

***Divine Mercy Catholic Church***

**The Divine Mercy Parish Church** project was completed in the fourth quarter of 2013 with a collective effort from all parties, including the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Post Architects, and Divine Mercy Parish, to provide the congregation with a new church to better serve the parishioners in the Kenner area. On November 16, 2013, the church held the dedication mass, which was attended by over 1,000 parishioners and visitors.

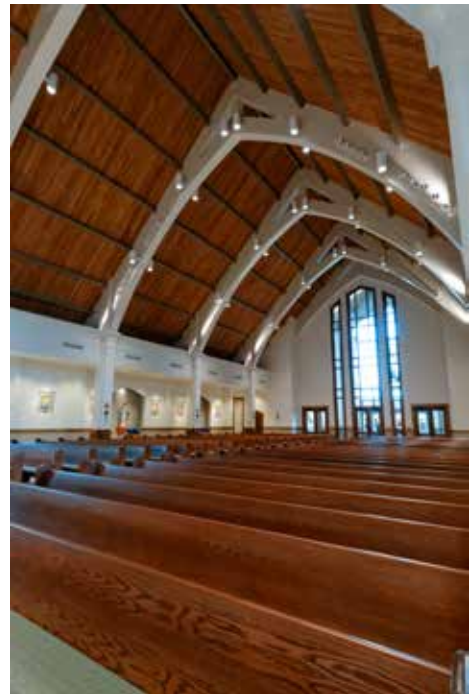
The construction of this 20,000 square foot church includes a 24-hour Adoration Chapel, a choir area, a 74 foot high bell tower, and stained glass windows at the main entrance as well as within the exterior doors surrounding the church. It has the capacity to seat about 1,000 people. The 150,000 square foot paved

parking area allows for approximately 380 cars. All interior lighting is controlled by a dimming system so that variations to the lighting can be programmed for masses, weddings, and other church events.

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, for their hard work and dedication to this beautiful church.

# COMPLETED PROJECT

## *Divine Mercy Catholic Church (continued)*



## *New Orleans African American Museum: Passebon Cottage*

**Stabilization of Passebon Cottage,** just one of the buildings that make up the New Orleans African American Museum, is complete. The 19th century cottage was temporarily shored so that new foundations and structural elements could be constructed to support a new temporary roof. The complete process took about 6 weeks.

The Passebon Cottage, located in Treme, is one of 10 buildings that make up the museum's campus. The remaining work will consist of a complete historic renovation to all of the buildings on the campus as well as several new buildings that will be constructed to reflect the neighborhood as it once was. The scope also contains the development of a

beautiful garden that will be located at the corner of Governor Nichols and N. Villere. We are excited to join Billes Partners and NOAAM with the remainder of the project in 2014.



# UNDER CONSTRUCTION

## Daughters of Charity



**The Daughters of Charity Health Clinic** in New Orleans East is a fresh addition to the hospital district on Read Boulevard and Methodist Hospital Road.

On January 6, 2014, the first floor of the Health Clinic officially opened for business. It contains twenty-four exam rooms, two special procedure exam rooms, one laboratory, one pharmacy, two medical home team rooms, one education/training room, eight restrooms, and one breakroom. The first floor will offer primary and preventative health services.



With the site work and landscaping complete, we will continue work on the exterior façade and the interior build-out of the second floor, while full operation is ongoing downstairs. The second floor will provide an additional twelve exam rooms, six behavioral health counseling offices, two education/training rooms, one 2,500 square foot wellness center, four restrooms, and one breakroom to compliment the first floor. The completion is scheduled for the beginning of February.

The Daughters of Charity has provided health care in New Orleans for 180 years. The health clinic in New Orleans East will be the fourth location that Daughters of Charity Services has opened in addition to their Bywater, Carrollton, and Metairie facilities.



We would like to thank 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.

# UNDER CONSTRUCTION

## Rouquette Lodge

**Rouquette Lodge IV** is nearing the final stretch of the construction process as the building envelope has been sealed and the three floors of interior work are in progress.

We are currently installing drywall on two of the three floors of the building and have completed HVAC, plumbing, and electrical rough-in. The installation of finished flooring and millwork will be the main focus during the month of February. We are looking forward to the completion of this project in the spring of 2014 and to continuing our successful relationship with Holly & Smith Architects.



## St. Andrew's Episcopal School

**Construction is well underway** on the new three story addition to St. Andrew's Episcopal School. The concrete slab, structural steel, fireproofing, light gauge metal trusses, and exterior metal stud framing are all elements of the construction process that have been completed.

We are currently enclosing the building envelope with plywood sheathing, Certainteed siding, windows, and built up and shingle roofing. Completion is scheduled for early summer of 2014. We want to thank Waggoner and Ball Architects and everyone at St. Andrew's for assisting with the continued success of this project.



# UNDER CONSTRUCTION

## 1725 Baronne Street, Tulane City Center



The construction at 1725 Baronne Street, a former furniture store in the Dryades Shopping District, is well underway and upon completion will be the new home of Tulane City Center.

The pile supported foundation is complete as well as all steel and wood structural framing. The current goal is to have the roof completed, all wall penetrations sealed, and all rough-in's complete by the end of February to allow interior work to commence in the beginning of March. We look forward to completing our first project with Gulf Coast Housing Partnership and CCWIV Architecture in June of 2014.

## 1731 Baronne Street, ASHE Cultural Arts Center



Demolition is complete at the former New Orleans Public Service Incorporated (NOPSI) Polymnia substation, soon to house a theater for ASHE Cultural Arts Center. This is a complex 13,000 square foot renovation to a once two level power substation containing two basements. The lower basement will be raised to the height of the upper basement, which will contain storage, laundry, dressing rooms, and public restrooms. The main floor will have a gallery as well as a performance theater.



We are currently working on interior waterproofing, new structural framing, new roofing, HVAC and plumbing rough in, and refurbishing the existing structural steel. Historic replicas of the existing steel windows are scheduled to ship in late February and will be installed in the spring. We are also working with Gulf Coast Housing Partnership and CCWIV Architecture on this historical restoration. The project is scheduled for completion in the fall of 2014.

# NEW CONSTRUCTION

## *Divine Mercy Parish Center*

The **Divine Mercy Parish Center** is an addition to the same campus where the recently completed church is located on Sal Lentini Parkway in Kenner. The 7,000 square foot metal building will have a plaster façade. The interior includes a multipurpose room, a warming kitchen, and shell space for a future office space

build out. Currently we have poured the slab and are erecting the metal building. Construction is scheduled for completion by May 2014. The Parish Center will enable the church to coordinate many fundraising events and other community events adjacent to the newly completed church.



## *Hilti Renovations*

The **Hilti renovation** is an interior remodel to the existing Harahan store on Jefferson Highway. The 3,000 square foot showroom, meeting space, and warehouse will offer an aesthetic upgrade to the store.

This renovation includes demolition of existing interior walls, relocation of one restroom, and installation of new vinyl composite and epoxy flooring. The new conference room is complete, and F. H. Myers will continue to work with the store to stay open and operable during construction. This renovation will be completed by the end of the month.



## Relationships: Current and Future



Rachelle Albright, CEO

As we close the door to 2013 and open another into 2014, I would like to take this opportunity to share some of last year's

successes with our readers. In 2013, a common thread through most of our projects is the word **"Relationship"**. Repeat business with clients as well as development of new client relationships kept us busy throughout the year. We feel our company's motto, **"Quality and integrity by professionals"** helps our employees focus on how to conduct themselves on a daily basis. Because of this, the relationships that have developed over the years are very strong, and the new relationships have a solid foundation at the onset.

In early 2013, we completed our second project for the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's (JPSO) Third District Office in Marrero. The project was similar to the Fourth District Office we completed in 2011 in terms of its functionality; however, the surrounding area and landscape gave the two offices very different looks. This client's understanding of how their buildings must function allowed the entire design and construction team to work seamlessly together. Our relationship with the Archdiocese of New Orleans has been one that we have maintained since we opened the doors in 1987. This year, we completed a multipurpose building for Resurrection of Our Lord in New Orleans East and Divine Mercy

Catholic Church in Kenner. What is unique about these two Archdiocesan projects is that one is an expansion of an existing school campus, and the other is the first building for a new campus development. We are also proud to mention that the nearly 20,000 square foot church is the largest church building we've completed in our company's history. In addition, our relationship with Divine Mercy Parish continues with the construction of their new Parish Center building that began in November.

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We are also fortunate to have been selected as the General Contractor with a few new clients. Our projects for Daughters of Charity, St. Andrew's Episcopal School, New Orleans African American Museum (NOAAM), and Gulf Coast Housing Partnership (GCHP) are in various phases of construction. The projects for both Daughters of Charity and GCHP are in areas of our community that are revitalizing, New Orleans East and Central City. We are tremendously proud to be a part of the growth in these areas of our City. The expansion of St. Andrew's campus is equally exciting as this school

has experienced positive growth over the past few years. The stabilization of Passebon Cottage at NOAAM is just the beginning of the historic renovation at the museum. We look forward to the completion of all of these projects in 2014.

As we enter 2014, the theme of our City's growth and revitalization seems to continue with the project opportunities that are on the horizon. I would like to dedicate this newsletter to each of our employees at F.H. Myers Construction for all of their efforts during this past year, AND most importantly, how each and every one continues to live by our motto, **"Quality and integrity by professionals"**. It's what makes our reputation strong and the **relationships** with all, successful!





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