



July/August 2015 Newsletter

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Feature Article:

Michigan Architectural Foundation Rae Dumke Children's Book Collection Coming Soon!



The Michigan Architectural Foundation Rae Dumke Children's Book Collection "Build Imagination" will be launched in conjunction with the Children's Block Party at the Baldwin Library, at 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham, on Saturday, September 26, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Books, Legos, fun activities and refreshments will be part of the morning festivities.

The "Build Imagination" Collection includes 100 books targeting preschool through 8th grade, and is

the second collection, following the [100 Essential Architecture Books](#), funded through the [Rae Dumke Fund within the MAF](#). The primary source of funding has been through the [MAF Dumke Golf Open](#), an annual event, chaired by Bob Washer, Hon. Affiliate AIA Michigan and Vice President of the MAF. This year, the event was held at the Western Country Club in Redford with 84 golfers participating on a warm June day. The proceeds, almost \$10,000, will be divided between MAF and the Dumke Fund to promote architectural awareness, which is exactly the aim of this library project.

The collection housed at The Baldwin Library will be available statewide through the library network. Additional small collections of 25 "Build Imagination" books will be given to the Glen Lake and Leland libraries in Leelanau County, Michigan where Rae resides, and the Mackinac Island Public Library, where AIA Michigan and MAF have a long tradition of supporting Island projects like the Biddle House, hosting events at Fort Mackinac and touring some of the historic architectural cottages on the Island.

Special thanks to our partners Doug Koschik, Library Director, and Stephanie Miller, Youth Director at Baldwin Library, Committee Members Alan Cobb, FAIA, Steve Smith, AIA, Jeffrey Ryntz, Associate; Co-Chairs Michelle Saroki, Hon. Affiliate Member AIA Michigan, and Rae Dumke, Hon. AIA; Heidi Pfannes, Albert Kahn Associates, designer of the bookplate and spine label; and Dennis M. King, FAIA for naming the collection "Build Imagination".

Within the next couple of months there will be a link from the MAF and AIA Michigan websites to the Baldwin Library for the complete collection information. Watch for further details.....

“Architecture: It’s Elementary” Updated



The K-5 Program Committee recently updated the online curriculum “Architecture: It’s Elementary” posted on the MAF website ([click here to check it out!](#)).

Shortly afterwards, we received this note of encouragement:

Thanks so much for posting and sharing your "Architecture: It's Elementary" curriculum. My second grader told me a few weeks ago that he wants to study "building things", and I had no clue where to start looking for good resources or curriculum. Thankfully I had been looking for less than an hour when the search engine directed me to your website. I live outside of Michigan, but am so delighted to have the educational tools you created, to further my son's love for building and figuring out how things are made and built.

Sincerely, Jolene Miller

Another interesting educational offering is the ArchiTreks program. [Click here to learn more and check out the videos.](#)

History is everywhere in Michigan – Go Explore!

Taken from article by Chuck Carlson, Battle Creek Enquirer

“We don’t have Revolutionary War or Civil War sites, but in terms of the opening of the western frontier, Michigan is a prime example of western migration,” says Mary Butler, a long-time Battle Creek historian. “We go from early pre-settlements to the extraordinary industrialization in Detroit. We cover in a microcosm the whole history of the nation from early explorers to a great industrial nation. You can find it all in one place.”

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