders Association. He was Vice-Chairman of the Houston Parks Green Ribbon Committee, President of the Houston Architecture Foundation, President of the Boulevard Oaks Civic Association, and President and Chairman of the Board of the Park People. For 28 years, he was on the Board of Directors of the Zoological Society of Houston, President for 5 years, and Chair of the Building Committee when several popular new exhibits were constructed. Vernon participated in several U.S. Hot Air Balloon Championships, crewed in three World Championships, and was President of the Houston Balloon Pilots Association.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Mary Lou, wife Kristin, and son Paul Alex, his sisters Reba Speights, Carol and husband Bruce Bryant. He was the favorite uncle of numerous nieces and nephews.

Did someone mention jobs?

By Lori Lee, Editor

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act passed earlier this year is supposed to create about 3-4 million jobs. In the meantime, collective fingers are strumming, wondering what types of jobs they will be, where they will be going, how they will affect our communities, and how many will actually protect the environment?

Here's how it's supposed to work. The funds will be distributed to four sectors: Energy, infrastructure, healthcare and education. Of this, it is the EPA's allotment that will affect planners most. Their 7.22 billion will focus on cleaning up air and drinking water, while improving the sustainability of urban and rural redevelopment. \$4 billion will go to communities to improve water quality and wastewater infrastructure, \$2 billion for drinking water infrastructure, and with a portion targeting green infrastructure, water, energy efficiency and environmental innovation. About \$300 million will establish grants to reduce diesel emissions, \$100 million for brownfield projects, \$600 million to cleanup hazardous waste sites, and \$200 million to clean up leaks from underground storage tanks.

The law seeks action by moving the funds to states speedily and awarding monies to projects that can be done quickly. Of the \$16,500,000 Texas is designated to receive, we have already received almost \$9,500,000.00. Grants will be awarded to state, regional, local governments, tribal agencies and non-profits, creating a number of jobs in the construction industry, as well as transportation planning, environmental planning and engineering.

Oversight. The EPA's Inspector General is designated to receive \$20 million for oversight and review. Announcements will be made via the web to ensure transparency.

Thinking of jobs that high-speed rail could create . . . in Texas? Californians have already been planning for high-speed rail, so timing is good on their part. Texans, on the other hand, have been merely daydreaming about it. Is Texas a good candidate? Absolutely--What state is more spread out than Texas? With major Texas cities 2-3 hours apart, high-speed rail is well overdue. But can we compete with other states for the federal money designated to *promote intercity passenger rail*? Though this Spring, Texas lawmakers did pass a bill calling for a passenger-rail strategy, we are behind in the game. Washington wants action and is offering \$ 8 billion plus \$5 billion in coming years to fund projects that are ready to go. This means Texas must compete with states like California, who've been planning for high-speed rail for a number of years.

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Two Words: Interstate 75. It shouldn't take too much to convince the Federal government that we need the funds. Just have them take a look at our diverse wildlife, our wide open spaces, our traffic congestion traversing such spaces between major cities, and our corresponding lack of air quality. After all, Texas ranks as the top source of greenhouse gasses in the nation. These are issues that most Texans could discuss all day. However, skeptics are concerned with low rail ridership in Texas. Though it has increased recently, truth be told, if there is a lack of ridership in Texas, it's probably due to the inefficiency of the current system. Few Texans that I know would dare take rail because it is very slow, very cumbersome and very inconvenient.

The president's vision sounds ideal: *whisking through towns at speeds over 100 miles an hour, walking only a few steps to public transportation, and ending up just blocks from your destination.* But the President acknowledges the funding is a mere down payment on what he sees for our future, and in reality, will barely cover upgrades to current lines. Still, it is a start, and hopefully, Texans will therefore stop daydreaming about high-speed rail and get busy planning for a new system. Applying for the funding that our government is so graciously offering will definitely get us moving in the right direction, but we must move with Godspeed so that we can get on board when the next round of funding comes along.

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Planning Legislative Updates

By Craig Farmer, FAICP and Phyllis Jarrell, AICP: Co-Chairs, Legislative Committee
Texas Chapter/American Planning Association, as an affiliate of the Texas Municipal League
June 25, 2009

Following are the final results of some of the Planning Related Bills listed on the TML Legislative Report. With the exception of the fire sprinkler bill, most of the bills that the governor signed were good for Texas planning, and fortunately, the majority of the bad bills did not make it to his desk. This does not include eminent domain and transportation bills.

Affordable Housing

H.B. 1029 (Rodriguez) 06/19/2009, signed and effective immediately – would allow a public improvement district project to include the development, rehabilitation, or expansion of affordable housing.

H.B. 1029 (Rodriguez) 6/19/2009, signed and effective immediately - would provide that a public improvement district project may include the development, rehabilitation, or expansion of affordable housing. S.B. 1410 (Jackson) – Residential Fire Sprinklers: 6/19/2009 Signed and effective (see remarks in legislation) makes various changes to the requirements to obtain a state plumbing license. Of interest to cities, the bill provides, among other things, that, notwithstanding any other provision of state law, after January 1, 2009, a city may not require the installation of a sprinkler system in a new or existing one- or two-family dwelling;

County Development Authority

H.B. 2833 (Marquez) 06/19/2009, signed and effective immediately -- would, for the purpose of preventing the proliferation of colonias, authorize certain border counties in certain circumstances to regulate residential land development in the unincorporated area of the county, and would authorize certain cities in certain border counties, in certain circumstances, to regulate residential land development in the city's extraterritorial jurisdiction. (Companion bill is S.B. 1370 by Lucio.)

Group Homes

H.B. 216 (Menendez) Facilities Providing Personal Care Services, signed 6/19/2009 – Would add regulations for *Boarding Houses* as facilities that rent to 4 or more elderly or disabled persons where assistance with meals, housekeeping, transportation and other services are provided, but not personal care services (bathing, assistance with dressing and eating, administering medications). Boarding houses must register with the State and are subject to at least one unannounced inspection annually. The bill adds rules for training of employees and reporting requirements, along with criminal penalties. This bill now is a companion to SB 1521.

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Gas Pipelines

H.B. 2572 (Gonzalez Toureilles) 06/19/09, signed and effective immediately -- provides that a gas corporation has the right to lay and maintain lines over, along, under, and across a public road, a railroad, railroad right-of-way, an interurban railroad, a street railroad, a canal or stream, or a municipal street or alley only if: (1) the pipeline complies with all safety regulations adopted by the Railroad Commission of Texas, all federal regulations relating to pipeline facilities and pipelines, all rules adopted by the Texas Department of Transportation or the Railroad Commission of Texas, and all federal regulations regarding the accommodation of utility facilities on a right-of-way, including regulations relating to the horizontal or vertical placement of the pipeline; and (2) the owner or operator of the pipeline ensures that the public right-of-way and any associated facility are promptly restored to their former condition of usefulness after the installation or maintenance of the pipeline. The bill also provides that the right described above, relating to the use of a municipal street or alley, is subject to the payment of franchise charges and fees in accordance with state law. Further, the bill provides that in determining the route of a pipeline within a municipality, a gas corporation shall consider using existing easements and public rights-of-way, including streets, roads, highways, and utility rights-of-way if the use is economically practicable, adequate space exists, and the use will not violate any pipeline safety regulations. Finally, the Texas Department of Transportation may require the owner or operator of a pipeline to relocate the pipeline at the owner or operator's expense in most cases. S.B. 686 – Gas Pipelines: Vetoed by the Governor -- this bill applies to a natural gas pipeline located or proposed to be located in: (1) a county in which a part of the Barnett Shale natural gas field is known to be located; Similar to H.B. 2572 but relates to TXDOT facilities.

Public Improvement Districts

H.B. 621 (Elkins), signed 6/19/2009 and effective immediately -- would make the following changes to public improvement district law: (1) permit, but not require, level annual installment payment of assessments; (2) permit the city council that created a district to determine which events trigger the running of interest on assessments; (3) provide that assessment liens run with the land; (4) provide that assessment liens are not extinguished by tax foreclosure; (5) permit the use of sale contracts and time warrants for financing of long-term district costs; and (6) permit certain corporations to manage districts.

Sexually Oriented Businesses

H.B. 960 (Anchia) 6/19/2009, signed and effective immediately -- would provide that a city or county that requires a sexually oriented business to obtain a license or other permit is entitled to obtain from the Texas Department of Public Safety criminal history record information that relates to a person who: (1) is an applicant for a license or other permit from the city or county; (2) is the holder of a license or other permit from the city or county; or (3) requests a determination of eligibility for a license or other permit from the city or county.

Signs

H.B. 875 (Eissler) 5/20/2009, signed and effective immediately -- would allow a city to recover attorney's fees in a lawsuit against a sign-owner for violations of state sign laws.

Tax Abatements

H.B. 773 (Oliveira) – Tax Abatements: 6/19/2009, signed and effective immediately -- would extend the authority of taxing units, including cities, to grant tax abatements until September 1, 2019.

(Note: under current law, the authority to grant tax abatements is set to expire on September 1, 2009.) Also, H.B. 3896 (6/19/2009 Signed and effective immediately) extends the authority of cities to enter into new tax abatement agreements until September 1, 2019. The bill also permits a city to defer the commencement date of a tax abatement period. S.B. 1458 – 6/19/2009 Signed and effective immediately Tax Abatement: this bill is substantially the same as H.B. 3896, above.

Tax Increment Financing/Economic Development

H.B. 3072 (Geren) – Economic Development: 06/19/2009, signed and effective immediately -- would permit cities under 20,000 population to transfer real property to a 4A or 4B economic development corporation without bidding or auction provided there is an agreement between the city and the corporation to use the land in a manner that primarily promotes a public purpose of the city. The deed contains a reverter clause should the land cease to be used for a public purpose of the city.

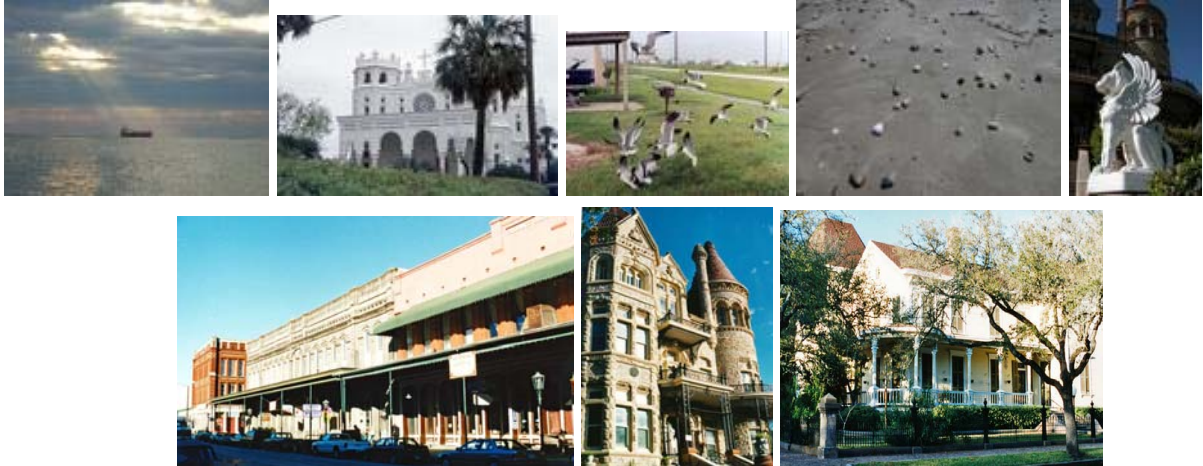
S.B. 576 (Davis) – Tax Increment Financing: 6/19/2009, signed, effective immediately -would: (1) add roads, sidewalks, and other infrastructure to the list of permissible costs related to project plans; (2) prohibit a tax increment plan from providing for payment to a neighborhood enterprise association; (3) permit a city to grant tax exemptions within a tax increment zone in lieu of paying any increment into the increment fund. Also, allowed projects inside and outside of the TIRZ. (Companion bill is H.B. 146 by T. Smith.)

The Texas Legislative Service was founded in 1924 under the motto "Nulla Lex Sine Luce" which translated means "No law without light".....From their website.

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This year's conference is planned for Galveston from October 6th to 10th

By David Hoover, Chapter Conference Coordinator



As you all know, Galveston was the choice for last year's conference, and Hurricane Ike spoiled the fun. El Paso stepped up, however, and we had a great time due to extraordinary efforts to put a Conference together in record time. So we are back again planning for a terrific time in Galveston. Recovery efforts are in full swing on the Island. The hotels and conference center are in tip-top shape. Restaurants are open, activities are plentiful, and we are ready for a great conference. Lots of new ideas are incorporated into this year's venue.

Mornings will consist of two plenary sessions each, instead of the usual one. Speakers from all over the country are participating. Phil Myrick, from The Project for Public Spaces in New York City, Gary Lawrence from Arup, an Urban Strategies leader from Seattle Washington, and the Conference keynote speaker, Dr. Ray Perryman--Texas' own world renowned economist. Local Planning and Economic Development staff will talk about what's going on in Galveston, and Betty Massey, Chair of the Galveston Hurricane Recovery Committee, will explain the enormous undertaking of managing a committee of over 300 people over a three-month period to develop a blueprint for the Island recovery efforts. This was truly an incredible process you will want to hear about. Five tracks, including transportation land use, sustainability, legal tidbits, disaster planning and mitigation, and a planner's toolbox, make up the afternoon sessions, which also include two tracks for planning commissioners.

Night-time activities include an opening reception at the San Luis Resort, poolside at the H2O Lounge, with entertainment by Riptide. Come dressed in 60s attire for a great beach party. Reach back a little farther in the closet for some 40's attire for a Thursday night reception at the Lone Star Flight Museum, with entertainment by Ezra Charles and his band. The museum is full of WWII fighters, bombers, liaison trainers, and executive aircraft that can be seen close up during the night. Pay special attention to the B-17 and B-25, as we will be giving away rides on these two planes during the conference. Rides will be on Saturday morning. Friday is a night at the Elissa and the Seaport Museum. The Elissa is an 1877 Barque that has been restored and sails frequently around the Gulf. It is a floating National Landmark that has been designated as one of America's treasures by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Only a few of us can dig back deep enough in the closet to come up with late 1800's attire but give it a shot.

Also included for the Conference this year are ESRI-sponsored GIS workshops, an AICP Exam prep workshop, and for the first time ever, a Strategy Management Training session for planning directors, assistant directors, or equivalents. Space for these will be limited so get your reservations in early. Finally, there are several mobile workshops being offered including a walking tour of the Strand Historic District, an overview of Hurricane Ike damage and recovery efforts, a Coastal Preservation efforts tour, a tour of new urbanism on the Gulf Coast, and a special tour of NASA. All of these are space limited, so don't miss out.

All in all, this promises to be one of the best conferences ever. Come support Galveston's recovery efforts, socialize, commiserate, and exchange ideas with fellow planners and commissioners, and just have an all around good time.

Check out the website at www.TxPlanning.org for detailed information and scheduling. See you there.

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Message from the President

The APA Texas Board of Directors held its Spring Board Meeting in Rockport on May 30, 2009. The Lighthouse Inn on Aransas Bay provided an ideal setting for our weekend retreat. A full day's business was conducted on Saturday, and the evenings gave us a chance to sample local seafood and enjoy the company of friends and colleagues.

The following is a report on the Board Meeting and other news from Chapter leadership.

2009 Chapter Conference

The 2009 Conference is scheduled for October 7-10 in Galveston. The preliminary program is nearing completion, and we plan to open early registration in mid-July. Updated information will be distributed via ListServe announcements and posted on the Chapter website, www.txplanning.org.

2010 Chapter Conference

The 2010 Conference will be held in San Antonio in October 2010. The Chapter Executive Committee is scheduled to complete site visits and select the conference venue in July.

Proposed East Texas Section

The Board accepted a petition from a group of planners in Tyler, Longview and other East Texas communities to form a new APA Section. If approved by the Board, the East Texas Section would be comprised of the eastern portion of the current North Central Section and the northern portion of the Southeast Section. The southern portion of the Southeast Section would be added to the Houston Section. The Board is considering this realignment for several reasons. There is an active group of APA members in East Texas that currently have to travel to the Dallas area for most Section activities. We believe there is a large enough population of planners in the region to maintain a viable Section. The Southeast Section has low membership and has been inactive for many years. These changes would give all members in the area an opportunity to be served by an active Section again. Final action will be taken by the Board in October.

APA Texas Action Plan Adopted

The Board of Directors adopted the updated APA Texas Action Plan on May 30. This strategic planning document identifies five major topic areas (Professional Development, Annual Conference, Communications & Outreach, Legislative Affairs and Partnerships), with corresponding goals. A draft version of the Action Plan was printed as part of my column in the Spring 2009 edition of the newsletter. The adopted version will be available soon on the Chapter website.

By-Laws Updates

The Board discussed the need to update the Chapter's By-laws in the following areas: 1) Update Chapter nomenclature to conform to APA National's Branding Policy (change references from TxAPA to APA Texas), 2) clarify that the Chapter budget is to be adopted by the Board of Directors, not the Executive Committee, 3) provide for the use of electronic ballots and electronic notice to members for elections and by-laws amendments, and 4) change the number of Board Members needed for a quorum to a majority of elected officers (President, President-Elect, Past President, Secretary and Treasurer) and elected Section Directors. There are a total of 14 elected positions. The new quorum would be 8.

Committee Appointments

The Board of Directors ratified my appointment of a Nominating Committee and an FAICP Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will identify candidates to run for President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and TML Affiliate Director in Chapter elections to be conducted this summer. Committee members include Veronica Rosales-Soto (Chair), David Hoover, Phyllis Jarrell and Cameron Walker. The FAICP Nominating Committee will select AICP members to be nominated for induction into the AICP.

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College of Fellows. Committee members include Dick Lillie (Chair), Tim Dolan, Craig Farmer, Trey Fletcher, Lindsey Guindi, David Gattis, Mike McAnelly, Jeff Taebel and Sara Jane White.

New CM Coordinator Position

Finally, I would like to announce the appointment of Marc Kurbansade, AICP to the newly created position of Certification Maintenance (CM) Coordinator for APA Texas. Marc will assist Professional Development Officer (PDO) Mike McAnelly with all matters related to AICP Certification Maintenance.

That's the latest from APA Texas. Until next quarter, I hope you all have a great summer.



John K. Kaminski, AICP
Chapter President
APA Texas

Treasurer's Report

By Lee Battle, AICP

The Chapter uses its financial resources to operate programs that benefit members and support planning in Texas. The primary revenue sources for the Chapter are membership dues and State conference proceeds. Last year was a good year for the Chapter's finances. Due to a steady membership and record attendance at the State Conference in Addison, the Chapter found itself with excess revenues. With these extra revenues the Chapter is exploring additional professional development activities and continuing to support accredited university programs.

This year, the Chapter is also going through procedural changes related to financial management. Recent changes in the IRS rules for non-profit organizations have caused the Chapter to evaluate and update its financial procedures. The Chapter has contracted with a professional CPA firm and is in the process of developing new procedures that will ensure compliance. One change will be the process used to fund Section activities. Historically there have been minimal requirements for Section budgeting or financial reporting. However it has become necessary to ensure appropriate methods of accountability exist and a new process is being developed that will necessitate more participation of Sections in budgeting and financial reporting. The Chapter places immense value on the great activities being implemented locally around the State. While the financial procedures may change, the Board has made it clear that there is a strong desire to enhance funding to local activities. There are many details to be worked out, but the results will help the Chapter better serve members and stay in compliance with federal IRS regulations.

Current trends show that membership is remaining steady. In addition, this year's conference in El Paso was very successful and will allow the Chapter to continue implementing activities to support members. Only time will tell, but it appears that the Chapter finances will remain strong despite the uncertainties of the current economy.

The Texas APA Board continues to strive to be good stewards of our financial resources and seeks the best possible value in implementing activities that benefit Texas APA members and promotes planning throughout the State.

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APA Texas Chapter Conference October 6-10

See feature article, page 6, this issue for more information, and go to www.txplanning.org for further details and scheduling.



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Join Artscape for the third installment of the Creative Places + Spaces Conference, one of the world's leading forums on creativity. Under the theme of 'The Collaborative City', this multi-media, interactive, art-infused experience is designed to inspire and connect thinkers and practitioners working to build vibrant and creative places. If you are interested in building bridges across boundaries in order to solve problems, generate new ideas, and foster transformation, visit our website to register for a crash course in the global groundswell around collaboration.

Who Should Attend. The Collaborative City experience will appeal to a diverse range of delegates. We are excited to bring together arts, culture and creative sector champions, business leaders and social entrepreneurs, academics and advocates for creative education political and community visionaries, science and new media innovators and social sector mavericks

Speakers. At Creative Places + Spaces, delegates and speakers will have the opportunity to hear, see, practice and exchange global perspectives on collaboration. We're excited to feature a roster of incredible speakers including: His Worship Mayor David Miller, Sir Ken Robinson, Lyn Heward, Richard Florida, Charles Landry, David Buckland, National Film Board, Tom Wujec, Ajay Agrawal, Aled Edwards, Gerry Flahive, Katerina Cizek and Ilse Treurnicht.

Registration. Creative Places + Spaces is pleased to offer delegates a variety of registration options. Delegates are welcome to register for the full conference, or mix-&-match their own conference experience. Registrations start at \$595 for the Full Conference including the unConference and Collaborative Dinner and are transferable. Registrations for Day One Only start at \$300 and tickets for the Collaborative Dinner may be purchased for \$75. Please note that Early Bird Registration closes on July 16, 2009.

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