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• WELCOME BACK!
Spring semester is underway and it’s great to see everyone back. If you are short on drawing supplies, please check out the items for sale through the architecture department. Hardcover sketchbooks 9 x 6 inches are available for $8, 8.5 x 11-inch sketchbooks are $10. Rolls of yellow trace 18 inches by 20 yards are for sale for $5! Please see Professor Fuller or Jen Schaefer if you’d like to make a purchase. Small drafting boards are also for sale.

• JON PICKARD LECTURE
Architect Jon Pickard will lecture on Wednesday, February 11, on the “Sustainable Race to the Sky.” The lecture will begin at 6 PM in Wilde Auditorium and is open to the public. Pickard has designed a number of high-rise projects around the world. Prior to founding the firm Pickard Chilton in New Haven, Connecticut, with his partner Bill Chilton, Pickard collaborated with Cesar Pelli in the design of numerous landmark and award-winning projects, including the World Financial Center in New York and the Petronas Towers in Kuala Lumpur.

• AIAS MEETING ON TUESDAY
The semester’s first meeting of the local chapter of the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS) is scheduled for Tuesday, January 27, in the studio at 12:30 PM. All architecture students are invited and encouraged to attend. On the meeting agenda will be a discussion of “Freedom by Design,” an AIAS community service program that utilizes the talents of architecture students to radically affect the lives of people in their community through modest design and construction solutions. Vital modifications are made to enhance the homes of low-income elderly and disabled individuals by addressing their struggles with everyday tasks such as bathing, using stairs, and opening doors. The Freedom by Design initiative teaches students how to solve accessibility issues while providing them with the real world experience of working with a client, mentorship from a local architect and builder, and an understanding of the practical impact of architecture and design. Come to the meeting to learn more about getting involved in a community project.

• BE NICE
Remember in studio to respect each other’s property and to do a weekly pick-up of trash. It’s your home away from home—please make it comfortable.