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We lose a master of good architecture for good causes. -- Making brownfields green. -- The greening of the world’s largest garbage dump. -- Demand for high-end housing in St. Petersburg (Russia - not Florida) on the rise. -- More kudos for Koolhaas campus. -- Dorms get dandy. -- Two positive takes on Chicago’s Soldier Field: “…a model for cities that are looking toward architecture to strengthen their identities as contemporary cultural centers;” and the architects are “damned proud.” -- Natural light and nature for a university surgery pavilion. -- Nominate your favorite building in Boston. -- A professor who builds, too. -- A new president for Sasaki Associates. -- On exhibit: the Twin Towers and an architect who turned “concrete blocks…into rather lyrical compositions.” -- New books about Fallingwater and Rockefeller Center.

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Obituary: John Wiebenson/Wiebenson & Dorman Architects: Benevolent
Architect Dies Toiling at Charitable Site- Washington Post

Brownfields 2003: Growing a Greener America - October 27-29, Portland, Oregon- Environmental News Network

Green Dream; [Mayor's] Park Plan for Staten Island Dump; [will be] decades before Fresh Kills - once the world's largest garbage dump - is entirely transformed. - Field Operations [images]- New York Post

St. Petersburg Sees Increasing Demand for Elite Apartments- St. Petersburg Times (Russia)

Koolhaas Rock: Walking through the new IIT student center is like entering the late Mies van der Rohe's head. - Chicago Sun-Times

As College Enrollment Rises, New Dorms Get Fancy - Angelo Francis Cone & Associates; Fletcher-Thompson; Trinhauser; Estenson & Kappell (TEK); Urbahn Architects- New York Times

Scrimmage in Chicago Between Old and New Soldier Field...a major breakthrough: the liberation of sports architecture from sports architects. By Herbert Muschamp - Wood + Zapata; Dirk Lohan- New York Times

Curtain rises on Soldier Field 'opera house': The intimacy of the stadium is the feature [the architects] are most proud of. - Wood + Zapata- Chicago Sun-Times

Surgery Pavilion houses cutting-edge technology [and] designed to blend into the natural landscape - NBBJ; Richard Keating [image]- The Daily (Univ. of Washington)

Call for Nominations: 75 years of modern and contemporary Boston-area architecture: Deadline: October 17- Boston Society of Architects

Professor's reputation as architect building: Unusual projects add dimension to teaching credentials - Peter Pran/NBBJ [images]- Lawrence Journal-World (Kansas)

Dennis Pieprz named Sasaki president- TownOnline (Massachusetts)


Exhibition: "The Architecture of Donald Singer: Concrete Places in a Landscape of Illusions": turned concrete to simple elegance- Miami Herald

Book Review: "Fallingwater Rising": Behind a Masterpiece, a Merchant and a Modernist - Frank Lloyd Wright- New York Times

Book Review: 'Great Fortune': How Rockefeller Center Came to Be- New York Times

Survival of the Fittest: Efficient and effective support staff adds dollars to your bottom line.- ArchNewsNow

- Inauguration: Frank O. Gehry: Maggie's Centre, Dundee, Scotland
- Construction start: Diller + Scofidio: Quadrant House, Phoenix, Arizona
- The Camera: Photo Essay by Gerald Zugmann: The Brion Tomb by Carlo Scarpa
- Exhibition: Schindler's Paradise: Architectural Resistance, MAK Center, Los Angeles

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