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Rain, flooding, mosquitoes...another Manitoba summer! Meanwhile, all efforts are focused on **CSLA Congress 2005: Landscape Architecture – EXPOSED!** There is still time to register or obtain extra tickets to the ice-breaker (August 17th) and banquet (August 20th). If you have any questions about registration, please contact Dean Spearman (dspearman@mts.net). If you have any questions regarding the tours/social events, please contact Jackie Wilkie (jwilkie@mcgowanrussell.com).

The second annual **MPPI/MALA Making the Links Golf Tournament** was held on **Thursday, June 16th**. By all accounts, it was another big success. MALA would like to recognize **Derek Murray** and **Ian Corne** for working so hard to organize and promote this fun event for a very good cause.

MALA is happy to announce that **Doug Clark, FCSLA** has recently been appointed to the Examining Board (replacing Dan Nuttall, who moved out of province). Many thanks are extended to Dan for his past service and to Doug for graciously agreeing to assist on short notice. The Examining Board is now comprised of Jackie Wilkie as Chair (until 2006); Doug Clark (until 2007); and Blake Roberts (until 2008).

Stay tuned for further announcements regarding MALA's "history project", which will be available in time for CSLA Congress 2005. The title of this narrative in CD-ROM format is **Making a Place: A History of Landscape Architects and Landscape Architecture in Manitoba**. Your personal library won't be complete without a copy of this important work by historian Catherine Macdonald!

In response to Council's letter regarding urban agenda issues, a small delegation comprised of **Jim Paterson, Mike Scatliff, Susan Russell** and **Dean Spearman** recently met with **Marie Elliott**, Deputy Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, and **Angela Mathieson**, Assistant Deputy Minister of Winnipeg Strategic Initiatives Division. The CSLA PowerPoint presentation was used to encourage the provincial government to invest more funding into the "green infrastructure" of Manitoba cities and communities. The discussion also turned to obstacles encountered by MALA in pursuit of *The Landscape Architects Act*, so the delegation is now working to follow up on interest shown by Ms. Elliott for MALA's Name Act legislation.

PM Expo (the 17th edition of Canada's largest annual trade show for building owners, real estate, and property management professionals) will be held in Toronto from November 30th to December 2nd, 2005. New for 2005 will be **Ecobuild Canada**, a major new conference that will examine the very latest trends in high performance buildings, energy management and environmental strategies, as well as offering an update on all the key rating systems and best practices in the field of green buildings. Register on-line at www.pmexpo.com to receive a free pass to attend the Show and 100 technical updates and product demonstrations. Call 416-512-1215., ext. 221 for further information.

Publication of the MALA eLetter will be suspended until Council meets again in September. In the meantime, have a great summer and we'll see you at Congress 2005!

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