• Sticks and stones (isn't this an industry that just loves controversy): Booth reports on the first day in court in the saga of Chelsea Barracks and that pesky prince; and an architect bemoans all the "painstaking development work" being undone by HRH - not so as to encourage an alternative that most local residents might enjoy more but to pander to a rich."
• Another battle may be brewing over plans for a "vast monument" (taller than Big Ben!) to Battle of Britain.
• Lest we forget the contentious plans for a hockey rink on Toronto's Lower Don Lands waterfront: "The configuration that's been floating around has been scrapped, actually" (instead of 440, only 200 surface parking spots - oh joy).
• Rochon minces no words about hockey rink plans: forget a windowless box, "intelligent, far-reaching alternatives to the suburban-style scheme are needed immediately."
• Zandberg says it's time to bury plans for Museum of Tolerance in Jerusalem along with the bones: it isn't about promoting tolerance, "but rather a desire to repeat the Bilbao effect."
• On a more positive note (we hope), a two-part report on big plans for urban regeneration in Downtown Cairo.
• King on SFMOMA and BAMPFA shortlists: "Experience is important but so is cachet. And if your building opens as your architect's reputation crests - ka-ching!"
• A Fresno architect and students come up with tiny (and inventive) homes for the homeless - now all they need is a place to put them.
• Walker cheers "a slew of inspiring kit-style" classrooms that are modular, eco-friendly - and economical to boot.
• A report from NBM's "For the Greener Good" discussion on green schools (some good news, some not so good).
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• British Columbia in the spotlight with eyefuls of the 2010 ABC Architectural Awards; and Olin's 1992 Bryant Park in NYC wins ASLANTHP 2010 Landmark Award.
structures -- some measuring only 80 square feet -- are already under construction...built with recycled materials...working with Fresno State students... -- Arthur Dyson [slide show]- The Fresno Bee (California)

Should Your New Buildings Look Old? The campuses of Jefferson’s republic are lined with bad buildings designed to imitate their older neighbors...some of them are cartoon-grade terrible...An enlightened, engaging, entertaining conversation among designs of different eras is what a 21st-century college or university could - and should - want from its buildings. By Lawrence Biemiller -- Robert A.M. Stern; Einhorn Yaffee Prescott; Le Corbusier; Gordon Bunshaft; Louis Kahn; Paul Rudolph; Eero Saarinen; James Gamble Rogers; Charles Moore; Robert Venturi; Frank Gehry; Eric Owen Moss; James Sterling; William Pereira; Machado and Silvetti- The Chronicle of Higher Education

School’s Almost Out, but These Modular, Eco-Friendly Classrooms Are In: ...a slew of inspiring kit-style classrooms can be constructed on site before the start of the next school year - and at a fraction of the cost. By Alissa Walker -- Gen7; Project Frog; Jennifer Siegal; Toby Long; Kila Design Company [images, links] - Fast Company

Building Green and Healthy Places to Learn: National Building Museum’s “For the Greener Good” discussion on green schools...how do we build green schools? ...Using data to make the case...Obstacles preventing their growth... -- Perkins+Will [links] - The Dirt/American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

Routemaster 2.0: The City of London unveiled a new version of its iconic red doubledecker bus...Set to hit the road by 2012...In addition to being super sleek, the new buses are super sustainable hybrids. -- Foster + Partners/Aston Martin; Thomas Heatherwick/Wrightbus. [images, video] - The Architect's Newspaper

Titanium bridge design competition for University of Akron narrowed to five finalists: A bridge made out of the metal could be just the thing for a region known for, er, rust...As the best of the student designs show, titanium can inspire some very creative design. By Steven Litt [images] - Cleveland Plain Dealer

Wielding Light as a Tool to Shape the Cityscape: Craig Hartman’s Ideas Reconfigure the Region...[his] work...will "survive the magic test of time." By Therese Poletti -- Skidmore, Owings & Merrill (SOM) [slide show] - Wall Street Journal

Historic Preservation and Innovation Take Gold at 2010 ABC Architectural Awards -- Acton Ostry Architects; Walter Franci Architecture/Pechet and Robb; Gear Williamson Architect; Gates_Suter Architects; Birmingham & Wood; Hughes Condon Marler; WMV Public: Architecture + Communication; mcfarlane green biggar; Stantec Architecture; Matthew Soules Architecture [images - pdf] - Architectural Institute of British Columbia (AIBC)

New York City’s Bryant Park Wins 2010 Landmark Award: Thoughtful [1992] redesign transformed derelict space into a model of urban sustainability. -- National Trust for Historic Preservation; OLIN; Davis Brody Bond; Hardy Holzman Pfeiffer [link to images, info] - American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

An Open Letter to Susan Szenasy re: Frank Gehry: Susan, I love and admire you. But I think you are wrong... By Fred Bernstein- ArchNewsNow

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