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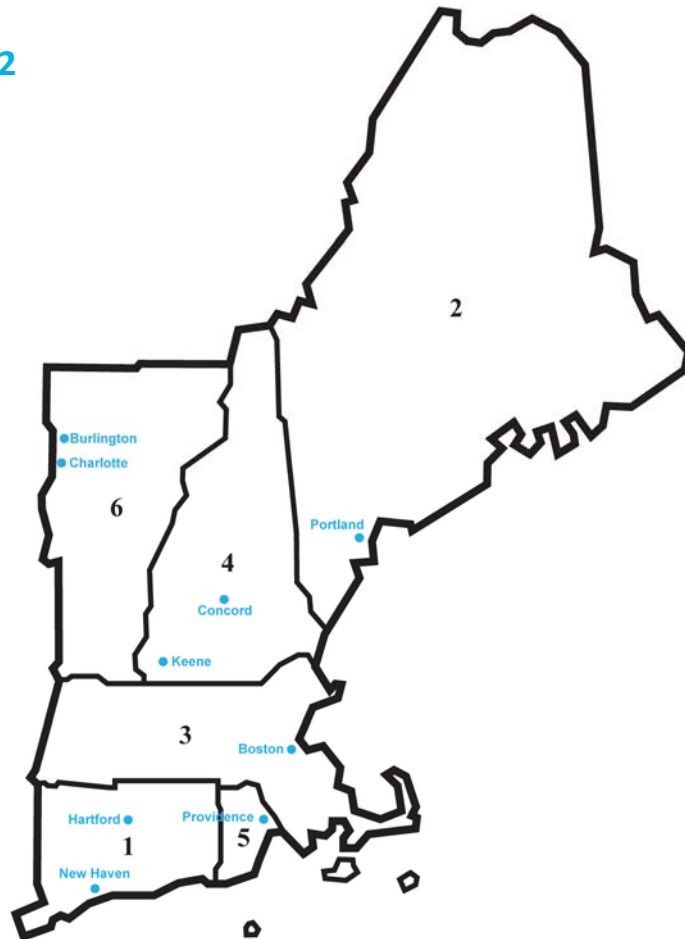
Young Architects Forum **Regional Director Report**

New England Region: 1st Quarter 2012

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2012 Actions + Activities

Events since last quarter

- February 6th Augusta, ME NCARB & You: IDP, ARE & Certification
- February 8th Manchester, NH NCARB & You: IDP, ARE & Certification
- February 16th Boston, MA EPNet steering committee

Upcoming Events for 2nd Quarter

- February 22nd New Haven, CT ARE Review Series Lecture: Site Planning & Design
- February 29th Boston Society of Architects, NCARB & You: IDP, ARE & Certification
- February 29th Boston Society of Architects, EPNet kickoff
- March 5-7 YAF Summit, Washington D.C.
- March 7-9 Grassroots, Washington D.C.

Goals for the 2nd Quarter

- Hold conference calls every two months to assist State Chairpersons with their activities and goals:
 - ~ Communications Network – e-mail, social networks
 - ~ Structured events - Design competitions, panel discussions, lectures, site visits
- Continue conversations with Casey Nicholson the AIA Regional Associate Director (RAD) and Glenn Gregg about mentorship programs for the New England states.

January 18th

YAF Regional Directors Conference Call

- Organizing the YAF Summit for Grassroots 2012
- WEAVE as it relates to YAF and how it could help the region

January 20th

New Hampshire AIA Gala

- Emerging Professionals Award was announced
 - ~ 1st place: Adam Lemire, Wilmington, VT
 - ~ 2nd place tie: Nathan Stolarz, Cambridge, MA & Andrew Queen, Hookset, NH
- Met several young professionals from previous Draughting club meetings and many new young professionals, some from Vermont!



February 8th

Manchester, New Hampshire
Attended NCARB & You: IDP, ARE & Certification

- 17 in attendance
- The New England Region does not have separate representation for Associates and newly licensed architects. I have decided that in order to proceed forward we need to take a few steps back to strengthen the regions emerging professionals. IDP and ARE is the item that is foremost on an Associates career path. The meeting was very informational.
- I would like to encourage each state to engage their NCARB representative for information sessions as they see fit for their state, making sure to consider each region. http://www.ncarb.org/Experience-Through-Internships/~media/Files/PDF/IDP/IDP-Coordinators/IDP_State_Coordinator.pdf



February 21st

Hosted a conference call with regional Chairs:

5 attendees

- Casey Nicholson, RAD
- Brian Baril, Connecticut
- Cynthia Murphy, BSA
- Melissa Morancy, New Hampshire
- Cam Featherstonhaugh, Vermont

Topics of discussion:

- Communication
 - ~ Within each state - Facebook, e-mail, Meet-up
 - ~ Across borders - We will try to set up a master EPN events calendar on AIA New England
- Activities that attract young professionals
 - ~ ARE study groups
 - ~ Design Competitions
 - ~ Roundtables
 - ~ Firm, Project & Historic Tours
- Community - getting involved
 - ~ Habitat for Humanity
 - ~ Architecture for Humanity
 - ~ Other young professional networks - interior design, landscape design, construction field
- Challenges within states
 - ~ Geographically fractured states; how to get cores to branch to others
 - ~ Rural states - distance
 - ~ Financing / Sponsorship

END OF REPORT

