Dear Fellows of the American Society of Landscape Architects:

This is the sixth of my quarterly Fellows Business Updates during my two year term as Chair of the Council of Fellows (COF), designed to keep you informed about the activities of the Council and the progress of our key initiatives. In this quarter's message, I'll provide updates on the Fellows Database, a new Annual Meeting Emeritus Registration Category, the 2007 ASLA COF Scholarship recipients, the 2007 Class of Fellows; as well as the COF officer candidates and upcoming election.

Fellows Database: We've reached a significant milestone in this important project! Each of you should have received, by U.S. mail from Jack Sullivan, FASLA of the University of Maryland, a request to verify and update your biographical information for the Fellows Database. The ASLA Council of Fellows has been supporting the development of this database that will identify every ASLA Fellow since 1899, a project that was initiated by ASLA Past President and Fellow Jot Carpenter prior to his death. Jot and his students at Ohio State University completed the Fellows' records for ASLA's first 50 years. For the past several years and with financial support from the Fellows Fund, students in the Landscape Architecture program at the University of Maryland have been compiling additional information, and they now need our help to ensure accuracy and completeness of the data.

We would like to see the database as current as possible--with highlights, not details, of your professional career and pertinent biographical data. Since most of the data was initially collected at the time of your investiture, please feel free to add information about significant accomplishments since that time.

Please reply to Jack's request for confirmation of your biographical information by June 30, 2007. You are welcome to send corrections and new information in either handwritten form (directly on the sheets Jack sent you) or in electronic (Microsoft Word) form. In your electronic document, please be sure to identify each field for which you are correcting or adding information. If you or any ASLA Fellow you know did not receive a letter from Jack with your biographical information, please contact him to let him know. Updates, additions, corrections and confirmations can be submitted by e-mail to jack@umd.edu, or you can write to him at: Jack Sullivan, FASLA, Associate Professor and Coordinator, Landscape Architecture Program, University of Maryland, 2102 Plant Sciences Building, college Park, MD 20742-4452.

2007 ASLA Annual Meeting Emeritus Registration Category: To better serve its retired members, many of whom are Fellows, ASLA is offering a new Emeritus Registration category for the 2007 Annual Meeting in San Francisco. Emeritus members will be able to register for the Annual Meeting for only $80 and can also purchase a guest registration. We hope this will attract many of you who are retired and who may have found the full Professional registration fee unaffordable. This is a wonderful opportunity to visit with longstanding friends and colleagues. And, as I reported in my last update, we have arrived at an exciting format for 2007 Fellows
Business Meeting on Sunday, October 7. This year's Fellows Business meeting will not require a ticket. We will have a complimentary "light lunch" reception for all Fellows, followed by the business meeting in an adjacent meeting room. We hope that the Emeritus registration fee and the no cost Fellows Business Meeting will bring all of you to this important gathering of the Society's Fellows.

2007 ASLA COF Scholarship Recipients: This year we received 16 applications for the Fellows Scholarship from landscape architecture students at 10 accredited schools. From this distinguished pool of applicants, the COF Executive Committee selected two awardees: Paul Cozzolino, Student ASLA, from Texas A&M, and Elizabeth Lee, Student ASLA, from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. Each will receive a $4000 scholarship, along with airfare and complimentary student registration to attend the 2007 ASLA Annual Meeting in San Francisco. After learning of his selection for the Council of Fellows Scholarship, Paul Cozzolino wrote to me to convey his sincere appreciation to the Council of Fellows: "Following our phone conversation, I called all of my family and friends until my face hurt from smiling. Both the scholastic funding and the honor of the award will assist me in my educational and professional goals." You will have an opportunity to meet the scholarship recipients at our Fellows Business Meeting on October 7, 2007, and in the meantime, you can read more about both awardees in LAND online. For full details on the ASLA COF Scholarship, please go to the LAF website. For information about how to make a pledge to the scholarship endowment, go to the pledge form on the ASLA website.

Fellows Class of 2007: The Fellows jury met on Saturday, March 31 to select the 2007 class of Fellows. The Fellows-elect were announced in LAND online and through a national press release. The Class of 2007 includes 33 members: 8 in the administrative category, 3 in knowledge, 7 in service, and 15 in works of landscape architecture. Twenty-three (23) chapters are represented and there is one international Fellow-elect. The newly-elected Fellows will be formally inducted into the Council at our Fellows Investiture Dinner on Saturday, October 6 in San Francisco as part of the ASLA Annual Meeting. We hope you'll be able to join us at this special event to help congratulate and welcome our new Fellows. The 2007 Jury included: Jury Chair Dennis Otsuji, FASLA; Barbara Faga, FASLA; Peter Pollack, FASLA; Katharine Emery, FASLA; and Len Hopper, FASLA, and we thank them for their fine service.

COF Officer Elections: The COF Nominating Committee has put forth the following slate of candidates for your consideration:

Chair-elect

1. Gary Brown, FASLA - WI
2. John Carman, FASLA - KY

Secretary

1. Sandra Gonzalez, FASLA - CA
2. Larry Wilson, FASLA - IA

The entire Council will vote in June to elect the new officers, so please look for your ballot in the mail shortly. The two officers to be elected, along with Rodney Swink, FASLA who becomes Chair in October, will be sworn-in at the 2007 Fellows business meeting. The nominating committee included the following ASLA Fellows: Tim Keller, FASLA from Iowa, Mary Hughes, FASLA of Virginia, and Ed Curtin, FASLA, from Indiana.

As I round out my final year as your COF Chair, I continue to welcome your feedback on any of these issues or other topics of interest to the ASLA Fellows. I look forward to seeing you at the Fellows Investiture Dinner on Saturday, October 6 and the Fellows Business Meeting on Sunday October 7, both in San Francisco in conjunction with the ASLA Annual Meeting.
Sincerely,

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