The Board of Trustees met at the Annual Meeting in Minneapolis on October 5th and 6th. The following Executive Summary provides a brief synopsis of the Annual Operating Plan for ASLA for 2007. This summary highlights those initiatives on which there will be an especially strong focus during FY 2007.

executive offices
- Maintain strong communications with all constituencies, allied professional groups, and organizations with shared interests. Develop and obtain approval for core administrative policies.
- Facilitate ExCom and BOT deliberations to include discussion of emerging issues and key ASLA programs and initiatives.
- Maximize opportunities for tours, outreach, and educational programs surrounding the ASLA green roof.

finance and business operations
- Put Audit Committee in place to oversee audit of the 2007 financials; implement changes in investment policies.
- Coordinate the monitoring of water quality, roof temperature comparisons, and water runoff for the green roof.
- Increase advertising income by 6 percent and corporate membership by 10 percent.

meetings and special programs
- Produce a high quality annual meeting and EXPO that generates over $1,000,000 in profit net of salaries and continue to upgrade/expand the range of speakers and educational programs.
- Produce high quality and cost-effective meetings and special events.

member and chapter services
- Improve the promotion/communication of member benefits and services, including affinity programs through the ASLA website communication, the ASLA Commons, member emails, and mailings.
- Analyze membership trends and the effectiveness of existing recruitment and retention programs in order to grow overall membership by 3 percent and have a retention rate at or above 92 percent.
- Work to grow student membership and support the student and associate membership categories by providing meaningful content for the EPICenter section of ASLA Online.

government affairs
- Implement ASLA Advocacy Network for grassroots state and federal advocacy.
- Support and grow federal advocacy by working with federal agencies and departments, growing lobby day participation, organizing an in-district lobby day, and partnering with federal landscape architects.
- Continue to make progress towards the 50 by 2010 licensure goal. Support chapters' licensure advocacy efforts through chapter visits, the licensure summit, the Licensure Grant program, and the distribution/posting of relevant licensure information.

"Improve the promotion & communication of member benefits and services..."
Participating in the recent ASLA National Meeting in Minneapolis was both an inspiring and daunting experience; inspiring because the profession is emerging from modest beginnings to become a significant national and international voice for sustainable design and environmental protection; daunting because there is still so much to accomplish in our professional development and with the public awareness of our practice. It's against this backdrop that I begin Chapter President duties this month. The challenge seems even greater as I reflect on the talent and accomplishments of those that have held this position before me.

Plans are in motion for a very active year for the Chapter. Our objective is to encourage more landscape architects to join CCASLA, and to involve more existing members. Let me highlight a few of the programs of the coming year......

• Final arrangements are being made for our Vail Design Conference in November organized in partnership with Colorado AIA. The Conference centered on the theme of “Redevelopment” and featured the presentation of the 2006 CCASLA Design Award winners.

• A partnership with the Federation of Colorado Garden Clubs will allow CCASLA to present the Summer Garden Tour in three Front Range locations, the first time outside of Denver.

• Professional education programs like the LARE Review and the LA Track at the Pro Green Expo will be continued as will popular recreational programs like the Golf Tournament and Pheasant Hunt.

• We expect to build on last year’s legislative momentum and bring back State Licensure for landscape architects in Colorado after over 30 years.

• With the combined media outreach potential of our bimonthly newsletter “Exposures” and the chapter website we will continue to improve internal and external communications along with maintaining a healthy income from our new consolidated Sponsorship Program.

• Our commitment to students and our community will continue to be strong with our Scholarship Program sponsored by the JSR Foundation and Chapter Initiative Programs (CIPs) to provide school programs and a tree planting event.

With over 550 members (plus about 100 associate members), the Colorado Chapter is one of the largest and most active chapters in the country. This year we are fortunate to have an outstanding CCASLA Executive Board of both seasoned and new officers that will bring fresh ideas to the management of the organization. I want to specially acknowledge past president, Jane Kulik, for her help in developing a more efficient and effective chapter organization that I’m lucky to inherit.

I look forward to working with you this year and want to hear your comments on our chapter activities and priorities. Please call or write me anytime at 303.969.2493 or mark_tabor@nps.gov. Thanks for the opportunity to serve you and the Colorado Chapter!

Regards,
Mark Tabor
• Support the Chapter Presidents Council and the chapters and facilitate communications between and among the national ASLA, chapter leaders, and student chapters.

"Continue to develop the case and serve as an advocate for the growth of existing and establishment of new landscape architecture programs."

education and academic affairs
• Continue to develop the case and serve as an advocate for the growth of existing and establishment of new landscape architecture programs. Address education issues by partnering with CELA, CLARB, and LAAB.
• Evaluate and improve the accreditation process and make sure standards review and new and revised policies and procedures follow the current trends in accreditation and help the accreditation process to become more useful to educational programs.

landscape architecture magazine
• Expand the coverage of residential landscape architecture, student-related material, award-winning projects, and international coverage consistent with LAM’s commitment to high-quality, responsible design.
• Remain accessible and responsive, via email and other means, to ideas, feedback, and letters to the editor from readers and ASLA members.

public relations and resource development
• Continue building key media relationships to increase the coverage of ASLA and landscape architecture in trade media, national media, radio, and television.
• Enhance the quality of the awards ceremonies and increase participation in less-subscribed categories of the professional and student awards.
• Enhance LAND Online’s functionality and cross-referencing with other ASLA communications and marketing messages; continue website redesign and update/improve content and navigability.

information and professional practice
• Continue ongoing collection development and convert the electronic catalogues of the landscape architecture reference collection and the ASLA publications archives collection to online access for members, staff, and other researchers via the ASLA website.
• Work with the Professional Practice Institute to continue to develop collaborative partnerships to provide additional products and services to members. Complete development of a standard contract form for landscape architectural services.
• Support the growth and work of Professional Practice Networks.

Comments, letters, and articles are always welcomed by the Editor! Please contact Steve Breitzka at: steve.breitzka@rnl design.com with thoughts, concerns, and ideas.
I want to recognize all of our new and renewing members in the Colorado Chapter for the last 6 months. Of course, with the arrival of Fall, we also want to welcome our new and renewing student members at both the University of Colorado and Colorado State University. The following ASLA members who joined from April through September 2006 are:

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as of May 31, 2006

GREAT NEWS FOR THE SOCIETY AS A WHOLE - We just topped 17,000 members at the Annual ASLA national meeting in Minneapolis, MN - October 5, 2006!!!

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2006/2007 CCASLA - Executive Committee
Here is your Chapter elected list of ExCom members! Please contact us with comments, questions and suggestions to keep CCASLA running smoothly and efficiently.

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It is hard to believe that the first eight weeks of the new school year have come and gone. As design students, it is very easy to lose track of time as we typically hit the road running on the first day of school. It is amazing how quickly we end up right in the midst of some great projects without realizing how the past weeks, even years, have flown by. I would like to send out a warm welcome to all new landscape architecture students. First and even second year students may feel as though they are standing at the beginning of a long and intimidating trek. I can assure you that the years ahead are relatively demanding, and at the same time lively, enjoyable, and most of all, rewarding.

The new school year brings a new SCASLA (Student Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects) with a plethora of activities planned throughout the year to keep us busy and inspired. We have just begun our monthly speaking series, bringing landscape architects from around Colorado to speak to the students here at CSU. As a student, I have found the cutting edge ideas presented in our lecture series to be quite inspiring, especially as the school year progresses and I find myself in the thick of my projects. SCASLA is planning our next annual speaking series, LA Days. This year, we will have the benefit of hosting Mark Treeb, George Hargreaves, Andy Spurlock and Michael Van Sweden. We hope to see all of you there in March, 2007.

Looking forward to the multitude of projects and activities that lie ahead in the coming months, I am excited as we bring ourselves one step closer to the professional world. Again, I would like to welcome all new and returning students to the new school year; I hope it is most enjoyable. I invite all of you to join in the activities that SCASLA has lined up and I hope that it brings you inspiration and becomes an integral part of your career as a student.
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Once again, we had a superb, beautiful day for our '11 th Annual CCASLA Golf Classic' at Saddle Rock Golf Club on Friday, August 25th! Good cheer and comradery was had by many of our landscape architects, contractors, and suppliers. We had a record number of players this year...137 avid golfers! Our heartfelt thanks to Jim Pokorny (Goodland Construction), Vivian Kovacs (Landscape Forms) and Teresa Unruh (Colorado Hardscapes) for once again bringing together a great tournament and making sure everyone had a great time!

Because of all the wonderful sponsors who generously contributed, we were able to give out over $3300 in cash, prizes and gift certificates, even donated back to our CCASLA chapter. We KNOW it will be put to good use!

Again, our many thanks to our great sponsors who, without their support, this wonderful event could not happen! Please take a moment to check out this list and remember to thank them for their support!

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CCASLA has joined forces with the Colorado Federation of Garden Clubs to do a combined garden tour for 2007. We have chosen to spread out the tour locations in order to give more LA's a chance to show off their work. The tours will be done in three locations on three Sundays according to the following schedule.

First tour:
June 10, Broomfield/Westminster area

Second tour:
June 24, Castle Pines/Castle Rock area

Third tour:
July 8, Colorado Springs/Broadmoor area

We need the support and interest from our membership. Tickets for the events will be sold for $15.00 at King Soopers for each of the locations. Those Landscape Architects who design residential properties need to submit projects so selection can still be made this fall. Please go to the website to download the PDF entry form, or call the office at 303 830-6616 to have a form faxed over to you. No garden or company is too small or too big to participate!

Design firms are encouraged to submit a public garden, a plaza, and/or a courtyard within these three geographic areas as well as private garden entries. Obviously you only need to assist and participate in the area where your gardens are located. CCASLA will still require the gardens submitted for consideration to be designed by a Landscape Architect and be at least two years old, with three or four years of maturity preferred.

The designer will be expected to be present or have a representative at the garden the day of the tour, work with the owner to have the landscape in presentable shape, and assist in any way possible to promote the tour to the general public. There will likely be six gardens on the tour in each of the three locations along with at least one other public venue designed by a Landscape Architect to emphasize the broad areas that Landscape Architects work within. Profits will be split with the Federation of Garden Clubs and JSCR Foundation/CCASLA.

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**A Critique of the New Denver Art Museum Complex**

The Symposium, moderated by The Department of Architecture, Design & Graphics Curator R. Craig Miller, will feature local guest panelists from a broad cross-section of design professionals. Discussion will center on the impact of the new architectural complex — including the Museum’s North Building designed by Gio Ponti, the Denver Public Library by Michael Graves, and the new Hamilton Building by Daniel Libeskind, the City Center Cultural Complex, and the city at large. Selected questions will be taken from the audience to encourage a stimulating dialogue about Denver’s evolving architectural landscape.

**Tuesday, November 14, 2006**
Denver Art Museum – North Building
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Schlessman Hall
5:00 – 5:30 Reception with Cash Bar
5:30 – 7:30 Symposium

Ticket Prices: Seating is limited to 240
- $7 Students / $10 Design Council & DAM Members / $15 All Others

To RSVP online please go to [www.blacktie-colorado.com/rsvp](http://www.blacktie-colorado.com/rsvp) and enter the event code: ARCH. To RSVP by mail, please send check or cash along with your name, address, telephone, and number of tickets to:
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Ticketing will be at the event check-in desk. Tickets may also be purchased at the door on a space available basis.

For further information, please call: 720.913.0046

"With representatives from 46 countries in attendance and nearly 4,400 registrants, the 2006 ASLA Annual Meeting & EXPO and 43rd IFLA World Conference was a rousing success—topping registration numbers from last year and setting the stage for next year’s Annual Meeting in San Francisco. Featuring nearly 100 education sessions, four general sessions, 185 speakers, two Green Roof workshops, a live demonstration project in the EXPO, and more, this was our biggest meeting yet!"

Find out what you missed or relive your favorite Annual Meeting moments in the current issues of *LAND Online* and *The Dirt*.

Next year’s Annual Meeting in San Francisco promises to be even bigger and better, so mark your calendars for October 6–9, 2007.

Thanks,
Nancy C. Somerville
Executive Vice President
Colorado Springs, CO - William Guman & Associates, Ltd. is pleased to announce that David D. Nickerson has joined the firm as marketing director. Dave was most recently the deputy city manager for the City of Colorado Springs and had also previously been acting city manager and the director of planning and finance. He brings 33 years of experience in municipal public planning and development with him. Jason Alwine, ASLA has been promoted as the firm's general manager/senior associate. Jason is a Ball State graduate and has been with Guman for four years. Shawn P. Comes, ASLA and Joe Lampkowski, ASLA have also been named as project manager/associate with the firm.

William Guman & Associates, Ltd. celebrates 25 years as a corporation for landscape architecture and land planning. The firm is presently retained as lead planners and landscape architects for over 25,000 acres of mixed-use development including Santa Fe Springs (Falcon, CO), Rock Springs Ranch (Peyton, CO), Tacincala (Windsor, CO), Red Rocks Resort Ranch (Huerfano, CO), and The Cedars Equestrian Resort Community (Roseville, CA). Bill Guman, ASLA, APA is the firm’s founder, president, and CEO. He is a former Colorado Springs City Councilman (1993-2001) and City Planning Commissioner. For additional information on the firm please visit www.GumanLtd.com.
CIVITAS, INC.
firm selected to design St. Louis streetscape

Denver, Colorado – Civitas was selected to design a $3 million streetscape project on Euclid Street in St. Louis for the Central West End-Midtown Development. The design for these three blocks will energize the street by accommodating multi-modal transit, sustainable planting and water treatment, and sidewalk cafes. Denver-based Civitas is familiar with the area having recently completed the St. Louis Centennial Greenway master plan. This 14 mile long bike, pedestrian trail and linear park links two major regional parks and passes through five municipalities.

Civitas is a 20 year-old landscape architecture and urban design firm. The Civitas designers are currently working on a master plan to revitalize 32 miles of the Los Angeles River into a green amenity, a transit-oriented development and light-rail station in Denver, a new neighborhood in Kansas City which includes a 20-acre park along the Missouri River, and the 40-acre Museum Park in Miami on Biscayne Bay.

Please contact Isabelle Matteson or Blake Booth at 303.571.0053 for more information.

If you have changed your job, address, phone, fax, or e-mail, please notify Donna Ralston at 303.630.6616 or mngmntplus@qwest.net.
Denver, Colorado - Nuszer Kopatz is currently providing visioning, planning, and landscape architecture services for Turtleback Mountain Resort in Elephant Butte, New Mexico.

The vision for the project is to create a distinct community evocative of New Mexico architecture, landscape, and cultural history. The development will be composed of community spaces and neighborhoods unique to southern New Mexico and unified with an extensive pedestrian trail system. Enhanced desert plantings and distinctive yet interrelated entry monumentation will take advantage of natural features. The community is designed to blend with the surroundings and topography, but also feature the desert environment.

Currently, Phase 1 neighborhoods are being designed while the entry monumentation is installed.

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Thank you for your time and efforts in this year’s CCASLA Professional Design Awards Competition! Please see below for the results of the awards program.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to call (Robb Williamson) at 303.443.7533 x147 or email him at rwilliamson@dtjdesign.com. And again, congratulations to the winners!

Editor’s note: a more detailed awards article will be included as part of the January/February issue next year.

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– VLA, Inc.
Shanghai Pudong Bank Business Information Center
– EDAW, Inc., Denver

**LAND STEWARDSHIP DESIGNATION:**

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– VLA, Inc.

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**CATEGORY 2: PLANNING & URBAN DESIGN**

**PRESIDENT’S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE:**

Coastal Maine Central Gardens
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**HONOR AWARDS:**

Aurora Signature Park – Wenk Associates, Inc.

**MERIT AWARDS:**

Clear Creek Canyon Trail – Wenk Associates, Inc.
Wheatlands Community Vision and Design Guidelines
– DTJ Design
High Plains Arboretum – EDAW, Inc., Fort Collins
Chataqua Park – Mundus Bishop Design, Inc.

**LAND STEWARDSHIP DESIGNATION:**

No Award Presented

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**CATEGORY 3: RESEARCH & COMMUNICATION**

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Sustainable Mountain Trails – Hugh Duffy, National Park Service

**LAND STEWARDSHIP DESIGNATION:**

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**CATEGORY 4: RESIDENTIAL DESIGN**

**HONOR AWARDS:**

No Award Presented

**MERIT AWARDS:**

Nacos Residence – R Design
Mountain Star Residence
– Land Designs by Ellison, Inc.
California in the Rockies – Bluegreen

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Selected by:
Jury of the New York Chapter of ASLA
September 30, 2006
CONSUMER-DRIVEN HEALTH INSURANCE STRATEGY
high deductible health plan (HDHP) & health savings account (HSA)

Co-written by Rich Johnson (President) & Paul Clift of Benefits & Incentives Group, the endorsed group insurance broker/consultant for ASLA/GreenCO members

If you are looking to save some money on health insurance costs and grow your retirement savings at the same time, using pre-tax dollars; then you should consider a qualified High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) accompanied with a Health Savings Account (HSA). These types of plans are available on an individual basis, subject to underwriting approval, or to businesses on a group sponsored basis, which would be guaranteed issue.

HSA: The Health Savings Account (HSA) is an arrangement that allows insured individuals to fund a savings account that may be used for personal reimbursement of eligible health care expenses (medical, dental, vision, Rx. including over-the-counter items). The money going into the account is tax free; it earns interest tax free and is not taxed when withdrawn to pay for qualified healthcare expenses. Any money that is not used in the Plan Year is rolled over to the following year so it is there when the insured needs it most. When the participant reaches age 65 they may withdraw money for any purpose without penalty subject to their tax rate at that time, with the continued ability to withdraw non-taxable funds for eligible health expense purposes.

It is important to note, however, that in order to set-up an HSA plan, a "qualified" underlying High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) must accompany the HSA. This plan must meet certain design regulations, which include:

• The "self-only" deductible must fall between $1,050 to $2,700 and a family deductible from $2,100 to $5,450 (figures are for 2006).
• The family deductible may not contain an embedded single deductible; it must be met by any one or several members of the family. (Example: for a $2,500 family deductible, the deductible can be met by one person with $2,500 of expenses or a combination of all members, 4 persons with $625 each).
• The maximum out-of-pocket limit can be no more than $5,250 for self-only coverage and $10,500 for family coverage (figures are for 2006).
• There can be no office visit copays (other than preventive services) and the prescription drug benefit must first be subject to the annual deductible.

With the above level of benefit reductions, a substantial premium savings should be realized so the consumer can place a portion of the savings into the HSA on a tax-favored basis to help fund for the extra out-of-pocket burden when the situation arises. If the consumer is able to limit their health care to just preventive measures (preventive care is covered at 100%) in any year, then they can rollover the account balance to the next year and continue adding to the account. Eventually, it may be possible to have more than enough money in one’s account to completely fund the added claims exposure under the qualified high deductible health plan.

To see how an HSA with a qualified High Deductible Health Plan can help you your health insurance costs, contact Paul Clift x30 or Julie Johnson x25 at Benefits & Incentives Group, 303.750.6200.
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THIS WORKSHOP WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE!

WHO: Mike Lin
WHAT: Graphic Design Workshop
WHEN: Monday, Jan. 22, 2007, 8am-5pm.
WHERE: Colorado Convention Center
Room 103-105
COST: Members $140
Non-Members $280
Note: This fee is in addition to a one day pass to ProGreen EXPO.

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