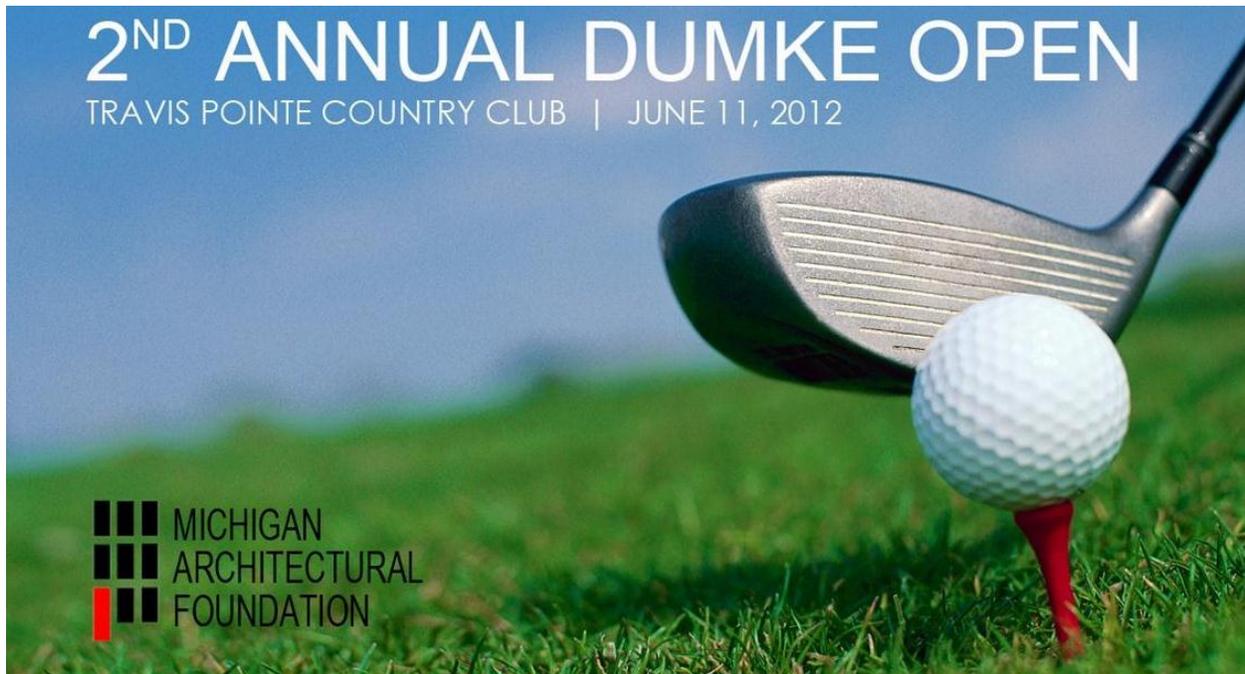




May 2012 Newsletter

Register Now for the Dumke Open!



[Dumke Open](#), June 11, 2012 at Travis Pointe

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AIA Michigan Recognizes 2012 Design Award Winners

Michigan AIA is recognizing its 2012 architectural design award winners at their annual celebration on Friday, June 8, 2012 at 6:30pm.

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Renovating the Affleck House



Lawrence Technological University students continue their work stewarding and renovating the Affleck House.

The first Frank Lloyd Wright-designed house to be built in the Detroit metropolitan area, the [Affleck House](#) represents one of the finest examples in the world of the architect's Usonian style, the last great period of Wright's career. Designed to exist in harmony with the home's site and nature, the Affleck House was a part of Wright's attempt to meet the need for low-cost housing for the average American. The importance of the house is borne by the fact that it was placed on the Michigan Register of Historic Places in 1978 and the National Register of Historic Places in 1985. The Michigan Society of Architects includes the house among Michigan's 50 most significant structures. For more information about the history of this structure, [click here](#).

Built by Gregor S. and Elizabeth B. Affleck, the house was donated to Lawrence Technological University in 1978 by their children, Mary Ann Affleck Lutomski and Gregor P. Affleck, for use as a teaching resource for the University's College of Architecture and Design faculty and students. Over the years, architecture students have lived in the house to provide access to the public, give tours, and advance the University's research and restoration efforts.

In 2010, the Michigan Architectural Foundation awarded Lawrence Technological University a \$7,500 grant for students to recreate furniture for the University's Affleck House in Bloomfield Hills. Currently, Lawrence Tech College of Architecture and Design alumnus Frederick F. Butters, FAIA, is handcrafting 100 limited edition pens exclusively for Affleck House enthusiasts. Each pen will be a natural work of art, distinguished by the unique grain pattern of the old growth, tidewater red cypress siding removed from the house during a recent renovation. All proceeds will be used to support crucial renovations to the Affleck House.

[Click here](#) for more information.

Educational Facilities Innovation Conference “Upgrading Michigan Schools in a Changing Economy”

**Monday, June 25 & Tuesday, June 26
Kellogg Center, East Lansing**

The Educational Facilities Conference is held to provide educators, school board members, educational planners, school administrators, architects, engineers, construction managers, and other interested professionals with the latest available information which will assist them in planning, designing and constructing educational facilities.

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