

Daughters of Charity



As a new addition to the New Orleans East Hospital District on Read Boulevard and Hospital Road, the Daughters of Charity Health Clinic offers a variety of medical services including Primary and Preventive Care, Pediatrics, OB/GYN and Prenatal Care, Behavioral Health, Laboratory Services, and Pharmacy availability to the residents of New Orleans East.



In the spring, Daughters of Charity commemorated the opening of the two-story facility by hosting a ribbon-cutting ceremony with special appearances and public addresses by the Mayor of New Orleans, Mitch Landrieu, and the Archbishop of New Orleans, Gregory Aymond.

The health clinic contains thirty-six exam rooms, two special procedure exam rooms, one laboratory, one pharmacy, two medical home team rooms, three education/training rooms, six behavioral health counseling offices, one 2,500 square foot wellness center, twelve restrooms, and two breakrooms in the two-story, 33,000 square foot facility.

We are proud to offer the fifth location for the Daughters of Charity Services of New Orleans, and we would like to give special thanks to the teams involved with this project, including the Daughters of Charity Services of New Orleans, Blich Knevel Architects, St. Martin Brown & Associates, Holt Consultants LLC, Moses Engineers Inc., Morphy Makofsky Inc., and IMS Engineers.

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Rouquette Lodge

Rouquette Lodge IV reached substantial completion June 2014. The project consisted of 66 monitored residential units for senior citizens. The forty thousand plus square foot building took 18 months to build and is a grand addition to the existing operations of the complex. This new building consists of standard one bedroom units and efficiency units. All units are equipped with a kitchen, full bathroom, plenty of closet space and a nurse call system. The hallways are lined with handrails and each floor has two elevators and stairwells. It has been a pleasure working with the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Christopher Homes, Holly and Smith Architects, Morphy Makofsky, Inc., and KME Engineers, as well as all of the architectural staff and residents of the complex.



Divine Mercy Parish Center

The **Divine Mercy Parish Center** was completed in June 2014 with a collective effort from all parties including the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Post Architects, and the Divine Mercy Catholic Church. This building provides the Church with a space to host fundraising events, meetings, and future campus expansion planning.

The construction of this 7,000 square foot building includes a metal building with exterior stucco plaster and a metal roof. The interior includes a multipurpose room, a warming kitchen, restrooms, and shell space for a future office space build out.

We would like to thank the entire project team including Fr. David Dufour, Fr. Bryan Howard and Jay Lazarre of Divine Mercy Catholic Church, Mr. Andre Villere of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Mr. Skipper Post and Mr.

Brian Falcon of Post Architects, Mr. Kent Gasperecz and Mr. Christopher Tauzin of Assaf, Simoneaux, Tauzin & Associates, Inc., Mr. Dean McKee and Mr. Alan Amos of Fox-Nesbit Engineering, LLC., Digital Engineering and all subcontractors and suppliers.



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St. Andrew's Episcopal School



St. Andrew's Episcopal School's three story addition to Reuff Hall reached substantial completion in June 2014 and has been named Grace Hall. The building is located on Oak Street and is a beautiful addition to the Carrollton Avenue neighborhood. It will be enjoyed by every student enrolled in St. Andrew's for the 2014 – 2015 school year and many more to come. This building consists of a new multi-purpose room, science classroom, math classroom, and music room. It was an honor to complete a job for the school's headmaster, Mason Lecky, alongside Waggoner and Ball Architects.



1725 Baronne Street, Tulane City Center



1725 Baronne Street, the new headquarters for Tulane City Center, reached substantial completion in June 2014. Some of the features of this renovation include sealed concrete flooring, poly carbonate panels in the offices and conference room, refurbished historical windows, and painted bead board ceilings in the lobby. This is the first project we have completed for Gulf Coast Housing Partnership, and with the help of Carl Westerman of CCWIV Architecture and his consultants, this project was a success for all involved.



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1731 Baronne Street, ASHE Cultural Arts Center

Construction is well underway at the former New Orleans Public Service Incorporated (NOPSI) Polymnia substation, soon to house a theatre for ASHE Cultural Arts Center. This is a complex 13,000 square foot renovation. We are currently working on drywall finishing, painting, and fixtures. Installation of historic replicas of the existing steel windows is complete. This theatre will house a lighting system including stage curtains and a pipe grind system, along with a state of the art audiovisual system. We are working with Gulf Coast Housing Partnership and CCWIV Architecture on this historical restoration. The project is scheduled for completion in the fall of 2014.



Gretna Police Headquarters

The new addition at Gretna Police Headquarters for the City of Gretna commenced construction on April 21, 2014. With multiple ongoing projects underway for the police department, including renovations to their existing maintenance building, F. H. Myers is proud to provide the construction of this three-story, 13,000 square foot expansion to the existing Gretna Police Headquarters.

The exterior façade will be constructed of masonry at the first floor and equipped with six inch thick precast concrete panels at the second and third floors creating a modern look to the historic district of Gretna. The interior of the building will contain the police training department, incident command center, communication/IT departments, men and women's locker and bunking areas, offices, conference rooms, lunchrooms, and secured filing rooms.

The current progress includes demolition of the existing portion

of the original police headquarters, as well as driving of the precast concrete piles. Within the next two weeks, the foundation work will begin, followed by the erection of the structural steel structure.

The manner in which we were awarded this project is quite unique. F. H. Myers

and another contractor submitted identical low bids. A coin flip became the determining factor in who would receive the opportunity to construct this building. HEADS PREVAILED! With the design help of Burgdahl and Graves Architects, the entire project will be complete and turned over to the police department in April 2015.



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Martin Wine Cellar



"I am very excited to rebuild our store where it all began in 1946," Cedric Martin, President.

F. H. Myers is building a new Martin Wine Cellar at the original location of 3827 Baronne Street. We join Mr. Martin in the excitement of providing the neighboring uptown area with an upscale deli, catering, and full-scale retail store. The one-story, 14,000 square foot store began construction on April 15, 2014, and will be completed in mid-January 2015. The foundation work for the building has commenced, and erection of the perimeter and interior walls will begin shortly after the slab is poured in mid-June.

The aesthetics of the building consist of a painted brick façade with hardie board siding accents, aluminum exterior storefront windows and doors, and New Orleans style Bevelo gas lanterns installed around the perimeter of the building. The interior of the building will consist of a dining room suitable to accommodate 130 guests, a retail area with choice wines and spirits, a rare wine room, a gift wrapping room, and a deli and cheese counter. The back of house contains a full service deli/kitchen to prepare meals for the dining area and catering services provided by Martin Wine Cellar.

We are pleased to work with Waggonner and Ball Architects to provide Martin Wine Cellar with another location, especially one of such sentimental value.



Trinity Episcopal School, Bishop Polk Hall

Renovations to Trinity Episcopal School's Bishop Polk Hall began on May 30, 2014 as soon as the students left for the summer. This 5,408 square foot space is receiving a premium upgrade, consisting of a new performance platform, custom windows and doors, wood paneling, acoustical wall and ceiling panels, terrazzo flooring, tack boards, audio visual equipment, and decorative David

Chipperfield chandeliers from Italy. This space will serve multiple purposes, including lunch services and student performances.

We are excited to be working with Eskew+Dumez+Ripple Architects on this renovation. Construction will wrap up in the fall just before the start of school.



F. H. Myers Charity Golf Tournament

For the past 20 years, F. H. Myers has had a long standing relationship with St. Michael's Special School. On October 9, 2014 at English Turn Country Club, we will be hosting the 7th annual charity golf tournament benefiting them. These last 6 years, we have raised over \$190,000 for these special needs students. The funds have allowed St. Michael's to build a putt putt course on their campus, as well as assisted with the construction of their playground. The funds have also helped create additional scholarships for children in need.

support of our industry friends. If you would like to make a donation or play in the tournament, please let us know. Email Erin Shaw at erin@fhmyers.com.



We are very excited for the big day and cannot make it a success without the

Technology & Communication



Rachelle Albright, CEO

As I reflected on topics for this newsletter, what was most fresh in my mind was a recent "lunch and learn" that our company hosted on June 16th.

That topic was based on the progression of technology in the construction industry. With the many advances and enhancements in software and technology, the speed of storing and transmitting information has exponentially increased over recent years. These changes have produced many positive results for our firm and our staff. However, the numerous vehicles of communication (emails, smart phones, etc) and our individual time required to filter all of the information, seems to result in some loss of personal interaction. When it comes to "communication", I believe that the balancing act of technological advancements and human interaction is crucial to our relationships, both professionally and personally. Additionally, we have the social media "craze" that seems to consume so much personal energy. I believe we should ask ourselves if we are effectively communicating with one another and how, when, where, and what we are expending our personal energy.

With a 12-year old son, who was only recently given a cell phone, I've now been faced with answering why he cannot have a social media account. We hear about such things as cyber-bullying, ease of access and exposure to inappropriate material, etc., but it's that same old song and dance when it comes to the parent-child discussion....."everyone else has it, why can't I?" So, I reminded my son that he has numerous ways to communicate with his circle of friends.... and heaven forbid you use the antiquated telephone to actually speak to someone. As far as posting your thoughts, opinions, feelings, and whereabouts, it just seems to consume an excessive amount of personal time. The bottom line for me is that our children are not of the maturity to handle the many issues that a "social media" platform can present to them. Yes, I am sure that there are many settings and restrictions that provide certain levels of parental control. The question I have is this, **"With our teenagers and young adults communicating extensively via social media, how effective will they be in their communication skills development later in life? We, as adults, should know that the success of any relationship is good communication."**

This leads me to what I see with many adults and their use of social media. There's been a lot of discussion regarding employers and whether or not to allow access to social media sites at their

businesses. Obviously, the reason for this is due to the potential distraction and thus non-productivity during working hours. There also seems to be much time spent on pure negativity, emotions of the day, and back and forth bantering and debating instead of expending one's time more productively, effectively, and positively. Granted, not all of the social media comments and postings are negative. Many people want to share meaningful and insightful information, give praise to others, connect with long-lost friends and family, or simply post one's latest photographs. However, it just seems to me that there are also many people consumed with posting, commenting, and absorbing everyone else's business.

In closing, as our world changes with so many advances in technology and the instantaneous speed of communication, I believe it is critical that we as adults be more mindful of how these advances affect our personal energy and how our non-verbal communication with others can impact our relationships with the click of a button. We should also be teaching our younger generation that the most effective and result oriented communication is accomplished when face to face. And finally, before we hit "send" or before we "post", we should also remember that old fashion saying **"If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all!"**



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