

Today's News - July 17, 2006

EDITORS NOTE: Early Tuesday morning travel plans mean we won't be able to do the newsletter...we'll be back on Wednesday. — An exhibition explores our nomadic impulses. — Six finalists named in the Global Green/Brad Pitt green design competition for New Orleans (you can vote for your favorite). — Carbon life cycle study (includes lumber chain) aims to identify potential opportunities to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions. — Warped growth or smart growth in Connecticut: lessons to be found elsewhere. — Jane Jacobs revisited: would she really object to Atlantic Yards? — Expressways vs. boulevards: some pro's and cons. — Kamin is hopeful for Chicago Olympics, but elements of plans "are bone-headed with a capital "B"." — Bringing good design to affordable infill housing doesn't have to add to cost. — A "small" project on Florida campus has Robert Stern talking Wright. — Saving energy is the future of architecture. — Bridges bring out the feminine side of architecture. — Are Britain's lidos about to make a comeback? — Blame the architectural community if Kahn's Trenton Bath House isn't saved (say what?). — Is Chicago really going to let an Adler & Sullivan meet with a wrecking ball? — Sorting out preservation options for Eliot Noyes's house. — Archives from Woodlawn Cemetery go to Columbia: show the "social architecture of death" inspired "a creative outpouring of remarkable artistry, variety and even surprise." — The lofty goals of the Los Angeles Forum for Architecture and Urban Design. — A new biography of Chicago's Millennium Park is "fascinating — and gorgeous."

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[Exhibition Review: "Portable" at Storefront for Art and Architecture: Three artists consider the nomadic impulse to brave the unknown and the sedentary urge to hoard and build. By Laurie Manfra \[images\]- ArchNewsNow](#)

[Global Green USA and Brad Pitt announce six finalists in Sustainable Design Competition for New Orleans -- Brininstool and Lynch: Drew Lang Architects; Schwartz Architecture; MetroStudio; Workshop APD; Eskew, Dumez and Ripple \[images\]- Global Green USA](#)

[Heinz Center Releases Carbon Life Cycle Study: ...a greenhouse gas life cycle analysis of two magazine chains and a dimensional lumber chain \(lumber used for construction, remodeling and do-it-yourself projects\)...to identify potential opportunities to reduce net Greenhouse Gas Emissions \(GHG\) across the product chains.- Environmental News Network](#)

[Confronting a Pattern of Warped Growth: ...1000 Friends of Connecticut...is calling on the state's next governor...to adopt "smarter" policies that will begin directing growth toward existing infrastructure and public transit..."in-fill" development is central to the smart growth philosophy...- New York Times](#)

[Jane Jacobs Revisited: On finally reading The Death and Life of Great American Cities: The mistake made by Jacobs's detractors and acolytes alike is to regard her as a champion of stasis... By Karrie Jacobs- Metropolis Magazine](#)

[Expressways to Boulevards -- A Bad Idea: Toronto progressives turn anti-boulevard, pro-expressway. Likewise in New York... Boulevards...capacity is about 60% lower, and they have more than double the fatality rate...Congress for a New Urban Fad...misleadingly cite some exceptional examples where it makes sense.- Reason](#)

[Chicago's Olympic plans stumble in starting block: It pains me to write this because I want the Olympics in Chicago as much as anybody. But key aspects of this plan are bone-headed with a capital "B"... By Blair Kamin- Chicago Tribune](#)

[Architects show modest budgets don't require modest design: ...the design community is finally beginning to push for innovation in infill housing...if this mini-movement spreads, it could add value to tattered neighborhoods and raise the bar for housing design elsewhere. By Whitney Gould -- AIA Wisconsin; Plunkett Raysich Architects; Habitat for Humanity; Johnsen Schmalig Architects \[slide show\]- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel](#)

[Moving in The Wright Direction: Q&A with Robert A.M. Stern...proud of the Florida Southern College dorm project...a relatively small one for Stern, but he is obviously excited about being asked to work on the campus noted for its Frank Lloyd Wright buildings, the largest single-site collection of Wright's work in the world. \[image\]- The Ledger \(Florida\)](#)

[The renovator: Alex Michaelis won approval for his eco-makeover of David Cameron's home: he explains why saving energy is the future of architecture. -- Alex Michaelis/Michaelis Boyd Associates- Guardian \(UK\)](#)

[Bridging the gender gap: The first Parisian span named for a woman \[Passerelle Simone de Beauvoir\] is feminine in every way — and a great example of a softer, warmer style of building. By Christopher Hume -- Dietmar Feichtinger; Montgomery & Sisam Architects/Delcan; Calatrava; Norman Foster- Toronto Star](#)

[Just add water: There were once 300 lidos across Britain. Could these magnificent art deco palaces be about to make a comeback? By Steve Rose -- Mendelsohn/Chermayeff, Rowbotham and Smithson; Alex Lifschutz; Robert de Busni- Guardian \(UK\)](#)

[A Hard Building to Love Is Harder to Leave: "The architectural community is very quick to raise the cry — 'Save the Bath House, what's going to happen to the Bath House, Louis Kahn, god of architectural gods' — but they've been less productive in terms of coming up with workable solutions."- New York Times](#)

[Adler & Sullivan's Last Frame House \[Harvey House\] On Hit List: What do you give one of history's greatest architects for his 150th birthday? If the city is Chicago and the architect Louis Sullivan, the gift could wind up being one less surviving building. By Lynn Becker \[images\]- Repeat \(Chicago\)](#)

[Family Comes First: Threatened by a raging real estate market, the Eliot Noyes house faces an uncertain future as his family begins sorting out its preservation options. \[images\]- Metropolis Magazine](#)

[Forgotten Treasures: An archive's blueprints, drawings, letters and other artifacts conjure](#)

[up the social architecture of Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx...death inspired a creative outpouring of remarkable artistry, variety and even surprise... -- John Russell Pope; E. L. Lutyens; Raymond Hood; Archipenko \[images\]- New York Times](#)

[Theirs is the talk of the city: L.A.'s designers and dreamers tackle the future. Party, anyone? The Los Angeles Forum for Architecture and Urban Design...aims to provide connection between professionals spread out across the L.A. area and create an architectural discourse with the public.- Los Angeles Times](#)

[A fitting biography for a new landmark: "Millennium Park: Creating a Chicago Landmark" by Timothy J. Gilfoyle...is fascinating -- and gorgeous.- Chicago Tribune](#)



[Jean Nouvel/Architectural Alliance: Guthrie Theater, Minneapolis, Minnesota](#)

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