Today's News - June 8, 2005

EDITORS NOTE: ArchNewsNow will be in Internet-deprived climes for the next two days...we'll be back Monday, June 8. ...A cautionary (fairy) tale of phantom planning in Sydney (starring Virgin Queen and Grand Vizier). -- New Urbanism takes root in Atlanta, but "is the live-work-play concept all it's built up to be?" -- Park-and-rides beginning to blacken greenbelts in U.K. -- Ten lessons learned from nine high-profile healthcare projects. -- For Kamin, Piano's Art Institute of Chicago wing hits almost all the right notes. -- Hawthorne's ode to stadium design: "architectures most dynamic specialty." -- Wichita stadium shortlist is big on locals (teamed with the biggies, of course). -- Coffee cups and cardboard for earth-friendly, affordable homes of the future. -- King explains why Californias reputation for cutting-edge design is deserved or not. -- From Manhattan to Milwaukee: Q&A with Rindler. -- Marvels in miniature at the V&A. -- For your edification and amusement, visit Google.com and join in the celebration of Frank Lloyd Wright's birthday today (the logo alone is worth the trip).

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And lo, the queen did lead them on: The State Government keeps making promises about development but Elizabeth Farrelly fears a phantom plan is afoot. - Sydney Morning Herald

On the trail of a trend: Metro-area residential developers rush to meet demand for mixed-use neighborhoods -- but is the live-work-play concept all it's built up to be? "New Urbanism"...has sowed its seeds all over metro Atlanta. - Atlanta Business Chronicle

Park and ride 'is ruining rural land': Too many sites built on green belt, say environmentalists - Guardian (UK)

Ten Lessons Learned: Two industry veterans draw major conclusions from high-profile health facility projects. By Donald McKahan, AIA, FACHA, and Francis M. Pitts, AIA, FACHA [link to "icons"] - Health Facilities Management

Piano's Art Institute of Chicago wing plays in harmony: Gravity-defying design...Quality like this never goes out of style... By Blair Kamin - Chicago Tribune

That home-field edge: Dodger Stadium, a rarity amid retro cookie-cutters, stands as a venue that uniquely reflects its time and place. It's a model, in its way, for a bold new wave...stadiums will be to the next 20 years what museums have been to the last 20: architecture's most dynamic specialty. By Christopher Hawthorne -- Emil Praeger (1962); Turner Meis + Associates; Herzog & De Meuron; Gehry; Foster, Calatrava, Günther Domengig [images] - Los Angeles Times

Wichita's downtown arena bids draw heavily on area firms: The county has a month to review the proposals of the three finalist teams. -- Schaefer Johnson Cox Frey Architecture/Leo A Daly; Law/Kingdon;/Ellerbe Becket/Berggren Architect; Wilson Darrell Marey/Gossen Livingston/McCluggage Van Sickle & Perry/HOK Sports/HNTB - Wichita Eagle

Earth-friendly Homes: Wake up and smell the Rastra...made from recycled coffee cups. -- Judy Friedman Architect - Seattle Post-Intelligencer

Out of the box: Living in a cardboard box has never looked so good. Melbourne architect Peter Ryan's clever but simple design for a house made largely from cardboard could prove revolutionary.- The Age (Australia)

Contemporary California Architecture: John King explains why California's reputation for cutting-edge design is deserved or not. [audio] - Architecture Radio


June '05 Build Business: Presentations Wanted: Alive, Not Dead. By Carol Doscher

-- Alsop & Partners: Fawood Children's Centre, London, UK
-- Exhibition: "West! Frank Gehry and the Artists of Venice Beach 1962-1978." Weisman Art Museum, Minneapolis

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