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Oct. 10-14 NRPA Congress & Exposition

Oct. 12 - Public Forum on I-933

Oct. 13 - Urban Ecology Symposium

Oct. 20 - NPS / ASLA Community Project

Oct. 26 - Fellows Recognition Reception

Oct. / Nov. - Design Film Series

Looking Ahead...

Feb. 2 - 2007 WASLA Conference

President's Message

By Maureen Colaizzi,
WASLA Chapter President

Supporting the Effort - Dues Increase

On September 22, 2006, after careful review of member input, the WASLA Executive Committee voted in favor of increasing Chapter dues for up to a three year period. The additional funding will be allocated to pay for our ongoing efforts to upgrade RCW 18.96 from a title act to a practice act. The largest single expense in this effort is hiring a legislative consultant. A lobbyist consulting fee is about \$10,000 per year which would translate to a roughly \$30.00 per year dues increase. Thank you for supporting our efforts.

Starting January 1, 2007 your membership renewal will reflect the following increase:

Full Members: \$30.00 increase – was \$60.00, now \$90.00 + \$280 ASLA Annual Dues

Associate Members: \$15.00 increase – was \$50.00, now \$65.00 + \$135 ASLA Annual Dues

***Affiliate Members:** No Increase – was \$60.00, now \$60.00 + \$280 ASLA Annual Dues

The Chapter leadership is planning four other major fundraising efforts such as our annual golf scramble and soliciting firm donations. However, a targeted temporary dues increase is necessary to provide a reliable funding source to pay for our legislative efforts. Washington licensees who are not WASLA members will be asked to also make a contribution of \$100.00 this fall to match the three year dues increase that full members will be experiencing.

The WASLA website will be updated to reflect the new dues increase on our membership <http://www.wasla.org/membership.htm>

*Individual that does not have a degree in landscape architecture and is not state licensed to practice landscape architecture but is employed in a related field or discipline such as planning, architecture, civil engineering OR a supplier or manufacturer of products or services to the landscape architecture profession. Chapter dues are required for U.S. members at a cost determined by each chapter.

Supporting the Effort - Advocacy

The Chapter leadership will need your time in addition to your financial support for our Chapter's efforts to upgrade RCW 18.96. Other brown bag discussion will be held in October and November in the Puget Sound and Eastern Washington. To review the current efforts and volunteer to assist with advocacy efforts, you can sign up on our website by clicking on the Green Licensure icon on the Governmental Affairs web page at: www.wasla.org/committees/gov_affairs.htm

National Parks Service / ASLA Community Charrette

The October 20-22 Lake Sawyer Charrette in Black Diamond, is being done in conjunction with the National Park Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program; it is fast approaching.

Teams will be organized in which community members will be combined with volunteer landscape architects to prepare design ideas and conceptual graphic illustrations for the future Lake Sawyer Park.

Don Benson needs Landscape Architects, Designers and Students to step up and volunteer to participate in this very exciting and worthwhile event.

Please contact Don at (206-438-2027) or don_benson@urscorp.com if you would like participate or if there are any questions.

Fellows Recognition Reception & Cultural Landscapes Lecture

Honoring Washington's two newest ASLA Fellows, Charles Anderson & Tom Berger

Date: October 26, 2006
Reception: 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Suggested Donation: \$10.00/person
Registration Required by Oct. 23rd.
Lecture: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Location: Henry Art Gallery

Please join past-inductees into the ASLA's Council of Fellows from Washington State as they recognize and honor our state's two newest Fellows: Charles M. Anderson and Thomas L. Berger. This event will be held prior to a free, public lecture by Charles Birnbaum of the Cultural Landscape Foundation.

Tom Berger founded The Berger Partnership in 1971, and has seen it grow into one of the largest site planning and landscape architectural firms in the Pacific Northwest. The Berger Partnership has received numerous awards and accolades for its portfolio of built work, including: Cal Anderson Park, Islandwood and the REI flagship store in Seattle.

Charles Anderson cofounded Anderson & Ray in 1984, which become Charles Anderson Landscape Architecture in 2001. Known for his modernist approach to design, focus on urban ecology and extensive use of native plants. Representative projects include the Trillium Projects, Mt. Saint Helens, the Arthur Ross Terrace in New York City, and Seattle Art Museum's Olympic Sculpture Park.

Please join us in recognizing the tremendous achievements of these two landscape luminaries.

Licensure Upgrade Brown Bag Lunch Discussion #2

When: October 25, 2006 | 12-1 pm
Location: Berger Partnership

A License Upgrade discussion was held at Mithun on September 14th. We had a lively discussion about our effort to upgrade our current title act to a practice act.

There will be another discussion session on October 25th at the Berger Partnership from 12:00 to 1:00. If you drive, please use on-street parking or the garage at the bottom of the hill. Please contact: Curtis LaPierre, curtis.lapierre@otak.com with any questions.

WASLA 2nd Annual Golf Scramble Overview

September 22nd found WASLA members and sponsors scrambling to chase that little white ball around the links. Our second annual golf scramble was a great success. Number of players increased by 40%, and sponsorship close to doubled this year.

Special thanks to those that helped with the tournament; Keith Banks (Jones & Jones), Erik J. Sweet (SLA Landscape Architecture), Maureen Colazzi (WASLA President), and those at Foster Golf Links.

To all our sponsors, without your help, and dedication growth of our tournament would not have been achievable. We look forward to further involvement with you all at next years tournament.

2007 should again see a major increase in our success. There are many partnerships, and ventures left to explore to make our annual golf scramble a huge success and fun experience.

Thank you all for your help and support.
Erik J Sweet, ASLA, RLA
Golf Co-Chair

ASLA Advocacy Network

Make your voice heard in Olympia and Washington, D.C. The ASLA Advocacy Network is a new online tool that will make it easier for more landscape architects to get involved. The Advocacy Network provides quick and effective means to:

- Communicate with federal and state legislators using background information and draft letters and emails from the Washington Chapter and ASLA;
- Find contact information for state legislators, agencies, and boards; and

- Track legislation that could effect landscape architects in our state.

With the Advocacy Network, we can leverage our numbers and increase our impact in Olympia. Every member of ASLA is subscribed to the Advocacy Network. We encourage you to take a few minutes to log on to the Network and update your personal profile to include your home address. Having this information is critical to our ability to successfully target communications to specific committees and groups of legislators. When you visit www.asla.org/advocacynetwork, simply follow instructions on the homepage -- you can save time by inputting your email address below the address fields to auto-populate some of those fields. Creating a profile here will not impact your ASLA member information and personal information will not be shared.

The ASLA Advocacy Network can be a powerful tool for our Chapter and the profession as a whole. Explore it today and be ready to take action in the future.

WASLA Position on Alaskan Way Viaduct & I-933

WASLA Executive Committee is preparing a position on the Alaskan Way Viaduct and on Initiative 933 for approval at our October 19th Executive Committee Meeting. A copy of the position papers will be available online on the governmental affair web page. Please contact: Curtis LaPierre, curtis.lapierre@otak.com with any questions.

Public Forum on I-933

When: October 12, 2006 | 7-9 pm
Location: University of Washington
Kane Hall, Room 13

Learn more about the Washington Farm Bureau's proposed Initiative 933 and its implications. Moderated by Steve Scher from KUOW.

Glenn Pascall, a regional economist and Research Coordinator for the UW Northwest Center for Livable Communities' study on I-933, will review the initiative's impacts; Professor Sy Adler from Portland State University will discuss Measure 37 that passed in Oregon; and a panel will present various perspectives on I-933. Questions and answers will follow. By: Don Benson, WASLA Trustee.

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Design Film Series

The Washington State Chapter of ASLA is proud to support a showing of selected short design films which showcase projects, cultures and design theory from an international perspective. Additional support has been provided by the University of Washington & the AIA Young Architects Forum.

Where: Grand Illusion Cinema
1430 NE 50th Street
Seattle, WA 98105
www.grandillusioncinema.org

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| October 13 | Lagos / Koolhaas |
| October 20 | Living with the Past, Historic Cairo |
| October 27 | Mile Gilles, A Thousand Gilles |
| November 3 | Kochuu, Japanese Architecture |

2007 WASLA Conference

Innovate : Initiate : Integrate Conference IN Landscape Architecture

Date: Friday, February 2nd, 2007
Time: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Location: Bell Harbor International
Conference Center
<http://bellharbor.com>

Mark your calendars for a day of inspiration at the 2007 WASLA Conference. Come here the newest ideas on innovative technologies, integrated small business ideas, interesting maintenance tips, and green infrastructure. The full day event will also include

new products on display, a chance to catch up with colleagues and meet new people at the luncheon.

Please watch for updates on the website. For sponsorship opportunities please contact Liz Westbrook - lizw@brumbaugh-assoc.com OR (206) 297-4431

Editor's Note

By: Liz Westbrook

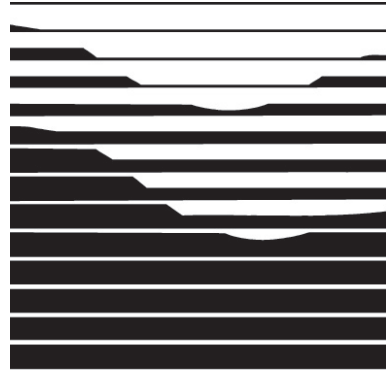
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If you would like to contribute to the WASLA Monthly Newsletter please send inquiries to:
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