Today's News - October 8, 2003

What's in a name like WTC. -- Exhibit showcases plans to transform the Big Apple. -- Redevelopment in East Perth, Australia misses the mark. -- A stellar panel for architecture and public policy symposium at Princeton. -- Conference on sustainability in Stockholm. -- Superficial "Supercities." -- Fractals for future planning. -- Unlikely alliance builds affordable solar housing. -- What office tenants really want. -- New Yorkers take on Milwaukee. -- And yet another campus transformation. -- Copycat McMansion can cost dearly. -- Copycat architect who brought Prairie School architecture to the Caribbean. -- Time to give credit to neglected architect. -- Sydney design competition for tony toilet projects. -- Tiger in the Bronx, alligators in the sewers: NYC wild animal code (we couldn't resist).

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"Starting at Zero: Reinventing the Identity of the World Trade Center Site": What's In A Name? For the WTC, a Lot - Metropolis Magazine

The Bolder, Bigger Apple: Center for Architecture showcases models and drawings... that would transform neighborhoods in all five boroughs. - New York Post

East Perth chance 'missed': new Government Architect has taken a swipe at the redevelopment... as a missed opportunity to create a true urban environment. - Geoffrey London- West Australian

Architecture and Public Policy: A Symposium to Honor Robert Gutman - October 17-18 - Stan Allen/Field Operations; Frank Duffy/DEGW; Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk; Michael Sorkin, etc. - Princeton University

Sustainable Innovation 03: Creating Sustainable Products, Services and Product-Service Systems, Stockholm, Sweden October 27-28- Centre for Sustainable Design

Will Alsop's superficial Supercities scenario: But who died and left him in charge of masterplanning the country? By Ian Abley- audacity.org (UK)

Op-Ed: 'Small-World' Networks and the Fractal City: Biological and digital networks offer important lessons for planners as they design cities for the 21st century. - PLANetizen

Little Solar Houses for You and Me: Working to develop the Volkswagen of solar homes: Tennessee Valley Authority/Oak Ridge National Laboratory/Habitat for Humanity Set a New Standard for Eco-Friendly Homes - Grist Magazine


Major Building Transformations in the Works for UMBC Campus - Ayers Saint Gross Architecture - The Retriever (University of Maryland, Baltimore County)

Realty mogul's mansion stolen: Architect sues builder over replica of Los Angeles real estate broker's home - William Hablinski Architecture - Inman Real Estate News

Prairie School Architecture And Con Artists In The Caribbean - Frank Lloyd Wright; Antonin Nechodoma- Puerto Rico Herald

Stunning rooms of light and space: Let's hear it for the neglected architect Alexander "Greek" Thomson- Telegraph (UK)

Contemporary Maori Architecture panel discussion winds up Wellington Architecture Week 2003 October 12- City Gallery Wellington

Call for entries: Top 10 toilet awards for commercial toilet projects in the Sydney area. Deadline: November 28- Infolink (Australia)

No Elephants, No Even-Toed Ungulates, and No Otter Shrews! NYC Department of Health (Health Code 161.01: Wild animals prohibited)- Manhattan User's Guide

In Full Bloom: San Francisco's Conservatory of Flowers - Architectural Resources Group; Tennebaum-Manheim Engineers [images] - ArchNewsNow

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

-- In construction: Enric Miralles, Embit Arquitectes Associats SL: Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh, Scotland
-- In construction: Renzo Piano Workshop: Pierpont Morgan Library, New York City
-- Hodgetts + Fung: Sinclair Garden Pavilion, Art Center College of Design, Pasadena, California
-- Book: The Villas of Palladio By Giovanni Giacomi, Text by: Kim Williams; Princeton Architectural Press