

## SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION TO INCREASE

ACCORDING TO THE 2003 U.S. Census Bureau and Dept. of Education, America's classroom population is estimated to be 49.5 million., higher than any other time in U.S. history. This number is expected to increase and peak at 50 million in 2014. If these estimates hold true, the U.S. education system will need an additional 3,125 classrooms per year for the next eight years, in addition to replacement and renovation needs. Almost 41% of the modular construction market came from education in 2005 and that trends appears it will continue with the need for classrooms skyrocketing. Many of our existing schools are in deplorable condition and create fire and life safety hazards. As I have predicted before, it's just a matter of time until we have a tragic school fire.



## LEARNING @ LUNCH



I will personally present a 1-hour **FREE** program on the "*Selected Interpretations Of The International Building Code*" on-site at your office. You provide the meeting room and lunch (or brown bag it). This course is good for 1 credit hour towards AIA/CES-H.S.W. Each person attending will receive hand-out materials. A Question & Answer session will follow.

Please call me @ **1-800-950-2633** and let's schedule a date.

## LAW REVIEW

**MINNESOTA** - THE STATE Court of Appeals upheld the criminal conviction of a construction company's CEO for violations of the *Uniform Building Code*. The CEO was sentenced to pay a fine and serve 90 days in jail (with 80 days stayed pending compliance with the sentencing conditions. The case came about when code officials determined that the foundation in some of the units were lower than permitted by the code. The deficient elevations allowed foundation water to pool in the units, driveways and garages. The CEO was cited for three misdemeanor violations and pleaded not guilty. The court ruled that the CEO was responsible based on the "responsible corporate officer doctrine" because he has the power to prevent or cure the violations.

*Reference: State v. Arkell, 657 N. W. 2d 883 (Minn. Ct. App. 2003)*

## 2006 IBC SEMINAR THIS FALL

DON'T FORGET TO register for my **NEW** one-day seminar "*Principles of the International Building Code - 2003 to 2006*". Go to our web site: [www.codexperts.net](http://www.codexperts.net) and click "Seminars" and download the Registration Form. Course awards 6 AIA/CES credit hours, Space Is Limited.

  
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